RALEIGH, N.C. — Spring break is in full swing this week, and the North Carolina Museum of History is offering fun and FREE programming. End the week with a bang with three exciting events, perfect for folks of all interests and ages.

- **Tartan Day North Carolina: A Scottish Celebration for the Old North State**
  Friday, April 6, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

  A daylong celebration of bagpipes, Highland dancing, genealogy discussions, demonstrations, Scottish food, and a few surprises presents some of the best of Scotland while telling the story of Scots in North Carolina. For more information, call 336-499-9733. Organized by Celtic Force Enterprises.

- **First Fridays at the Museum/World War I Film Series: All Quiet on the Western Front**
  Friday, April 6, 6:30 p.m.

  Stay after Tartan Day, or come fresh for First Friday (which begins at 5 p.m.), and view a cinema classic. This American-made film follows a group of idealistic German schoolboys who get caught up in the nationalistic fervor that helped lead to 1914’s European War. Oscar winner for best picture—and nominated for best cinematography—this film is on the American Film Institute’s 100 Greatest American Movies of All Time list.

  The museum’s award-winning exhibit *North Carolina and World War I* will remain open prior to the film.

- **Music of the Carolinas: Rissi Palmer**
  Sunday, April 8, 3 p.m.

  *This concert will be interpreted by an ASL (American Sign Language) interpreter. Free tickets for this concert are distributed while they last beginning at 2 p.m.*

  Singer/songwriter Palmer has performed with such notable artists as Charley Crockett, Chris Young, Taylor Swift, and the Eagles, and she has been invited to the White House and the Grand Ole Opry on numerous occasions. In the 10 years since her debut, Palmer has released two more albums—one, a children’s album, *Best Day Ever*—and has earned a rare appearance, for an African American female, on *Billboard* magazine’s Top Country Albums chart.
Presented with PineCone and support from MOHA/museum members. Join MOHA before or after the concert—for half-price museum membership! In addition, enter our raffle for a prize from the Museum Shop (winner will be drawn at the June concert and need not be present).

* marks programs of interest to children or families

To schedule interviews or for additional information about these events, please contact AK Brinson at 919-807-7943 or ak.brinson@ncdcr.gov.

**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.

For information about the NC Museum of History, call 919-807-7900 or access ncmuseumofhistory.org or follow on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Google+ or YouTube.

**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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