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January and February at the Morse: Free Lecture and Films, and a Weekend Open House

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WINTER PARK, FL—In January and February, event highlights at the Morse include free lectures related to the Museum's collection and exhibitions as well as a free five-part film series on architectural wonders around the world. Also, the community is invited to enjoy free admission every Friday night and, for three days in February, during a weekend open house in celebration of Winter Park's bountiful arts and culture. The following is a list of January and February events:

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

Brown Bag Matinee. Noon. *The Lost Libraries of Timbuktu* (52 minutes). Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Bring a lunch. Free.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Brown Bag Matinee. Noon. *The Old Summer Palace Yuanming Yuan*, Part One (45 minutes). Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Bring a lunch. Free.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14-16

Weekend of the Arts Open House. 9:30 a.m.–8 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Saturday, 1–4 p.m. Sunday. Free admission as part of the City of Winter Park's Weekend of the Arts

(<u>https://cityofwinterpark.org/visitors/arts-culture/</u>). From 5–8 p.m. Friday, hear live music by Beautiful Music Paint It Black Quartet (cello, flute, and violins).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

<u>Brown Bag Matinee</u>. Noon. *The Old Summer Palace Yuanming Yuan*, Part Two (45 minutes). Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Bring a lunch. Free.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

<u>2020 Lecture Series</u>. 2:30 p.m. "Jewelry for America," Beth Carver Wees, Ruth Bigelow Wriston Curator of American Decorative Arts, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City. Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Free.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Brown Bag Matinee. Noon. *Albert Kahn, Architect of Modern Times* (80 minutes). Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Bring a lunch. Free.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Brown Bag Matinee. Noon. *Gray Matters: Architect & Designer Eileen Gray* (76 minutes). Jeannette G. and Hugh F. McKean Pavilion, 161 West Canton Avenue (just behind the Museum). Bring a lunch. Free.

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 2:30 P.M.

<u>Tour of Louis Comfort Tiffany's Laurelton Hall</u>. Learn more about Tiffany's grand Long Island estate in this guided tour of surviving art and architectural elements on view at the Morse. Space limited. No advance reservations. Free with admission.

WEDNESDAYS, 11 A.M.

Gallery Talk on *Revival and Reform—Eclecticism in the 19th-Century Environment*. Learn more about the rich diversity of styles, especially in leaded-glass windows, that made up the visual environment of the late 19th century. Space limited. No advance reservations. Free with admission.

FRIDAYS, 11 A.M.

Gallery Talk on *Earth into Art—The Flowering of American Art Pottery*. Explore the origin, innovation, and beauty of American art pottery, which was internationally acclaimed in the late 19th century. This major exhibition (October 16, 2018–September 27, 2020), featuring almost 100 objects from the Morse collection, provides a window onto a distinctly American artistic achievement, including its roots in Ohio and the key contributions of women. Space limited. No advance reservations. Free with admission.

The Morse Museum is home to the world's most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany. It is located at 445 N. Park Avenue in downtown Winter Park. Through

April, regular Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and Saturday; 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday; and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Fridays. Regular admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, \$1 for students, and free for children younger than 12. For more information, call (407) 645-5311, or visit morsemuseum.org.

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