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John G. Riley Museum Will Rock in the Holiday Season with its 16th Annual Rock-A-Thon Celebration & Culture Arts Showcase

TALLAHASSEE – The John G. Riley Center/Museum will hold its Annual Culture to Culture Holiday Rock-A-Thon Celebration on **Saturday December 5, 2015** from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at Cascades Park, which is located directly adjacent to the Riley Center/Museum. The Rock-a-Thon is the museum's annual rocking chair marathon and membership drive that supports annual operations and upkeep of the historic Riley House. The family-friendly event also serves as a prelude to the City's Annual Winter Festival & Celebration of Lights and features performances from some of Tallahassee's most notable arts and cultural organizations.

Over the past sixteen years, the Rock-a-Thon has become an integral part of our community's holiday tradition, says Marion McGee, the Executive Director of the John G. Riley Center/Museum. Support and participation in the event helps to further the Riley Museum's efforts to restore, preserve and commemorate the cultural heritage and rich diversity of the Tallahassee community.

The event and will be held at Cascades Park and feature live performances on the amphitheater stage, free guided tours of the Riley Museum and Smokey Hollow Village, children's activities, such as face-painting and a petting zoo, as well as a holiday marketplace with a fantastic assortment of handcrafted merchandise and food to fulfill all your holiday shopping needs. With an array of cultural enrichment, special holiday treats and plenty of food + food trucks, the Rock-a-Thon is the best place to stop, shop, sit and enjoy some of Tallahassee's best and brightest! *96.1FM Jamz* radio personality, the world-famous Joe Bullard, will emcee this fun-filled family event and a very special guest from the North Pole is expected to make an appearance for both the young and the young at heart!



For further information and/or event details feel free to contact the John G. Riley Center/Museum by phone at (850) 681-7881 or by email at membership@RileyMuseum.org.

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