

# Capacity Within

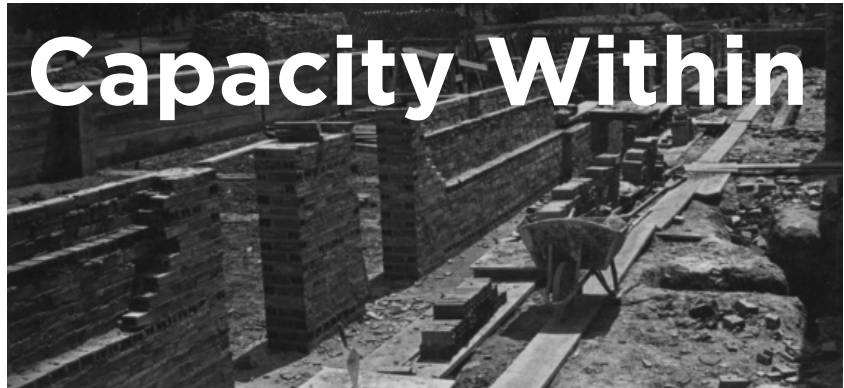
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8:30 to 9	<b>Registration, coffee, refreshments</b>
9 to 10	<b>General Session</b>
	<p><b><i>Capacity Building from a Position of Strength</i></b>  <b>David Grabitske, Local History Services Office</b></p> <p>Minnesota historical organizations are some of the strongest in the country. That strength comes from within and from the strong network of support from our fellow history organizations. Learn about the critical success factors associated with building capacity.</p>
10 to 10:30	<b>Break</b>
10:30 to 12:00	<b>Plenary</b>
	<p><b><i>Getting What Your Museum Needs from Contractors</i></b>  <b>Mary Warner, museum manager, Morrison County Historical Society</b></p> <p>Your knowledge, experience, skills, and good sense all guide you when undertaking every museum project. Some projects require calling in contractors, many of whom are unaware that a museum is a specialty environment. Learn how to communicate museum standards to contractors so that all your projects will be good projects.</p>
12 - 1	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 to 2:30	<b>Concurrent sessions</b>
	<p><b><i>Effective Grant Writing</i></b>  <b>John Fulton, MHS Grants Office</b></p> <p>Drawing on years of experience helping students at the Metropolitan State University Writing Center and years of working with grant applicants, John Fulton will help you learn how to write winning proposals by more effectively using the strong English language skills you already possess.</p>
	<b>Or</b>
	<p><b><i>Balancing Museum Needs in Historic Structures</i></b>  <b>David Grabitske, Local History Services Office</b></p> <p>Based on the Standards and Excellence Program for History Organizations, learn how to use the capacity of your historic property to meet the needs of a modern museum.</p>
2:30 – 3:00	<b>Wrap up and Rest</b>

3:00	Tour
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## 2013 Local History Workshops

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**To Register:**  
Complete and mail the registration form. Or you may register online at:  
[www.mnhs.org/mhowkshp](http://www.mnhs.org/mhowkshp)

**Fee:**  
\$30 per person before April 19,  
\$40 per person after April 19.

Includes materials, lunch,  
refreshments, and special tour.

**Questions?**  
Contact: John Fulton  
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## Dates & Locations:

### Friday May 10, 2013

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Host:** Morrison County Historical Society  
2151 South Lindbergh Drive, Little Falls, MN  
**Map:** [goo.gl/maps/83wNf](http://goo.gl/maps/83wNf)



### Friday May 24, 2013

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Host:** Brown County Historical Society  
2 North Broadway, New Ulm, MN  
**Map:** [goo.gl/maps/jcRqy](http://goo.gl/maps/jcRqy)



### Friday June 7, 2013

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Host:** Clearwater County Historical Society,  
Highway 2 West, Shevlin, MN  
**Map:** [goo.gl/maps/bmrgk](http://goo.gl/maps/bmrgk)

