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BOOK RELEASE & LAUNCH

Saturday, Dec. 11 from 3 to 5pm - at: The Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum Celebrating the release of: "A Spell Created" A Sesquicentennial History of Wichita and Sedgwick County Kansas Celebrate the release of the Museum's book, A Spell Created, published to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Wichita and Sedgwick County. The book, unlike any other, offers a vivid illustrated history of our exceptional community. (cover image Attached)

The book's author, Dr. Judith Heberling, former curator at the Museum, worked directly with the Museum's current curator, Jami Frazier Tracy.

Together they developed the content of the book based on the Museum's permanent collection of images and artifacts.

The firm charged with the book's design and production is award-winning Lucia/Marquand, who have designed exceptional books for more than 250 museums worldwide. The book itself is 360 pages, hardbound, large format, full color, featuring over 425 images accompanied by scholarly text and fully indexed. Printing was limited to 2020 copies.

The book will be \$95, available through the Museum Gift Shop. All proceeds from the sale of the book benefit the Museum. The Museum is grateful to the Charles and Joanne McIlwaine Foundation, the Ross Foundation, and contributors to the Museum's Memorial Fund for their support, making this publishing initiative possible.

Release of this landmark publication is scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday, December 11th from 3-5 pm with special remarks scheduled at 4pm.

Admission to the Museum is \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. Museum Members and their guests are admitted free.

The Historical Museum is our local history museum - one of America's best, accredited by the American Alliance of Museum since 1972, serving the community since 1939. It has occupied the original 1890 City Hall building since 1981.

Our Vision - To provide a world class Museum experience, advancing the understanding and exploration of the rich historical and cultural heritage of Wichita and Sedgwick County Kansas.

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Museum Hours: Tuesday - Friday 11:00 am to 4:00 pm; Saturday & Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Supported in part by the City of Wichita and the Board of Commissioners of Sedgwick County Kansas