Longfellow’s City and Portland History Expedition with Maine Historical Society

*in partnership with Osher Map Library & Smith Center for Cartographic Education*

*Longfellow’s City:* available during the school year, April-December

cost is $3 per student, $3 per chaperone, no charge for teachers

*Portland History Expedition:* available during the school year, May-October

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Maine Historical Society now offers educational programming options in partnership with Osher Map Library & Smith Center for Cartographic Education!

Schools now have the option to pair Maine Historical Society’s *Wadsworth-Longfellow House Tour* and *Longfellow Trail* programs with Osher Map Library’s *Resurgam: The Endurance of Portland, Maine* and *Portland History* programs for a Portland History Expedition. With the Portland History Expedition, teachers and students can harness the resources of not one, but TWO educational sites in Portland for an even richer, hands-on experience in history and geography that utilizes actual sites in the city as well as primary sources.

*Longfellow’s City* includes:

**Wadsworth-Longfellow House Tour (45-60 minutes):** Built in 1785-86 by Peleg and Elizabeth Wadsworth, the Wadsworth-Longfellow House is best known today as the childhood home of the celebrated American poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Here in the midst of the bustling maritime city of Portland, Longfellow grew to adulthood and began the writing career that would bring him international renown by the middle of the nineteenth century. Students are invited to explore the home on a guided tour and examine the connections between Longfellow's childhood, family life and city life in the mid-nineteenth century, and the poetry Longfellow created.

**Resurgam: The Endurance of Portland, Maine (45-60 minutes):** Experience the destructions, resurrections, and transformations of Maine’s largest city in maps of Portland from the Revolutionary War to the beginning of the twentieth century.
The **Portland History Expedition** includes:

*Longfellow Trail (45-60 minutes with Maine Historical Society):* Discover the city that Henry Wadsworth Longfellow knew on this guided expedition through downtown Portland. Using maps and old photographs copied from the archives of the Maine Historical Society, and Longfellow's poems about his native city, students will search for the buildings and streets that existed in the nineteenth-century city familiar to the poet. In the process students will learn about the Revolutionary War, life in the nineteenth century, the Great Fire of 1866, and the layers of the past that still exist in Portland's changing urban landscape.

*Portland History (45-60 minutes with Osher Map Library):* In this program, students use maps of Portland to examine important events and milestones in Portland's history, including the Revolutionary War and the Great Fire of 1866. It is followed up by an activity booklet in which students are asked to complete the following:

- Analyze changes in Portland's landscape
- Locate symbolic meaning in Portland's city seal
- Trace the events in Mowatt's destruction of Falmouth during the Revolutionary War
- Imagine what life was like for Portlanders after the Great Fire of 1866
- Examine a thematic map about Portland's history for information about other key events in the city's development

Schools participating in the Portland History Expedition are responsible for providing their own transportation between Maine Historical Society and Osher Map Library.

For more information or to schedule a Portland History Expedition for your school, contact Maine Historical Society’s Manager of School and Interpretive Programs at 207-774-1822, x214, kneumann@mainehistory.org
Longfellow’s City Maine Learning Results:
Grade Level: PreK-2; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (E1b, E1e, E2a, E2b)
Grade Level: 3-5; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (E1a, E1b, E1c, E2a, E2b)
Grade Level: 6-8; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (E1a, E1b, E2c)
Grade Level: 9-Diploma; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (E1a, E1b, E2b)

Longfellow’s City Common Core State Standards:
Anchor Standards: COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS ANCHOR STANDARDS FOR READING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.R.7); COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS ANCHOR STANDARDS FOR SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.SL.2)
Kindergarten: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.K.3)
Grade 1: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1.c, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.2, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.3)
Grade 2: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1.c, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.3)
Grade 3: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.3.1.c, CCSS.ELALiteracy.SL.3.3)
Grade 4: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.4.1.c)
Grade 5: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.5.1.c)
Grade 6: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.6.1.c, CCSS.ELALiteracy.SL.6.1.d)
Grade 7: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.7.1.c)
Grade 8: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.8.1.c)
Grade 9-10: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.9-10.2)
Grade 11-12: SPEAKING AND LISTENING (CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.11-12.2)
Portland History Expedition Maine Learning Results:
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Grade Level: 3-5; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (D1d, D2b, E1b, E1c, E2a, E2b)
Grade Level: 6-8; Content Area: Social Studies: HISTORY (D1a, D1d, D2b, E1b, E2c)
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Literacy.CCRA.SL.2)
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