

Popular National History Day Topics with Local Connections:

1. Seneca Falls
 - Local New Haven and CT suffragettes, i.e., protest outside of Winchester factory in New Haven
 - Catherine Beecher
2. Vietnam War
 - a. Walter Cronkite saying he did not believe in the war
 - b. The Tet Offensive
3. Triangle Shirtwaist Fire
 - Franklin Street Fire in Wooster Square in 1950s
4. French Revolution
 - a. Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen
 - b. The Three Estates
 - Oliver Cromwell and the English Civil War – affect on colonies
 - Charles II – Restoration of Monarchy and affect on colonies
5. Civil Rights Movement
 - a. March on Washington
 - b. SNCC
 - c. Voting Rights Act
 - d. Selma
 - Martin Luther King, Jr. visited and spoke at Mishkan Israel in Hamden after Rabbi Goldberg wrote him a letter defending Martin Luther King's actions
6. Gettysburg
 - CT Regiments that fought in Civil War: CT 9th (Irish), CT 29th (Colored Volunteer)
 - Use letters from Whitney Library
7. Nazis
 - a. Propaganda
 - b. Holocaust
8. Sputnik
9. Revolutionary War
 - a. Saratoga
 - b. Build-up
10. Anything 1968
11. Great Depression and New Deal
12. Invention of Penicillin

13. Invention of Salk Vaccine for Polio

14. Title IX

15. Henrietta Lacks

Local New Haven Topics for History Day

2013 Theme: Rights and Responsibilities in History

- Creating the 9 Squares of New Haven
- Early Settlers of New Haven Colony
- The Quinnipiacs in the New Haven Colony
- John Davenport & The 3 Regicides
- Benedict Arnold: Traitor?
- Nathan Hale: A Revolutionary Spy
- Eli Whitney & The Cotton Gin
- The Supreme Court in the Amistad Case
- The Birth of the Amistad Committee
- The Amistad Incident
- Workers' Strikes in Wooster Square
- Women's Suffrage Movement in New Haven Area (1916 Suffragettes' march to Winchester Arms Co.)
- The Oystering Industry in New Haven
- Sargent Company and Making the Most of New Haven Harbor
- Winchester Arms Company's Affects on the Environment
- Richard C. Lee and Urban Renewal
- Redevelopment and the Construction of I-95 & I-91
- Historic Preservation in Wooster Square
- Court Street: A Success Story in Urban Planning
- The New Haven Green: Should it Stay Green?
- Rerouting the Q Bridge
- Making Route 34
- Rethinking Route 34 in New Haven
- Public & Private Education in New Haven
- Town & Gown: Yale's Responsibilities to the Public