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**Sunsets on the River at the Hermitage:
Live Music, Light Fare, and Libations on the Hermitage Grounds**

Norfolk, VA –*Sunsets on the River* at the Hermitage Museum & Gardens will continue this year with three scheduled event dates. Guests are invited to come enjoy the warm spring evenings in the Hermitage Gardens with live music, light fare, and libations. Admission is \$5 for the general public and free for Museum members.

Event dates and scheduled bands are as follows:

April 22: **Lewis McGehee**
May 6: **Michael Clark Band**
May 20: TBA

All events will be held from 5:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Sunsets on the River kicks off on Earth Day; Thursday, April 22nd. Visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and a picnic. No outside beverages are permitted, but a cash bar will be available.

The event also provides an excellent opportunity to walk the garden paths and view the beautiful heirloom plants grown on the Hermitage property. Notable spring blooms include Peonies, Azaleas, Columbines, Irises, and Knockout Roses. Select plants will be available for purchase. Additionally, the Museum will remain open for free abbreviated house tours throughout the evening for those who are interested.

Non-members who join at the Household or Donor level at the event will receive free admission and beverage tickets.

For additional information regarding *Sunsets on the River* contact Megan Frost, Membership and Development Manager, at 757-423-205 x 205 or mf@thfm.org.

The Hermitage offers 45-minute guided tours, on the hour, of fifteen galleries filled with the Sloane family world-wide art collection, furniture, and history in this Norfolk historic home. The Visual Arts School houses classrooms, a complete ceramics studio, and darkroom photography facilities. Open daily 10-5, Sundays 1-5-closed Wednesdays and Thursdays. Free for Museum Members, children under 6, and Active Duty military. Admission: \$5 for Adults, \$2 for ages 6-18, and \$3 for students. For more information on the museum and membership offerings call 757-423-2052 or visit www.thfm.org.

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