

## FREE FILM SCREENING OF DOCUMENTARY ABOUT THE EARLY CHINESE EXPERIENCE IN THE SEGREGATED SOUTH

charlotte, N.C., July 11, 2023 – Join the Charlotte Museum of History on Thursday, July 27, at 6:30 p.m. for a screening of "Far East Deep South: Discover the Past You Never Knew," an award-winning documentary feature film that follows a family on a surprising journey through Mississippi in search of their lost family history. The film sheds light on the racially complex history of the early Chinese experience in the segregated South. It has aired on the PBS WORLD Channel series "America ReFramed," and it won a 2022 Telly Award.

The Chiu family's emotional journey also leads them to discover how immigration laws like the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 impacted their family and shows them how deep their roots run in America.

The screening event is free and includes light food and refreshments. There will be an audience Q&A after the screening with the film's co-producer and subject, Baldwin Chiu, and its director and co-producer, Larissa Lam. More information on the film is at <a href="fareastdeepsouth.com">fareastdeepsouth.com</a>.

This event is made possible with sponsorship from North Carolina Humanities, the North Carolina affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and from the Carolinas Asian American Chamber of Commerce.

## **How to Go**

"Far East Deep South: Discover the Past You Never Knew" will be screened at the Charlotte Museum of History on Thursday, July 27, at 6:30 p.m. The event is free but requires pre-registration at <a href="mailto:charlottemuseum.org/events">charlottemuseum.org/events</a>.

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 1774 Hezekiah Alexander Rock House and homesite, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the oldest home in Mecklenburg County. The museum is the future home of the historic Siloam School. Visit charlottemuseum.org and follow the museum on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The museum is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.