

**ISHS Symposium Committee Report
October 3, 2020**

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Updates:

The Spring 2020 Symposium was mostly planned for the weekend of the annual meeting, but was cancelled due to the pandemic. The committee hopes to keep the April timing for 2021. We have already committed to holding an online symposium, with the exact format TBD.

We are having early discussions about a theme, which engages the many changes to the forms of commemoration throughout the state. The symposium will also serve as an opportunity to work with the ISHS Illinois History Collaborative.

Next steps:

October: finalize theme
November-December: recruit participants
January-February: finalize online symposium format and platform
February: finalize participant list and schedule
March-April: publicity