HISTORY MUSEUM HOSTS CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT FEATURING NORTH CAROLINA BAROQUE ORCHESTRA ON JAN. 25

Concert is first in a series of 2024 events to honor the 250th anniversary of Charlotte's oldest home, the 1774 Rock House

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Jan. 10, 2024 – Experience a night of classical music in an intimate setting at the Charlotte Museum of History's "An Eighteenth Century Evening" on Thursday, Jan. 25, featuring the North Carolina Baroque Orchestra performing works by Chevalier, Mozart, Handel and more.

As part of the evening, special guest Patricia Ann Neely will discuss the often-overlooked works of people of color during the Baroque period, including violin virtuoso, conductor and composer Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de Saint Georges. Neely is a music historian and the first person of color to become a professional on the viola de gamba. She performs internationally, and her story will be featured next year on <u>History Makers</u>, a digital archive of African American history from a first-person perspective.

"The museum is partnering with organizations like the North Carolina Baroque Orchestra throughout 2024 as we honor the 250th anniversary of the 1774 Rock House, Mecklenburg County's oldest home and the only house in Charlotte still standing from the time of the American Revolution," said Terri L. White, president and CEO of the Charlotte Museum of History. "We will be celebrating the impact of 18th century culture and innovations on the Queen City we see today and exploring this history from a variety of perspectives."

Thank you to Allegacy Federal Credit Union for making this event possible as our presenting sponsor.

How to Go

"An Eighteenth Century Evening" takes place at the Charlotte Museum of History on Thursday, Jan. 25, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 each, on sale now at <u>charlottemuseum.org/events</u>.

About the Charlotte Museum of History

The Charlotte Museum of History exists to save and share the Charlotte region's history, helping create a better understanding of the past and inspiring dialogue about the future. The museum is the steward of the oldest home in Mecklenburg County, the <u>1774 Hezekiah Alexander Rock House and homesite</u>, as well as the <u>historic Siloam School</u>, both of which are on the National



Register of Historic Places. Visit charlottemuseum.org and follow the museum on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The

museum is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.