OHA Museum now has cell phone tours

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To supplement the visitor’s experience at its downtown Syracuse museum, the Onondaga Historical Association is now offering cell phone tours of its exhibits, as well as its building’s history.

Visitors with cell phones can now call a special phone number to learn more about OHA’s museum building, the former Bell Telephone Company, built in 1906, as well as one of the current temporary exhibits, “Toys From Your Childhood: The Psychedelic Sixties!”

The OHA decided to offer cell phone tours to augment traditional written exhibit labels. Along with accessing information from OHA’s Web site (www.cnyhistory.org), cell phone tours provide visitors more opportunities to discover the history of Syracuse and Onondaga County. The local history organization anticipates adding to its list of available tours in the near future.

Museum guests visiting the temporary exhibit featuring 1960s toys and games can call the cell phone tour number to learn more about many of the toys and games displayed in the museum’s second floor gallery. Do you want to hear more about the popularity of the game Twister? Or learn more about the background of Creepy Crawlers, Rock ‘em Sock ‘em Robots, GI Joe, Hot Wheels, Easy Bake Oven, or Barbie & Ken?

The OHA Museum is at 321 Montgomery St., just off Columbus Circle.

The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.