

Oregon's 150th Birthday "Facing Statehood" Exhibit by Interpretive Exhibits Opens at Mission Mill Museum

Salem, OR

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Summary: Interpretive Exhibits designed and fabricated a 900-square foot exhibit that tells the story of how the Oregon Territory became a state in 1859. The exhibit opened on Oregon's 150th birthday, February 14, 2009.

When it came time to install a new exhibit celebrating Oregon's 150th birthday this year, Mission Mill went to a Salem exhibit company that's steeped in history - Oregon and otherwise.

The 900 square foot exhibit, unveiled February 14th, 2009, focuses on the Oregon territory facing statehood in the middle part of the 19th century. Mission Mill and Interpretive Exhibits teamed with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde to tell myriad stories that arose out of the struggle to create the state of Oregon. Nearly half of the exhibit is devoted to the Native Americans who called the area home before the arrival of trappers and European ships.

Interpretive Exhibits of Salem designed, fabricated and installed the exhibit, which features custom walls, large-scale digital graphics, dozens of artifacts.

Tim Peterson was Senior Designer, Phyllis Auger the Design Director and Ray Brandt the Lead Fabricator on the exhibit. Together they bring 75 years of experience in the exhibit industry. They were supported by several other graphic designers and fabricators at Interpretive Exhibits.

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About IE:

Interpretive Exhibits is a full-service custom exhibit house that has designed and/or fabricated over 2000 projects, ranging from small roadside interpretive signage to large visitor center and museum exhibits. Projects have ranged in scope from \$100 to over \$1,000,000. Interpretive Exhibits has been designing and fabricating exhibits for twenty years and has done work for the Army Corps of Engineers, the National Park Service, the

Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Parks Division, Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, Portland Children's Museum and many others.

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