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## New mobile pass features Hampton's Black History sites, chance to win prizes

**Hampton, VA** - Gather your friends and family for an exciting Black History Month experience in Hampton. The new <u>Hampton Black History Site Pass</u> allows users to check in on their smartphones at the city's historic museums and sites. Residents and visitors can sign up for this captivating pass and revel at Hampton's Black historic sites, which tell a powerful story of perseverance, heritage and pride. Throughout February, users that check into four or more of Hampton's museums and Black heritage sites will be eligible to win a special prize.

This guided adventure provides users with a unique and impactful experience as they visit the Fort Monroe Visitor & Education Center, the First Africans Historical Marker, the Emancipation Oak, Hampton University Museum, Hampton History Museum, Tucker Family Cemetery and Aberdeen Gardens Museum. The pass includes descriptions, directions to and operating hours of the museums and sites.

Users who check into four or more sites and museums will be eligible for a prize, a limited edition poster of the 2019 Commemorate Quilt. The quilt was handmade by members of the community for the 2019 Commemoration of the first African landing in Hampton. Prizes can be redeemed at the Hampton Visitor Center, 120 Old Hampton Lane, and at the Fort Monroe Visitor & Education Center, 30 Ingles Road.

For more information or to sign up for your Hampton Black History Sites Pass, sponsored by the Hampton Convention & Visitor Bureau, go to <u>visithampton.com/tickets</u> and click on Hampton Black History Sties Pass or call 757-722-1222.

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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.