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**Hampton History Museum Presents Pamunkey Indian Tribe Lecture
and Bobby BlackHat Concert in August**

Hampton, VA – The director of cultural resources and museum for the Pamunkey Indian Tribe will discuss the history, government and artifacts of the tribe, as well as issues facing Native Americans today, in a talk on Monday, August 1 at 7 pm as part of the Hampton History Museum's Port Hampton lecture Series. Bluesman and multi-award winning harmonica player Bobby BlackHat performs with his band in the museum's Front Porch Music Series on Wednesday, August 17, 6-8 pm.

Port Hampton Lecture

[Pamunkey Indian Tribe: Cultural Resource Management](#)

Monday, August 1, 7 pm

Museum members free, non-members \$5

Join Shaleigh Howells, Cultural Resource Director for the Pamunkey Indian Tribe and Museum Director of the Pamunkey Indian Museum & Cultural Center, as she discusses cultural resource management in the Tribal sector. She'll discuss the history of the Pamunkey Indian Tribe, give an overview of Tribal government, as well as her work managing cultural resources for the Tribe and the Pamunkey Indian Museum & Cultural Center. She'll also speak about contemporary issues Native Americans face today and ways to support indigenous communities.

Shaleigh Howells works as a non-Native representative of and advocate for the Pamunkey Indian Tribe. She serves as the Tribe's Cultural Resource Director and Museum Director of the Pamunkey Indian Museum & Cultural Center. Howells is a graduate of Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (BA, History) and Harvard University (ALM, Museum Studies). Originally from Western Massachusetts, she has lived in Central Virginia for over a decade. Her areas of expertise include collections management, museum registration, deaccession, repatriation, cultural resource management and community engagement. Her former appointment was with The Valentine in Richmond, VA, working as the Assistant Registrar, where she developed and managed the museum's large-scale deaccession project.

[Front Porch Music Series](#)

[Bobby BlackHat Band](#)

Wednesday, August 17, 6-8 pm

Museum members free, non-members \$5

"You never know what's gonna happen at a Bobby BlackHat show!"

A harmonica player for over 40 years, Bobby BlackHat blends the influences of Chicago, Memphis, Piedmont, and Delta-style blues along with a little Gospel into a toe tappin', finger poppin', hip shakin' blues experience.

This multi-award winning blues artist has opened for such musical legends as B.B. King, Taj Mahal, and Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin and has performed with Kenny Neal, Jackie Scott, Bill Deal and the Rhondels, Jason Ricci, Eddie Shaw, Ruthie Foster, Slam Allen, Tas Cru, Mick Kolassa, and Memphis Gold.

The Bobby BlackHat Band is Bobby "BlackHat" Walters, on harmonica and vocals; Danny Lubertazzi on guitar and vocals; Brian Eubanks on bass; Michael Behlmar on drums; and Lucy Lawrence Kilpatrick on keyboards.

Beer and Wine will be available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the museum.

Museum Series Events Available Online

The museum's lecture and concert series are recorded live and posted on the museum's Facebook page, YouTube channel and website, www.hamptonhistorymuseum.org.

Hampton History Museum

The Hampton History Museum is located at 120 Old Hampton Lane in Downtown Hampton. There is free parking in the garage across the street from the museum. For more information call 757-727-1102 or visit www.hamptonhistorymuseum.org

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Photos attached:

George Major Cook, pre 1930, courtesy of the Pamunkey Museum & Cultural Center
Bobby BlackHat Band, courtesy of Bobby BlackHat

Partially bordered by the Hampton Roads harbor and Chesapeake Bay, Hampton, with the 344,000 sq. ft. Hampton Roads Convention Center and the award-winning Hampton Coliseum, is located in the center of Coastal Virginia and the Hampton Roads metropolitan area. Hampton is the site of America's first continuous English-speaking settlement, the site of the first arrival of Africans in English North America, and is home to such visitor attractions as the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.