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## **M.S.G. Acoustic Blues Trio Performs at the Hampton History Museum July 18**

**Hampton, Virginia-** The M.S.G Acoustic Blues Trio brings their Piedmont blues to the Hampton History Museum's monthly concert series on Wednesday, July 18, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

An M.S.G. Acoustic Blues Trio concert is not just a performance; it is a complete emotional journey from joy to tears. It's an event where everyone can participate and share in the celebration of life.

M.S.G. is a roots-infused, Piedmont-steeped, yet thoroughly up-to-date group of widely and deeply talented musicians: Jackie Merritt, harmonica, guitar and bones; Miles Spicer, guitar; and Resa Gibbs, lead vocalist and percussionist. Their repertoire includes originals, traditional blues, gospel and ragtime tunes, as well as a number of surprising covers.

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M.S.G. has been together for nearly sixteen years and have produced four CDs. They are proud to say their latest effort, THE FLOOD received a first-round Grammy nomination under the category of Best Traditional Blues Album. M.S.G. is considered one of the top Piedmont acoustic blues (singer/songwriting) groups in the Mid-Atlantic Region of the country.

The trio has performed at the 2015 Chicago Blues Festival, the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, the Kennedy Center and the Bristol Rhythm and Roots Reunion Music Festival. They have played and taught at the Folk Project Weekend in N.J.

M.S.G. had a busy 2017 season including venues in Tennessee, North Carolina, West Virginia, Maryland, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania and throughout Hampton Roads.

Held in the museum's Great Hall on the third Wednesday of the month, the "Front Porch" Music Series presents different genres of music that have shaped the American soundscape and influenced talent in Hampton Roads' vibrant music scene. Admission is free to museum members, \$5.00 for non-members. Doors open at 5:30 pm.

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](http://www.HamptonHistoryMuseum.org).

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

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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 Center, Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton History Museum, harbor tours and cruises, Hampton University Museum, The American Theatre, among others.

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