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African-American Heritage Day at the Children's Museum of Virginia

Portsmouth, VA- The Children's Museum of Virginia presents the annual African- American Heritage Day on Saturday, January 14, 2012. The museum is located at 221 High Street in downtown Portsmouth.

Activities and demonstrations will be fun for all ages. Explore the history of a culture with interactive drumming, immersive storytelling, games, crafts, a scavenger hunt, and dance performances. "Atumpan- The Talking Drums" use African drums, dancing, and storytelling to "bring history to life with adventures for all audiences." The Rhythm Project engages audiences with worldly percussion instruments and will have you dancing to the music. They are an "ensemble of talented young artists who have earned international acclaim for their traditional authenticity and high-energy performances."

Admission to the Children's Museum of Virginia is \$11 for adults, \$10 for ages 2-17, and free for those under 2 years of age. There are discounts for seniors, military, and AAA members. The museum is open 9 am- 5 pm on Tuesday through Saturday and 11 am- 5 pm on Sundays.

Registration is not required. Call 757-393-5258 for more information.

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