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May's Public Programs

Atlanta, GA - We have a lot of exciting programs coming up this month. Here's a quick overview.

Tuesday, May 9 at 7pm...Richard Prum, author of *The Evolution of Beauty: How Darwin's Forgotten Theory of Mate Choice Shapes the Animal World - and Us*

Thursday, May 11 at 7pm...Rick Hutto, author of *The Kaiser's Confidante: Mary Lee, the First American-Born Princess*

Monday, May 15 at 7pm...Thomas Oliphant and Curtis Wilkie, authors of *The Road to Camelot: Inside JFK's Five-Year Campaign*

Thursday, May 18 at 6:30 pm...Film Screening and discussion of *Inside Peace: a Documentary on the Effects Peace in Prison*

Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00 pm...Mark Pendergrast, author of *City on the Verge: Atlanta and the Fight for America's Urban Future*

Not sure which ones are right for you? Here's a little more detail.

The Evolution of Beauty (May 9) In the great halls of science, dogma holds that Darwin's theory of natural selection explains every branch on the tree of life: which species thrive, which wither away to extinction, and what features each evolves. But can adaptation by natural selection really account for everything we see in nature? Yale University ornithologist Richard Prum—reviving Darwin's own views—thinks not. Come and hear why.

The Kaiser's Confidante (May 11) New York City native Mary Esther Lee (1837-1914) first married in 1864 the Prince von Noer, brother of the Queen of Denmark, and was created a princess in her own right after his death. This biography chronicles the remarkable life of an American woman whose wealth and influence enabled her to rise to power in the Prussian royal court.

The Road to Camelot (May 15) Acclaimed, award-winning journalists Tom Oliphant and Curtis Wilkie provide the most comprehensive account of Kennedy's quest for the presidency. The authors have examined more than 1,600 oral histories at the John F. Kennedy library; they've interviewed surviving sources, including JFK's sister Jean Smith, and they draw on their own interviews with insiders including Ted Sorensen and Arthur Schlesinger, Jr. *The Road to Camelot* reveals JFK as a tough, shrewd political strategist who kept his eye on the prize.

Inside Peace (May 18 at 6:30pm) Four years in the making, *Inside Peace* is a feature documentary that focuses on several compelling characters who were incarcerated at Dominguez State Jail in San Antonio, Texas. There, they embarked on a journey of change by enrolling in the Peace Class, one of the few self-improvement programs offered in prisons across the country that are not faith-based, but instead concentrates on the individual's inner strength and self-worth. The screening will be followed by a discussion with writer and co-producer Rosie Lee.

City on the Verge (May 23) Mark Pendergrast, author of *For God, Country and Coca-Cola* presents a deeply researched, multi-faceted, up-to-the-minute history of the biggest city in America's Southeast, using the Belt Line saga to explore issues of race, education, public health, transportation, business, philanthropy, urban planning, religion, politics, and community.

All these programs are free and open to the public.

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