

At the Durham Museum this holiday season enjoy:

- **Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Friday, Nov. 29, 4-7PM

The joyous *Christmas at Union Station* season begins with the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony presented by ConAgra Foods. A highlight of this year's celebration will be a performance by renowned jazz singer Michael Walker, who will dazzle you with his Sinatra-inspired holiday carols. The fun continues with cookie decorating, holiday crafts in the *David M. Mangelsen's Craft Corner* and singing Christmas carols. It is also the perfect time for children to share wish lists with Santa and Mrs. Claus under the glow of the museum's majestic tree.

Ethnic Holiday Trees Exhibit

November 29, 2013 – January 5, 2014

A holiday favorite has a return engagement in The Durham's galleries during Christmas at Union Station. The Ethnic Holiday Trees exhibition is one of the enduring fixtures of the season and showcases how cultures from around the world celebrate the Christmas season. Each joyous bouquet of decor and color symbolizes both the unique traditions distinct to one's heritage, and the common bonds that bring us together. Pinnacle Bank sponsors this fascinating exploration of the customs that continue to influence our contemporary holiday festivities.

Family Nights with Santa

Tuesdays, Dec. 3, 10 & 17, 5-8PM

During the busy holiday season, The Durham Museum is making it easy for families to create special memories. Children will be able to share their wish lists with Santa and meet his reindeer, who will be making a special stop at the museum. Take part in creating holiday crafts in the *David M. Mangelsen's Craft Corner*, enjoy live musical performances and learn holiday safety tips courtesy of the Omaha Public Power District.

Ethnic Holiday Festival

Friday, Dec. 6, 5-9PM

Learn how the world celebrates this joyful time of year during the Ethnic Holiday Festival. Local cultural organizations proudly display their crafts and traditional dress, while musicians and dancers perform throughout the evening. Hard-to-find ethnic foods and gifts will be available for purchase at this celebration.

Holiday Concert Series

Saturday & Sundays, Nov. 30 & Dec. 1, 7 & 8, 14 & 15, and 21 & 22

Enjoy some of the area's most beautiful holiday music under the glow of The Durham's Christmas tree. Talented local entertainers, school musicians, and choirs perform on weekends as part of The Durham Museum's Holiday Concert Series. Visit DurhamMuseum.org for performance listings.

Noon Year's Eve

Tuesday, Dec. 31, 10AM-1PM

3-2-1, Happy New Year! Children of all ages will enjoy this fun-packed party with live music, special crafts, and activities. The day ends with a celebratory bubble wrap stomp and ball drop at noon in the Suzanne and Walter Scott Great Hall.

At the Joslyn Museum this holiday season enjoy:

- **The Maximilian-Bodmer Expedition**, April 25, 2013 – June 15, 2014
- **Legacy: The Emily Fisher Landau Collection**, September 28, 2013 – January 5, 2014

- **Members Holiday Celebration**,
Thursday, December 5, 2013, 5:30-8:00PM
Enjoy a night of docent-guided tours, art-making in the Storz Fountain Court, live holiday music, and complimentary refreshments all evening long.
RSVP by December 4. Call (402) 661-3850 or email reservations@joslyn.org. Bring your membership card or invitation for event admission.

- **2013 Holiday Lights Family Festival**
Sunday, December 8, Noon-5PM
Join the Joslyn Museum for free art-making and music

- **EVE: A New Year's Gala at the Joslyn Art Museum** (Dec. 31, 2013, 9PM – 1AM)
YAP Members \$35, Non-Members \$50
Price Includes: 2 Complimentary glasses of beer or wine; complimentary hors d'oeuvres all night provided by CRAVE Restaurant; complimentary valet; photo booth; champagne toast at midnight; featured DJ; complimentary coat check
\$8.00 cocktails and \$6.00 beer and wine specials all night
(Attire: Black tie optional)

- **Holiday Under Glass 2013, Noon to 12:45 PM**
Enjoy the sounds of the season during *Holiday Under Glass*, Joslyn's annual holiday concert series featuring area musical groups. Performances are held in the Museum's ConAgra Foods Atrium, and Joslyn's Cafe Durham offers lunch for purchase from 10:30 am to 3 pm (free WiFi service available). Concerts begin at noon and are free with regular Museum admission. A tour of an exhibition or the collection follows each concert at 1 pm.
Wednesday, December 4
Grace University, Chorale, Chamber Singers, and Women's Choir
Friday, December 6
Central High School Singers and String Quartet
Wednesday, December 11

University of Nebraska at Omaha Chamber Choir

Friday, December 13

Creighton University Musical Theatre Students

Wednesday, December 18

Madrigali, et al.

Friday, December 20

Central High School Singers, Bel Canto, and Hand Bell Ringers

At Lauritzen Gardens this holiday season enjoy:

- **Lauritzen Garden Holiday Membership Promotion**

Now through December 31, **receive a \$5 discount** on any level of gift membership. An annual membership is the perfect gift for anyone on your list, and your loved ones will appreciate your thoughtfulness long after the holidays.

At the Omaha Community Playhouse this holiday season enjoy:

- ***A Christmas Carol, November 22 – December 23, 2013***

It just isn't Christmas without A Christmas Carol. Experience Omaha's favorite holiday tradition as Ebenezer Scrooge takes us on a life-changing journey filled with beautiful costumes, exquisite music, perfectly crafted sets and special effects second to none. Perfect for the whole family!

A Christmas Carol: Adults \$35 Students \$24 before Dec. 15

A Christmas Carol: Adults \$39 Students \$28 Dec. 15-23

Performance Times: Wednesday – Saturday: 7:30PM, Sunday: 2:00PM and 6:30PM

- ***Yesterday and Today: An Interactive Beatles Experience, December 6 - 31, 2013***

Billy McGuigan and his brothers are back! This all-request Beatles tribute show will have you dancing in the aisles and singing along to every song. Share your stories and relive your memories with your favorite Beatles songs. No two shows are the same and every show is a guaranteed exhilarating time!

Yesterday and Today: All Tickets are \$38 except for New Year's Eve which is \$50 for the 7:00 p.m. show and \$75 for the 10:00 p.m. show.

Performance Times: Thursday – Saturday: 7:30PM, Sunday: 2:00PM

The events at the museums are offered through the Time Travelers and Passport Partners partnership, which provides free museum admission for UNMC and The Nebraska Medical Center employees, students, and their immediate family with a valid identification badge, while also offering lectures, workshops and other events on the medical center campus.