MEDIA ALERT

New exhibition, *Pauli Murray: Imp, Crusader, Dude, Priest*, opening at the NC Museum of History this May

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**WHAT:**  New exhibition, *Pauli Murray: Imp, Crusader, Dude, Priest,* opening

**WHEN:**  Saturday, May 28, 2022
9 a.m.

**WHERE:**  North Carolina Museum of History
5 E. Edenton Street, Raleigh

**DETAILS:**  *Pauli Murray: Imp, Crusader, Dude, Priest* is an exhibit that chronicles the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray as a significant 20th-century human rights activist, educator, lawyer, poet, and Episcopal priest.
Dr. Pauli Murray was a key player in the fight for African American, women’s, and LGBTQIA+ rights. At the same time, Murray was negotiating their own racial identity, struggling to earn a good living, and seeking more understanding of their sexuality and gender. Through photographs, quotes, audio, and text, the exhibit invites a deeper understanding of 20th-century American life.

Visitors to this exhibit, created by Durham’s Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice, can explore a variety of life-size photographs and an annotated timeline to learn more about the life of Pauli Murray.

The exhibition will be open May 28 through November 27, 2022.

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**About the NC Museum of History**
The North Carolina Museum of History, a Smithsonian Affiliate, fosters a passion for North Carolina history. This museum collects and preserves artifacts of state history and educates the public on the history of the state and the nation through exhibits and educational programs. **Admission is free.** Before the COVID public closure, more than 465,000 people visited the museum annually 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 more information, access the museum’s website, [ncmuseumofhistory.org](http://ncmuseumofhistory.org).

**About the Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice**
The Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice is a National Historic Landmark site, anchored by Pauli Murray’s childhood home built by her grandparents in 1898 at 906 Carroll Street in Durham, North Carolina. By connecting history to contemporary human rights issues, the Pauli Murray Center will activate visitors of all ages to stand up for peace, equity, and justice. For more information, visit [paulimurraycenter.com](http://paulimurraycenter.com).

**About the Smithsonian Affiliations Network**
Since 2006, the North Carolina Museum of History has been a Smithsonian Affiliate, part of a select group of museums and cultural, educational, and arts organizations that share Smithsonian resources with the nation. The Smithsonian Affiliations network is a national outreach program that develops long-term collaborative partnerships with museums and other educational and cultural organizations to enrich communities with Smithsonian resources. More information is available at [affiliations.si.edu](http://affiliations.si.edu).

**About the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources**
The North Carolina 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 natural assets 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, as well as 39 state parks and recreation areas, the North Carolina Zoo, the nation’s first state-supported symphonic orchestra, the State Library of North Carolina, the State Archives of North Carolina, the North Carolina Arts Council, the North Carolina State Historic
Preservation Office, and the North Carolina Office of State Archaeology, along with the state Division of Land and Water Stewardship. For more information, call 919-814-6800 or visitDNCR.nc.gov.

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