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Press Release

42nd Historic Selma Pilgrimage Set for March 17-18

SELMA, AL: The 42nd annual Historic Selma Pilgrimage, presented by the Selma-Dallas County Historical Preservation Society and the City of Selma, March 17-18, 2017, will showcase exquisite home and building architecture, fabulous art, an in-depth investigation of Selma's pivotal role in the American Civil War and the Civil Rights Movement combined with Southern hospitality beyond compare. Pilgrimage patrons will delight in the magnificent visuals during the weekend events.

Thirteen fabulous home and building structures, spanning almost two centuries of architectural genius, highlight the highly anticipated two-day extravaganza. Eight local homeowners will graciously open their front doors to patrons from across the United States, enlightening all about their unique treasures, fascinating family stories and colorful folklore. The 1840 **Gillis House** and 1843 **Riggs-Morgan-Boyd** offer old-fashion cottage allure while the 1895 Colonial Revival **Hunter-Coffee-Tipmore House** the beautifully restored Eastlake-style oak woodwork. Interestingly, Hollywood acclaimed actress, Jessica Lange, nestled in the cozy Church Street **Portis-Hubbard House** during the Selma filming of her 1994 **Academy Award Best Actress** performance in **Blue Sky**. Connecticut farmhouse coupled with Southern manor, **Hill View House**, is a lovely 20th century home with British cultural charm while overlooking pristine architectural landscape.

Another splendid event, Friday evening offers an entertaining wine and cheese gathering at the Neo-Classical Revival 1913 **Hain-Harrelson House**, nestled along Highway 41 in the quaint Sardis community.

The ever popular pre-Civil War **Kenan's Mill** and **Sturdivant Hall** allow an enchanted escape from our digital world obsession. Meanwhile, historical aficionados will delight in the thoughtful historical exhibits touring the **Old Depot**, the newly-expanded **Selma Interpretive Center** and **Vaughan-Smitherman** museums. The **Selma Art Guild** extends a hearty welcome to art lovers for a special exhibition that mixes visual arts with literary arts and music. A welcomed addition is the **Arsenal Place Accelerator**, a

pocket-sized entrepreneurial incubator whose objective is to translate into deep-pockets for creative business initiatives. Finally, the jam-packed celebration attracts a host of gifted artists, The **Alabama Plein Air Artists** and their charming productions that eager patrons sprint to secure before the Pilgrimage concludes on Saturday afternoon.

We look forward to having you join us March 17 and 18 in Selma!

Call 334-412-8550 for ticket information.

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