



Suggested for middle & high school students or the entire family!

Your Treasure, Your Story



Time-travel 100 years into the past!

In 1920, MAG hosted the *Rochester Homelands Exhibition* to celebrate the rich cultural traditions people brought to Rochester in the early 20th century.

Browse through the photographs from the exhibition on the [New York State Heritage Digital Collections](#) website and see the many family heirlooms, traditional arts and crafts, and cultural gatherings.

[School children submitted posters to the 1920 exhibition. \(NYS Heritage Digital Collections\)](#)

- Choose an object from the *Rochester Homelands Exhibition* photographs—what do you think the life of the people who treasured it was like in 1920?
- Now picture yourself moving from one culture to another today. What personal and family objects would you take to your new home? Why? Can you tell a story about yourself that incorporates one of those treasured items?
- Design a poster that celebrates your community's contribution to the Rochester of 2020. See above for examples from 1920!

For the more curious . . .

- [Original documents from the MAG Archives](#) (Inventories of objects, etc.)
- [Transcripts of Headlines from Accounts in Rochester Papers](#)
- [Bob Marcotte August 21, 2006 Article](#) (Courtesy of the Democrat & Chronicle)
- [Lesson plan for educators](#)