



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MEDIA CONTACTS

Brotman•Winter•Fried Communications
Lisa Marie Czop
703-533-4837 or lczop@aboutbwf.com

Crime Museum Hosts a Passionate History of Misdeeds this Valentine's Day

Washington, D.C. – This Valentine's Day, the Crime Museum is taking handcuffs out of the bedroom and into the museum with their 3rd Annual "Crimes of Passion" event, taking place February 11-14, 2012. Back by popular demand, couples can spend their Valentine's Day date handcuffed together at the museum, embarking on a love-trip around the museum's over 600 exhibits. Special to this Valentine's Day event, couples can take a fascinating look at "Crimes of Passion," a holiday-special that unravels various misdeeds spurred by love and obsession, many of which happened right here in the DC metropolitan area.

When couples enter, museum wardens will cuff the love-prisoners together before leading them through three floors of interactive exhibits, including NMCP's crime lab, filming studio for America's Most Wanted, a simulated FBI shooting range, and hundreds of other stimulating artifacts. In this darkly romantic journey, true stories of passionate scandals, such as the Valentine's Vampire, will delight the each guest's inner love detective.

The Crime Museum has also included a segment on the realities of domestic violence. While it certainly is not a crime of passion, domestic violence awareness requires sensitive but persistent attention from communities and organizations like NMCP. According to the US Department of Justice, one in four women will experience intimate partner violence at some point in their lives. This event will provide information and resources for victims of domestic violence and friends of those affected by this social illness.

The "Crimes of Passion" exhibit will begin Friday, February 11 and continue through Monday, February 14, 2012 from 4:00 PM until closing. The cost is \$45 per couple and includes a pair of souvenir handcuffs, a dollar extra for furry ones, as well as a temporary "Love" tattoo, and a surprise treat. Participants must have a valid driver's license and be 18 years old to participate.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call NMCP at 202-621-5550 or visit www.crimemuseum.org/valentine.

About the Crime Museum

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, DC at the Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro station. For more information, visit www.crimemuseum.org

###