

Nicky Hughes

Nicky Hughes is curator of historic sites for the City of Frankfort's Department of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Sites. His primary responsibilities are the Capital City Museum, Leslie Morris Park on Fort Hill, supervision of the department's downtown tours and special events, and the new tour boat at Kentucky River View Park. He has held this position since 2000, when he retired from Kentucky State government. A 1972 graduate of Western Kentucky University, he worked for 24 years with the Kentucky Historical Society and for three years with the state's Division of Historic Properties. He was curator of the Kentucky Military History Museum and the Old State Capitol. The Kentucky National Guard awarded him the Commander's Award for Public Service Medal for his work in Kentucky military history, and he was the 2010 recipient of the Kentucky Historical Society's William R. Buster Award. He has been active in reenacting for decades, and was editor of two national Civil War magazines. Drum major and narrator for Saxton's Cornet Band, the Frankfort-based Civil War brass band, he is now making preparations for Cornets & Cannons, the Civil War Sesquicentennial Music Festival to be held in Frankfort in September 2011. Co-founder of the Frankfort Civil War Round Table, he is Road Manager for the Frankfort Mustangs car club. Along with his partners in the Frankfort Heritage Press, he has co-authored several pictorial histories of Frankfort.