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## History of women's undergarments explored in Women's History Month Program

Ever wonder how corsets created those tiny waists and what were the physical results for the wearer? The **Tuesday Twilight Talk: Corsets and Crinoline** will provide an inner look at foundation garments and their social connection on Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sioux City Public Museum.

In honor of Women's History Month in March, Joi Mahon, a local award-winning designer, and Pat Day, featured lecturer and storyteller, will team up in this whimsical interpretation of the history of women's undergarments.

Mahon is an experienced and award-winning designer, published author, stylist and expert in fit with a degree in fashion design from Iowa State University. She provides a variety of services to the fashion industry, home sewing industry, and works one-on-one with custom clients in her private studio as well as creating couture designs for bride's and clients all over the US. In 2009 Mahon was the winner of the 3rd annual Passion for Fashion competition at the American Sewing Expo.

Day returned to her native Sioux City after living in Phoenix for 30 years, where she started developing a seminar series on "remarkable women" to combat common perceptions of Western women. She holds advanced degrees in political science and education and has taught at all levels ranging from elementary to adult education. Along with the Sioux City Public Museum, Day gives programs for the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, Western Iowa Tech Community College and numerous schools, churches, and civic groups.

Housed in the historic John Peirce Mansion at 2901 Jackson Street, the Sioux City Public Museum offers monthly Tuesday Twilight Talk programs featuring topics of regional historic interest. For more information, call the Sioux City Public Museum at 712-279-6174 or visit [www.siouxcitymuseum.org](http://www.siouxcitymuseum.org). Admission is free.