

## Ohio Memory Subject Categories

The following categories are loosely based on those developed by the Ohio Bicentennial Commission. They were modified for the Ohio Memory Project to ensure that the scrapbook covers a broad range of subjects and time periods. The examples are only representative types and are not meant to limit materials or encourage particular submissions. Applicants are encouraged to interpret both the subject categories and examples broadly. All submissions should, however, fit into at least one category.

Ohio Citizenship	Examples
<p><b>Ohio Government</b></p> <p>Describes the workings of Ohio political system at the state and local level and its role in the lives of average Ohioans, including the Northwest Ordinance and early settlement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early political records or artifacts</li> <li>• Land grants</li> <li>• Court records</li> <li>• City Council minutes and local legislation</li> <li>• Campaign paraphernalia</li> <li>• Photographs of Ohio government at work</li> </ul>
<p><b>Presidents and Politics</b></p> <p>Documents Ohio's rich political history, emphasizing Ohio presidents and other Ohioans in national politics. Also explores the circumstances that led to the election of six Ohio Presidents between 1868 and 1924.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congressperson's notes</li> <li>• Legislation influenced by Ohio</li> <li>• Writings of influential politicians</li> <li>• Party meeting memorabilia</li> <li>• Items of a Supreme Court justice or cabinet member</li> <li>• Buildings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Military Ohio</b></p> <p>Shows the sacrifices and achievements of Ohio's men and women during wartime and the effect of war on the daily lives of Ohioans.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Battle flags</li> <li>• Regimental photographs</li> <li>• Uniforms, weapons, nursing kit</li> <li>• Letters and diaries</li> <li>• Muster rolls</li> <li>• Broad sides</li> </ul>
<p><b>Civil Liberties</b></p> <p>Examines the role of Ohioans in refining democracy, testing its limits, and working toward a more perfect union, including the struggles for rights and reform.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organizational papers</li> <li>• Picket signs</li> <li>• Songs and writings calling for change</li> <li>• Images of reformers</li> <li>• Artifacts from communal societies</li> <li>• Newspapers</li> </ul>
Ohio's Economy	Examples
<p><b>Transportation</b></p> <p>Shows how Ohio's landscape, economy, and demographic patterns changed due to the evolution of transportation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Materials related to building roads, canals, and towns</li> <li>• Travelers' accounts</li> <li>• Mile markers</li> <li>• Advertisements</li> <li>• Cars or wagons</li> </ul>
<p><b>Industry and Labor</b></p> <p>Discusses the evolution of Ohio's economy from its earliest stages to its emergence as one of the world's largest industrial centers, as well as its adjustments to the modern economy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ohio-made products or tools used to produce them</li> <li>• Records or photographs of businesses</li> <li>• Advertisements</li> <li>• Union records</li> <li>• Oral histories of laborers</li> </ul>
<p><b>Ohio Business</b></p> <p>Documents the contributions of business and professional people to Ohio's economy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Photographs of small businesses and businesspeople</li> <li>• Correspondence of doctors and lawyers</li> <li>• Medical instruments</li> <li>• Papers of a professional organization</li> </ul>
<p><b>Agriculture</b></p> <p>Focuses on Ohio's agricultural heritage, including the impact that farming has had on its landscape, culture, and economy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farm letters, diaries, or photographs</li> <li>• Tools and equipment</li> <li>• Agricultural literature</li> <li>• Advertisements for equipment, seed, or fertilizer</li> </ul>
<p><b>Science and Technology</b></p> <p>Explores how Ohio-generated science and technology has shaped our world and where it might lead us in the future.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Materials related to inventions and their impact</li> <li>• Personal papers or objects of noted scientists</li> <li>• Research notes</li> <li>• Records of professional or academic groups</li> </ul>

<b>Ohio's People</b>	<b>Examples</b>
<p><b>Native American Ohioans</b> Explores Native American cultures in Ohio before, during, and after European settlement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Photographs, field notes, and artifacts from archaeological excavations</li> <li>• Written accounts of contact with Native Americans</li> <li>• Portraits of Native American leaders</li> </ul>
<p><b>Ohio Women</b> Tells of the struggles, accomplishments, and daily life of Ohio women and their influence both locally and nationally.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Needlework</li> <li>• Household tools</li> <li>• Advice and etiquette literature</li> <li>• Photos, diaries, and letters of Ohio women</li> <li>• Records of women's organizations</li> </ul>
<p><b>African American Ohioans</b> Explains the work, leisure, and daily life of African Americans in Ohio in a broad range of fields and how they have affected our state and nation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sheet music</li> <li>• Correspondence</li> <li>• Financial and legal documents</li> <li>• Transcriptions of oral history interviews</li> <li>• Records documenting anti-slavery and civil rights struggles</li> </ul>
<p><b>Religion in Ohio</b> Acknowledges the broad and vibrant range of religious experience in Ohio and the impact religion has had on our state and its people.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sermons</li> <li>• Newspaper reports of church activities</li> <li>• Photographs of places of worship</li> <li>• Missionary's letters or diaries</li> <li>• Artifacts from Ohio's religious communities</li> </ul>
<p><b>Immigration and Ethnic Heritage</b> Recognizes Ohio's rich heritage through an exploration of migration patterns and regionalism, the immigrant experience, and social and cultural traditions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Naturalization records</li> <li>• Local festival photographs</li> <li>• Community newspapers and publications</li> <li>• Items used by early Ohioans or brought from their former homes</li> </ul>
<b>Ohio's Culture</b>	<b>Examples</b>
<p><b>Ohio Sports</b> Portrays the dynamic history of sports in Ohio, including the accomplishments of our state's athletes, the emergence of organized professional sports, and the significance of amateur sports as a leisure activity.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trading cards</li> <li>• Uniforms and sports equipment</li> <li>• Papers of athletic or recreational groups</li> <li>• Newspaper coverage of games</li> <li>• Team photographs</li> <li>• Athletes' journals</li> </ul>
<p><b>Arts and Entertainment</b> Examines the diverse artistic, leisure, and social activities of Ohioans, and their influence on American culture.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programs from exhibits or concerts</li> <li>• Advertisements for a tourist attractions</li> <li>• Comic books, games, and toys</li> <li>• Papers of a patron of the arts</li> <li>• Paintings, sculptures, architecture</li> <li>• Sheet music and musical instruments</li> </ul>
<p><b>Literary Ohio</b> Trumpets Ohio's literary tradition, the accomplishments of the state's authors, and the development of Ohio's libraries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Papers or photos of Ohio authors</li> <li>• Research notes for a book</li> <li>• Literary awards</li> <li>• Literary society minutes</li> <li>• Public library charter</li> </ul>
<p><b>Education</b> Recognizes Ohio's local, state, and national influence in terms of the development of general education and in higher education.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Textbooks</li> <li>• Exam papers</li> <li>• Educators' or students' diaries</li> <li>• Photographs of students or school buildings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Daily Life</b> Deals with the everyday experiences of Ohioans and emphasizes their home and family life.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family portraits</li> <li>• Correspondence between family members</li> <li>• Tools, household items, and recipes</li> <li>• Vital records</li> </ul>

Ohio's Environment	Examples
<p><b>Plants and Animals</b></p> <p>Highlights the flora and fauna of Ohio, their history, and their relationship with Ohio's people.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specimen and drawings of extinct, endangered, and significant species</li> <li>• Animal and plant products, such as clothing or tools</li> <li>• Early explorers' notes about plants and animals in Ohio</li> <li>• Books on Ohio's flora and fauna</li> </ul>
<p><b>Geology</b></p> <p>Describes the rocks and minerals of Ohio and their uses in Ohio history. Also looks at fossils and what they tell us about Ohio's past.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geological collections</li> <li>• Buildings made from Ohio rocks and minerals</li> <li>• Tools used for extracting raw materials</li> <li>• Geologist's research notes</li> <li>• Products made from Ohio's natural resources</li> </ul>
<p><b>Geography</b></p> <p>Explores the diversity of Ohio's landscape and settlement, including natural features such as mountains, natural divisions such as rivers, and human structures such as buildings, cities, and political divisions such as counties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maps</li> <li>• Travel accounts</li> <li>• Photographs of geographical features</li> <li>• Architectural drawings</li> <li>• Surveyor's tools</li> <li>• Town plans</li> <li>• Travel guide books</li> </ul>
<p><b>Climate and Weather</b></p> <p>Deals with the elements and their impact on daily life.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documents or photographs relating to natural disasters</li> <li>• Meteorological instruments such as weathervanes</li> <li>• Farmer's diaries</li> </ul>