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Nobel Prize Winner & Civil Rights Leader Coming to Carter Library

Nobel Prize Winner Peter Doherty-Sept. 11 / Fred Gray, Rosa Parks' Attorney - Sept. 12th

Atlanta, GA.- The Carter Presidential Library welcomes two important authors next week: Nobel Prize winner Peter Doherty on September 11th and Civil Rights leader Fred Gray on September 12th. Both events begin at 7:00pm in the Carter Museum Theater. They are free and open to the public.

Peter Doherty, who won the Nobel Prize for his work on how the immune system recognizes virus-infected cells, offers an essential guide to one of the truly life-or-death issues of our age. In concise, question-and-answer format, his book *"Pandemics"* explains the causes of pandemics, how they can be counteracted with vaccines and drugs, and how we can better prepare for them in the future. Following Doherty's talk, there will be a book signing. A Cappella Books will have copies of "Pandemics" available for purchase and signing at the Wednesday evening event.

The following night, one of the major figures in the Civil Rights Movement, attorney Fred Gray, will speak at the Carter Presidential Library & Museum. The program starts at 7:00 pm in the Carter Museum Theater. Seating is limited so arrive early. The doors open at 6:00pm. A *Cappella Books* will have copies of Gray's revised autobiography *"Bus Ride to Justice"* available for purchase and signing.

Fred Gray was a lawyer in Alabama during the civil rights movement. Of particular interest to historians and civil rights scholars will be the details Gray reveals for the first time about Rosa Parks's 1955 arrest. Gray speaks with authority because he was the young lawyer who represented not only Parks but also Martin Luther King Jr. and the Montgomery Improvement Association that was organized to run the 382-day bus boycott. Gray is the last survivor of that inner circle and, now that Mrs. Parks is dead, he speaks candidly here about the strategic reasons why she was presented as a demure, random victim of Jim Crow policies when in reality she was a committed, strong-willed activist who was willing to be arrested so there could be a test case to challenge segregation laws.

Don't miss these opportunities to meet a Noble Prize winner and a Civil Rights legend.

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