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See Latinx Artists in the Lowcountry
Collaborative Exhibit at Morris Center

Ridgeland, S.C., July 23, 2021 — *VeMe*, a collaborative exhibit featuring the works of four Latinx artists of the Lowcountry, will be on display at the Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage from September 4, 2021, through January 22, 2022. The exhibition is a partnership between the Morris Center and Palmetto Luna Arts.

The works of artists Jesse Aguirre, Luz Celeste Figueroa, Nathalia Celeste Roca and Yajaira Surrett explore their identities as Latinos, artists and immigrants in the Lowcountry. The name *VeMe* is a nod to the artists' home countries of Venezuela and Mexico and also means "see me" in Spanish.

Several special events are associated with the exhibit. Visitors can view a mural on the exterior of the Morris Center designed by Aguirre and painted by local high school students as well as meet the artists on September 11, at 5:00 pm. *VeMe* Day is September 25, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

"With this exhibit we wanted to highlight the diversity of our community and present some exciting, vibrant artists whose stories need to be heard. The challenges and triumphs of being immigrants in the Lowcountry are reflected meaningfully in their works," says Executive Director Tamara Herring.

The Morris Center is open to the public Tuesday – Saturday. For museum hours or more information, please visit www.morrisheritagecenter.org.

About Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage

Located in the heart of downtown Ridgeland on US 17, Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage is a learning and exhibition center dedicated to preserving and cultivating the history, culture and spirit of Ridgeland and its surrounding counties. Housed in a collection of vintage buildings, with the architecturally distinctive Sinclair Service Station as its focal point, the center features ever-changing exhibitions, interactive and dynamic learning opportunities, cultural offerings, storytelling and other forms of art.