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Free Second Saturdays at Vesterheim Continue with Special Tours

DECORAH, Iowa — Visit Vesterheim, the National Norwegian-American Museum and Folk Art School, on Free Second Saturdays from June through October for special museum tours.

There will be an indoor tour of the museum's Main Building at 11:00 a.m. and an outdoor tour of Heritage Park at 1:30 p.m. (Dates are June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, and October 14.) Museum and tour admission is free.

"This is a great chance to get an in-depth look at the museum with Vesterheim's expert guides," Chivonne Marlow, Vesterheim Visitor Services Coordinator, said. Vesterheim's Main Building showcases four floors of exhibits, including special exhibits this summer: "Herbjørn Gausta, 1854-1924," open now; "Sámi Dreams: Portraits of Resilience in the Norwegian Arctic," opening July 1; and "Embellishment," opening July 6. Heritage Park tours include a selection of the 12 historic buildings.

Vesterheim offers Free Second Saturdays every month with free museum admission and an engaging community activity, supported in part by a generous gift to the Vesterheim Annual Fund by Kari and Pete Espinosa. The museum's Main Building is open daily from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Vesterheim, the National Norwegian-American Museum and Folk Art School, welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds to engage in the conversation of the American immigrant journey through the lens of the Norwegian-American experience. Vesterheim offers innovative and interactive exhibits, classes, and programs, both at the dynamic campus and park in scenic Decorah, Iowa, and online at vesterheim.org and Vesterheim social media. For more information on exhibits, classes, programs, tours, membership opportunities, and ways to donate and volunteer, connect at vesterheim.org, (563) 382-9681, and Vesterheim, 502 W. Water St., P.O. Box 379, Decorah, IA, 52101-0379.