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Clemente Exhibit

The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum will be a permanent exhibition, but also a dynamic and changing exhibit. The History Center is committed to adding to or refining existing sections of the exhibit, to staging small photograph or art exhibits in the Champions Gallery, and to developing or hosting exhibits that deal with complementary topics.

One such exhibit, *Beyond Baseball: The Life of Roberto Clemente*, will open at the History Center in August 2005. Developed by the Smithsonian Institution and the Clemente family, it is fitting that this show should open its national tour in Pittsburgh during the 50th anniversary of Clemente's rookie season with the Pirates. This bilingual exhibit (English/Spanish) focuses on Clemente's life and



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Susan Wagner sculpted this bust of Clemente as a prelude to the statue at PNC Park.

career on-field and off. It will feature, for the first time outside Puerto Rico, Vera Clemente's personal collection of World Series rings, MVP and Golden Glove awards, commemorative objects, collectibles, and the poetry Roberto Clemente created.

Both a baseball superstar and a humanitarian, Clemente's life offers a window into the world of sports and society in the 1950s, '60s, and early '70s, and a chance to reflect on his legacy.

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