

THE CHANGNON FAMILY MUSEUM OF TOYS & COLLECTIBLES

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The Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectibles Opens New Exhibit, Addy Walker: Why She Matters

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 1, 2023 — The Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectibles, a virtual toys and collectibles museum, is proud to open its third virtual exhibit titled, *Addy Walker: Why She Matters.* The museum's third exhibit showcases its founder's extensive, near-complete collection of the American Girl character, Addy Walker, who is celebrating her 30th anniversary this year.

"We are thrilled to be opening this third virtual exhibit honoring the timeless and important American Girl character, Addy Walker," said Blake Changnon, president, CEO and founder of the museum. "On the 30th anniversary of Addy's debut in 1993, we proudly showcase this near-complete collection of Addy and her playthings. We invite you to relive your childhood through Addy's collection, explore articles and programs about Addy, her creation and her importance in American history, as well as share your favorite memories of Addy."

The Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectibles opened its virtual doors in 2021 with its inaugural exhibit, *American Girl: 35 Years of Strong Characters*, followed by *Childhood Nostalgia: A Collection of Pleasant Company and American Girl Catalogues*. Both exhibits feature products and memorabilia from the celebrated toy company, American Girl, which is known for creating strong, courageous and heroic characters living and growing up in different times in America's history.

Each year, the museum will introduce a new exhibit from the family archive, alternating between toys and collectibles. Next year's collectibles exhibit is currently underway and will again be featured on the timeless toy company. Follow the Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectibles on social media for more details.

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About The Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectible

The Changnon Family Museum of Toys and Collectibles is a virtual museum that preserves, acquires, educates and inspires children of all ages through the collection generously on loan by the Changnon family archives. Visit us online at toysandcollectiblesmuseum.org and follow us on social media @CFMuseumTC.