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## **Historic New Harmony's Tour Season Begins March 15** *Tour season opens with a new Golden Troupe exhibit*

NEW HARMONY, IN (February 23, 2009) – A new season of Historic New Harmony's guided walking tours begin Sunday, March 15. Tours run daily at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and start with a short orientation film and exhibits of New Harmony's rich history in the Atheneum/Visitors Center.

Included in the tour, the new *Golden Troupe* exhibit will focus on the props that were used during the Golden family's performances. They were a traveling theater company that was based in New Harmony in the late 1800s and gave performances across the country. The exhibit will highlight their costumes, accessories, and props. There will be wigs the actors actually wore, broadsides that advertise the *Golden Troupe*, and photographs of the actors in costumes. The exhibit is showcased at Thrall's Opera House, which was also the *Golden Troupe's* home theater.

The conducted walking tour starts at the award winning Atheneum/ Visitors Center. Ticket prices are \$10.00 per adult, \$9.00 for seniors and AAA members, \$5.00 for students ages 7-17, children under age 7 are free, and \$25.00 for a family. New Harmony residents, as well as University of Southern Indiana students, staff and faculty can tour for free with valid ID.

Group tours can be customized to accommodate their interest and available time. Anyone interested in a group tour should contact Sara Brown at [sbrown1@usi.edu](mailto:sbrown1@usi.edu) or call 812-682-4474 for more information.

### **About Historic New Harmony:**

Historic New Harmony's mission is to preserve New Harmony's utopian legacy by inspiring renewal and fellowship between people and communities through its programs and collections. Historic New Harmony is a unified program of the University of Southern Indiana and the Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites. For more information on Historic New Harmony, please visit [www.newharmony.org](http://www.newharmony.org).

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