



History in the Making- At the History Center

Your event will be an historic occasion at the History Center, located in the heart of downtown Fort Wayne!

An architectural jewel

Built in 1893, the former city hall of Fort Wayne is a beautiful example of *Richardsonian Romanesque* architecture. As a museum and a historic building, the History Center has a unique character of its own for you and your guests to explore. Travel through time and learn about the history of Allen County and Fort Wayne through the museum's dramatic exhibits.

Facilities for your own "historic occasion"

The History Center has three rooms available to rent for special events including weddings, wedding receptions, business dinners, fund-raisers, class reunions, retirement and anniversary parties, and cocktail receptions.

The centerpiece of the museum, the **Shields Room**, is the former Old City Council Chambers and Courtroom. An extensive 2009 architectural renovation has restored its early 20th century Victorian beauty. Oak paneling, rich colors and 24kt gold-leaf stencils highlight the ornate 22-foot tin ceiling and expansive city views. Your guests may ascend the impressive Grand Staircase to the second floor entrance or use the convenient elevator. The Shields Room has a banquet seating capacity of 160 guests and 200 guests for stand-up receptions or lectures. Two smaller rooms, the **Board Room** and **Orientation Room**, can accommodate 30-50 people, respectively.

To make an appointment to tour the facility and discover how the History Center can make your event a one-of-a-kind experience, please contact Stephanie Essex, Events Coordinator, at 260.426.2882 x308, or email: stephanie.essex@fwhistorycenter.com.



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