



Jimmy Carter Library & Museum **News Release**

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Carter Presidential Library Announces Small Admission Fee Increase *Presidential Museum Continues to Be One of the Lowest Priced Attractions In Atlanta*

ATLANTA, GA. - Beginning October 1, the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum will increase its admission by only \$1.00. The slight fee hike will help defray rising costs for special exhibitions and provide addition funds to publicize events and exhibitions.

"This small increase will allow us to continue hosting one-of-a-kind exhibits for Atlanta, such as the "First Ladies" and "Hand to Hand :Two Grand Masters of Suzhou Embroidery," Carter Presidential Library and Museum Director Jay Hakes said. Hakes added, "even with this small increase, the Carter Library and Museum is still one of the lowest-priced attractions in Atlanta."

Beginning October 1, Carter Presidential Museum admission will be \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors (60+), \$6 for military and students with IDs. Children 16 and under are free. Parking at the 35-acre wooded park site of the Carter Center is also free. The Carter Library will continue to offer free readings and book signings by noted authors, periodic concerts and other free special events.

"The Carter Library continues to grow as a cultural center for Atlanta," Dr. Hakes said. "In recent weeks we have not only had extraordinary special exhibitions, but also talks by Pulitzer Prize-winning authors, concerts, and film premieres," Hakes added.

The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is the only Presidential Library in the Southeast. The Presidential Museum traces the life and career of the 39th President with photographs and historic artifacts. Visitors can step into an exact replica of the Oval Office, decorated as it was during the Carter Administration; see exquisite State Gifts and the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to President Carter in 2002.

Special sections of the museum explore important challenges faced during the Carter Presidency, including ownership of the Panama Canal, the Camp David Peace Accords, terrorism, nuclear weapons threats, energy dependence and the environment.

The Carter Presidential Museum is currently featuring a fascinating temporary exhibition on Rosalynn Carter, *The First Lady from Plains*. Through photographs specially selected by Mrs. Carter, visitors will learn about her childhood in Plains, meeting and marrying Jimmy Carter and the unique partnership that has made them one of the most respected political couples in American History.

The exhibition on Mrs. Carter is a perfect preview to the exhibition “First Ladies: Political Role and Public Image” coming October 22. The “First Ladies” exhibit is the largest traveling exhibition ever created by the Smithsonian Institution. It features more than 150 historic objects, including First Ladies’ gowns, White House furnishings, political and personal memorabilia, photographs and portraits. This exhibition will give visitors a wonderful view inside the world of the First Lady.

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