

## GO BEHIND THE SCENES OF CHARLOTTE SIGNS EXHIBIT WITH CREATOR AND CHARLOTTE NATIVE CHRISTOPHER LAWING

Exhibit features iconic signs from The Penguin, Eastland Mall, JFG Coffee and more

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Aug. 9, 2022 – Meet photographer and exhibit creator Christopher Lawing on Saturday, Aug. 27, during a book talk at The Charlotte Museum of History. Attendees can explore Lawing's "Charlotte: Signs of Home" exhibit now on display at the museum and get a signed copy of his book, "Charlotte: The Signs of the Times."

Lawing's exhibit tells the story of Charlotte through signage from businesses and places that helped define the Queen City over the past 50 years, including The Penguin, South 21 Drive In, JFG Coffee, Peelers Photo Studio and Eastland Mall, many of them now shuttered.

The exhibit features signs from Lawing's personal collection, in addition to signs made available by CharlotteEAST, the Plaza Midwood Neighborhood Association, Johnson C. Smith University and other groups.

## How to Go

The Charlotte Signs Talk with Christopher Lawing is Saturday, Aug. 27, at 2:30 p.m. The event is included in regular museum admission. Museum tickets and visitor information at charlottemuseum.org/visit.

## **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 <a href="https://docs.org/1774/nc-12">1774 Hezekiah Alexander Rock House and homesite</a>, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the oldest home in Mecklenburg County, and the future home of the <a href="historic Siloam School">historic Siloam School</a>. Visit <a href="historic Siloam School">charlottemuseum.org</a> and follow the museum on <a href="#Facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="historic Siloam School">Instagram</a> and <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>. The museum is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.