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Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society Executive Director Trevor Beemon gets a history lesson on the Brumby Chair Company from President and CEO Anna Brumby, of the many famous people photographed in the one-of-a-kind rockers dating back to 1875. The downtown Marietta business will be featured on the CLHS's Behind-the-Scenes Tour on August 20.

Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society continues to educate the public about the rich history of Cobb and its surrounding areas, which has shaped the community where we live. On Saturday, Aug. 20 at 4 p.m., CLHS hosts its Behind-the-Scenes Tour of The Brumby Chair Company, one such piece of Cobb's history.

CLHS is a private nonprofit organization. "(CLHS) work(s) to ensure the historically significant sites in Cobb County continue to enhance the quality of life, economy and tourism in our community," said Trevor Beemon, CLHS Executive Director.

CLHS is primarily funded through donations and memberships. The organization also operates the William Root House Museum just off the Marietta Square, an 1840s historic home that serves as its flagship property.

Since its 40th anniversary in 2014, CLHS has worked to introduce a variety of entertaining and educational tours and programs.

"Last year, we partnered with The Georgia Trust for a behind-the-scenes tour of the Strand Theatre. Earlier this spring, we partnered with The Georgia Trust for a special historic house tour featuring over 60 properties throughout Cobb County. We also partner with the Marietta Visitors Bureau to present the Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour each year, this year being the 30th anniversary," the Acworth resident explained.

"We hope to continue to offer our members and the public opportunities to tour and learn about Cobb's historic treasures," Beemon added.

This tour offers visitors the opportunity to learn the history of The Brumby Chair Company, home of the world famous Brumby Rockers. Artisans will demonstrate how the chairs are made in the actual workshop.

CLHS chose The Brumby Chair Company for the behind the scenes tour because of its history in the community. "The Brumby family has been crafting chairs in Marietta for over 140 years. We thought this tour would be a wonderful opportunity for folks to learn more about the company and how the Brumby Rocker came to be a Southern icon. We're honored that they agreed to open their showroom and workshop to our guests," Beemon said.

"We think visitors are really going to enjoy seeing the craftsmanship and artistry that goes into each chair. They are not just chairs, but beautiful pieces of art," Beemon said.

The Brumby Chair Company is at 37 West Park Square in Marietta. Tours are \$10 per person in advance and \$15 per person at the door. Visit www.cobblandmarks.com/brumby.html for more information.



Cobb Landmarks and Historical Society Executive Director Trevor Beemon looks on as Brumby Chair Company chair builder Billy Meator handpaints a child's version of the locally made iconic chair.

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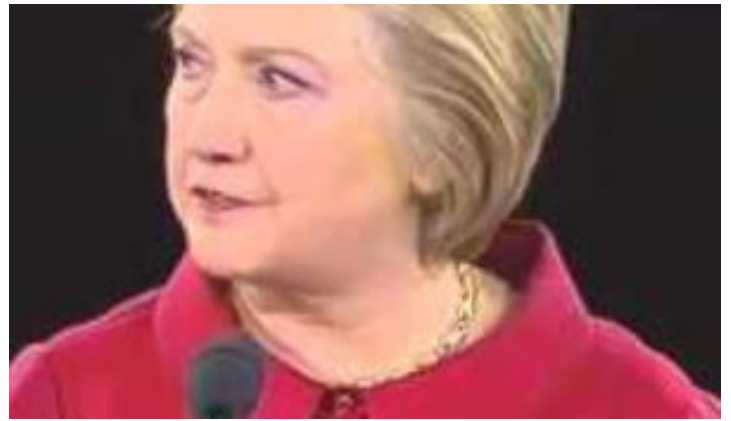


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