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HOLIDAYS AT THE MORSE: TIFFANY WINDOWS IN THE PARK, CHRISTMAS EVE OPEN HOUSE, LIVE MUSIC ON FRIDAY NIGHTS

Note to editors: Attached is a high-resolution image of Tiffany Studios' Adoration leaded-glass window, c. 1900–1916, which is installed in the Tiffany Chapel at the Morse. Additional images are available by e-mailing pubaffairs@morsemuseum.org.

WINTER PARK—The holiday season at the Morse Museum begins just after Thanksgiving when the Harpist Bizarre Quartet helps the Museum launch a festive schedule of free events on Friday nights, including live music, tours, and an art demonstration.

For six consecutive Friday evenings during the holidays (**November 24** through **December 29**), visitors can enjoy not only free admission from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. but live music from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. In addition, at 7 p.m. on **December 1, 8, and 15**, the Morse will offer curator tours of the exhibition *Louis Comfort Tiffany's Laurelton Hall*. The **December 15** programming also includes a family tour of selected galleries and a demonstration on the art of printmaking with a free take-home art activity for participants.

On Thursday, **December 7**, the Morse and the City of Winter Park will present the 39th annual Christmas in the Park in downtown Winter Park. At this free event, always a highlight of the holiday season in Winter Park, the Morse lights up nine Tiffany windows in Central Park and sponsors the Bach Festival Choir, Youth Choir, and Brass Ensemble in an outdoor concert.

Admission to the Museum also will be free for a Christmas Eve open house, Sunday, **December 24**. The complete schedule of Morse holiday events, programs, and tours is as follows:

- November 24:** Harpist Bizarre Quartet (bass, flute, guitar, and harp), 5 p.m.–8 p.m.
- December 1:** Victorian Lynn Schultz (harp), 5 p.m.–8 p.m.
Curator tour of *Louis Comfort Tiffany's Laurelton Hall*, 7 p.m.
- December 7:** 39th Annual Christmas in the Park, Downtown Winter Park,
6:15 p.m.–8 p.m.
- December 8:** Beautiful Music Asian Trio (flute, harp, and violin), 5 p.m.–8 p.m.
Curator tour of *Louis Comfort Tiffany's Laurelton Hall*, 7 p.m.
- December 15:** Beautiful Music Jazz Quartet (bass, flute, guitar, and trumpet),
5 p.m.–8 p.m.
Family tour of selected galleries, 5:15 p.m.
Printmaking demonstration with artist Molly Kempson, 6 p.m.
Curator tour of *Louis Comfort Tiffany's Laurelton Hall*, 7 p.m.
- December 22:** Beautiful Music Three Flutes Only, 5 p.m.–8 p.m.
- December 24:** Christmas Eve Open House, 1 p.m.–4 p.m.
Live music by the Raintree Chamber Players, 1 p.m.–4 p.m.
- December 29:** Beautiful Music Jazz Trio (flute, guitar, and upright bass), 5 p.m.–8 p.m.

The Morse Museum, which celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, houses the world's most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany, including the chapel interior he designed for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago and art and architectural elements from his Long Island estate, Laurelton Hall.

In the Museum's galleries, visitors will also find exhibits of American art pottery; Arts and Crafts furnishings; late 19th- and early 20th-century American paintings; and leaded-glass windows and lamps by other artists of the period. In two new exhibitions, the Museum celebrates Louis Comfort Tiffany's creative spirit and the creative process at Tiffany Studios. *Louis Comfort Tiffany—Impressions on Film, Canvas, and Paper* is an exhibition of Tiffany's personal photographs, paintings, and watercolors that provide an intimate view of the innovator who built the artistic empire of Tiffany Studios. *Tiffany Studios Designs* features drawings, photographs, and sketches for a selection of the astonishingly diverse and beautiful objects made by his firm.

Museum hours from November through April are 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and Saturday; and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Regular admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 seniors, \$1 for students, and free for children under 12. All visitors receive free admission from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Fridays. For more information, consult the Museum's website, www.morsemuseum.org.

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