



Natalee Holloway  
RESOURCE CENTER



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## **Natalee Holloway Resource Center Launches, Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup>**

*Five years after her tragic disappearance comes a unique opportunity to help others in similar situations*

*A media launch will take place on Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM at the National Museum of Crime & Punishment. Interviews will be available with Beth Holloway (Natalee's mother and President of NHRC) and Janine Vaccarello (COO of the National Museum of Crime & Punishment and Vice President of the NHRC). From 5:00PM-7:30PM that same evening, the National Museum of Crime & Punishment will open their doors to the public free of charge but will be collecting donations at the door. Additionally, the public will be given the opportunity to meet Beth Holloway, and all proceeds from the event will benefit NHRC.*

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – On Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, The National Museum of Crime & Punishment, in partnership with Beth Holloway, has announced the launch of the **Natalee Holloway Resource Center (NHRC)**, a resource center created to assist the families of missing person(s). This 501(c)(3) organization timely launch falls near the five year anniversary of the disappearance of Natalee Holloway, the high school student who went missing in Aruba while visiting on a class trip.

Mother of Natalee and President of NHRC, Beth Holloway states, “In creating this organization, we hope to prevent as many missing person cases as possible. But if tragedy does strike and a person goes missing, we want to provide the families support and reduce the numerous challenges that I experienced, and hopefully lead to the rescue and recovery of many more missing persons across the globe.”

The non-profit plans to serve three different purposed unique to any non-profit in the field of missing persons. As a crisis clearinghouse, NHRC will provide a plan of action for the families of missing persons both nationally and internationally. When Natalee went missing, Beth experienced firsthand the lack of assistance for families working to locate their missing relative. As such, NHRC will provide family members with a plan of action, resources, act as a media liaison, and other services to guide families through this treacherous experience.

NHRC will also focus on prevention tactics to educate children and adults on safe traveling. Through community partnerships, NHRC also hopes to encourage careers in law enforcement and forensic science.

“After we added Natalee’s disappearance to our Cold Case exhibit at the museum, I began to see the void in current services offered to the families of missing persons,” states Janine Vaccarello, COO of the National Museum of Crime & Punishment and Vice President of the NHRC.

#### **About the Natalee Holloway Resource Center (NHRC)**

The Natalee Holloway Resource Center (NHRC) focuses educational programs, including a traveling safe program, crime prevention and encourages careers in the fields of forensic science and law enforcement. The NHRC also provides families of missing persons with an action plan, missing poster templates, contacts, resources, and handles press releases and media reach. NHRC operates out of The National Museum of Crime & Punishment Museum in Washington DC. For more information, please visit [www.helpthemissing.org](http://www.helpthemissing.org).

#### **About the National Museum of Crime & Punishment**

NMCP’s mission is to provide guests of all ages with a memorable insight into the issues of crime, crime fighting, and the consequences of committing a crime in America through a captivating interactive, entertaining and educational experience. The museum is located on 7th Street NW between E and F Streets in downtown Washington, D.C. at the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro (Arena exit). For more information, visit [www.crimemuseum.org](http://www.crimemuseum.org)

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