



Curator's Report December 2019



Statistics

Sept. 282 Total Items Condition Reported and Reviewed

Oct. 1,082 Total Items Condition Reported and Reviewed

Nov. 758 Total Items Condition Reported and Reviewed

5,604 Items Reviewed

Welcome!

Fall at the Gibson House has meant a lot of movement. We have two Sacramento State Public History Program interns working on reviewing the collection. Laurie has been cataloguing and organizing historic photographs that will be transferred to the Yolo County Archives. Caitlin has been condition reporting agricultural implements and furniture in the West Barn, and will complete this work at the end of December. Our volunteers and interns make our work possible!

Educational Kits

YCHC, in collaboration with the Yolo County Library and YoloArts, is launching Educational Kits for Teachers. Victorian Dress and Etiquette, Yolo County Agriculture and Native American History and Culture, are the themes for the kits, which include collection items, lesson plans and hands on resources for educators. Kits will be available to be checked out at any of the library branches in January 2020.



Featured: Gibson Girl

Etchings and prints by Charles Dana Gibson (1867-1944) of glamorous, upper class women became very popular during the 1890s. The "Gibson Girl" was recognized as the ideal female in late 19th and early 20th century. These prints often depicted women as teasing companions to men with undertones of female empowerment; however, they lacked the political implications of the "new woman" that accompanied first wave feminism. The "Gibson Girl" was a contrast to the image of women in the suffragette movement, which is the focus of the Votes 4 Women exhibition opening on March 12th 2020 at the Gibson House and Property.



Knowledge @ Noon

Knowledge at Noon speaker series, in partnership with YoloArts, continues to be a success as we engage new audiences interested in agriculture, art and history. Every 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon in the Barn Gallery, we engage with diverse topics and compelling speakers. Coming up on December 11th is Mel Russel, who will speak about national and local efforts to maximize food production and conservation during the Great War. To reserve your seat click here:

<https://yoloarts.org/public-programs/>



Holiday Open House

Join us at the Gibson House and Property's Holiday Open House! We will have the decorated historic home and barn gallery open and a make your own Victorian calling card activity for guests. The Open House is Saturday, December 14th from 1pm to 4pm at 512 Gibson Road in Woodland.

