



The 2011 Victorian Heritage Days in Port Townsend will feature connections between our past and our present. Presentations, social events, tours, and open homes will highlight links between then and now, as we showcase how old homes can adapt to modern expectations of comfort and convenience without compromising their historic look and feel, how whales were and are a part of our lives in the Pacific Northwest, and social events like teas and a dance that bring people together.

PRESENTATIONS



Understanding Old Houses: Experts at the Port Townsend School of Woodworking and Preservation Technology (PTSWPT) will share the examination of old houses to find the stories they tell with respect to their original construction and their current needs.

Weatherizing an Old Home: Historic buildings are inherently sustainable and rehabilitation of historic buildings can easily meet today's green building standards if you know how. An understanding of traditional construction methods can help homeowners make intelligent decisions on how to maintain and insulate without

compromising the historic fabric of their old buildings.



Whales – Then and Now: Port Townsend Marine Science Center staff will explore some of the many whale based products used in Victorian times and how our relationship with whales has changed.



Open Boat Shop at the Northwest Maritime Center. Crews working on annual maintenance of a traditional longboat will share knowledge of the boats, what they were designed to do and what it takes to keep them "ship shape."



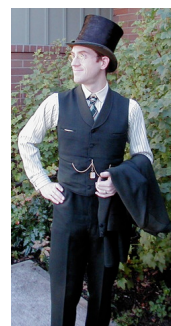
Fashion Show featuring Victorian style clothing. Proceeds will benefit the Jefferson County Historical Society Scholarship Fund.

Quilt display and demonstration of the basics of hand quilting.



A Victorian Lady's Winter Dressing Sequence. Sarah Chrisman will model a delightful collection of authentic Victorian antique clothing in its true context. Learn what Victorian women wore underneath all those beautiful clothes, and what the most alluring sound created by a woman's wardrobe might have been.

A Victorian Gentleman's Dressing Sequence. The brightest plumage was sported by the females of Victorian society, but the men's clothing could actually be more complicated. Gabriel Chrisman explains the intricacies of Victorian gentlemen's clothing as he dons an authentic nineteenth-century outfit, layer by layer.



Heads Held High: The intimate relationship between Victorian posture and clothing. Sunday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m. Sarah and Gabriel Chrisman answer such questions as "What made a woman 'straight-laced?'" What constitutes an 'upright' citizen? and Why don't costumed actors in movies ever look quite like those photos of long ago?" Learn about the intimate intertwining of clothing and lifestyle that affected people's lives in the nineteenth century.

TOURS OF HISTORIC PORT TOWNSEND

- **Walking Tours** of uptown and downtown historic districts.
- **Bus Tours** of Port Townsend's historic districts. *Advance reservations strongly recommended.*



SOCIAL EVENTS



Family Social at the Jefferson Community School will feature family parlor games popular in Victorian times.

Equinox Dance: *Hands Across the Centuries* – Represent your favorite period of Northwest past or present. Come to dance the night away, or to listen to delightful music. *Advance reservations recommended.*



Victorian Tea -- served Saturday and Sunday afternoons. *Advance reservations required.*

MUSEUMS AND HOMES WILL BE OPEN

Port Townsend Realtors® will hold **open houses** at homes with special focus on those homes that are of historical note. A map of Victorian Heritage Days venues and open homes will be posted on our website and be available at the visitor's center and all event venues.



Jefferson County Historical Society Museum, located in the Port Townsend City Hall building, features exhibits in the former municipal court room, fire hall and jail spaces. <http://www.jchsmuseum.org>

Rothschild House, Port Townsend. The house has been left intact, as the family remembered it from its early years. As such, it is a surprisingly accurate reflection of our culture 100 years ago. The parlor waits for visiting callers. <http://www.jchsmuseum.org/Rothschild/history.html>



Fort Worden's Coast Artillery Museum will be open for the Victorian Heritage Days to share with visitors the models and artifacts of fortifications and emplacements used to protect Puget Sound harbors from the late 1880's to the end of World War II

http://www.centrum.org/fortworden/2007/04/coast_artillery.html



Fort Worden's Commanding Officer's Quarters, completed in April 1904, features late Victorian and Edwardian furnishings and provide a unique glimpse into the life of a senior U. S. Army officer and his family in the first decade of the 20th century.

<http://www.jchsmuseum.org/coqtour.html>



Port Townsend Marine Science Center exhibits and artifacts offer visitors an opportunity to see real whale teeth and bones and to compare the relationships of whales and people living in the Pacific Northwest in the Victorian times and today. <http://www.ptmsc.org>

Kelly Art Deco Light Museum features chandeliers, sconces, and table lights that graced middle and upper class homes during the Depression. Downstairs in the Vintage Hardware showroom are spectacular examples of lighting from the Victorian era



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