

Billy W. Sills Center for Archives/FWISD *presents*

Jessica Webb

“Women, the Oldest Profession, and the Fort Worth Connection”

April 20, 2019



When saddle-weary cowboys arrived in Fort Worth in the late 1800s and early 1900s, they went looking for food, drink and feminine companionship. They found all that -- and more -- in a Cowtown neighborhood called Hell's Half-Acre. It was a place of saloons, dance halls and women of commercial virtue. And it was commanded by a retinue of madams, tough women who ran the brothels and exercised power in Fort Worth politics and economics. A TCU historian and doctoral candidate, Jessica Webb, has researched the history of Fort Worth's red-light district from the 1870s to the 1920s and will lecture on that bawdy era at the Billy W. Sills Center for the Archives. Her



Sundance Kid and a
“Companion”

talk will focus on the life and legends of the famous Madams who ran Hell's Half-Acre..

Join us April 20, for a morning of learning, fun, and fellowship.

Join us for coffee and “nibbles”
beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 20, 2019
10:00 to 12:00

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