

The St. Francis Historical Society Presents a Special Program at Our Monthly Meeting

Come hear Dr. Jacob Rieff's presentation on Bernard Isaac Durward

When: Saturday, September 20

Time: 10:15 am

Where: St. Francis Civic Center, 3400 E. Howard Ave.
Common Council Chambers

Dr. Rieff is a poet, translator, and scholar who teaches in the English department at Marquette University. His research focuses on western medieval monastic culture, but his work of late pushes up to modern poets.



The subject of this presentation:

Bernard Isaac Durward, a professor, poet, and painter, immigrated to America in 1845. The Wisconsin State Historical Society commissioned Durward to paint portraits of Solomon Juneau, Byron Kilbourn, and Bishop Henni. A keen friendship with Bishop Henni led Durward to convert to Catholicism.

Durward soon joined the St. Francis DeSales Seminary on South Lake Drive, as a professor of rhetoric and English. He still painted, with the professorship supplementing his income.

In 1862, the Durward family moved to a property in Baraboo, Wisconsin, which the family named Durward's Glen. Here Durward devoted himself to painting religious subjects and spending time on his writing and poetry.



**Come hear more about Bernard Isaac Durward!!!
Free to the public!!**