

# Mural Mania Quiz! Mississippi River Tales Mural

Reflecting Cape Girardeau's rich history and heritage, murals create a beautiful backdrop to some of the city's most historic and charming areas. The largest and most dramatic of these murals is the Mississippi River Tales mural. Enjoy this quiz with help from the panels in front of the Mississippi River Tales Murals we celebrate the 10 year commemoration of the mural's dedication!

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## Nature's River

1. The last known member of the Carolina parakeet species, once prevalent in the MS River Valley, died on Feb. 21, \_\_\_\_\_, in the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Native Americans

2. The Native Americans historians refer to as \_\_\_\_\_ lived in the Mississippi River Valley between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ AD.

## Marquette and Joliet

3. In \_\_\_\_\_, Father Jacques Marquette and Louis Joliet the first \_\_\_\_\_ expedition was led down the Mississippi River.

## Girardot Post

4. Who established a trading post near Cape Rock in 1735?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Planning a City

5. A small riverfront village was incorporated as the town of Cape Girardeau in \_\_\_\_\_.

## Lewis and Clark

6. Meriwether Lewis and William Clark stopped in Cape Girardeau on \_\_\_\_\_ to deliver \_\_\_\_\_ to Louis Lorimier.

## Louisiana Purchase

7. In \_\_\_\_\_, upper Louisiana was officially transferred to the United States in St. Louis: An event we call the Louisiana Purchase.

## Missouri Statehood

8. Missouri became the \_\_\_\_\_ state on \_\_\_\_\_.

## Trail of Tears

9. The loss of life on the Trail of Tears was high. Nearly \_\_\_\_\_ Cherokee died during the journey.

## Civil War

10. There were \_\_\_\_\_ forts in Cape Girardeau which protected the city from attack by land or water. The only site is \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Legendary Mike Fink

11. Mike Fink was a legendary \_\_\_\_\_.

## Mark Twain

12. Mark Twain took a journey down the Mississippi and eloquently described the city of Cape Girardeau in his book \_\_\_\_\_.

## St. Vincent's Seminary

13. This seminary began as \_\_\_\_\_ in 1838 but evolved over the following \_\_\_\_\_ years.

### Grant vs. Prentiss

14. In 1861, this Brigadier General took command of the fortified and occupied community of Cape Girardeau: \_\_\_\_\_.

### St. Vincent's Young Ladies' Academy

15. This academy was founded in \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ as a school for women.

### River Commerce

16. Before the coming of the \_\_\_\_\_, the Mississippi River was the commercial lifeline of Cape Girardeau.

### Coming of the Railroad

17. Construction of the railroad in Cape Girardeau was completed on \_\_\_\_\_.

### President's Visit

18. On \_\_\_\_\_, was the first president to visit Cape Girardeau.

### The Great Pipe

19. The largest fire in Cape Girardeau's history occurred on \_\_\_\_\_. The blaze began south of \_\_\_\_\_.

### The Big Freeze

20. For several weeks in \_\_\_\_\_, the river was covered with ice.

### Three "Cape Girardeaus"

21. One of the favorite steamboat captains of the residents of Cape Girardeau was \_\_\_\_\_ and his dog \_\_\_\_\_.

### Riverboat Jazz

22. The jazz band of \_\_\_\_\_ was one of the most popular on riverboats.

### The Big Flood

23. The highest flood, by which all Mississippi River floods are compared, was in \_\_\_\_\_.

### River Industry

24. The Mississippi River provides an abundant supply of \_\_\_\_\_ to Cape Girardeau.

### The Great Wall

25. Construction of the Mississippi River flood wall was completed in \_\_\_\_\_ at a cost of more than \_\_\_\_\_.

### Riverfest

26. For \_\_\_\_\_ years, this festival celebrated the fact that Cape Girardeau was on the river and of the river.

### Bill Emerson Memorial Bridge

27. This bridge opened to traffic on 2003 after \_\_\_\_\_ years of planning and \_\_\_\_\_ years of construction.

### Artist Panel

28. Thomas Melvin and Cameron Pfiffner directed the painting of the mural between April and November of \_\_\_\_\_.

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