



PORTSMOUTH MUSEUMS

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The Portsmouth Museums Launch New Online Gift Shop Just in time for the Holidays!

(Portsmouth, VA) – November 20, 2020) - The Portsmouth Museums are excited to announce that it will launch a brand new online store, The Portsmouth Museums Shop. The new site, <https://portsmuseumshop.com>, will go live this Friday, November 20, 2020, and will allow shoppers to purchase online for the first time in the Museums' history.

Museum shoppers will have access to a myriad of unique merchandise including items from the Children's Museum of Virginia, the Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center, and the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum gift shops. Items for purchase include fun and educational games for kids (including companies like *Melissa and Doug*, and *Thomas the Train*), a variety of jewelry and home gifts, holiday items, and historical books. It will be a one-stop shop platform for all ages, and what a better time than the holidays to debut! Curbside pick-up will also be available. Nancy S. Perry, director of the Portsmouth Museums says, "This has been a work in progress, but it was all worth the wait. We are thrilled to have the capability to offer another vehicle to connect with our members, donors, and visitors". The Portsmouth Museums have been closed since March due to the impact of the pandemic. The new online shop will enable the public to not only enjoy holiday shopping but also searching for a special purchase any time of the year.

About The Portsmouth Museums

The City of Portsmouth maintains five museums which provide the citizens of Portsmouth, Hampton Roads, the Commonwealth of Virginia and beyond with high quality educational and cultural experiences in the arts, humanities and the sciences through the use of exhibitions, programs and collections.

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