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THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR NAVAL MUSEUM

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**Get On Board *The Old Ship of Zion* – Original play by Natalia Naman**

COLUMBUS, GA – The National Civil War Naval Museum is a proud co-producer of a new play by Columbus, Georgia playwright Natalia Naman to premiere at the museum **August 22-24 & 27-30**. *The Old Ship of Zion* is the story of an African-American church in Columbus, Georgia facing a dwindling congregation who prepare for one last leap of faith – a revival. This moving, funny, and refreshingly earnest play will test its audience’s understanding of community, faith and the challenges churches face in today’s world.

Naman wrote the initial draft in the summer of 2007 as part of her Senior Thesis requirement at **Princeton University**. Since then, the play has had workshops at the Lark Play Development Center in NYC and Company One and Boston Center for the Arts in Boston. This production of *The Old Ship of Zion* is directed by Columbus State University Theatre Department’s Becky Becker and will feature actors from Columbus as well as a special guest artist.

**WHAT:** Columbus Premiere of *The Old Ship of Zion*

**WHEN:** August 22, 23, 29 at 8pm; August 27, 28 at 7pm; August 24, 30 at 3pm

**WHERE:** National Civil War Naval Museum 1002 Victory Drive Columbus GA

**COST:** \$10. Tickets available at the door and at <https://www.artful.ly/store/events/3575>



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About the National Civil War Naval Museum: The National Civil War Naval Museum features two original Civil War military vessels, uniforms, equipment and weapons used by the Union and Confederate navies. The Museum has special events scheduled throughout the year including living history programs, tours and community outreach. A schedule of events can be located on the Museum website. The Museum is located in South Commons near the Civic Center in downtown Columbus.

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