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“The Way We Worked” on the C&O Canal

Cumberland, MD - The Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historical Park (C&O Canal NHP) will offer special programming in conjunction with the Allegany Museum and the Smithsonian Institution’s traveling exhibit, “The Way We Worked.” These special programs will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2017 at the C&O Canal NHP Visitor Center located at 13 Canal Street in Cumberland, MD. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet characters in period clothing who will portray canal laborers who built and operated the historic transportation shipping waterway. Join us to learn more about the working lives of the canal builders, boat captains, and lock tenders.

The ranger-led programs will be offered three times during the day: 10 am, 11 am, and 1 pm. Visitors are welcome to join any of the three programs. Organized groups that are interested in attending are requested to schedule the time of their tour from one of the program times listed, by calling the Cumberland Visitor Center at 301-722-8226. Programs are free and open to all.

The C&O Canal NHP is one of several local historic museums and organizations supporting the “The Way We Worked” exhibit while it is housed at the Allegany Museum. The Allegany Museum is located at 3 Pershing Street, Cumberland, from February 4 – March 24. For more information on the exhibit visit www.MuseumonMainStreet.org/TheWayWeWorked.

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ABOUT THE C&O Canal: The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park preserves and interprets the historical, natural and recreational resources of the C&O Canal. Over 5,000,000 visitors a year enjoy the opportunities for recreation and understanding that the Park has to offer. For more information, visit the Park’s website at www.nps.gov/choh.