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## A Season of Fire & Ice Returns to Museum of Glass

Museum of Glass to Celebrate the Holiday Season with hands-on activities, performances, Hot Shop demonstrations, and Store specials from November 25 to December 31

Tacoma, Wash. — Museum of Glass (MOG) will celebrate its second annual Fire & Ice Festival this winter. From November 25 through December 31, MOG will host a variety of Fire & Ice themed activities, performances, and demonstrations for visitors of all ages to enjoy during the holidays.

### Hands-on Activities & Performances

Academy of Dance Performs Selections from *"The Nutcracker"* Friday, November 25 2 – 3 pm

Kick off the holiday season with Academy of Dance as they perform selections from "The Nutcracker" in the Grand Hall!

Family Day: Winter Wonderland Saturday, December 10 1 – 4 pm

Create your own festive miniature globe scene with artist Jennifer Adams. This activity is sure to add a unique spin for your seasonal decorations. Draw inspiration from performances by Paul and Phyllis Twedt's piano students, as they conduct their annual Holiday Musicale throughout the day. Visitors can also enjoy the Holiday Musicale performance on Sunday, December 11.

Tack Fused Santas and Wreaths
December 10 and 11
Saturday, 11 am — 4 pm; Sunday, 1 — 5
pm

Celebrate the holiday season with Santa and wreath tack fusing! Create a unique fused glass decoration out of pre-cut materials. Workshops start on the hour. \$20 per person. Pieces will be available for pick-up on Thursday after the workshop in the Museum Store. Shipping is available for an additional fee.



Photo courtesy of Museum of Glass.

Fire and Ice Third Thursday: Snowflake Fusing and Movie Marathon

# Thursday, December 15 5 - 8 pm

Visit Museum of Glass for free from 5 to 8 pm. During this special Fire & Ice Third Thursday, bring the whole family to watch "The Year Without a Santa Claus", "A Miser Brothers' Christmas", "Nestor the Long-Eared Christmas Donkey", and "Rudolph's Shiny New Year" in the Museum Theater. Visitors can also explore the art of tack fusing and create a unique fused glass snowflake out of pre-cut materials. Workshops start on the hour. \$12 per snowflake or two snowflakes for \$20. Pieces will be available for pick-up on Thursday after the workshop in the Museum Store. Shipping is available for an additional fee.

Fire and Ice: Illuminated Traditions Saturday, December 17 1 – 4 pm

Join artists Larry Calkins and Jennifer Adams as they take you on an intercontinental exploration of traditional holiday crafts celebrating fire and ice. Carillon Bell Ensemble will perform in the Grand Hall at 1 pm.

Tack Fused Snowflakes
December 17 and 18
Saturday, 11 am — 4 pm; Sunday, 1 — 5 pm

Explore the art of tack fusing and create a unique fused glass snowflake out of pre-cut materials. Workshops start on the hour. \$12 per snowflake or two snowflakes for \$20. Pieces will be available for pick-up on Thursday after the workshop in the Museum Store. Shipping is available for an additional fee.

Dean the Dreamweaver Monday, December 26 1 – 4 pm

Dean the Dreamweaver performs his beautiful 'dreamscapes' in the Grand Hall for holiday entertainment.

Make Your Own Ornament with Hilltop Artists December 28 and 29 10 am – 5 pm

Holiday crafts don't get hotter than this! Create your own glass ornament in the Museum of Glass Hot Shop to celebrate the season. Hilltop Artists will be ready to help you create your own orb. Participants will be picking color, blowing, and shaping. \$60 per person and \$45 for Museum members. Must be 12 years of age to participate. Limited 30 minute appointments can be reserved with pre-payment.

Make your reservation by calling 253.284.4719 or sign up at the admissions desk. Shipping available for additional fee. No refunds.



Hilltop Artist student; Photo courtesy of Hilltop Artists.

## Countdown Coneheads! New Year's Eve Celebration! Saturday, December 31 10 – 5 pm

Get ready to say goodbye to 2016 and welcome 2017 in with a hoot 'n holler with artist Jennifer Adams! Make your own unique Conehead hat and noise-maker to celebrate the New Year!

Dean the Dreamweaver Saturday, December 31 1 – 4 pm

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## **Hot Shop Demonstrations**

Snow People with Visiting Artist Nancy Callan Saturday, December 17 10 am – 5 pm

Visiting Artist Nancy Callan will bring the holiday spirit to the Hot Shop as she and the Team make her signature Snow People throughout the day. This is a spectacular demonstration of skill, artistry, and strength that you don't want to miss!

Fire & Ice Hot Shop Demonstrations December 24 and 31 11 am - 12 pm and 2 - 3 pm



Nancy Callan in the MOG Hot Shop, 2015. Photo by Gary Wells

Continue celebrating the winter season with a fire and ice demonstration that will blow you away. On December 24 and 31, MOG's all-star Hot Shop Team will combine molten glass with giant blocks of ice.

#### Holiday Shopping

## MOG's Annual Holiday Ornament November & December

Each year, Museum visitors have the opportunity to add another MOG annual ornament to their collection. Take home this year's beautiful tree ornament to add an axtra sparkle to your home during the holiday season.

MOG Members Store Sale November 18 - 20

MOG members can start their holiday shopping early with these hot Store sale days! Members receive a bonus 10% off all Museum Store purchases, in addition to their regular discount. Visitors can sign up for the membership level of their choosing at the Museum admissions desk.

## December Double Discount Days December 3 - 4 & 17 - 18

Get fired up for holiday shopping! MOG members receive a double discount on purchases at the Museum of Glass Store during these special sale days. Shop local this season—explore the Store's selection of glass for tree ornaments and unique holiday gifts for family and friends.

## Ornament Clearance Sale December 29 - 31

The holiday season may be coming to an end, but that doesn't mean you have to stop collecting ornaments! Stock up on a selection of MOG's annual ornaments from previous years to prepare for winter 2017.

Event details subject to change. For up-to-date calendar information, visit <u>museumofglass.org/event-</u>calendar.

# Please note the following changes to the Museum's operation schedule during the holiday season:

- MOG closed at 3 pm on December 24
- MOG closed on November 24, December 25, and January 1
- MOG open on December 26 and 27

Museum of Glass is sponsored in part by the City of Tacoma Arts Commission, ArtsFund, The Greater Tacoma Community Foundation, The Dimmer Family Foundation, and the Driscoll Foundation.



#### Hours and Admission

Museum and Store open Wednesday through Saturday 10 am to 5 pm, Third Thursdays 10 am to 8 pm, and Sundays 12 pm to 5 pm until Memorial Day. Closed Monday and Tuesday. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Open Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and Presidents' Day. Museum and Store open Monday through Sunday during Summer months, Memorial Day through Labor Day. Open Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Labor Day.

Admission is free for members, \$15 general, \$12 seniors, military and students (13+ with ID), \$13 AAA Members, \$12 groups of 20 or more, \$10 groups of 50 or more, and \$5 for children (6-12) years old. Children 5 and under are admitted free. Admission is free every third Thursday of the month from 5 pm to 8 pm.

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