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**THE HISTORY MUSEUM OF MOBILE TO HOST
OVER 1,000 STUDENTS FOR COLONIAL DAY
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March 25, 2019 (MOBILE, AL) - The History Museum of Mobile will host over 1,000 students for the annual Colonial Day on Friday, March 29, 2019, 9:00am – 1:00pm at the Fort of Colonial Mobile. Although many schools and groups have made a reservation, admission is free and walk-ins are welcome.

Attractions include musket and sword fighting demonstrations (at approximately 10:00am, 11:00am and 12:00pm). Visitors will have the opportunity to play colonial games; try on period clothes; meet Bienville, the founder of Mobile; wash laundry as the colonists did; learn about colonial medicine; create colonial crafts; churn butter and much more.

“Schools call months in advance to reserve their place in Colonial Day,” said the Museum’s new director, Meg McCrummen Fowler. “This is an opportunity to *experience* our shared history of Mobile, and our education department has done a wonderful job of creating opportunities to engage and participate in this history. We’re especially happy to partner with organizations across the community, from the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, to the Mobile Public Library, to the Medical Museum of Mobile, and a number of community members.”

“By participating in hands-on activities, we hope visitors will be able to make personal connections with Mobile’s colonial past,” says Jennifer Theeck, curator of education. “There are always surprises, even for those who have attended Colonial Day in previous years.”

The History Museum has hosted Colonial Day annually since 2005.

HISTORY MUSEUM OF MOBILE: Located in the Old City Hall/ Southern Market at 111 South Royal Street in downtown Mobile, the History Museum of Mobile documents the 300-year story of Mobile and the surrounding region and houses over 100,000 artifacts in its collection. For more information about the History Museum of Mobile please visit www.historymuseumofmobile.com

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