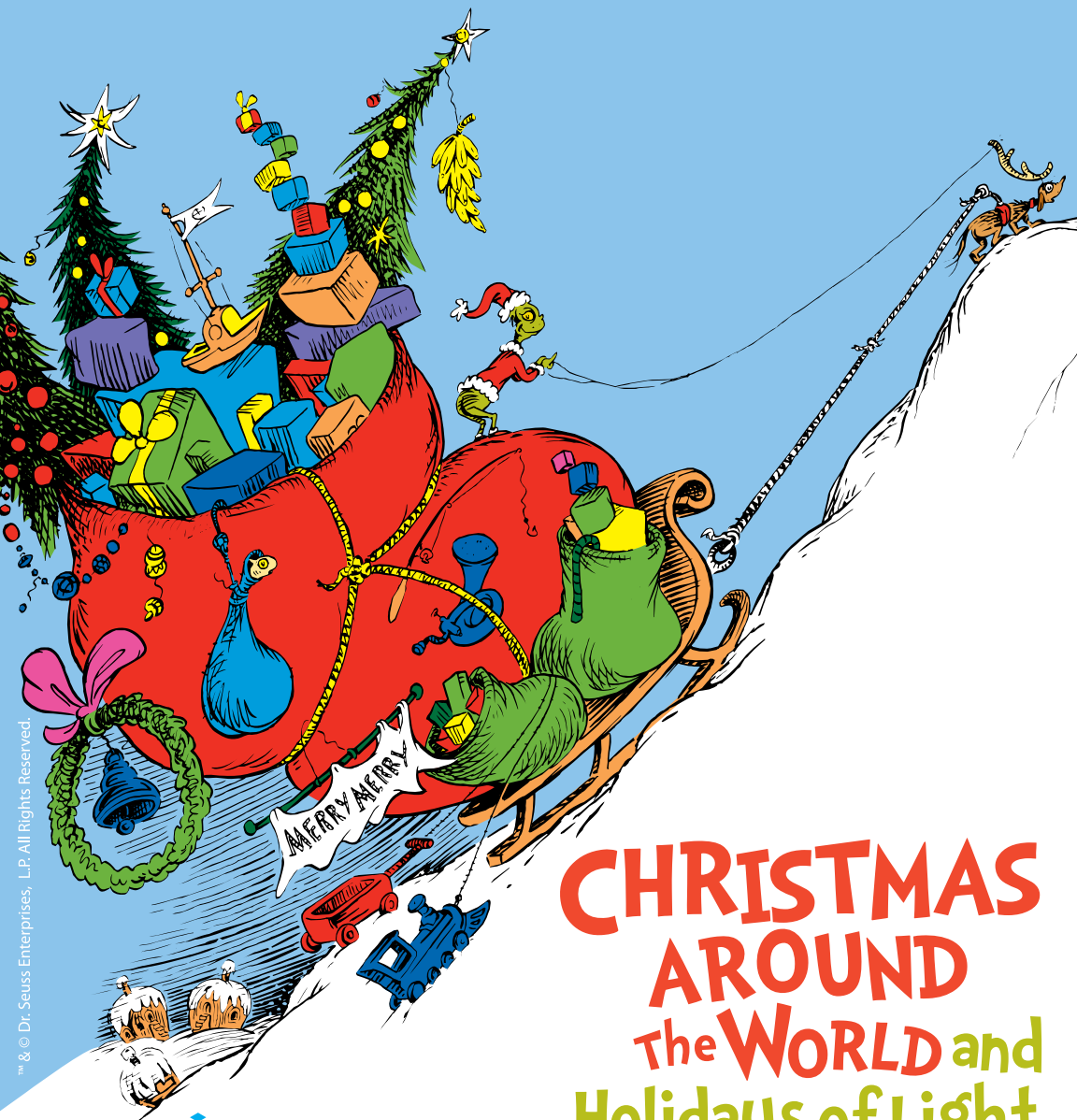


EXHIBIT GUIDE



CHRISTMAS AROUND The WORLD and Holidays of Light

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Dear Guests,

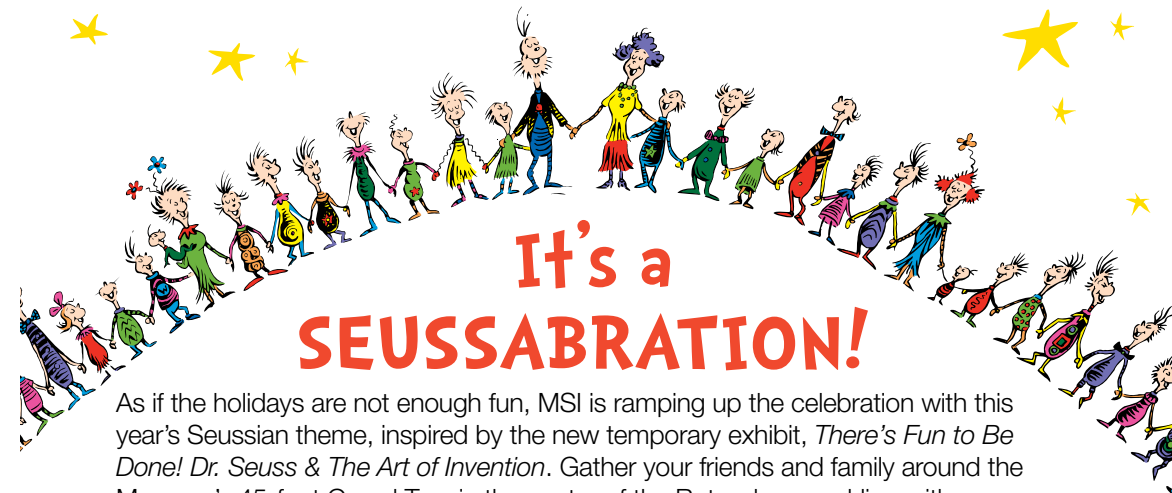
As the holiday season begins, our attention turns to thoughts of thankfulness, giving, and celebration with friends and family. It's that same spirit that started a beloved holiday tradition 70 years ago at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago. *Christmas Around the World* began in 1942 as a united nations salute to American Allies in World War II. The tribute consisted of one strong symbol: a single tree, decorated by volunteers whose native countries were allies with the U.S. This year, the beloved exhibit rings in the holidays with more than 60 decorated trees and displays, each adorned according to holiday customs from around the world.

Thanks to all the volunteers from Chicago's ethnic communities who have taken great care in decorating the trees for our 70th anniversary celebration. I also want to thank many of you who submitted your *Christmas Around the World* photos and favorite memories. Your images and reflections on holidays past are now part of a new commemorative photography exhibition in the Lower Level galleries.

Please enjoy your journey through the exhibit and tell your friends, family and neighbors to join in the celebration. Even The Grinch himself wouldn't miss it.

Warm regards,

David R. Mosena
President and CEO
Museum of Science and Industry



It's a SEUSSABRATION!

As if the holidays are not enough fun, MSI is ramping up the celebration with this year's Seussian theme, inspired by the new temporary exhibit, *There's Fun to Be Done! Dr. Seuss & The Art of Invention*. Gather your friends and family around the Museum's 45-foot Grand Tree in the center of the Rotunda—sparkling with more than 30,000, twinkling lights—adorned with colorful, Seuss-inspired decorations and ornaments. Check out the “Whos” holding hands surround the Tree's base! Look upwards to see scenes from the beloved *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!* book featured on four giant banners hanging from the walls. As you take in the whimsical Seuss imagery, stroll through the tree-lined Museum halls and view performances of various dance and choral groups on the Holiday Stage while enjoying intermittent falling “snow” every half hour.

There's Fun to Be Done! Dr. Seuss & The Art of Invention

There's no doubt you'll be amazed by “the thinks you can think” when you explore the mind and ideas of Theodor Seuss Geisel, the creative genius better known to millions and billions as Dr. Seuss. This exhibit examines the singular imaginative force behind a bevy of fanciful people, places, creatures and things beloved by generations.

See Dr. Seuss's multi-faceted talent at work through this collection of early editorial cartoons, drawings, advertisements, paintings, reproductions and sculptures. Then get ready for whimsical, hands-on activities that focus on Dr. Seuss's innovative thinking. Play with Oobleck, the very muck that runs amuck in Seuss's *Bartholomew and the Oobleck*. (Please, no geese allowed.) Invent your own contraption using Seussian wheels, horns and tubes. Kids and adults alike will have a blast letting their imaginations run wild!

Even if you don't know Thing One from Thing Two, you'll be happier than a Glunk making Glunker Stew when you visit *There's Fun to Be Done! Dr. Seuss & The Art of Invention!* Not included in general admission; requires a separate timed-entry ticket.

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Retrospective Art and Sculpture Garden Exhibition portions organized by Chase Art Companies and curator, William W. Dreyer.

Celebrating 70 Years of Holiday Memories

For the 70th anniversary of *Christmas Around the World*, MSI invites guests to go back in time and journey through the many festive years of this holiday classic. A special commemorative exhibition (in Lower Court) features unique pieces from the Museum's collections and photos submitted by Museum guests and employees. Discover how—and for how long—so many different families have made MSI part of their holidays traditions.

You'll relive highlights from the exhibit's history, starting in 1942 as a united nations salute to America's allies. By the 1950s, that much-needed wartime boost had earned a permanent name and had become a tradition for families and diverse communities across Chicago. Ethnic, choral and organ performances filled the Rotunda with sound and flurry. And guests could also try their hands at making Yugoslavian strudel or Lithuanian straw ornaments, and Norwegian elves gave gifts to lucky youngsters as they entered the Museum.

Through the 1960s and '70s, the number of trees and guests grew and grew. In 1969, the 23 trees drew almost 300,000 people. During the nation's bicentennial, CBS broadcast a half-hour special on the exhibit and the holiday guest count topped half a million for the first time. The '80s saw everything from Lunch with Santa and teddy bear parades to life-size Santa ice sculptures and a miniature ice rink. But the biggest—and most permanent change came shortly after *Christmas Around the World* hit the half-century mark ...

Holidays of Light

In 1994, *Holidays of Light* was added to the name, and several non-Christian celebrations including Chinese New Year, Diwali, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah and Visakha Puja Day, joined in the festivities. Now in its 16th year, this multicultural display continues to showcase holidays that celebrate light and enlightenment.



1940s

1960s



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1980s



1990s

Holiday Performances

Various groups from around Chicagoland will spread festive spirit on the weekend with song and dance performances. All activities take place on the Holiday Stage located on the Museum's Main Level. And don't forget to enjoy choral performances by area school groups from Nov. 22 through Dec. 20, 2011. (Check the schedule at the Holiday Stage or msichicago.org for up-to-date information.) Please note that the schedule is subject to change. Also on the Holiday Stage, don't miss the enlightening chemistry demonstration, *Tis The Season for Science*, daily at 2:30.



Saturday, November 19

- 11:00 a.m.** The McNulty Irish Dancers *Ireland*
- 12:15 p.m.** Varblomman Children's Club *Sweden*
- 1:30 p.m.** Slovenian Catholic Center *Slovenia*
- 3:15 p.m.** Croatian Schools of Chicago *Croatia*
- 4:30 p.m.** Oak Forest Park District Dance *General Holiday*

Sunday, November 20

- 11:00 a.m.** Pachacamac *Ecuador*
- 12:15 p.m.** Tsukasa Taiko and Fujima Ryu of Chicago *Japan*
- 1:30 p.m.** PACF Performing Art with Sama Sama Project *Philippines*
- 3:15 p.m.** Indian Catholic Association of America *India*

Tuesday, November 22

- 11:00 a.m.** Union Evangelistic Baptist Church *General Holiday*

Saturday, November 26

- 11:00 a.m.** Moravian Cultural Society *Czech Republic*
- 12:15 p.m.** Nordikids VASA Order of America *Sweden*
- 1:30 p.m.** Robert Healy School *China*
- 3:15 p.m.** Punch and Judaism *Holidays of Light, Hanukkah*

Sunday, November 27

- 11:00 a.m.** The Filipino Dance Arts of Chicago with Chicago Angklung and Rodalla Ensemble *Philippines*
- 12:15 p.m.** Nuestra Cultura Juvenil *Ecuador*
- 1:30 p.m.** Knights of Lithuania Dancers and Suktinis Folk Dance Ensemble *Lithuania*
- 3:15 p.m.** Ballet Folklorico Internacional Tuwamari *Ecuador*
- 4:30 p.m.** Jasmin Jahal Middle Eastern Dance Company *Middle East*

Wednesday, November 30

- 10:00 a.m.** Hamilton School *General Holiday*

Thursday, December 1

- 10:00 a.m.** Joliet Catholic Academy *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** Bishop McNamara High School *General Holiday*

Friday, December 2

- 10:00 a.m.** Wilmington Middle School *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** Hickory Bend Elementary *General Holiday*
- Noon** Coal City High School *General Holiday*

Saturday, December 3

- 12:15 p.m.** Norwegian National League of Chicago *Norway*
- 1:30 p.m.** Ensemble Alioni *Republic of Georgia*
- 3:15 p.m.** Boliviamanta *Bolivia*
- 4:30 p.m.** Orquesta de Cuatro Fenix *Puerto Rico*

Sunday, December 4

- 11:00 a.m.** Bonnie Lindholm Dance Company *General Holiday*
- 12:15 p.m.** Flamenco Chicago *Spain*
- 1:30 p.m.** Linda's Dance Studio *Mexico*
- 3:15 p.m.** Austrian Mixed Chorus *Austria*
- 4:30 p.m.** Greek Consulate Education Office *Greece*

Monday, December 5

- Noon** Stevenson Elementary *General Holiday*

Tuesday, December 6

- 10:00 a.m.** St. Dennis School *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** St. Paul's Lutheran *General Holiday*
- Noon** Tri-Point High School *General Holiday*

Wednesday, December 7

- 10:00 a.m.** Eastview Elementary School *General Holiday*

Thursday, December 8

- 10:00 a.m.** Washington School District 170 *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** District 54 Jazz Band, Adams Junior High *General Holiday*

Friday, December 9

- 10:00 a.m.** Parkview Elementary School *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** Eastview Middle School *General Holiday*

Saturday, December 10

- 11:00 a.m.** Choomsarang Korean Dance Group *Korea*
- 12:15 p.m.** "Alegria Juveniles" of Roberto Clemente Center *Latin America*
- 1:30 p.m.** Thistle and Heather Highland Dancers *Scotland*
- 3:15 p.m.** St. Mark's Coptic Orthodox Church of Egypt *Egypt*
- 4:30 p.m.** Tierra Colombiana Dance Company *Colombia*

Sunday, December 11

- 11:00 a.m.** JCCIA Italianettes *Italy*
- 12:15 p.m.** Mamma Sunshine *Holidays of Light, Kwanzaa*
- 1:30 p.m.** Iskra School of Ukrainian Dance; Cherubic Voices, Ukrainian Children's Choir *Ukraine*
- 3:15 p.m.** Mangalorean Konkani Christian Association *USA India*
- 4:30 p.m.** Orpheus Hellenic Folklore Society *Greece*

Monday, December 12

- 10:00 a.m.** McKinley Elementary School *General Holiday*

Tuesday, December 13

- 10:00 a.m.** Belmont Cragin Elementary School *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** Ratolo Middle School *General Holiday*
- Noon** Ratolo Middle School *General Holiday*

Wednesday, December 14

- 10:00 a.m.** Saukview Elementary School *General Holiday*

Thursday, December 15

- 11:00 a.m.** Dooley Elementary School *General Holiday*
- Noon** St. Philip Neri School *General Holiday*

Friday, December 16

- 10:00 a.m.** The World Performance Team *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** The World Performance Team *General Holiday*
- Noon** The World Performance Team *General Holiday*

Monday, December 19

- 10:00 a.m.** The World Performance Team *General Holiday*
- 11:00 a.m.** Flanagan Junior High School *General Holiday*
- Noon** The World Performance Team *General Holiday*

Tuesday, December 20

- 11:00 a.m.** Peterson Elementary School *General Holiday*
- 3:15 p.m.** Holy Cross IHM Marimba Ensemble and Children's Choir *Central America*

Saturday, December 17

- 11:00 a.m.** Cambrian Benevolent Society of Chicago *Wales*
- 12:15 p.m.** Society of the Danube Swabians of Chicago *Germany*
- 1:30 p.m.** Acappellago *General Holiday*
- 3:15 p.m.** Royal Scottish Country Dance Society Chicago Branch Demonstration Team *Scotland*
- 4:30 p.m.** Belizean Cultural Bearers *Belize*

Sunday, December 18

- 11:00 a.m.** Finnladies of Chicagoland *Finland*
- 12:15 p.m.** Campanella Children's Choir *Russia*
- 1:30 p.m.** Colombian American Cultural Center Choir *Colombia*
- 3:15 p.m.** Polish Scouting Organization of Illinois *Poland*
- 4:30 p.m.** St. Sava School, SOKO Folklore Group and Branko Radicevich Singing Society *Serbia*

Thursday, December 22

- 1:30 p.m.** Harvard High School Madrigals *England*

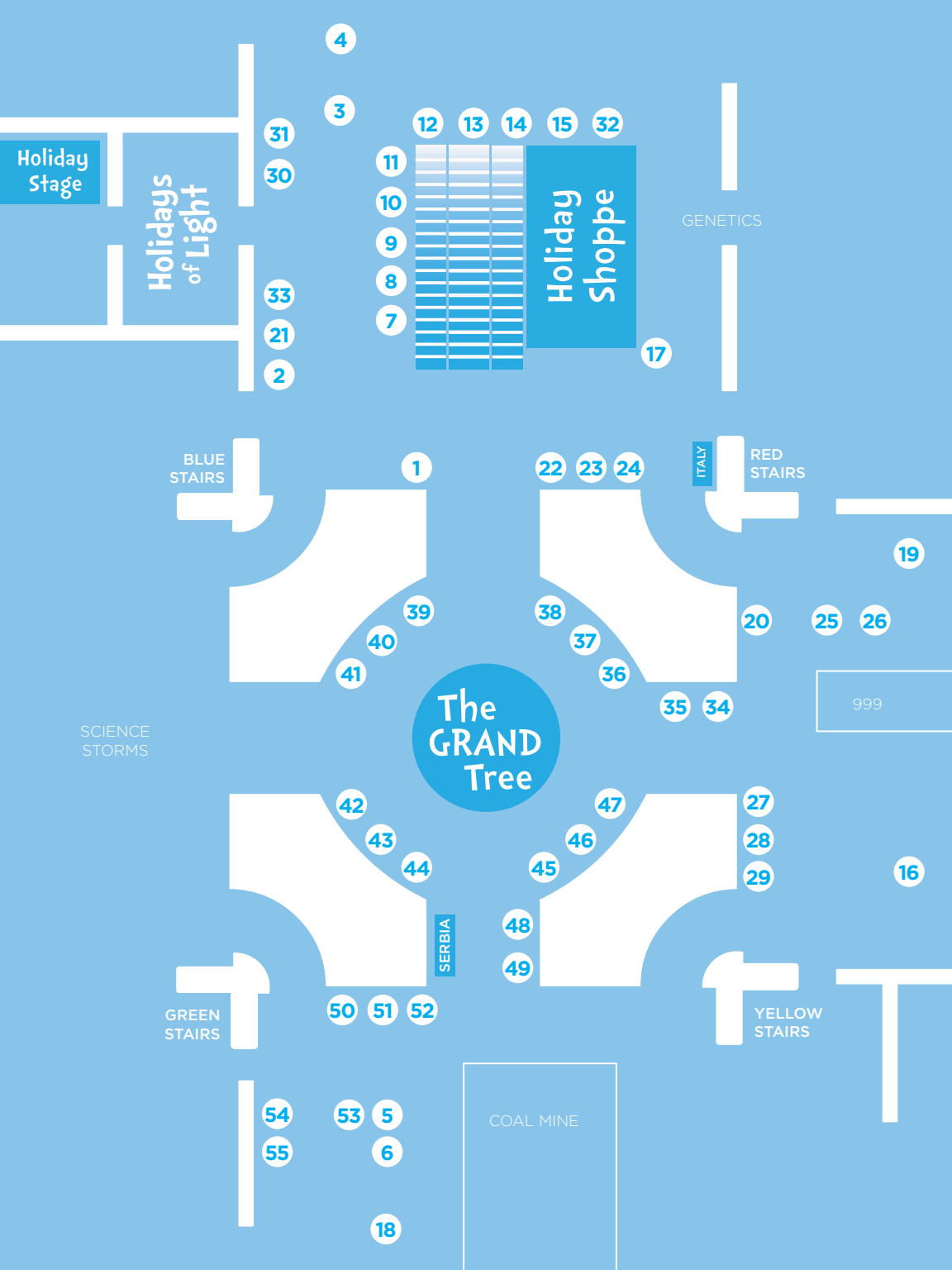
Friday, December 23

- 3:15 p.m.** Holy Nativity *Romania*

Saturday, December 24

- 11:00 a.m.** Ke Kula, The students of Ke Kula Kupa'a La Pakipika *South Pacific Islands*





Christmas Trees

Armenia	48	Finland	12	Netherlands	39
Austria	29	France	40	Norway	51
Bahamas	34	Germany	43	Philippines	45
Belarus	6	Greece	28	Poland	7
Belgium	27	Guatamala	55	Puerto Rico	30
Belize	24	Hungary	13	Romania	17
Bolivia	47	Iceland	1	Russia	38
Bosnia & Herzegovina	41	India	14	Scotland	5
Bulgaria	19	Ireland	44	Slovakia	4
Canada	49	Italy	18	Solvenia	33
China	31	Japan	54	South Pacific Islands	42
Colombia	26	Kenya	2	Sweden	10
Croatia	15	Korea	16	Switzerland	23
Czech Republic	25	Latvia	8	Thailand	9
Denmark	36	Lebanaon	50	Ukraine	32
Ecuador	37	Lithuania	20	USA	53
Egypt	3	Luxembourg	22	Wales	11
England	46	Mexico	52		
Estonia	35	Native America	21		

Holidays of Light

St. Lucia Day
 Chinese New Year
 Hanukkah
 Kwanzaa
 Diwali
 Ramadan
 Visakha Puja Day
 Winter Solstice

Creches

Italy
 Serbia

Trees and Traditions

For more information, download our Trees and Traditions podcast at msichicago.org.

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD features trees from over 50 countries. Find some of them now!

AUSTRIA	S	D	S	W	I	T	Z	E	R	L	A	N	D	G	F
BAHAMAS	H	L	U	X	E	M	B	O	U	R	G	L	O	W	Z
BELGIUM	Z	F	C	Z	H	T	A	E	T	E	S	I	A	D	O
CANADA	F	I	S	N	N	E	C	S	L	E	C	O	P	A	D
CHINA	G	N	S	I	R	E	A	U	N	G	M	H	I	T	E
COLOMBIA	E	L	W	O	C	M	T	I	N	V	I	R	I	D	N
DENMARK	R	A	K	P	A	E	P	H	D	C	T	U	C	N	M
FINLAND	M	N	M	H	O	P	L	B	E	S	C	X	M	W	A
FRANCE	A	D	A	E	I	L	E	A	U	R	O	O	L	Y	R
GERMANY	N	B	X	L	X	A	A	A	N	E	L	C	B	G	K
ICELAND	Y	H	I	J	D	I	U	N	Y	D	O	A	F	J	N
KOREA	B	H	B	A	M	Y	C	Q	D	P	M	X	N	M	M
LUXEMBOURG	P	J	N	E	E	J	V	O	M	N	B	J	D	D	N
MEXICO	L	A	K	F	R	A	N	C	E	I	I	W	Z	N	S
NETHERLANDS	C	T	B	N	O	R	W	A	Y	N	A	A	G	X	V
NORWAY															
PHILIPPINES															
POLAND															
SWITZERLAND															



Look at the made up words I found! What new words can you see in the puzzle?

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'Tis The Season Scavenger Hunt

There is not just one way to celebrate the holidays. Your challenge today: Learn about the different customs and traditions of this festive season in our *Holidays of Light* displays. It's easy. Just grab your parent or chaperone to begin this Museum scavenger hunt.

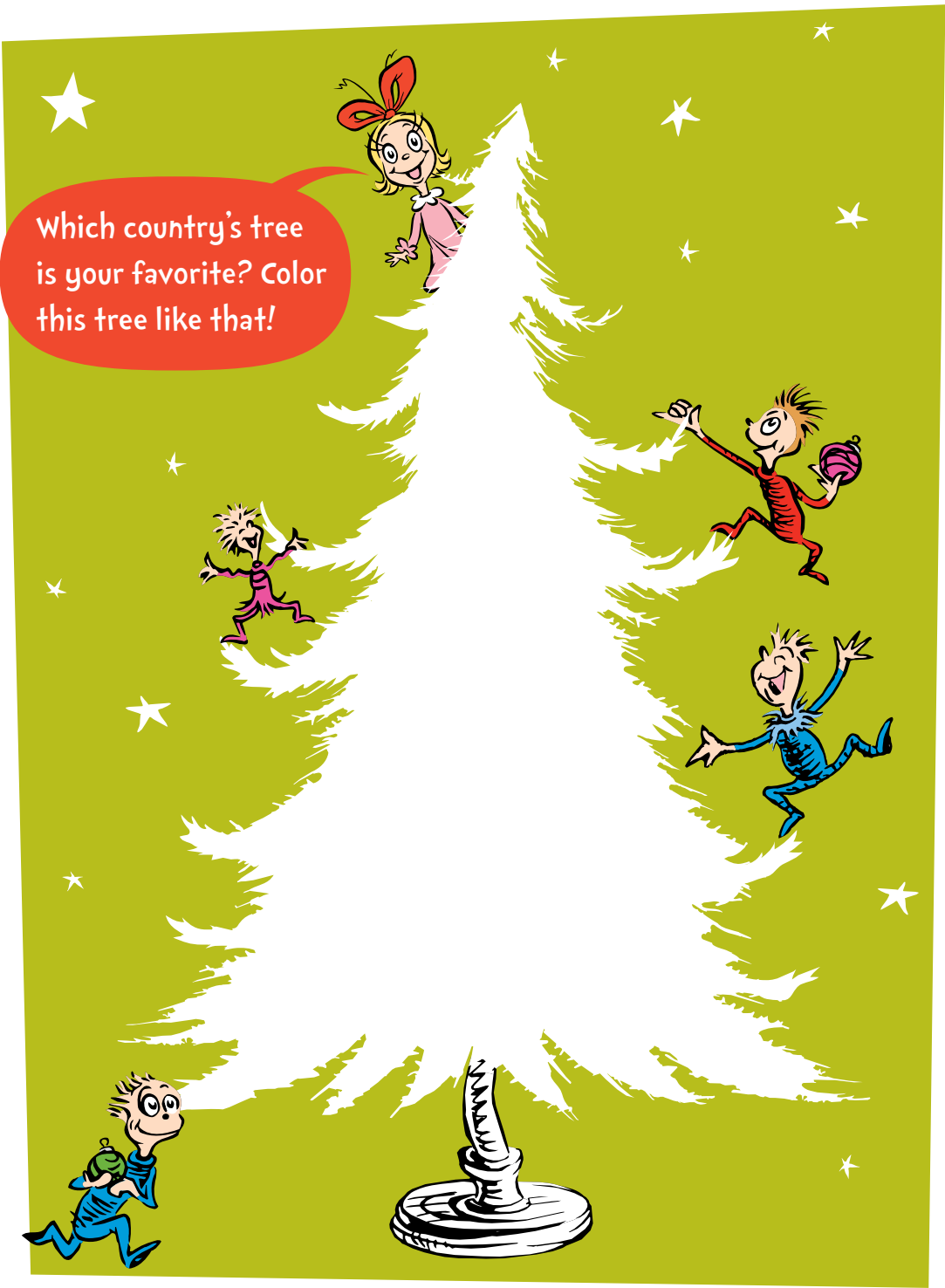
1. The next full moon means the end to this month-long period of spiritual cleansing and fasting (followers don't eat during daylight hours): _____

2. This celebration means harvest of the first fruits: _____

3. People grab lanterns and march in a parade in this country: _____

4. The aroma of freshly baked saffron bread and coffee signals the beginning of December 13, also known as: _____

5. Find a tree or display for a country you would like to visit one day: _____ . How do the people in this country celebrate differently than you? Any similarities? _____



Invent your own tree trimmer!

Use your imagination to create a contraption that can decorate a tree with the greatest of ease!

A large white rectangular area for drawing, framed by a red border. The right side of the red border features several white stars.

St. Lucia Day Swedish Gingersnap Cookies (Mormor's Pepparkakor)

These cookies are often hung on a specially painted red Pepparkakor Christmas Tree during the Festival of Light on December 13, St. Lucia's Day.

1 cup butter, softened
1 ½ cups sugar
1 tablespoon dark corn syrup
1 egg, beaten
3 cups flour, sifted
1 ½ teaspoons baking soda
2 ½ teaspoons cinnamon
2 ½ teaspoons ginger
2 ½ teaspoons ground cloves
Extra-fine sugar

Cream the butter and sugar in a mixer bowl until light and fluffy. Beat in the corn syrup and egg. Add the flour, baking soda, cinnamon, ginger and cloves, stirring until a soft dough forms. Chill until firm. Roll the dough very thinly on a floured surface. Place on a greased cookie sheet and sprinkle with extra-fine sugar. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

Recipe by Jaclen Cole, Linnea South Suburban Swedish Women's Club



The Grand Tree, 2010

Holiday Shoppe

Stock up on holiday ornaments in our quaint Holiday Shoppe. You'll find festive decorations representing cultural traditions from around the world. Whether you're looking for a special holiday gift or something to unique to add to your collection, this is a must-see destination during your visit. Museum members receive 10 percent off all purchases.

Give the Gift of Membership!

Still making your list, checking it twice? Consider giving the gift of MSI membership to a family member, friend, teacher or colleague and start them on an adventure they will thank you for all year! Membership includes free Museum general admission and Omnimax films, tickets to special exhibits, discounts in our stores and restaurants, invitations to special lectures and tours, and more. Current members can purchase gift memberships at discounted rates! For more information, visit the ticket counter or call (773) 684-1414.

Museum Holiday Hours

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Extended hours are in green					18 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	19 9:30 am – 5:30 pm
20 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	21 9:30 am – 4:00 pm	22 9:30 am – 4:00 pm	23 9:30 am – 4:00 pm	24 9:30 am – 4:00 pm	25 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	26 9:30 am – 5:30 pm
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DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY 25	26 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	27 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	28 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	29 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	30 9:30 am – 5:30 pm	31 9:30 am – 5:30 pm

JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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