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In-Person Events Return to the Hampton History Museum

Hampton, VA— The Hampton History Museum returns to in-person programs with its March lecture and concert series. On March 7, 7pm - 8pm, Greg Siegal will present “Fighting for Passengers: Streetcar Rivalries at the Turn of the 20th Century” and provide updates on the restoration of Streetcar 390. Poisoned Dwarf will kick off the music series for 2022 on March 16 from 6pm-8pm. Admission to these events is free for museum members, and \$5.00 for non-members. The events will be recorded for later viewing on Facebook, YouTube, and hamptonhistorymuseum.org.

Peninsula Streetcar Lecture - March 7, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Greg Siegel, chair of Hampton’s Streetcar 390 Project presents, “Fighting for Passengers: Streetcar Rivalries at the Turn of the 20th Century on the Lower Peninsula” as part of the museum’s Port Hampton Lecture Series on Monday, March 7, 7-8 pm.

Siegel will explore the history of streetcar service on the lower Peninsula between 1900 to 1914. During this period a bitter rivalry erupted between the two streetcar companies vying for riders from Old Point Comfort, Hampton and Newport News.

Siegel will update attendees on the latest developments and discoveries of the Streetcar 390 restoration, as well as fundraising progress and plans for the pavilion that will house the restored streetcar.

Celtic Music with Poisoned Dwarf - March 16, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day early with a lively concert of Celtic music from Poisoned Dwarf. This rollicking quintet plays virtuosic, innovative and passionate renditions of traditional Irish and Scottish music on acoustic instruments. These talented musicians create a driving sonic energy with whistles, flutes, violin, guitar, percussion, and Uilleann pipes together with exciting and lyrical vocals.

Based out of Williamsburg, the members of Poisoned Dwarf are Thomas DeRose, Stewart Pittman, Lance Pedigo, Mei-Li Garcia and Patrick Rooney.

Beer and wine will be available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Hampton History Museum.

The concert will be held in the museum's Great Hall. Seating is limited and first-come, first-serve. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

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Photos Attached

Cyanotype image of Hampton and Old Point R.R. Co. streetcar, likely at original power house and repair facility on Armistead Ave., c.1890. Hampton History Museum

Poisoned Dwarf, courtesy of Poisoned Dwarf

Partially bordered by the Hampton Roads harbor and Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, with the 344,000 sq. ft. Hampton Roads Convention Center and the award-winning Hampton Coliseum, is located in the center of Coastal Virginia and the Hampton Roads metropolitan area. Hampton is the site of America's first continuous English-speaking settlement, the site of the first arrival of Africans in English North America, and is home to such visitor attractions as the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.