



## EXHIBITION FACT SHEET

**Description:** Not a day goes by at the Chicago History Museum that artifacts don't beckon to us from their shelves, offering to deliver—or deny—hints of their mysterious pasts. They bear witness to history in their own remarkable ways.

The Secret Lives of Objects is an exhibition featuring objects extraordinary and familiar that have emerged from the vaults of the museum's collection storage to tell their tales. Whether they are as decadent as diamonds, as telling as crime evidence, or as perplexing as forms of outmoded technology, they all promise to give us pause, and to make us ponder what stories they may reveal.

**Exhibition Dates:** March 21, 2015 through 2018

**Exhibition Highlights:**

- Movie Star Charlie Chaplin's bamboo cane
- Nathan F. Leopold Jr.'s eyeglasses, which implicated him and Richard Loeb in the murder of Bobby Franks
- The electric typewriter used by the syndicated advice columnist Ann Landers
- The lamp that started the Iroquois Theatre fire in 1903, resulting in the loss of more than 600 lives
- Booth One from the Pump Room at Chicago's Ambassador East Hotel
- The table from Appomattox Court House, Virginia on which General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant, ending the Civil War

**Exhibition Hours:** Monday through Saturday – 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday – 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Chicago History Museum, 1601 N. Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60614, 312.642.4600

**Admission:** The exhibition is included with Museum admission of \$16 adults/ \$14 seniors and students, and free for Children 12 years of age and younger. Please visit [www.chicagohistory.org](http://www.chicagohistory.org) for a schedule of Illinois Resident Discount Days, offering free admission to the Museum.

**Website:** [www.secretlivesobjects.com](http://www.secretlivesobjects.com)

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**Transportation:** CTA buses 11, 22, 36, 72, 73, 151, and 156 stop nearby. The Brown Line Sedgwick station and Red Line Clark/Division station are also located approximately one half-mile from the Museum.

**Parking:** Public parking is conveniently located one block north of the Museum at Clark and LaSalle Streets; enter on Stockton Drive. Cost is \$9 with Museum validation; Visa, MasterCard, and Discover credit cards are accepted.

**Accessibility:** Specially located spots have been reserved for persons using mobility devices. Call 312-642-4600 for more information.

## **ABOUT THE CHICAGO HISTORY MUSEUM**

The Chicago History Museum, a major museum and research center for Chicago and American history, is located at 1601 N. Clark Street. The Museum can be reached by CTA buses 22, 36, 72, 73, 151, and 156. Parking is conveniently located one block north of the Museum at Clark and LaSalle Streets (enter on Stockton Drive). Admission includes our audio tours: \$16 adults, \$14 seniors/students, free for children 12 years and younger. Prices are subject to change. Please call 312-642-4600 or visit us at [chicagohistory.org](http://chicagohistory.org). To learn more follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). The Chicago History Museum gratefully acknowledges the support of the Chicago Park District on behalf of the people of Chicago.

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