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Carter Library on C-SPAN Friday Night  
*A behind the Scenes Look at Treasures in the Carter Library*  

**ATLANTA, GA.** - This Friday night, take an inside look at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum. This two hour, live behind-the-scenes visit to the only Presidential Library in the Southeast will be on C-SPAN beginning at 8 p.m. eastern time.

As the nation prepares for the 2008 presidential elections, C-SPAN, with extensive assistance from the National Archives, is introducing a new television series that offers viewers a rare look at the modern American presidency.

Every Friday night at 8 p.m. through November 30, C-SPAN is airing a live, two-hour program on location from one of the Presidential Libraries. C-SPAN’s latest history series features never- or rarely-aired archival materials, interviews and viewer call-in segments with respected experts such as curators, archivists, historians and other "witnesses to history." Live segments take viewers where the public cannot go -- beyond the exhibit halls and into the archives of each library where rare artifacts are preserved. Each program re-airs later the same night at 11 pm ET (8 pm PT).

More than 1,000 rare recordings, identified for this series from the various Libraries’ holdings, will be digitized by C-SPAN and made publicly available via the Internet.

**Highlights from the Jimmy Carter Library** include the President and Mrs. Carter’s visits to the Middle East and Panama; Carter at Camp David where he presides over negotiations between Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and the signing of the Camp David Accords.

**Richard Norton Smith**, a nationally-recognized presidential historian who has served as the director of four National Archives Presidential Libraries, is a consultant to C-SPAN for this series and will take part in all twelve programs in both live and taped segments.

C-SPAN’s *Presidential Libraries* will be available on multiple platforms across the C-SPAN networks. A companion Web site, [www.c-span.org/presidentiallibraries](http://www.c-span.org/presidentiallibraries) will feature exclusive online offerings such as weekly podcasts, digitized recordings from the libraries’ archives, and other resources. C-SPAN Radio will complement the TV series with archival sound recordings from the libraries starting Saturday, September 8 at 3 p.m. ET and airing every Saturday during the 12-week series as part of its *American Political Archive* program. C-SPAN Radio is heard exclusively on XM Satellite Radio. Highlights of the TV series will subsequently be offered to cable systems across the country for on-demand (VOD) viewing.