The Cynthiana Harrison County Museum first opened its doors in July 1994. Housed in the historic Rohs Movie Theatre on S. Walnut St. the museum is a step back in time displaying nearly 3000 artifacts showcasing the community's Military, Education, and Agricultural Histories. Rooms are also devoted to items from childhood, daily life, local industry, and the town's churches, police and fire departments.

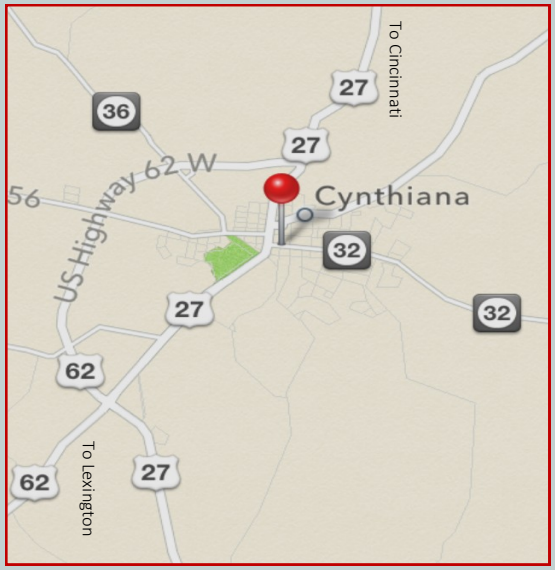
The "Still" - Harrison County was the home of many successful Distilleries.

"Tools of the Trade" Blacksmithing, Farming, Auto Repair, Carpentry, Undertaking, Butchery, and tools from many other professions are displayed.

Cynthiana Harrison County Museum

124 S. Walnut St

Cynthiana, KY



Cynthiana/Harrison County Museum

Hours of Operation:

Fri. & Sat. 10am - 5pm

Or By Appointment 859-234-7179

Groups Welcome

Handicapped Accessible

Free Admission/Donations Accepted

4000 Sq. Ft. of Display Space Showcasing Nearly 3000 Artifacts

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Our museum exists to preserve, display, maintain and share artifacts of historical significance. It provides a "snapshot" into the past. The Cynthiana Harrison County Trust Inc. established the museum to provide a place where the tangible history of this small town Kentucky community could reside.

The community's Military History is well represented. There are hundreds of artifacts from the Civil War, WWI, WWII, and wars in Korea, Viet Nam, and the Middle East .

Stories by local Veterans of their encounters during the wars are documented in books and letters available for reading.

Artifacts from Daily Life show how folks in the community lived - Both town folk and country folk.

Housewares, medical equipment, clothing, cooking utensils, early prams, and wheelchairs are on display.

Doll Houses, Vintage Toys and Numerous Model Cars are on Display

Raggedy Ann and Andy have a special place in the history of Cynthiana. Come in and learn about our connection.

Kenneth Simpson, Museum Curator, points out Cynthiana's Court House on Main Street

A focal point at the museum is a scale model of downtown Cynthiana as it appeared before 1900. The model was the vision and creation of the museum's first curator, Harold Slade. Surrounding the model are photos of Cynthiana from 1900 to the present.

Museum Curator Harold Slade (1919-2013)