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As National American Indian Heritage Month draws to a close, we have two stories regarding the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI). Red Lake Nation News reports on two virtual events to be held next week, the first a conversation with Kay WalkingStick and Jaune Quick-to-See Smith, two artists featured in the NMAI's current exhibition, "Stretching the Canvas: Eight Decades of Native Painting." You can read about the events [here](#), and access the NMAI site [here](#). Also, as reported on *Native News Online*, the NMAI has received their largest gift ever, nearly \$6 million, from the Federated Indians of Graton Ranchería, to support their national education initiative, Native Knowledge 360° (NK360°). You can read about the gift and the educational program [here](#). Additionally, Houston has launched their own virtual museum, The Southern Plains Museum and Cultural Center, which you can read about from Houston Public Media, [here](#). You can access the museum [here](#).

Jalopnik ran a story this week on the importance of public transportation to the Civil Rights Movement. Their report is based on a new essay by Dana Malapit in the *McGill Journal of Political Science* published the previous week. You can access Jalopnik's story [here](#), and Malapit's essay [here](#).

As part of its "Alabama History: Re-examined" series, in partnership with the Alabama Department of Archives and History, WSFA, NBC affiliate in Montgomery, published the story of Alabama's secession and their establishment of the first capital of the Confederacy in Montgomery, before it was moved to Richmond, VA. You can read that story [here](#). The series is an effort to "promote (ADOH's) recommitment to telling the whole story of (Alabama's) past after years of knowingly only focusing on the Confederacy."

Finally, news broke late last week that the city council of Brunswick, GA, the site of this spring's murder of Ahmaud Arbery, voted to remove a Confederate statue from a city park to storage. You can read about that decision in *The Brunswick News*, [here](#). (Special thanks to reader Chris Wilhelm for the heads up on this story)

Until next week, stay well,

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