Publications

JHS has authored and/or produced many books and films that highlight our region’s history. We invite you to learn more about our efforts.

The Great Fire of 1901

$44.95

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by Bill Foley and Dr. Wayne Wood

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Great Fire of 1901, a cataclysmic event that reduced Florida’s largest city to ashes, the Jacksonville Historical Society commissioned The Great Fire of 1901, a coffee table book filled with photographs of Jacksonville before, during, and after the fire. The narrative is provided by two local historians, Bill Foley and Dr. Wayne Wood.

Jacksonville’s Architectural Heritage

$49.95

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Written by Dr. Wayne W. Wood, with research assistance from Joel McEachin and Steve Tool, Jacksonville’s Architectural Heritage has won numerous awards and has been recognized nationally. The book tells our city’s history through its buildings. It examines the lives of the men and women who have shaped Jacksonville, recounting their stories in a way that makes history come alive. Both scholarly and entertaining, lavishly illustrated and artistically designed, this book now rests on more coffee tables than perhaps any book in Florida.

The Broward Family: From France to Florida, 1764-2011

$44.95

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Written by fifth-generation family member Robert C. “Bob” Broward, this meticulously researched work is profusely illustrated with many never-before-published photographs and the author’s own drawings. It tells the story of this pioneer family’s arrival in the Spanish colony of East Florida in the late 1700s through the Civil War, the Reconstruction era, the Governorship of Napoleon Bonaparte Broward, and into our time. It will be of interest to researchers, historians, and casual readers of Florida history. It will also be of interest to family historians and genealogists.
Broward, and up to present day. It will be of interest to researchers, historians, and casual readers of Florida history. It will also be a prized volume for the numerous members of the Broward family, which is one of the oldest and largest in Florida.

**The Jacksonville Family Album: 150 Years of the Art of Photography**

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*The Jacksonville Family Album: 150 Years of the Art of Photography* is an ambitious effort to explore the photographic heritage of this city. This lavish large-format book features nearly 600 photos—selected from over 40,000 that were reviewed for this project—that reveal the texture and appearance of Jacksonville in every era from the Civil War to the present. With hundreds of amazing photographs dating from 1855 to the present, this 432-page volume is a must for art book collectors and for anyone interested in our city.

**The Architecture of Henry John Klutho: The Prairie School in Jacksonville**

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Fifteen years after its original publication, Robert Broward’s masterwork on Jacksonville architect Henry John Klutho has undergone a dramatic redesign. With more than 500 photographs, this 320-page book is a visual feast highlighting the work of the man many call Jacksonville’s greatest artist and architect.
The Great Fire of 1901 in Jacksonville, Florida was one of the worst disasters in Florida history. The fire scoured more than 146 city blocks and turned 2,368 buildings to cinders. The fire left nearly 9,000 people homeless. The Jacksonville skyline and the Acosta Bridge.

The history of Florida began at least 12,000 years ago, long before it became a U.S. state. Origin of the fire. The fire originated in a pile of moss at the Cleveland, Madison, Union and Beaver Streets. It was soon discovered and it was thought they could put it out with a few buckets of water, as they had frequently.

The Great Fire was the most destructive event in Jacksonville’s history, wiping out 2,368 buildings while leaving nearly 10,000 people homeless and destroying the majority of Downtown Jacksonville (miraculously, only seven persons died). It was the largest metropolitan fire to have occurred in the South, before or since. This momentous event triggered an unprecedented rebuilding effort that laid the foundation for modern Jacksonville. On May 3rd, 2001, Jacksonville, Florida marked the one hundredth anniversary of the Great Fire of 1901. The Jacksonville Historical Society commemorated this momentous event. Known as the Great Fire of 1901, it was one of the worst disasters in Florida history, in just eight hours, it destroyed the business district and left approximately 10,000 residents homeless. Architect Henry John Klutho was a figure in the reconstruction of the city. Multiple definitions of Downtown Jacksonville are in common use, often, the name Downtown is used exclusively for the historical core.