

Messiah

Sunday, April 6th
A.J. Fletcher Opera Theater

Whether you are seeing it for the first time or have witnessed its glory in past seasons, you will be swept away by the majesty and spirituality of this incredible ballet. Messiah achieves spiritual grace through music, chorus and dance. Be captivated as our athletic dancers soar through the air to Handel's sacred score. Spectacular costumes and effects make this dynamic piece an experience to be shared by the whole family. Now performed during the Easter holiday, this inspirational full-length production is a lasting reminder of the power of faith and renewal. In April 2002, Carolina Ballet performed Messiah to an international audience at the II Dance World Festival in Budapest, Hungary.

Performance starts at 2:00PM and ends at approximately 4:15PM.
Cost: \$30.00

IF YOU (AND GUESTS) PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS EVENT WITH THE AAUW GROUP WE MUST RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT BY MARCH 13, 2003. OTHERWISE, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PURCHASING YOUR OWN TICKET(S) TO THE SHOW.

Raleigh Touring

Friday, April 4th afternoon/evening

Car pools will leave from the hotel at 3:00 to head to the **NC Museum of Natural Sciences** [www.naturalsciences.org] and the adjacent **NC Museum of History** [ncmuseumofhistory.org]. Both are close to the State Capitol and if we're lucky we may be able to include a tour of the Governor's Mansion. We'll make dinner reservations at a moderately priced downtown restaurant. Those who need to return to the hotel for the board meeting can still plan to take the tour.

If the above suggestions don't excite you, or if there are relatives/friends traveling with you who want to explore while you're attending the convention, below are some additional suggestions. Contact **Rachel Fuller, (919)876-6352**, if you need the assistance of someone in Raleigh in making your own arrangements. Remember to check at the registration desk for the names of others who mentioned particular events when they registered. The registration desk will also have maps to help you find all of these:

Durham Bulls Season begins Friday, April 4th!

Bulls v. Virginia Norfolk Tides[NY Mets] at the Durham Bulls Stadium

Game begins at 7:00PM on April 4th

Game begins at 7:00PM on April 5th

Game begins at 5:00PM on April 6th

For tickets call the Durham Bulls Ticket Office at **(919)956.BULL** Or order tickets online at <http://www.dbulls.com/>

Southern Ideal Home Show

You'll find hundreds of exhibitors and experts ready to help you design, build, plan or remodel your home or garden-all in one place!

Located at the NC State Fairgrounds

Running all weekend 4/4/2003-4/6/2003

For further information please visit www.southernshows.com, call (919)851.2911, or email ctyson@southernshows.com

NC Symphony

It won't take a minute to know you're in the presence of real star power when the great Doc Severinsen takes the stage for an evening of sheer, unadulterated showbiz POW. Freewheeling, engaging and a dazzling instrumentalist, Doc will "blow" you away!

Located at the Meymandi Concert Hall

Show begins at 8:00PM on April 4th

Show begins at 8:00PM on April 5th

Show begins at 3:00PM on April 6th

For tickets call the NC Symphony Box Office at (919)733.2750 or buy them online at:

www.ncsymphony.org

Carolina Courage Season begins Saturday, April 5th!

Carolina v. Washington at State Capital Soccer Park
Game starts at 7:00PM

Contact **Kelley McGuire**

[kelley@carolinacourage.com or (919)573.7626] for additional information. Or visit:

<http://carolinacourage.com>

The Great Raleigh Road Race

The 5K race winds through downtown Raleigh, starting and ending at Charlie Goodnight's.

Race starts at 3:00PM on April 6th

For further information please contact:
(919)851.0075

Carolina Hurricanes Hockey

See the Stanley Cup finalist Carolina Hurricanes take on the New York Islanders!

RBC Center

Game starts at 3:00PM on April 6th

For further information please contact (919)834.4000 or visit:

www.caneshockey.com

Directions can be obtained at:

<http://www.esa-today.com/about/84.asp>

African American Cultural Complex

The African American Cultural Complex is a unique collection of artifacts, documents and displays of outstanding contributions made by African Americans and are housed in several buildings along a picturesque nature trail. Tours can be setup by appointment only by contacting Dr. Elliott B. Palmer or Mrs. Juanita B. Palmer at (919)212.3598. Please contact Rachel Fuller at (919)876.6352 for help in arranging or publicizing a tour.

Exploris (with IMAX theater)

This state-of-the-art interactive global learning center has a unique mission -- to encourage visitors to make connections with the people of all cultures. The new IMAX Theatre at Exploris that opened in Fall 2001 provides yet another innovative medium to introduce new places, new people and new ideas to visitors of all ages. Current ticket prices and hours of operation can be found on the Exploris web site [\[www.exploris.org/visit\]](http://www.exploris.org/visit), or call (919)834.4040.

NC Museum of Art

This museum houses 5,000 years of artistic heritage, from ancient Egypt to the present. The collection of Renaissance and Baroque paintings, with works by Van Dyck, Jan Brueghel and Raphael, is internationally recognized. Significant American paintings include works by John Singleton Copley, Winslow Homer, and Georgia O'Keeffe. For further information please visit www.ncartmuseum.org, or for tickets call (919)715.5923.

Shopping

National stores, including Lord & Taylor are in the Crabtree Valley Mall across from the Convention hotel. You'll find discount and specialty stores at Crossroads Plaza, and unique shops at Cameron Village and City Market. Also, don't miss the area's newest mall – Triangle Town Center! For information about any of these malls, please contact Rachel Fuller at (919)876.6352 or visit online: www.raleighcvb.org/visit/thingstodo/shopcen.html

**** See the Raleigh Convention and Visitor's Bureau, www.raleighcvb.org, call them toll-free at (800)849.8499, or locally at (919)834.5900 for even more information.**