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## **A Spring Celebration and Free Friday Appointments in April at the Morse**

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WINTER PARK, FL—The Morse Museum invites all to celebrate spring this year with newly installed exhibits and free appointments. A five-day spring celebration and free Fridays during the entire month of April provide many opportunities to view the collection at no charge. Public Museum and Museum Shop hours are currently 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The Morse remains closed on Sundays. Advance appointments are required to visit the Museum, and visitor safety guidelines are in place.

From **Tuesday, March 30**, through **Saturday, April 3**, appointments to visit the Museum will be free. From noon to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, March 30; Wednesday, March 31; and Thursday, April 1 during this spring celebration, live music in the galleries will enhance and uplift the visitor experience. Appointment times are available from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on all five days, and space is limited. These special appointments may be reserved at no charge under the “Spring at the Morse” ticket category on <https://admissions.morsemuseum.org/mainstore>.

For the remaining Fridays in April (**April 9 through 30**), appointments to visit the Museum will be free. Appointments must be made in advance and are available, space permitting, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays. Online, appointments for free Fridays during the month of April may be found under the “Spring at the Morse” ticket category.

Please note that on-site lectures, art demonstrations, Museum tours, and other in-person programs as well as social events are canceled or postponed until further notice.

The Morse Museum houses the world’s most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany (1848–1933). These works include the chapel interior he designed for the 1893 World’s Columbian Exposition in Chicago as well as surviving art and architectural elements from Laurelton Hall, his grand Long Island estate.

Opened Tuesday, March 2, the exhibit *Watercolors from Louis Comfort Tiffany’s “Little Arcadia”* features watercolor studies by Alice Carmen Gouvy (1863–1924) and Lillian A. Palmié (1873–1944), Tiffany designers who were selected to work in an idyllic workshop, often somewhat enviously referred to as “little Arcadia.” The spring vignette *Chinese Blue and White Porcelain* exhibits precious and still avidly collected 18th- and 19th-century, Chinese porcelain drawn from the recent donation to the Morse Museum by the Abberger family of lifelong Orlando residents Dr. Benjamin L. Abberger Jr. and Nancy Hardy Abberger’s collection.

The Morse Museum is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. All visits are by appointment only. Appointments may be made online by visiting the Museum’s “Plan Your Visit” page or by calling (407) 644-1429. Regular admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$1 for students, and free for children under 12. More information may be found on the Museum’s website, [morsemuseum.org](http://morsemuseum.org).

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