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40th Yulefest celebration to take place November 18–19 at Nordic Heritage Museum

November 9, 2017 / Seattle, WA—In just a few short weeks, the Nordic Heritage Museum’s annual Nordic Christmas celebration, Yulefest, will be extra special; it will be the final event held at the Museum’s current location on NW 67th Street. It will be held November 18 and 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. After Yulefest, the Museum will close to begin its official move to its new home on Market Street.

Beloved by the community, Yulefest is a highly anticipated holiday tradition. This year’s festival features all the fan favorites: traditional Nordic Christmas food and drinks, live music and dancing, a raffle and silent auction, vendors selling handcrafted items, and best of all, a visit from Santa!

“Yulefest is and has always been a very important festival for the Museum,” Nordic Heritage Museum CEO Eric Nelson said. “The Nordic holiday season is steeped in tradition. Yulefest is a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate and share those traditions—and Nordic culture in general—with the greater Seattle community. We look forward to hosting it every year.”

This year’s Yulefest raffle Grand Prize is a weekend getaway at the Browns Point Lighthouse Cottage, a working museum where the winners will get to act as honorary light keepers, raising and lowering the flag and maintaining a log of maritime activities. Other prizes include reserved tickets to the Nordic Museum’s Grand Opening ribbon cutting ceremony on May 5, 2018; a gift basket plus four on-the-glass seats to an Everett Silvertips game; and a Nordic Heritage Museum Family Plus Membership.

Yulefest admission is \$5 per adult and free for children twelve and under. Nordic Heritage Museum members receive complimentary admission.

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About the Nordic Heritage Museum

With more than 65,000 visitors annually, the Nordic Heritage Museum is a cultural treasure in the Pacific Northwest. It is the largest museum in the United States that represents the rich heritage of all five Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. The Museum’s mission is to share Nordic culture with people of all ages and backgrounds by exhibiting art and objects, preserving collections, providing educational and cultural experiences, and serving as a community gathering place. The Nordic Heritage Museum presents a wide range of vibrant programs including contemporary art exhibitions, outstanding concerts, lectures, and films, as well as a variety of special events throughout the year.

Nordic Heritage Museum is located at 3014 NW 67th Street, Seattle, WA 98117 until December 31, 2017. Beginning January 1, 2018, the Museum will be located at 2655 NW Market Street, Seattle, WA 98107. Museum hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday noon to 4 p.m.; closed Monday. Admission: \$8 general; \$7 seniors & college students; \$6 children 5 and older; FREE for children under 5 and Museum members; free on first Thursday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginning November 21, 2017, the Museum will be temporarily closed to the public. The new Nordic Museum will open May 5, 2018.