



Smithsonian Exhibition, *The Way We Worked*, Continues Utah Tour at Two Venues in Fillmore

Salt Lake City, Utah, July 12, 2017 – [Utah Humanities](#) announces that [The Way We Worked, a Museum on Main Street \(MoMS\) exhibition](#) continues its year-long Utah tour with a stay at the [Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum](#) in partnership with [President Millard Fillmore Library](#). Presented by Utah Humanities, the [Smithsonian Institution](#), and communities statewide, the Fillmore portion of the tour opens at the Fillmore Library and then moves to the Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum, taking place from July 15th through September 9th.

The Way We Worked exhibition examines the strength and spirit of American workers through archival images, compelling videos, and fascinating interviews. As the tour makes its way through Utah, we'll be reminded that "we aren't the Beehive state for nothing!" and better understand how work is a key component of Utah's own identity.

To accompany and complement the Smithsonian exhibition, the Fillmore host team has curated two companion exhibits: *Faces of Fillmore* celebrates the people of Fillmore and their work in many different fields. Come see some familiar faces and learn what they do and why they love it at the Fillmore Library. *Mountain View Mushrooms: A Fillmore Staple* explores how this company has provided work for a diverse group of employees and been a community fixture since 1974. See it at the Territorial Statehouse. In addition to these exhibits, visitors can enjoy a variety of other family-friendly events. The Smithsonian exhibition in Fillmore opens on:

Date: Saturday, July 15th, 2017

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Fillmore Library, 25 South 100 West, Fillmore, UT

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More information about *The Way We Worked* events in Hyrum, [visit](#)

<http://utahhumanities.org/images/centerheritage/docs/TWWWFillmorePublicProgramSchedule.pdf>

Carl Aldrich, Project Director and Ranger at Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum remarks that "This project has been an exciting way to build new partnerships in the community and to rejuvenate local interest in the Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum. I have brought together school groups, citizens of Fillmore who are currently unrepresented in our museum, and several local businesses to pull this off. Our local labor exhibition is a project involving over 75 people--which in a small community like Fillmore is a significant percentage of the population. I hope that when people come to see *The Way We Worked* and our local exhibit that they will realize that our museum is not just a place to visit once in a lifetime. We are always doing new community activities and putting together new exhibits for people to learn about our territorial and local history."

Stephanie Aleman, Librarian at Fillmore City Library adds that "Fillmore City Library is excited to co-host *The Way We Worked* for the first half of its time in Fillmore. We have a lot of fun activities planned for people of all ages to learn about different kinds of work. Our partnership with Territorial Statehouse State Park has spawned so many great ideas for our community. Many of them may never get to travel to the great museums in our country, so having Smithsonian exhibit in town will be a huge benefit.

Bart Adams, Owner and CEO of Mountain View Mushrooms says "Mountain View Mushrooms is committed to supporting our community. When we were approached about this project, it was a no brainer. Partnering with Territorial Statehouse State Park on this exhibit is an opportunity to show off our great employees and show our community how we "work". Like the State Park, the mushroom farm has played an important role in Fillmore for many years and we are excited to share this with the visitors of the State Park. As always, we encourage you to "Eat More Mushrooms!"

Megan van Frank, Director of the Center for Community Heritage at Utah Humanities, is coordinating the exhibition tour in Utah. In explaining the critical role Utah Humanities plays in bringing the Smithsonian tour to Utah, she says, "We work hard to bring this experience to local communities, and the collaboration among national, state, and community organizations benefits everyone. We work closely with the host museums, helping to build their expertise in hosting a national exhibition. The entire experience directly strengthens Utah museums and helps to preserve and share Utah history." She also hopes that, "visitors to the exhibition will come away with a panoramic and personal view of how work has shaped the state of Utah as well as their personal lives. The exhibition is a unique opportunity for Utahns to tell their own work stories as part of local, state, and national conversations."

To learn more about the statewide tour, contact Utah Humanities at 801.359.9670 or visit <http://utahhumanities.org/index.php/Center-for-Community-Heritage/the-way-we-worked-exhibition.html>.

The six host sites and dates for this exhibition are:

January 28 – March 18, 2017

[Ogden Union Station Museums](#)

March 25 – May 13, 2017

[Hyrum City Museum](#)

May 20 – July 8, 2017

[Museum of the San Rafael](#)

July 15 – September 9, 2017

[Territorial Statehouse State Park Museum](#)

in partnership with [President Millard Fillmore Library](#)

September 16 – November 4, 2017

[Silver Reef Museum](#)

November 11 – January 15, 2018

[Park City Museum](#)

The Way We Worked has been made possible in Utah by Utah Humanities. The exhibition, created by the National Archives, is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and State Humanities Councils nationwide. Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress.

Utah Humanities has also received strong local support for this exhibition. Partners and generous funders include The Utah Museum of Fine Arts, The Utah Division of State History, The State of Utah, The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Foundation, The Lawrence T. and Janet T. Dee Foundation, Union Pacific, KCPW, and Utah Public Radio.

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