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# BCRI Connects After-School and Summer Programs to Cultural Sites

*Birmingham, Alabama*—On Saturday, May 16, the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute (BCRI) will host a workshop for after-school and summer programs. This free three-hour workshop is designed to promote the idea that a visit to a cultural institution is “more than a field trip.” These experiences can enhance learning and academic achievement for students. The workshop begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at 12:00 noon. Although admission is free, registration is required.

BCRI uses as its model the Birmingham Cultural Alliance Partnership (BCAP) a collaborative after-school program that involves middle school students in hands-on activities at the public library and eight of the city’s most outstanding cultural institutions. The Institute sponsors BCAP in collaboration with the Alabama Jazz Hall of Fame, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham Public Library, McWane Science Center, Sloss Furnaces National Historic Landmark, Southern Museum of Flight and Vulcan Park and Museum. Workshop participants will receive an introduction to the BCAP institutions and resources, tours of selected BCAP sites and special incentives for attending.

To register, or for additional information regarding the workshop, please contact A. Michelle Craig, BCAP Project Coordinator, at (205) 328-9696, ext. 235 or by e-mail at [mcraig@bcri.org](mailto:mcraig@bcri.org). This workshop is supported by the Alabama State Department of Education “Excellence in Extended Day.”

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