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Memorial Weekend At The Carter Presidential Library & Museum

Jazz Concert, One-Woman Performance and Breath-taking Documentary Featured

Atlanta, GA. - The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum hosts a variety of activities for the Memorial Weekend.

At noon on Friday, May 27th, the Navy Band Southeast Jazz Ensemble will perform a lunchtime jazz concert in the Presidential Museum lobby. The full-size jazz band plays everything from the sounds of Glenn Miller to Latin beats. They have entertained thousands in the Southeast United States, Puerto Rico and Guantanamo Bay. The concert begins at noon in the museum lobby and is open to the public at no charge.

On Saturday, May 28th, actress Joanna Maddox reprises her one-woman show "*Raising A President*," on the life and wisdom of Rachel Clark. Clark was a day-laborer who lived with her husband on the Carter farm. In his book, "An Hour Before Daylight" President Jimmy Carter wrote "Of all the people who lived near us on the farm, Rachel Clark was the most remarkable and made the most significant and lasting impact on me." The 1 p.m. performance is free with museum admission.

The breath-taking documentary "The Greatest Good" will be shown in the Carter Presidential Museum's new high definition theater on Monday, May 30th. This spectacular two-hour documentary celebrates the U.S. Forest Service's one hundred year history. The film, shot in high definition, tells a story of courage and tragedy, enormous progress and bitter conflict as Americans decide how to use this nation's natural resources for "The Greatest Good." The film is free with each museum admission.

In addition to the special Memorial Weekend events, Carter Presidential Museum visitors can see an exclusive exhibition of Chinese Silk Artwork. Thirty-two pieces by two Grand Master Embroiderers from Suzhou China are on display for only a short time. Writer Alice Walker said of the exhibit, "The word embroidery does not capture the magic." When the exhibit ends, June 12th, these pieces will go back to China. Don't miss this opportunity.

The Carter Presidential Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4:45 p.m. and on Sunday from noon until 4:45 p.m. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for Seniors (60+), students with IDs and military. Those 16 and under are always free. Parking is free.