

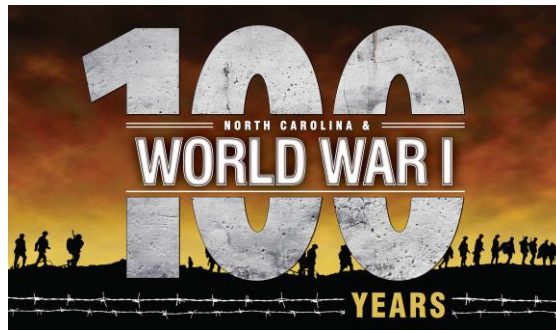
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## **BAGPIPERS, WORLD WAR I and MORE are HERE! APRIL 2017 PROGRAMS AT THE N.C. MUSEUM OF HISTORY**



**RALEIGH, N.C. — Come wear your kilt to Tartan Day North Carolina: A Scottish Celebration for the Old North State, Thursday, April 6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the N.C. Museum of History.** Enjoy this **FREE** event throughout the day as you experience the noble sounds of Scottish bagpipes, Highland dancing, food and other surprises that all help tell the story of North Carolina’s Scots.

**One hundred years have passed since America entered the “war to end all wars” in 1917.** World War I marked the first time that the United States would become a world power of the 20th century, and more than 86,000 North Carolinians participated in this war to “make the world safe for democracy.”

**A new exhibit, *North Carolina & World War I*, will be opening on Saturday, April 8, at the Museum of History.** In addition, the museum is remembering the Great War with a day of **FREE** activities also on **Saturday, April 8, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.**

**The 6,500-square-foot exhibit commemorates the centennial anniversary of the United States’ involvement in World War I with an incredible new experiential exhibition that will transport you to another time!** Visitors will experience a life-sized re-created trench warfare system and field hospital and interactive videos, as well as see

historical battlefield films and photography and hundreds of artifacts. Hear the stories of those who were in the trenches, in addition to volunteers, nurses behind the lines, and people at home.

## **PROGRAMS**

***[Editors: Please include registration information when applicable.]***

### **\*Time for Tots: In a Pickle!**

Tuesday, April 4, 10-10:45 a.m.

**Ages 3-5 (with adult)**

\$3 plus tax per child; \$1 plus tax for Associates/museum members

To register, visit [NCMOH-programs.com](http://NCMOH-programs.com). For information, call 919-807-7979.

Find out about the process of picking and pickling produce in North Carolina, and create and take home a craft that will put *you* in a pickle!

### **\*History Corner/History Hunters: Capital Stories**

Wednesday, April 5, 10 a.m.-noon **Ages 6-9 (with adult) and ages 10-13**

\*\$3 plus tax per child; \$1 plus tax for Associates/museum members

To register, visit [NCMOH-programs.com](http://NCMOH-programs.com). For information, call 919-807-7988.

Don't miss this special joint program celebrating Raleigh History Month. Discover some of our capital city's unusual—and unexpected—history during a walking tour, then test your city design skills and learn more about the City of Oaks.

### **\*Tartan Day North Carolina: A Scottish Celebration for the Old North State**

Thursday, April 6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

**This daylong celebration is FREE to the public.** Bagpipes, Highland dancing, genealogy discussions, demonstrations, Scottish food and a few surprises present some of the best of Scotland while telling the story of Scots in North Carolina.

**The evening concert**, in Daniels Auditorium, features WRAL anchor Bill Leslie and other performers in an energetic evening of Celtic-inspired music.

6-7 p.m.: Ticketed reception

7:15 p.m.: Concert fund-raiser; *tickets are \$50 per person/\$40 for Associates/museum members*

Call 336-499-9733 for more information. This event is organized by Celtic Force Enterprises. Proceeds will benefit the museum and Tartan Day North Carolina.

### **First Fridays at the Museum: Big-Band Sounds of Leon Jordan and the Continentals and Preview of North Carolina & World War I**

Friday, April 7, 5-9 p.m.

Enjoy Leon Jordan and the Continentals, visit our lobby-level exhibits, stop in the Museum Shop and—while they last—sample offerings from Raleigh Brewing Company. Later, be among the first to experience a sneak peek of the newest exhibit, *North Carolina & World War I*.

### **\*World War I Centennial Commemoration**

Saturday, April 8, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Join us in this FAMILY EVENT** commemorating World War I and the new exhibit [North Carolina & World War I](#).

- **The day will begin with a solemn wreath-laying ceremony** at the World War I section of the North Carolina Veterans Memorial on the State Capitol grounds with the N.C. National Guard, World War I reenactors and attending dignitaries.
- Afterward, a **ribbon cutting** will officially open *North Carolina & World War I* at the N.C. Museum of History.
- Enjoy activities featuring historians, interpreters and reenactors; soldiers and equipment; and a variety of special and temporary exhibits.

The event is **free**, as is parking on the weekend in downtown Raleigh.

**\*Music of the Carolinas: NCCU Jazz Ensemble**

Sunday, April 9, 3 p.m.

Free tickets for this concert are distributed while they last beginning at 2 p.m.

North Carolina Central University was the first university in the state to offer a bachelor's of music degree in jazz studies and now offers a master's degree in both jazz composition and jazz performance. The famed Jazz Studies Program performs under the leadership of saxophonist/flutist Dr. Ira Wiggins. *Presented with PineCone and support from the N.C. Museum of History Associates.*

**\*History à la Carte: Writing and Researching 100 years of Jugtown**

Wednesday, April 12, noon-1 p.m.

Register at [NCMOH-programs.com](http://NCMOH-programs.com) and purchase a boxed lunch—or just bring your own. Beverages provided. For information, call 919-807-7986.

**Stephen C. Compton, Researcher-Author**

An expert in North Carolina pottery, Compton has authored books and curated exhibits on the topic. His latest book, *Jugtown Pottery 1917–2017: A Century of Art and Craft in Clay*, is scheduled for release this spring.

**\*Girl Scout Brownies and Juniors: Toys and Games**

Saturday, April 22, 1–4:40 p.m. \$11 per Scout

Register by April 10 at [nccoastalpines.org](http://nccoastalpines.org). For information, call 919-807-7988.

Earn a Toys and Games patch while learning how North Carolina folks had fun—historically! You'll make a brainteaser and a dancing doll *and* your own “trash treasure.”

**North Carolina: Where Baseball Legends Are Born**

Saturday, April 22, 2 p.m.

**Frank Amoroso, Historical Novelist**

This entertaining look at some of the state's most enduring **baseball legends will include Babe Ruth**, who attended his first spring training camps in Fayetteville and Wilmington during 1914 and is featured in *Wopper*, a new series of books by Amoroso that introduces readers to Ruth. *A Q&A session and book signing will follow the program.*

## **20th Annual Spring Frolic Fund-Raiser**

Saturday, April 29, 6 p.m.-midnight

**Be a part of the largest annual museum fund-raiser** as we honor longtime supporter and member Marion Johnson Church with silent and live auctions, food, drink, live music and so much more!

For information, visit [ncmuseumassoc.com](http://ncmuseumassoc.com) or call 919-807-7847.

### **\*Triangle Youth Jazz Ensemble**

Sunday, April 30, 2 p.m.

Award-winning Triangle-area high school musicians perform the best of classical big-band jazz. The Triangle Youth Jazz Orchestra, led by Lisa Burn, opens the concert.

**Enjoy these programs and more at the N.C. Museum of History. ALL programs are FREE unless otherwise noted. Parking is free on weekends.**

*\* marks programs of interest to children or families*

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#### **Image – Bagpipers**

Bagpipers marching at the Highland games. Photo rights from iStock Photo.

#### **Image – Poster**

*North Carolina & World War I* exhibit poster. N.C. Museum of History

#### **Image – Baseball players**

Wake Forest College baseball team, ca. 1920. N.C. Museum of History Collection

**For information about the N.C. Museum of History**, a Smithsonian-affiliated museum, call [919-807-7900](tel:919-807-7900) or access [ncmuseumofhistory.org](http://ncmuseumofhistory.org) or follow on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Google+ or YouTube.

### **About the N.C. Museum of History, a Smithsonian Affiliate**

The N.C. 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 N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

### **About the N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources**

The N.C. 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 N.C. Zoo, the nation's first state-supported Symphony Orchestra, the State Library, the State Archives, the N.C. 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](http://www.ncdcr.gov).

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