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Six Kentucky Historic Sites To Grow Hemp For Education

Historic Sites On The Heritage Hemp Trail Plant Hemp Plots For Debut During "Discover The Hemplands" Hemp History Week Event Series June 4th-9th, 2019

Lexington, KY - Hemp plots have been planted at six Kentucky historic sites in preparation for the 10th Annual <u>Hemp History Week</u> taking place the first week of June. The hemp is expected to sprout in time for "<u>Discover The Hemplands</u>," a special event series by the <u>Heritage Hemp Trail</u> at affiliated locations from June 4th-9th, 2019 to commemorate National Hemp History Week and celebrate the rich hemp heritage rooted across the Commonwealth.

Inaugural hemp plantings took place at <u>Shaker Village</u> in Harrodsburg, The <u>Jack Jouett House</u> in Versailles, and <u>Ashford Acres Inn</u> in Cynthiana. Hemp returned to <u>Waveland State Historic Site</u> in Lexington for a second year, and to <u>Ashland, The Henry Clay Estate</u> in Lexington and <u>Farmington Historic Plantation</u> in Louisville for a fourth year. All six plots were planted with an AOSCA certified dual-purpose variety of seed, "Tygra," generously provided by <u>Schiavi Seeds LLC</u>, and facilitated by <u>United Hemp Industries</u> - on behalf of the Heritage Hemp Trail as part of the <u>Kentucky Hemp Pilot Program</u>. Throughout the season, visitors can view, smell, touch (*but not take!*) the growing hemp. They can learn about it on tours, at events, and along the trail.

Each site will host a Discover The Hemplands event to debut the historic hemp plots. All events offer a wide variety of hemp activities, ranging from a farm-to-table style hemp dinner at Ashford Acres Inn to CBD yoga at Waveland State Historic Site. Additional historic sites featured on the Heritage Hemp Trail hosting events include House in Lexington, home of the Kentucky Hemp Museum, and Pleasanton Goods in Paris.

Here is the full Discover The Hemplands event schedule:

Tuesday, June 4th: <u>Historic Paris-Bourbon County Hemp History Celebration (Paris)</u> Wednesday, June 5th: <u>Hemp History DeTour featuring Ashland, The Henry Clay Estate and Hopemont</u>, The Hunt-Morgan House (*Lexington*)

Thursday, June 6th: Farmington Hemp History Day (Louisville)

Friday, June 7th: Hemp at the Waveland Mansion featuring CBD Yoga (AM) and Hemp History Discussion (PM) (Lexington), Hidden Harvest: Alcohol, Tobacco, and Hemp at Pleasant Hill (Harrodsburg), Kentucky Hemp Days Dinner at Ashford Acres Inn (Cynthiana)

Saturday, June 8th: <u>Kentucky Hemp Days</u> (*Cynthiana*), <u>Hidden Harvest: Alcohol, Tobacco</u>, and Hemp at Pleasant Hill (*Harrodsburg*)

Sunday, June 9th: <u>Woodford County Hemp History Day at The Jack Jouett House</u> (*Versailles*)

For event details, visit heritagehemptrail.com/discoverthehemplands.

The <u>Heritage Hemp Trail</u> features 20 historical sites and markers in Central Kentucky with ties to the antebellum hemp industry. Each trail location offers a unique perspective of how hemp impacted the state's early economy during the 19th century, and provides education on the industry's revival today. The Heritage Hemp Trail is an initiative of the Kentucky Hemp

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Heritage Alliance, an organization founded by <u>Kentucky Hempsters</u> and affiliates in 2017 to preserve and promote the history of hemp in the Commonwealth.

<u>Hemp History Week</u> is the largest educational campaign about hemp in the U.S. The campaign aims to raise awareness about the environmental sustainability, health benefits, regenerative agriculture potential, and new technological applications of industrial hemp. Each year in June, hundreds of grassroots hemp supporters celebrate, and participate in, Hemp History Week.

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Click here for Discover The Hemplands Event Flyer and Planting Photos: http://bit.ly/2K2ryU9

For more information about the Discover The Hemplands Hemp History Week Event Series or the Heritage Hemp Trail, contact Alyssa Erickson at admin@hempheritage.com.