



Attendees at a 2023 Black History Month program at the Aviation Museum of N.H.



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2024

EXPLORING AVIATION

PRESENTATION SERIES

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AVIATION MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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'EXPLORING AVIATION' PROGRAM OVERVIEW

About the series: The Aviation Museum's Exploring Aviation presentation series offers a year-long schedule of cultural, historical and informational programs, all connected with some aspect of flight. Our aim is to engage the public and further an understanding of the role that aviation plays in our lives.

What's coming up? Planned topics for 2024 range from author book-signings to a hike to a crash site in the White Mountains. The lectures, presentations, and film screenings support the museum and its mission to inspire a broad audience about all aspects of flight, aviation, and aerospace through a humanities lens.

More lectures: When possible, presentations are recorded on video, to be made available on the Aviation Museum's website at a later day. Also, presentations developed by staff/volunteers of the Aviation Museum may be taken "on the road" to outside groups such as local libraries or historical societies. For more information, contact Leah Dearborn at (603) 669-4820, ext. 402.



Author Paul Houle speaks about his book, 'The Crash of Delta Flight 723,' in July 2023 at the Aviation Museum of N.H.

2024 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Events and programming subject to change. Please check www.aviationmuseumofnh.org to confirm.

Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

MEET LINDBERGH'S PILOT In the spring of 1974, an ailing Charles Lindbergh made his final flight — as a bed-ridden passenger on a United Air Lines DC-8 from New York to Hawaii, where soon afterwards he died. Now, 50 years later, meet one of the pilots of that flight: Ken Perkins of Hampton, N.H., who will recount his encounter with the Lone Eagle, plus stories and tales from his seven decades in aviation.

Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

'THE FLYING ACE' BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM To mark Black History month, join us for 'The Flying Ace' (1926), a rare surviving aviation-themed feature film produced for segregated Black-only theaters in the U.S. in the 1920s. Named to the National Film Registry in 2021. Shown with live music by silent film accompanist Jeff Rapsis.

Thursday, March 14, 2024: 7 p.m.

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WOMEN AND THE NIGHT SKY We mark 'Women in Aviation History Month' with a visit from Jenny Powers, director of science at the Springfield (Mass.) History Museum. Powers, an expert in the field of astronomy for small museums, will relate the many important contributions made by women in history to a better and more complete understanding of the skies above us.

Thursday, April 4, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

USER'S GUIDE TO THE 2024 TOTAL ECLIPSE Join us as we review everything you need to know about the rare total solar eclipse that will be seen throughout North America (including northern N.H.!) on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Thursday, April 18, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

FOR EARTH DAY: 'TURTLES FLY, TOO' Local pilot David Dineen volunteers his time to help relocate (by air!) misguided sea turtles that find themselves in the relatively chilly waters of New England, where they cannot survive. Learn all about 'Turtles Fly, Too!,' a group whose mission is to facilitate the use of general aviation to transport endangered species and to promote conservation through education and outreach.

Thursday, May 9, 2024: 7 p.m.

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'ASK THE AIRPORT DIRECTOR' UPDATE Ted Kitchens, aviation director at Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, highlights recent trends and developments at the airport, home of the Aviation Museum and a key economic engine for southern New Hampshire.

Friday, July 26 & Saturday, July 27, 2024

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NORTHEAST AIRLINES FLIGHT 792 Join us for a two-day program about a legendary crash that happened 70 years ago in New Hampshire's White Mountains, including a hike to the crash site near the summit of Mt. Success, just east of Berlin, N.H. on the Maine border, where wreckage still remains. Reservations required; all participants must be experienced and equipped hikers capable of 10-mile day hike over rough terrain.

Thursday, Sept. 19, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED Join us for a program exploring the past, present, and future impact that aviation and aerospace have had on our lives in N.H. and around the globe.

Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED Join us for a program exploring the past, present, and future impact that aviation and aerospace have had on our lives in N.H. and around the globe.

Thursday, Nov. 7, 2024: 7 p.m.

'Exploring Aviation' Presentation Series

PROGRAM TO BE ANNOUNCED Join us for a program exploring the past, present, and future impact that aviation and aerospace have had on our lives in N.H. and around the globe.

SPONSORSHIP INFO

Due to the variety of thought-provoking topics, the Aviation Museum's 'Exploring Aviation' presentations often received media coverage and attracts a dedicated audience. The series provides an opportunity for businesses or individuals to be associated with a unique public program and demonstrate commitment to enhancing the region's quality of life. We welcome sponsorship inquiries about underwriting this series.

Sponsorships start at \$1,000 annually. Proceeds from underwriting will be used to continue to develop the series. For more information about the Aviation Museum's 'Exploring Aviation' presentation series, contact:

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