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## **Public input sought for State Historical Society programming**

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota State Historical Society is seeking input from the public for the development of future programming.

Citizens are being asked to complete a short online survey. The survey can be accessed from the society's website at [history.sd.gov](http://history.sd.gov) or by logging on to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MTMVZV2>.

The survey asks people what topics in South Dakota history interest them, as well as what kinds of programming they like.

"The State Historical Society collects, preserves, interprets and promotes the history of the people of South Dakota," said Jay D. Vogt, director of the State Historical Society at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. "One way the society interprets that history is through public programming, and the survey will help the society to better focus its programming efforts.

"Suggestions from the public are of great importance in planning future outreach," Vogt continued. "We want to be sensitive to the desires of the people so that our programming matches their interests."

The survey will be available through June 9.

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### ***About the South Dakota State Historical Society***

*The South Dakota State Historical Society is a division of the Department of Education. The State Historical Society, an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is headquartered at the South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. The center houses the society's world-class museum, the archives, and the historic preservation, publishing and administrative/development offices. Call (605) 773-3458 or visit [www.history.sd.gov](http://www.history.sd.gov) for more information. The society also has an archaeology office in Rapid City; call (605) 394-1936 for more information.*