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Hampton History Museum Welcomes Back Favorites for December Monthly Series

Hampton, VA—The Hampton History Museum brings back two favorites for its lecture and concert series and adds a take home activity this December. Noted historical reenactor Nathan Richardson reprises his electrifying portrayal of Frederick Douglass to share his views in support of women’s rights on December 7. A host of diverse Hampton Roads musical talent brought together by Hampton’s own Tornado Bait will gift the online community with a video album of original holiday music on December 16.

Free Heirloom Ornament Making Kits
Friday, November 27 until supplies run out

While the Hampton History Museum won’t be able to host its annual Holly Days Open House this year, they are keeping alive the tradition of making their popular heirloom ornaments. Beginning Friday, November 27, the museum is offering free kits available for pick up in the museum lobby featuring craft materials to make tin-punch ornaments, God’s eye ornaments and hanky angels. Crafting instructions will be posted on the museum’s website, Facebook page and YouTube playlist.

Virtual Port Hampton Lecture:
Frederick Douglass Speaks on Woman Suffrage
Hampton History Museum Facebook Live
Monday, December 7, 7 pm

The Frederick Douglass Speaking Tour makes its return to the museum. Poet, author and spoken word performer Nathan M. Richardson captures the physical and spiritual essence of the great writer, orator and abolitionist Frederick Douglass. In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment that guaranteed women’s constitutional right to vote, Richardson will share Douglass’ views on women’s rights.

As Douglass, Richardson will share the story of his life; followed by an excerpt recital of his 1848 speech to the International Council of Women in Seneca Falls, NY, on "Woman Suffrage." He’ll concluding the program by answering questions from the virtual audience via Facebook comments about his letters and activism supporting such notable women as Lucretia Mott, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Harriet Tubman, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth, Victoria Woodhull and the role of Native-American Women in the movement.
Virtual Front Porch Music Series:
Out of the Bag—Carols for an Uncommon Christmas
Hampton History Museum Facebook Video Premier
Wednesday, December 16, 7 pm

Back for their annual tradition, albeit a virtual one this year, the irrepressible Msesippi and her “grunge-grass” band Tornado Bait, along with special co-host, former Daily Press music and entertainment writer Mike Holtzclaw, present an evening of original home-grown holiday tunes featuring the talents of The Fuzz Band, Bobby Blackhat, Lonely Tear Drops, Anna Tozi, Inferior Brain Power, Ryan Chris and The Rough Cuts, Jack Green, Uglyography and more!

After the events premier or air live on Facebook, they can be found under the videos tab on the Hampton History Museum Facebook page, and will be available soon after on the museum’s YouTube playlist and website, www.hamptonhistorymuseum.org

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