Hull Lifesaving Museum

Presents:

Crossroads:

Change in Rural America

October 30 – December 10, 2022

An exhibit by the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Initiative

A program of Mass Humanities
What is Crossroads about...

“The Crossroads: Change in Rural America” exhibit offers small towns a chance to look at their own paths to highlight the changes that affected their fortunes over the past century. The exhibition will prompt discussions about what happened when America’s rural population became a minority of the country’s population and the ripple effects that occurred.

Why is Hull a Crossroads?

Located at the entrance to Boston Harbor, Hull could very well be described as a Crossroads both in its evolution from small fishing, farming and coastal trade center to playground of the rich in the 1920's and then a struggling seaside bedroom community for Boston up through present day successes with renewed interest in coastal living and modern ferry transportation to connect the remote peninsula of Hull to Boston. As Hull has reinvented itself time and again, the lifesaving history and the station itself have remained.

What is our objective in presenting Crossroads?

The museum's goals in hosting this exhibit include bringing greater awareness to small town issues and showing how Hull's history and current state are both similar to and different from other small crossroad towns. The net effect will be a renewed sense of optimism and positive energy which will build more excitement and interest for the Museum and its programs while inspiring visitors to the exhibition.

Hours and Schedule:

Monday & Thursday - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am - 4:00 pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday – CLOSED

For reservations at other times and for larger groups, please call office.

(We will be open on Veterans’ Day – 11/11/22)
Hull Lifesaving Museum “Crossroads” Program Schedule:

**Hull Village Architecture Walking Tour**  
with Bob Pahl  
Saturday, October 15, 2022, 10 am – 12:00 noon  
St. Nicholas parking lot, 128 Spring St., Hull, MA  
[Learn More](#)

**Hull: A Community’s Journey of Diversity Panel Discussion**  
with Chad Wolfe  
Thursday, October 20, 2022, 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Nantasket Beach Resort, 45 Hull Shore Drive, Hull, MA  
[Learn More](#)

**Early Families of Hull and Other Genealogical Connections**  
with Chris Childs  
Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Nantasket Beach Resort, 45 Hull Shore Drive, Hull, MA  
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**Clash of Cultures: The Pilgrims and The People of the First Light**  
with Sean Baggett  
Saturday, November 26, 2022, 10:00 – 11:30 am  
Y Street Parking Lot, Hull, MA  
[Learn More](#)

**History of Massachusetts Lobstermen’s Association**  
with Beth Casoni  
Thursday, December 1, 2022, 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Nantasket Beach Resort, 45 Hull Shore Drive, Hull, MA  
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**Hull at the Crossroads: From Summer Playground to the Next Big Thing**  
with Chris Haraden  
Thursday, December 8, 2022, 7:00 – 8:00 pm  
Nantasket Beach Resort, 45 Hull Shore Drive, Hull, MA  
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Through a partnership with the Smithsonian, Mass Humanities is proud to announce that the Hull Lifesaving Museum will join five other local Massachusetts organizations to host “Crossroads: Change in Rural America,” a traveling exhibit produced by the Smithsonian Institution’s Museum on Main Street program.

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