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Our Events Planning Committee is finalizing the Fall 2022- Spring 2023 schedule.

## Coming up:

**Tuesday November 8 2022:** Conversation at the Crocker\* at 7pm: *The Crocker Memorial Church: Past, Present and Future*. Board Member and professional archivist and historian Deborah Walk has been researching the lost years of the Crocker Church, the Crocker family, and Sarasota life during the time of the Crockers. Her presentation highlights the past but also talks about the church's name changes and geographical migrations which ended in 2006 at Pioneer Park. With conservation construction underway, Deborah also talks about the future of this adaptive reuse building curated by the Historical Society.

**Sunday November 13** Our traditional fund-raiser, the HISTORICAL BAY CRUISE aboard LeBarge. Reservations a must. We are limiting the number of passengers for a more enjoyable and spacious tour this year so save your seat now. Light refreshments included, cash bar available. Popular historian John McCarthy is once again our tour guide for this unique floating history lesson. Reservations taken by phone starting Tuesday September 6. \$100 VIP (includes premier boarding, a drink ticket and special gift); \$75 general boarding. Call Linda Garcia, Site Manager, at 941-364-9076 from 10 to 2 weekdays with your credit card.

*For over 25 years, HSoSC has been presenting our expert-narrated cruise in beautiful Sarasota Bay. Learn who lived here; why Sarasota is unique on the west coast of Florida, and how the Gulf of Mexico and the gentle bays surrounding us have formed a town unlike any other in Florida. Learn local history and enjoy our beautiful bay on our Historical Cruise on Sarasota tradition, Le Barge.*

**Sunday December 11** **[Note event date change]** Members Holiday Party, *Sweets and Spirits*. Held in our festively-decorated Crocker Memorial Church from 2 to 5. A chance to meet other members and celebrate. Entertainment TBA.

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**Tuesday January 10 :** Conversation at the Crocker\* at 7pm

**Sunday, January 15, 2023:** Sunday Afternoon Social\*\* at 2pm: Author Ellen Brosnahan takes the stage to talk about her book *The Second Mrs. Ringling* which recounts the disastrous brief marriage of the circus king to Emily Haag Buck. This is information you will never get when taking a tour of Ca' D'zan. The author will bring books (\$12) and will sign copies after her presentation. *Sunday Afternoon Socials are learning and light refreshments in a casual, cafe-style atmosphere. Reservations not required. At the door: \$5 for members and \$10 for those not yet members.*

**Saturday February 11, 2023 Sparkly Saturday** starts at 9am. Preloved jewelry sale in conjunction with Jewelry to the Rescue, plus our curated Tag Sale on the Porch. Always a fun day to shop and chat. Hours TBA. Donations are welcome but please wait until the committee provides guidelines on what they can handle. *(Of course, books on local and national history are welcomed year-round for our History Book Cart, as seen at all our gatherings.)*

**Sunday, February 19, 2023:** Sunday Afternoon Social\*\* at 2pm: Board Members Betsy Lingenheld and Jon Stone update the community on the mission to save the Crocker Memorial Church. Their presentation will include a detailed walking tour of the west side of the historic building. Learn how your donated money has been spent and also about the engineering and building challenges of working on a heritage structure where restrictions apply due to the Crocker's historic designation.

**Tuesday February 21, 2023** **[Note event date change]** **Hero of History**. An elegant luncheon salute to the 2023 Hero of History, when one dedicated individual will be placed in our Hero of History roster. For 2023, HSoSC celebrates

architect and history maker Carl Abbott - his life, his work and his lasting impact on Modernism. Reception, Luncheon and Program at Michael's on East. \$100. Accepting reservations now. See previous recipients [here](#).

## And more!

\* **Conversations at the Crocker** is a series of in-person interactive panel discussions on events that shaped Sarasota County's past and continue to exert influence on its present and probably the future. We start at 7pm in the Crocker Memorial Church. Reservations not necessary. FREE to Historical Society members; \$10 at the door for yet-to-be-members. Bring your friends and participate in lively and informative discussions. Bidwell-Wood House is open beginning at 6pm for touring before the meetings.

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**Spring Historical Sarasota Bay Cruise** will be on Sunday March 5, 2023. We will announce the opening of reservations.

**Annual Meeting & Elections** (members only) will be on Saturday April 1, 2023.

As we finalize topics for the entire season, we're getting ready to announce speakers quite soon. In the meanwhile, clear your calendar for these dates. As you wait, please enjoy our website and its wealth of [online resources](#).

**Breaking news will appear on our site, in our emails, and on our social media as future plans are firmed up. You can follow the Historical Society of Sarasota County on [Facebook](#) and [our blog](#). For news directly in your mailbox, join our [email list](#).**