# Thomas M. Wolf

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# • Professional Experience

# Communications Manager and Co-Editor, Echoes Magazine

August 2015-present

# Marketing and Communications, Ohio History Connection, Columbus, Ohio

Co-edit and direct publication of *Echoes Magazine*, 52-page membership magazine of the Ohio History Connection launched in May 2018, published six times a year with statewide circulation of 11.000.

Serve as brand steward for the new Ohio History Connection brand launched in 2014.

Serve as Marketing liaison for the Ohio History Connection's State Historic Preservation Office.

Write extensively on Ohio history topics.

# Communications Coordinator and Editor, *Echoes* and *Ohio Histore-news* April 2009-August 2015

# Marketing and Communications, Ohio Historical Society / Ohio History Connection, Columbus, Ohio

 $Edited \ and \ directed \ publication \ of \ \textit{Echoes} \ newsletter, \ for erunner \ of \ \textit{Echoes} \ \textit{Magazine} \ (see \ above).$ 

Edited and directed publication of *Ohio Histore-news*, monthly e-newsletter of the Ohio Historical Society, with statewide circulation of 35,000.

Wrote extensively on Ohio history topics.

Participated in developing the new Ohio History Connection brand and worked with consultant to develop brand guidelines handbook for use by staff in implementing the new Ohio History Connection brand.

#### **Public Education Manager**

October 2003-April 2009

# Local History Office, Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio

Managed active public education program for the Local History Office of the Ohio Historical Society.

Edited and directed publication of *The Local Historian*, a bimonthly newsletter for volunteer and professional leaders of local historical societies, historic preservation groups, history museums, archives, libraries, and genealogical societies in Ohio, with statewide circulation of 1200.

Served on planning committee for, and chaired marketing of, *Building Connections: Ohio's Conference on History, Preservation, and Revitalization*, a statewide conference.

Served as principal media contact for Local History Office and Ohio Historic Preservation Office, writing and placing news releases, handling inquiries from newspapers, periodicals, radio, and television stations throughout Ohio, and coordinating responses.

Directed promotion of Building Doctor Clinics for old-building owners statewide.

Directed annual statewide Ohio Historic Preservation Office Awards.

#### **Public Education Manager**

January 1987-September 2003

## **Public Education Coordinator**

May 1979-January 1987

Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio

Managed active public relations and public education program for the Ohio Historic Preservation Office of the Ohio Historical Society.

Served as principal media contact, writing and placing news releases, handling inquiries from newspapers, periodicals, radio, and television stations throughout Ohio, and coordinating responses.

Edited and directed the publication of *Ohio Preservation*, a bimonthly historic preservation newsletter with statewide circulation of 4500.

Coordinated preservation publications, including writing specifications for, obtaining bids from, and working with authors, editors, graphic designers, photographers, typographers, printers, and other outside services.

Directed statewide public awareness campaign, Ohio Historic Preservation Month, including making initial contact with prospective sponsors, and developing a calendar of Historic Preservation Month events in Ohio for statewide distribution.

Organized annual statewide historic preservation awards program from solicitation of entries through selection of recipients and the awards presentation.

Reviewed and made recommendations on proposed historic district design guidelines and communitywide design guidelines for use by local historic preservation commissions, especially those funded by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office Certified Local Governments program.

# **Architectural Survey and Public Education**

1977-1979

Researched and documented 60 buildings in downtown Springfield, Ohio, developed a publication, and put together adults' and children's programs on local history and architecture for the Springfield Arts Council.

### **Construction Work**

1977-1979

Employed by private owners to work on the rehabilitation of two historic houses in Springfield, Ohio, and adaptive use of an old industrial building near Boulder, Colorado, as a residence.

# • Publications

### **Editor | Co-Editor**

Co-Editor, *Echoes Magazine*, membership magazine of the Ohio History Connection, 2018-present. Editor, *Echoes*, membership newsletter of the Ohio History Connection, 2009-2018.

Editor, *Ohio Histore-news*, monthly e-newsletter of the Ohio Historical Society, 2009-2014.

Editor, *The Local Historian*, bimonthly newsletter of the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums, reaching 1200 volunteer and professional leaders of local historical societies, historic preservation groups, history museums, archives, libraries, and genealogical societies in Ohio, 2003-2010.

Editor, *Ohio Preservation*, quarterly newsletter of the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, a statewide publication reaching 4500 Ohioans interested in historic preservation, 1979-1998.

#### Contributor

Contributor, *Echoes*, newsletter and later magazine of the Ohio Historical Society and Ohio History Connection, 1979-present.

#### Author

"Modern, Monumental and Memorable: The Ohio History Center," Echoes Magazine, July & August 2020.

"Educational Architecture in Ohio: From One-Room Schools and Carnegie Libraries to Community Education Villages, by Virginia E. McCormick," Book Review, Ohioana Quarterly, Spring 2002.

"Be It Remembered: The Story of Trinity Episcopal Church on Capitol Square, by Lisa M. Klein," Book Review, Ohioana Quarterly, Summer 2004.

Some Things to Consider in Publishing Design Guidelines for Your Community, Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society, 2001.

"Tracing the Chautauqua Movement in Ohio," Ohio Historical Society Echoes, June-July 1999.

Sources of Preservation Assistance for Historic Religious Properties. Ohio Preservation, May-June 1991.

The Ohio Historic Preservation Office and Local Historical Organizations. Local History Notebook, Volume 1, Number 2, The Local Historian, May-June 1985.

A Guide to Springfield Art and Architecture: Downtown Walking Tour, Springfield Arts Council, Springfield, Ohio, 1978.

## **Publications Coordination**

*How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory,* by Steven C. Gordon. Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society, 1992.

Characteristics of Effective Local Historic Preservation Legislation, by Judith L. Kitchen. Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society, 1989.

*Old-Building Owner's Manual*, by Judith L. Kitchen. Ohio Historic Preservation Office, Ohio Historical Society, 1983.

#### Coauthor

"Built in the Boom: Cape Cods, Ranches, Split Levels and More," by Tom Wolf and Barbara Powers, Ohio History Connection, Echoes Magazine, May & June 2021

"Agencies Offer Ways to Preserve Historic Schools," Ohio School Boards Association Journal, March 2002.

*The Register of Historic Ohio Homesteads*, by Elizabeth Gail Harzoff and Thomas M. Wolf. Ohio Historical Society, 1984.

# • Education

# B.F.A. with concentration in Design

Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio, 1975, including courses in design, three dimensional design, graphic design, American Art and Architecture, Urban Studies, Urban History, and Urban Planning

School of Visual Arts, New York, N.Y., September-December 1974, One-semester invitational honors program in design.

# Conferences and Training Courses

American Association for State and Local History Conference, 2018
National Preservation Conference, 1987-1991; 1993, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2002
National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Commission Training Course, 2000; 2003; 2015
Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums Conference 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008

Ohio Historic Preservation Conference, 1989-2000

Measuring the Economic Impact of Historic Preservation, 1991

National Trust for Historic Preservation Leadership Seminar, 1989

# • Memberships and Community Service

#### **Trustee**

1990-1996, 1998-2004

Columbus Landmarks Foundation (Board President, 2001-2002; Vice President for Education, 1991-1994, 2000-2002; Chair, Holiday Tour of Churches, 2001; Co-chair, Columbus Landmarks Street Party & Tour [City Hop], 2000

#### Commissioner

Columbus Board of Commission Appeals, 2019-2022 Columbus Historic Resources Commission, 1994-2017

#### Member

Columbus Landmarks Foundation

Columbus Landmarks Foundation Awards Jury, 1992-1993, 1995, 2002, 2003

German Village Society

Long-Range Planning Committee, German Village Society, Columbus, OHIO. 2005-2007

Museum and Furnishings Committee, The Thurber House, Columbus, OHIO. 1983-84; 1994-2005

National Trust for Historic Preservation

Ohio Historic Preservation Office Awards Jury, 2009, 2010