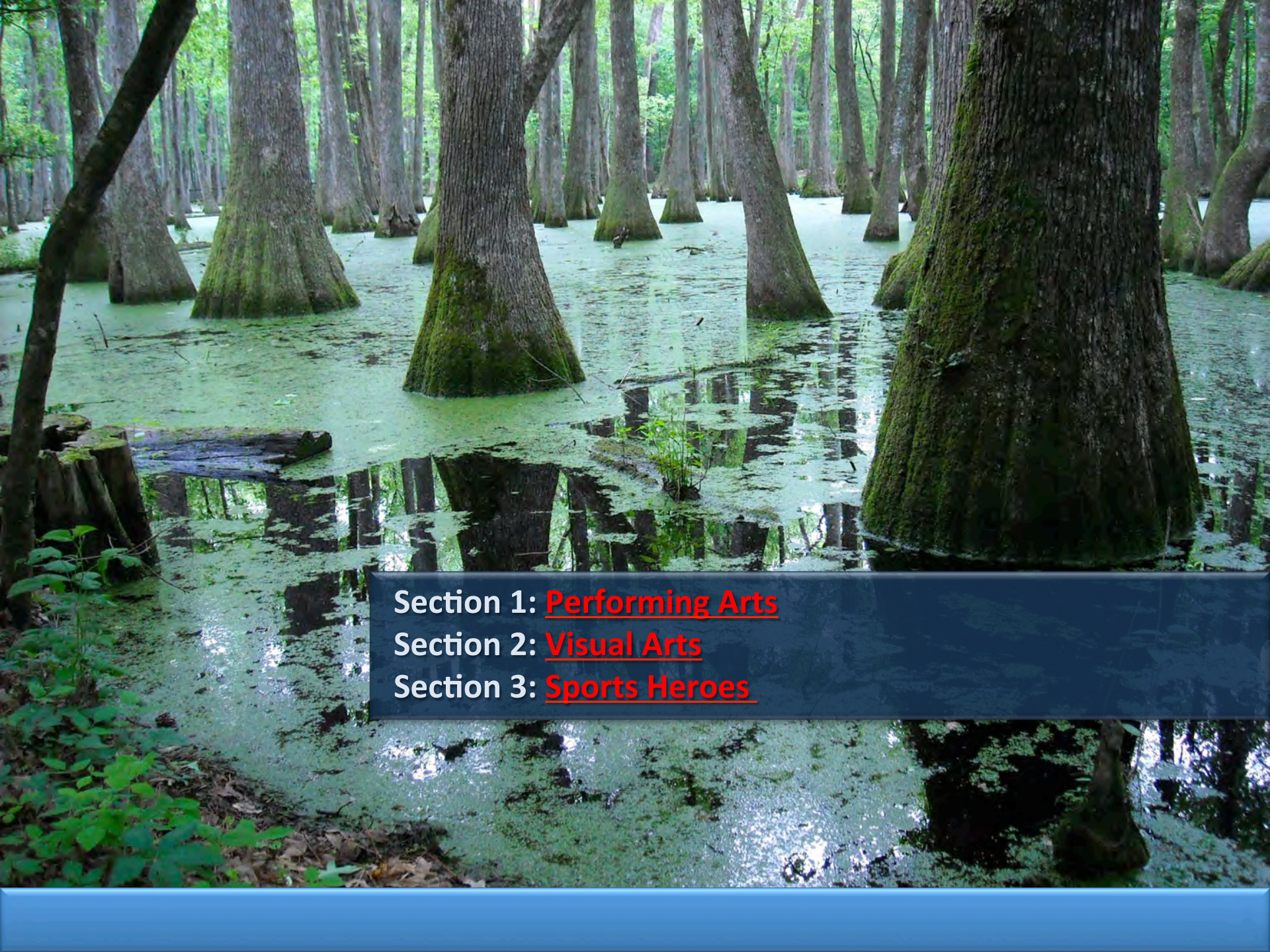


The background of the slide is a photograph of the Mississippi State Capitol building. The building is a grand, classical-style structure with a large central dome topped by a golden eagle. The facade features a portico with several tall columns and a pediment with a relief sculpture. A wide set of stairs leads up to the entrance. The building is surrounded by green trees, and the sky is clear and blue. The text "A Place Called Mississippi" is overlaid on the image in a large, bold, red font with a white outline.

A Place Called Mississippi

Chapter 16: Performing and Visual Arts and
Sports Heroes
STUDY PRESENTATION



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Section 1: Performing Arts

- Essential Question: How is Mississippi's culture shown in the performing arts?



Section 1: Performing Arts

- What terms do I need to know?
 - spiritual
 - rhythm and blues
 - hymn
 - diddley bow
 - cane fife
 - Mississippi Blues Commission
 - ballad
 - Delta Music Institute
 - USA International Ballet Competition



The Sound of Music: Spirituals and Gospel Music

- Folk music from Britain and rhythms of music from the African slave community have influenced Mississippi's music
- The spiritual blended songs from slave culture and religious music.
- Rhythm and blues music combined blues with African folk music, a strong beat and simple chords. Example: The Staple Singers' *I'll Take You There*.
- Hymns from the British Isles developed three and four part harmony – gospel music. Example: The Blackwood Brothers Quartet.



The Sound of Music: The Blues

- Blues music developed in the poverty of the Mississippi Delta with homemade instruments such as the diddley bow and cane fife.
- This music evolved from African roots.
- Blues grew in popularity in the Chicago area with talent from Mississippi.
- Famous musicians are: B.B. King and Charley Patton.
- The Mississippi Blues Commission was established in 2003 to preserve the blues heritage in Mississippi.
- The University of Mississippi started the Blues Archive in 1984 to preserve audio recordings of blues artists and other historic documents.

[Link to B.B. King blues performance.](#)

[Link to Charley Patton blues performance.](#)



The Sound of Music: Country and Western Music

- At first called “hillbilly music,” country and western is one of America’s most popular music styles.
- It evolved from ballads (verses set to music) that were sung by European settlers.
- Famous musicians are: Jimmie Rodgers, Faith Hill, Charley Pride, and many others.

[Link to country and western performance by Jimmie Rodgers.](#)

[Link to country and western performance by Charley Pride.](#)

[Link to country and western performance by Faith Hill.](#)



The Sound of Music:

Rock and Roll & Leontyne Price

- Rock and Roll evolved from “rockabilly” music – blending blues and country music.
- Elvis Presley, born in Tupelo, sold more than a billion records and made over 40 movies.
- Leontyne Price, born in Laurel, is recognized as one of the world’s best opera singers.
- The Delta Music Institute at Delta State University offers degrees in sound recording technology, and music and entertainment industry.

[Link to performance by Elvis Presley.](#)

[Link to performance by Leontyne Price.](#)



Television and Movie Stars:

Guy Hovis & Jim Henson

- Guy Hovis of Tupelo was known for working over 40 years on the *Lawrence Welk Show*.
- Mr. Hovis worked for Senator Trent Lott and among other accomplishments, starred in a television special to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina.
- Jim Henson, born in Greenville, created the world famous Muppets puppet characters, including Kermit the Frog.
- There is a museum in Leland featuring Jim Henson's creativity.

[Link to Jim Henson tribute film.](#)

[Link to Guy Hovis performance.](#)



Television and Movie Stars: Oprah Winfrey & Sela Wood

- Born in Kosciusko, Oprah Winfrey is one of television's most successful personalities.
- Ms. Winfrey has been a journalist, actress, and talk show host. She owns a TV network and magazine.
- Sela Ward, born in Meridian, has starred in numerous TV and movie roles and has won two Emmy awards and a Golden Globe Award.
- She is a published author and continues in television's *CSI: NY*.



Television and Movie Stars: James Earl Jones & Morgan Freeman

- James Earl Jones was born in Arkabutla, but later moved to Michigan.
- Mr. Jones is known for many roles on Broadway, movies, and television including *Roots*, *The Lion King*, and the voice of Darth Vader in the *Star Wars* movies.
- Morgan Freeman has lived in Charleston and Greenwood.
- He is known for roles in *Glory*, *The Shawshank Redemption*, *Driving Miss Daisy*, and *March of the Penguins* among many others.



Television and Movie Stars: Sam and Mary Donnelly Haskell

- Sam and Mary Donnelly Haskell are popular and influential in the entertainment industry.
- Mr. Haskell was an executive for the William Morris Agency, a talent company.
- Mrs. Haskell was an actress and singer.
- The couple host a popular event each year to raise money for underprivileged youth.



Dancing in the Global Village & Kathy Thibodeaux and Ballet Magnificat

- Mississippi is home to the USA International Ballet Competition in Jackson.
- Kathy Thibodeaux was an accomplished dancer and began the Ballet Magnificat company in 1986.
- Ms. Thibodeaux's work earned her the state's Peavey Award for Excellence.



Section 2: Visual Arts

- Essential Question: How is Mississippi's culture shown in the visual arts?



Section 2: Visual Arts

- What terms do I need to know?
 - Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi
 - folk artist
 - visionary art



Mississippi Craftsmanship: Basketry

- Visual arts includes crafts, sculpture, pottery, and painting.
- Craftsmanship is the art of making decorative and useful objects by hand.
- The [Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi](#) promotes historical and current crafts and has two galleries.
- Basketry, or basket weaving, is practiced by Choctaw Indians. They have complex designs made from strips of wood cut from logs.



Mississippi Craftsmanship: Quilting and Needlework

- Sewing and needlework were skills that most women acquired to help provide for their families.
- Today, these skills are a part of the decorative arts.
- There are many types of quilt designs, but all use scrap material to make beautiful designs.
- Pecolia Warner was a famous quilter from Yazoo City.
- Ethel Wright Mohamed of Belzoni was famous for her embroidery.



Mississippi Craftsmanship: Sculpture

- Richmond Barté was one of America's most important sculptors.
- His *The African Dancer*, and *Singing Slave* are examples. He did sculptures of famous people as well and his work is in the Whitney Museum of American Art and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.
- Bill Beckwith of Taylor is another famous sculptor.
- Mr. Beckwith's work has been displayed in many galleries including the Smithsonian Institution.

[Link to Barté Exhibit.](#)

[Link to Beckwith gallery.](#)



Mississippi Craftsmanship: Pottery

- George Ohr was a famous potter who used clay from Harrison County and had a shop in Biloxi.
- Mr. Ohr's talent was not recognized at first, but today his unique talent is known.

[Link to Ohr-O'Keefe Museum](#)



Mississippi Craftsmanship: Painting

- Mississippi has numerous painters that have achieved fame.
- Marie Hull: the “dean” of Mississippi artists, known for still life and landscape painting.
- Karl and Mildred Wolfe: started an art colony at Allison’s Wells; they painted and produced sculpture and stained glass.
- Walter Anderson was known for painting nature scenes in watercolor.
- M.B. Mayfield was a popular African-American folk artist known for studying at Ole Miss during segregation.
- Theora Hamblett won fame for her “visionary” dreamlike art; Marshall Bouldin III was famous for portraits.

[Link to Marie Hull](#)

[Link to the Wolfe Studio](#)

[Link to M.B. Mayfield Paintings](#)



Section 3: Sports Heroes

- Essential Question: How do sports in Mississippi reflect an aspect of the state's culture?



Section 3: Sports Heroes

- What terms do I need to know?
 - Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame
 - Pro Football Hall of Fame
 - Negro National League



Section 3: Sports Heroes

- Sports have been a part of the region since the Native Americans played chunky and stickball.
- Horseracing, jousting, mule racing, and boxing have been popular.
- Today high school and college sports such as baseball, basketball, and football dominate.
- Professional sports are fun but also help the local economy.
- The Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum is located in Jackson.



Jerry Rice & Walter Peyton

- Jerry Rice played football at East Oktibbeha County High School and Mississippi Valley State.
- Mr. Rice played in the NFL from 1985-2005 and was named greatest player in the history of the NFL. He is in the Pro Football Hall of Fame and Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame. His records include: most receptions, most yards, and most touchdowns (197). He played in 3 Super Bowls with the San Francisco 49ers.
- Walter Payton played for Columbia High School and worked with teammates and coaches in the transition to integrated schools in the 1970s.
- Mr. Payton played at Jackson State and set many records. He was named one of the NFL's fifth greatest player of all time for his work with the Chicago Bears.



The Manning Family & James Thomas “Cool Papa” Bell

- Archie Manning, and his sons Peyton and Eli, are known as the “America’s first family of football.”
- Archie was a two-time All-American quarterback for Ole Miss and played pro football for the New Orleans Saints.
- Peyton and Eli have each been All-American quarterbacks in college and won Super Bowls professionally.
- James Thomas “Cool Papa” Bell was considered baseball’s fastest player.
- Mr. Bell played for the St. Louis Stars in the Negro National League and was known for stealing bases. Bell was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1974.



Ralph Boston, Lily Margaret Wade, and Davey L. Whitney

- Ralph Boston, born in Laurel, was one of America's most famous track and field athletes.
- Boston set a long jump record (27'2"). He was inducted into the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame.
- Lily Margaret Wade was a legend in women's basketball. She coached at Delta State University where she had three national championship teams and the all-time winning percentage of .789!
- The Lily Margaret Wade Trophy was created to honor outstanding women athletes. She is in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.
- Davey L. Whitney became known for an amazing career as a college basketball coach (Texas Southern and Alcorn State).
- Coach Whitney was inducted into the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame.



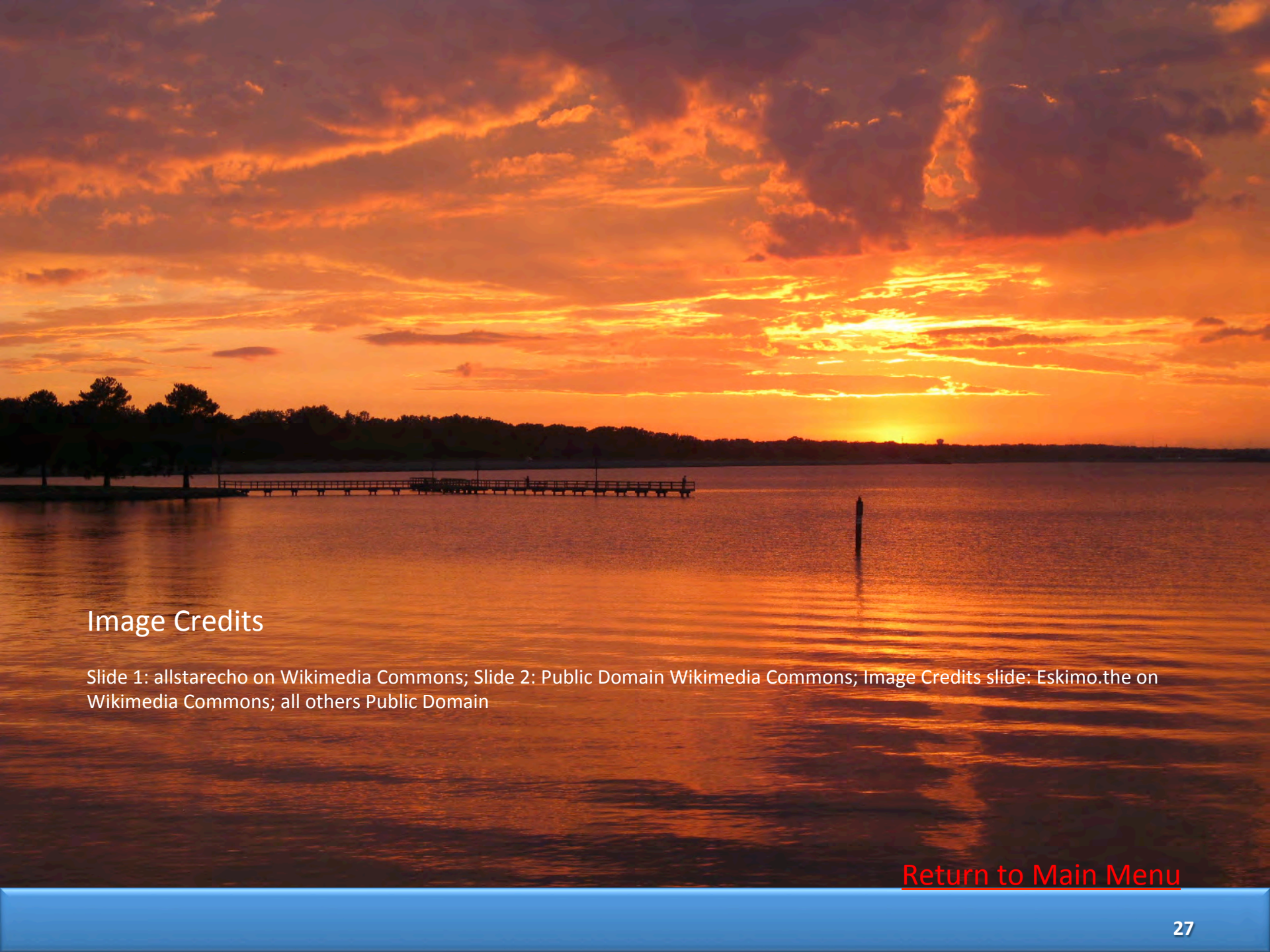


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