

Smithsonian Exhibit: Journey Stories

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Journey Stories is a traveling exhibition created by the Smithsonian Institution and brought to five communities around Utah from May 2014 to March 2015 by the Utah Humanities Council. Journey stories are tales of how we and our ancestors came to America – and are a central element of our personal heritage. From Native Americans to new American citizens and regardless of our background, everyone has a story to tell. What's yours?

Accompanying Journey Stories is the Uintah County Heritage Museum's local exhibition called "From Obstacle to Opportunity: the Green and Yampa Rivers." The exhibition illustrates the dynamic history of the Uinta Basin by comparing Green and Yampa River journeys from the late 19th to late 20th centuries and showing the change in who ran the river, how they traveled, and the reasons why they made the journey. The museum is also hosting "River Ramblings," an open art and photography exhibit on display through August 1, 2014.

See "Journey Stories" and "From Obstacle to Opportunity" from July 19 - September 5, 2014 at the Uintah County Heritage Museum, 155 East Main Street, Vernal, Utah 84078 phone: (435) 789-7399
<http://www.westernheritagemuseum-uc-ut.org/>

Journey Stories is part of Museum on Main Street, a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and the Utah Humanities Council. For more information, see
<http://www.utahhumanities.org/journeystories.htm>

Contact Info

Cost

Smithsonian Exhibit: Journey Stories is a **free** event.

Details

Contributed	Free
Family Friendly	All Ages

Website: www.uintahmuseum.org

Venue Information

Uintah County Heritage Museum

155 East Main Street Vernal, Ut 84078

Smithsonian Exhibit scheduled to stay till September

By Liberty Best lbest@ubmedia.biz | Posted: Monday, August 4, 2014 4:17 pm

The traveling Journey Stories exhibit has made its second stop of the tour at Uintah County Heritage Museum and will leave for its third location September 5. The Journey Stories exhibit is a Smithsonian Institution creation displaying the reasons people traveled to the western United States and settled in remote areas.

Linda Wilson at Uintah County Heritage Museum said the exhibit is sponsored by the Utah Humanities Council as well as the Smithsonian, traveling to five different places throughout Utah.

“This first one is a One Way Trip,” Wilson said. “I like it because back then when people left their home, they left it for good. Most of them never did go back home, left their home and their possessions.”

With many exhibits showing how and why people left their homes to come west, there is also an additional exhibit which is unique to this area.

“Ours is 'From Obstacle to Opportunity,’” Wilson said. “Bus Hatch was the first person to actually have a commercial permit to run any river in the United States. He grew up and was part of our community, in fact he's my uncle It was interesting for me to do that exhibit because it is personal.”

The Vernal exhibit is on the right-hand side of the Smithsonian portion of the museum, one of the first exhibits seen as you walk through. The Journey Stories takes you from Utah's story to the nation's story. Building a vivid depiction of the past and lives that were lived as they traveled across treacherous terrain to settle in unknown land.

The river journey portion of the exhibit will stay until the end of the year, not leaving when the Smithsonian does. The museum is still not complete, many ideas are being passed around by employees to make the Uintah County Heritage Museum everything the public may be looking for.



Journey Stories

Dale Pratt looks at the Journey Stories exhibit while it is still in Vernal.

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Yampa River Story

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Historical Artifacts

The Smithsonian display will remain in Vernal until September. Visitors can view artifacts and objects depicting the stories of journeys taken by people who settled the western United States.

