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Hampton History Museum Hosts November Events Including Lecture on The Lost Colony and Hatteras Island

Hampton, VA – Join the Hampton History Museum for several events this November. As part of the Hampton Port Lecture series on November 2, learn about the mysteries of Roanoke's Lost Colony and its link to Hatteras Island. Rob Oliver will grace the virtual stage on November 18 performing argininal music for the Front Porch Music series. Also, Hampton's Streetcar 390 Project will host an open house and book signing on November 14 at Fort Monroe.

Virtual Port Hampton Lecture

[The Lost Colony and Hatteras Island \[facebook.com\]](#)

Hampton History Museum Facebook Live - Monday, November 2, 7-8 pm

For over 400 years, the mystery of Roanoke's "Lost Colony" has puzzled historians and spawned conspiracies--until now. New discoveries link the lost colony of Roanoke to Hatteras Island. Scott Dawson, author of "The Lost Colony and Hatteras Island" shares the story in this virtual event.

This lost colony as it became known in the 20th century was never actually lost. Dawson set out to prove this by digging them up and has done so. This presentation will present the real history, which has been buried in mythology and legend and separate fact from fiction backed by modern science and an exhaustive analysis of primary sources.

The legend of the Lost Colony has been captivating imaginations for nearly a century. When they left Roanoke Island, where did they go? What is the meaning of the mysterious word Croatoan? In the sixteenth century, Croatoan was the name of an island to the south now known as Hatteras. Scholars have long considered the island as one of the colonists' possible destinations, but only recently has anyone set out to prove it. Archaeologists from the University of Bristol, working with local residents through the Croatoan Archaeological Society, have uncovered tantalizing clues to the fate of the colony.

Hatteras native Scott Dawson President of the Croatoan Archaeological Society. He has participated in 10 years of archaeological dig on Hatteras Island excavating a Croatoan Indian village where they located an abandoned English colony for over 430 years ago.

Read more: <https://hampton.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=4683>

Streetcar 390 Open House and Book Signing

Saturday, November 14, 11 am-3 pm, Free

57 Patch Road, Fort Monroe, VA 23651

Join Hampton's Streetcar 390 Project an Open House to view the progress on the restoration of the historic trolley and to celebrate the release of the book, *The One That Survived: The Story of Streetcar 390 and the Era of Streetcar Service on the Lower Peninsula*.

This highly anticipated book written by Greg Siegel covers the 70 years when streetcars were a familiar sight in Hampton and Newport News and tells the story of the Streetcar 390's journey from delivery in 1917 to its return in 2017. Greg is the chair of Hampton's Streetcar 390 Project, an all-volunteer group steering the efforts to restore the trolley. Copies of the book will be available for \$20.

At the event, an Amazon gift card raffle will be held to raise funds for the restoration. Five winning tickets will be drawn for prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500. Tickets will be \$5 each or 6 for \$25. The raffle is sponsored by Dr. Michael Hutchings Hampton Family Dentistry.

Face masks and social distancing will be required. The number of attendees in the building at one time will be monitored.

Read more: <https://hampton.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=4674>

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Image attached: Postcard of car 67 in Phoebus, Virginia, c. 1916. This streetcar was purchased from Jackson and Sharp Wilmington, Delaware in 1899. This car was originally an open car and was remodeled for the influx of population during World War I. (Hampton Roads Postcard Club)

Virtual Front Porch Music Series

Rob Oliver [facebook.com]

Hampton History Museum Facebook Live - Wednesday, November 18, 7-8 pm

Rob Oliver has graced the Hampton History Museum stage performing with other area talents in recent years. This is his first museum event as a solo artist. He is a multi-instrumentalist, vocalist and songwriter who specializes in guitar and harmonica. He released his acclaimed debut album "Highs & Lows & Blues" in February 2020.

Oliver has been writing and performing original music for over twenty years in both electric and acoustic settings. He began composing music early on, and was hooked on performing once he got his first taste of playing in bands with friends. His songwriting has evolved through the years just as his listening tastes have changed, but everything continues to be a mix of what has come before.

Read more: <https://hampton.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=4684>

Hampton History Museum

The Hampton History Museum is located at 120 Old Hampton Lane in Downtown Hampton. There is free parking in the garage across the street. Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday & Sunday, 1:00-4:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.hamptonhistorymuseum.org [\[hamptonhistorymuseum.org\]](http://hamptonhistorymuseum.org) or <https://www.facebook.com/HamptonHistoryMuseum> [\[facebook.com\]](https://www.facebook.com/HamptonHistoryMuseum), or call 757-727-1102

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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 Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, harbor tours and cruises, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.



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