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**MEMORIAL DAY AT THE NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF HISTORY**

Fun, free and open all weekend

RALEIGH, N.C. — Where will *you* be for Memorial Day? Get your kids off that couch and into the museum! Most galleries are open all weekend with an array of fascinating, and **free**, hands-on exhibits. Check out our [exhibits of military interest](#), including the award-winning [North Carolina and World War I](#) and [A Call to Arms](#); the new [Collecting Carolina: Montagnards, Vietnam's Central Highlanders](#) and [Look Again: Discovering Historical Photos](#); and perennial favorite [The Story of North Carolina](#).

Don't miss your last chance to see our popular [Shape of Fashion](#) exhibit. Open through Sunday, June 3, this exhibit combines costumes from the collection with historical photos to highlight pivotal changes in the shapes and styles of clothing from the 1800s and 1900s.

We are honored to continue our Blue Star Museum legacy and to offer active and retired military personnel [discounted memberships](#), as well as a 10 percent discount at the Museum Shop.

For information about the NC Museum of History, a Smithsonian-affiliated museum, call 919-807-7900 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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