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AUGUST PROGRAMS AT THE NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF HISTORY

RALEIGH, N.C.—Summer is ending soon . . . Have you been to the NC Museum of History yet? Check us off your summer bucket list this month and enjoy free, educational fun for families, friends, and anyone looking to beat the heat.

Calling all war buffs and film aficionados! Join us for a **special overview segment screening** (not rated; approx. 50 min) of Ken Burns and Lynn Novick’s PBS documentary [*The Vietnam War on Friday*](#), **August 3, at 6:30 p.m.** *Jeff Smith, Military and Veterans Affairs Coordinator at UNC-TV, will introduce his curated compilation of the most consequential scenes from the 10-part, nationally acclaimed documentary series.*

While you’re here, swing by our new [*A Thousand Words: Photographs by Vietnam Veterans*](#) exhibit. This collection of images, assembled by photographer Martin Tucker, was taken by North Carolina soldiers in Vietnam.

Are you a chocoholic? Indulge your sweet tooth at **History à la Carte: Magic Beans on Wednesday, August 8, at noon.** Chocolate expert Hallot Parson of Raleigh-based Escazú Chocolates will detail the “bean to bar” process that starts on the international farms and ends in the magical work they do at their shop. He will also touch on the Latin American and European history surrounding chocolate.

Read on for all our August happenings. Programs are **FREE** unless otherwise noted. Weekend parking is free.

PROGRAMS

[Editors: Please include registration information when applicable.]

Exhibit Opening: [*Alexander Hamilton: Immigrant, Patriot, Visionary*](#) Wednesday, August 1

Don’t have tickets to *Hamilton*? Visit our short-term panel exhibit instead! Come examine the statesman and visionary’s contributions in helping create the economic, constitutional, social, journalistic, political, and foreign policy templates for the America we live in 200 years after his death. The exhibit runs through Monday, August 27. On loan from the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, this traveling exhibition was made possible, in part, by the Rockefeller Foundation.

***Summer Storytime**

Thursdays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 10–10:30
a.m.

Ages 10 and under (with adult)

Meet a staff member at the information desk, and follow your guide outside to our garden exhibit or into one of the museum galleries. Look around and listen to a history-related story—some are featured in the NCAITC Book of the Month program.

Film Screening: [*The Vietnam War*](#) Friday,
August 3, 6:30 p.m.

Speaker: *Jeff Smith, Military and Veterans Affairs Coordinator, UNC-TV*

Join us for a special overview segment of this recent PBS documentary (by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick) that focuses on the lives of soldiers during and after the war.
(2017; not rated; run time: approx. 50 min.)

History à la Carte: Magic Beans Wednesday,
August 8, noon–1 p.m.

Register at NCMOH-programs.com to reserve a seat. Bring your own lunch; beverages provided. For information, call 919-807-7969.

Speaker: *Hallot Parson, Cofounder, Escazú Chocolates*

Chocolate expert Parson of Raleigh-based Escazú Chocolates will detail the “bean to bar” process that starts on the international farms they work with and ends in the magical work they do at their shop. He will also touch on the Latin American and European history surrounding chocolate.

***Land of the Longleaf**

Saturday, August 11, 1–3 p.m.

We’re the first-in-forestry state? Why are we called Tar Heels? How have local trees shaped our state identity? Find out, create a dogwood print, have fun with furniture, and make a sassafras tea bag.

***Time for Tots: Things That Go** Saturday,

August 11, 10–10:45 a.m.

Ages 3–5 (with adult)

\$5 per child; free for MOHA/museum members. To register, visit NCMOH-programs.com. For information, call 919-807-7979.

Cars and trucks and things that go! Join us on this new day, and look at transportation items in the museum’s collection, then create your own traveling machine to take with you.

***Artist at Work: Stuart Kent** Saturday,

August 11, 1–3 p.m.

Watch Kent, a woodworking teacher and custom furniture maker, turn bowls and other items made with North Carolina woods on a lathe.

***Homeschool History Day** Friday,

August 17, 1–4 p.m.

\$5 per person; free for MOHA/museum members. To register, visit NCMOH-programs.com. For information, call 919-807-7979.

Do you know about the resources and regularly scheduled programs offered by the museum that are ideally suited to homeschooled children and their teachers? If not, drop in on a short class to get a taste of on-site program offerings, pick up information about materials and kits available for self-directed learning, and find out how to start your own club of Tar Heel Junior Historians.

For more information about August programs, call 919-807-7900 or go to NCMOH-programs.com.

** marks programs of interest to children or families*

For information about the NC Museum of History, a Smithsonian-affiliated museum, call 919-8077900 or access ncmuseumofhistory.org or follow on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [Google+](#) or [YouTube](#).

About the NC Museum of History, a Smithsonian Affiliate

The NC Museum of History is located at 5 E. Edenton Street in downtown Raleigh. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. The museum collects and preserves artifacts of North Carolina history and educates the public on the history of the state and the nation through exhibits and educational programs. Each year more than 400,000 people visit the museum to see some of the 150,000 artifacts in the museum collection. The Museum of History, within the Division of State History Museums, is part of the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

About the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

The NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (NCDNCR) is the state agency with a vision to be the leader in using the state's natural and cultural resources to build the social, cultural, educational and economic future of North Carolina. NCDNCR's mission is to improve the quality of life in our state by creating opportunities to experience excellence in the arts, history, libraries and nature in North Carolina by stimulating learning, inspiring creativity, preserving the state's history, conserving the state's natural heritage, encouraging recreation and cultural tourism, and promoting economic development.

NCDNCR includes 27 historic sites, seven history museums, two art museums, two science museums, three aquariums and Jennette's Pier, 39 state parks and recreation areas, the NC Zoo, the nation's first state-supported Symphony Orchestra, the State Library, the State Archives, the NC Arts Council, State Preservation Office, and the Office of State Archaeology, along with the Division of Land and Water Stewardship. For more information, please call 919-807-7300 or visit www.ncdcr.gov.

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