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Lloyd Library Hosts Cannabis Symposium Linking Past and Present

Cannabis Symposium: Issues from the Past to the Present

May 11, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Lloyd Library & Museum
917 Plum Street, Cincinnati

\$15 registration fee, \$5 for Friends of the Lloyd Library, lloydcannasym.eventbrite.com.



This spring, the Lloyd Library and Museum in collaboration with The Cannabis Museum in Athens, Ohio brings hundred-year old collections to life in the timely exhibition *Through the Rx Bottle: Medicinal Cannabis, 1841-1937*.

Throughout the run of the exhibition, the Lloyd Library joins with community partners to explore historic and contemporary topics related to the medical use of marijuana,

now legal in Ohio. Join us on May 11 for an exploration of medicinal cannabis over time, around the world, and its application today. For a complete list of programs and registration information, click [here](#).

Through the Rx Bottle opens on March 29 and continues through August 23.



Lloyd Library Cannabis Symposium Program Schedule

- 11 a.m. ***Cannabis and Its Ethnobotanical and Medicinal Use through the Centuries*** with Professor Theresa Culley. Marijuana has been used for centuries by indigenous peoples in the New World as a critical component of their religious, cultural, and medicinal practices. In this presentation, we will learn about these ethnobotanical uses of marijuana, its importance to these societies, and how the reputation of marijuana has changed through the centuries.
- Noon **Lunch on your own**
- 1 p.m. ***Ohio's Testing Labs and Cannabis Degree Program***. Dr. Jonathan Cachat will discuss Ohio's Medical Marijuana Control Program, the production supply chain and mandated public safety testing investigating cannabis products for molds, fungus, pesticides, heavy metals and other potentially harmful contaminants. In addition, he will discuss Hocking College's cannabis lab technician two-year Associate Degree -the nation's first accredited degree program targeting the cannabis industry.
- 2:30 p.m. **Exhibition Tours with the Curators**. Join Don E Wirtschafter, The Cannabis Museum's Executive Director, and Lloyd Library Librarian, Erin Campbell, for a discussion of books and objects on display in *Through the Rx Bottle*, and the story they tell.
- 3 p.m. ***Women, Cannabis and Medicine Prior to Prohibition*** with Elizabeth Crow. Historically, women have used cannabis to address obstetrical and gynecological issues, especially related to pain management. Discover the applications and challenges faced by women who turned to this natural treatment. Elizabeth Crow draws on artifacts, historic publications, medical literature, and writings from Queen Victoria's personal physician and Louisa May Alcott in her exploration of medicinal cannabis and women.

About the Speakers



Theresa Culley, Ph.D., is a Professor and Head of the Biological Sciences department at the University of Cincinnati. She is a plant biologist who specializes in plant ecology, pollination, and population genetics. She has been teaching an undergraduate course on Medical Botany for over 14 years and is always intrigued by the fascinating world of plants.



Jonathan Cachat, Ph.D., is Director of Laboratory Sciences at Hocking College where he oversees the Hocking College Analytical Testing Lab and Hocking College's new Laboratory Sciences academic program. Dr. Cachat obtained his Ph.D. in neuroscience, focusing on psychopharmacology at Tulane University. The Hocking College facility is the first accredited degree program specifically for a cannabis curriculum.



Elizabeth Crow is the Project Director of The Cannabis Museum in Athens, Ohio. Prior to joining the museum, Ms. Crow worked as a Registered Nurse. In her current position, she is responsible for preserving artifacts and researching their origins. She integrates many years of experience in natural medicine with the materials that she documents and interprets from The Cannabis Museum's extensive medical collection.



The Cannabis Museum is an Ohio 501(c)(3) educational and research non-profit organization, dedicated to revealing the history of mainstream cannabis use in the United States and around the world. It collects, preserves, and shares the history of cannabis use, culture, prohibition, and politics. The museum is scheduled to open in Athens, Ohio in 2020.

www.cannabismuseum.com

The Lloyd Library and Museum is a world-renowned independent research library and exhibit space devoted to bringing science, art and history to life. The Library was established by three brothers who manufactured botanical drugs in Cincinnati beginning in the late 19th century, and focuses on medicinal plants, botany and pharmacy. The Lloyd Library and Museum is free and open to the public. Located at 917 Plum St. in Cincinnati, Ohio, Lloyd is open Monday through Friday, and the third Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.lloydlibrary.org.