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## DR. CHRISTOPHER NORDMANN TO SPEAK ON CREOLE SOCIETY IN ANTEBELLUM MOBILE AT HISTORY MUSEUM OF MOBILE'S NOVEMBER LEARNING LUNCH

Dr. Christopher Nordmann, the Historian for the Mobile Creole Cultural Historical Preservation Society, will speak on Creole Society in Antebellum Mobile at the History Museum of Mobile's Learning Lunch Program on Wednesday, November 13 at 12pm.

Dr. Christopher Nordmann is a professional genealogist specializing in African American and St. Louis area research. He is the 1985 recipient of the Louisiana Historical Association's Presidents' Memorial Award for the best article in *Louisiana History*. His publications include "Basic Genealogical Research Methods and Their Application to African Americans" in the *African American Genealogical Sourcebook* and "Jumping Over the Broomstick: Resources for Documenting Slave Marriages" in the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*.

For many years, he has been researching free people of color in Mobile and Baldwin Counties, reconstructing aspects of their lives from birth to death. He serves as the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* Book and Media Review Editor. His dissertation, "Free Negroes in Mobile County, Alabama," and items related to Mobile Creoles may be found on his website, www.FindingAfricanAmericanAncestors.weebly.com. His two articles, "Runaway Slaves" and "Freedmen's Bureau in Alabama," appear in the online Encyclopedia of Alabama.

The History Museum of Mobile invites the general public to attend the free Learning Lunch lecture series. Guests are encouraged to bring their lunches and enjoy a presentation about a cultural or historical topic. For more information on Learning Lunch, contact Jennifer Theeck, Curator of Education, at (251) 301-0270 or by email at <a href="mailto:theeckj@historymuseumofmobile.com">theeckj@historymuseumofmobile.com</a>.

HISTORY MUSEUM OF MOBILE: The History Museum of Mobile is where Mobile's story begins. Over 117,000 objects weave together the rich, diverse, and often turbulent histories of Mobile and the surrounding area, from the prehistoric past to the present. Located in the heart of downtown, the History Museum is in the Old City Hall - Southern Market building at 111 South Royal Street. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://www.historymuseumofmobile.com">www.historymuseumofmobile.com</a>.

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