



EASTCONN, in partnership with Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, Hartford and Tolland Public Schools, presents



A JAMES CLARK EXCELLENCE IN HISTORY TEACHING PROGRAM

## 2 days of energizing and invigorating history teaching! FREE for Social Studies Teachers, Media Specialists & Elementary Teachers Wed., Oct. 7, 2015 and Fri., Oct. 9, 2015

The Smithsonian's National Museum of American History (NMAH) will share its interdisciplinary "do history" approach to teaching with a focus on everyday objects, people-centered stories and dialogue.

**Date/Time:** October 7, 2015, 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Mark Twain House & Museum  
351 Farmington Ave., Hartford CT 06105

**Audience:** Elementary Teachers (grades 4+), Middle and High School Social Studies teachers, Library/Media Specialists

**Register:** <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/13535>

**Date/Time:** October 9, 2015, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Location:** Tolland High School  
1 Eagle Hill Road, Tolland CT 06084

**Audience:** Secondary Social Studies Teachers (grades 7-12), Library/Media Specialists

**Register:** <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/13536>

**Topics include:**

- Evaluating Sources of Information with a Focus on Common Core and 21st Century Skills
- Historical Investigations
- Teaching with Music
- Teaching with Drama: Teaching Strategies and Debate
- Lesson Planning: Small Group Work Using Smithsonian Resources
- Cross-Curricular Connections through Invention and Innovation
- Local Connections to Regional Stories and Resources



The Star Spangled Banner, one of the millions of objects digitally accessible for teaching

**Topics include:**

- Introduction to the NMAH and Common Core Connections
- Questioning Strategies with Objects
- Tools of the Historian: Game Show, Focused on Analyzing Multiple Sources
- Classroom Application

- Objects for Analysis: Using Objects to Advance a Historical Argument
- Teaching with Drama

### Only a few weeks before the program begins...ACT NOW!

**Participants will receive:** Free teaching materials; Links to Web resources; Teaching tools that assist students with "doing history"

**Cost: FREE (both workshops).** For the Oct. 9 workshop only, up to \$90 substitute reimbursement is available for each teacher a district sends.

**Space is limited to 50 participants for each workshop. Deadline: Sept. 30.**

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**More information at** [www.eastconn.org/LetsDoHistory](http://www.eastconn.org/LetsDoHistory)

*“I came away excited: to step back from my classroom to get some new ideas or twists on old ones was just great; it was like a shot in the arm or energy boost... now I'm excited to go back and use what I learned.”*

–WV teacher