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## THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR NAVAL MUSEUM

### **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Black History Month Event at Naval Museum Saturday Feb 22, 2014**

COLUMBUS, GA – In observance of Black History Month, The National Civil War Naval Museum will hold a special program *Freedom's Tide: African Americans and the Civil War Navies*. This program, explores the stories of African-Americans serving in and affected by the Navies both North and South, through a guided Living History Tour where guests will meet figures like Horace King, Robert Smalls, African-American nurses, sailors and spies.

Living History Tours will begin at 12pm, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm. We suggest that guests reserve tickets ahead of time at [portcolumbusbhm.eventbrite.com](http://portcolumbusbhm.eventbrite.com) or by calling 706-327-9798.

In addition, the Museum is also excited to showcase *The Life and Times of Robert Smalls* traveling exhibit with letters, personal items, photographs and other memorabilia which will be displayed throughout the months of February, March and April.

The program will take place Saturday, February 22, from 12pm to 3p.m. Appropriate for all ages. Regular admission. Visit the website for details.

Port Columbus is located at 1002 Victory Drive in Columbus, Georgia, and is open Sun-Mon 12:30pm-4:30pm and Tues-Sat 10am-4:30pm. For more information, visit [www.portcolumbus.org](http://www.portcolumbus.org) or call 706-327-9798.

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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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