

## NEWS RELEASE

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## What's Happening in Suffolk This Weekend

### **Saturday, March 16**

#### *Great Dismal Swamp Safari*

The Great Dismal Swamp is anything but dismal. The narrated *Swamp Safari*, one of Suffolk's most popular attractions, fills up quickly. This four-hour tour, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., is led by a biologist specializing in the unique habitat of the Great Dismal. Learn about the history, lore, vegetation and wildlife with this adventure that includes a brief walk to Lake Drummond. Sunscreen, insect repellent, comfortable clothes and shoes are recommended. A small snack and beverage is provided. This tour is not recommended for very small children. Call the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130 to reserve your spot. Cost is \$10 adults; \$8 seniors (60+), military, and children ages 3 to 12.

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#### *Historic Suffolk Narrated Bus Tour*

See Suffolk through the eyes of years gone by. Suffolk's rich heritage dates back to the early 17<sup>th</sup> century when Captain John Smith first encountered the Nansemond Indians on the Nansemond River. Guided by a Suffolk historian, you meet the people and places that made Suffolk the City it is today. Highlights of this windshield tour include Cedar Hill Cemetery, Riddick's Folly House Museum, Constant's Wharf, College Court and Suffolk's historic Lakeside neighborhood. This tour departs from the

Suffolk Visitor Center, conveniently located at 524 North Main Street, and is scheduled from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets for each tour are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors (60+), military and children ages 9 to 12. For more information, call 757.514.4130.

### **Saturday, March 16**

#### *Talk and Pop-Up Breast Cancer Awareness Exhibit with Ebony Daniels*

On Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. join us for a Talk and Pop-Up Breast Cancer Awareness Exhibit with Ebony Daniels. Daniels is a Suffolk native, former Air Force member, breast cancer survivor, speaker, author, and artist who is passionate about sharing her message of breast cancer awareness through the arts. In the one-day exhibit entitled “*Walk the Line*” she shares her experiences before, during, and after cancer. The Pop-Up exhibit and light reception are free and open to the public. For more information, call 757.514.7284.

### **Saturday, March 16**

#### *Cedar Hill Cemetery Stroll*

An official Virginia Civil War Trail site, Cedar Hill Cemetery has long been an attraction for history buffs and even walking groups. The Suffolk Division of Tourism offers a guided stroll through the serene 32-acre cemetery, rich in history and natural beauty. The 90-minute daytime tour will offer unique insights into Suffolk’s heritage as tour goers traverse the cedar-lined terrain dotted with timeworn headstones. The tour departs from the Suffolk Visitor Center and is scheduled from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Call the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130 to reserve your spot. Special rates are available for groups of 12 or more. Cost is \$7 adults; \$5 seniors (60+), military. Not recommended for children under 12.

## **Saturday, March 16**

### *St. Patrick's Day Cleanup*

Join Keep Suffolk Beautiful for a Downtown Suffolk cleanup. Everyone will meet in the Godwin Courts Building parking lot, located behind the Courthouse at 150 North Main Street, at 9 a.m. Volunteers will be splitting up and picking up litter on East Washington Street and the surrounding roads. All equipment will be provided. The cleanup ends at noon and volunteers are welcome to meet at the Brick & Mortar Brewing Company, 212 E Washington Street, to share tales of the cleanup.

## **March 9, 2019 – April 19, 2019**

### *35<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Photography Exhibit*

The Annual Juried Photography Exhibit returns to the Suffolk Art Gallery located at 118 Bosley Avenue. Now, in its 35<sup>th</sup> year, the Annual Juried Photography Exhibit is the largest and longest running juried exhibition for photographic works in Hampton Roads. Join us at the Awards Opening Reception on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. to celebrate the winning artists and all photography arts on display. The Suffolk Art Gallery is open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 757.514.7284.

## **There are more interesting and exciting events happening in the City of Suffolk!**

See what Suffolk Parks & Recreation has to offer! Visit [www.SuffolkVa.us/parks](http://www.SuffolkVa.us/parks).

For a complete listing of Suffolk Public Library events, visit [www.SuffolkPublicLibrary.com](http://www.SuffolkPublicLibrary.com).

For a complete listing of Suffolk Tourism events, visit [www.VisitSuffolkva.com](http://www.VisitSuffolkva.com).

To view other City events, visit [www.SuffolkVa.us/calendar.aspx](http://www.SuffolkVa.us/calendar.aspx).

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