



## **December Fun at The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill For Immediate Release**

### **Cultivating Creativity 2010: Art from the OSU Art About Agriculture Permanent Collection by Middle Willamette Valley Artists and Invited Artists**

**NOW through Friday, December 24, 2010; Free with Museum Admission**

Art from the OSU Art About Agriculture Permanent Collection by Middle Willamette Valley Artists and Invited Artists, featuring works by artists who live, or have lived in Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties. This exhibition is done in cooperation with Oregon State University. Click [here](#) to read more about the exhibit. \$2.00 off each admission price for every visitor who brings a non-perishable food item. Food items will be donated to the Marion Polk Food Share. Discounts are limited to \$2.00 for each person and cannot be combined with any other discounts.

### **Volunteer Light Hanging Days**

**Saturday, December 4 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**FREE**

The Willamette Heritage Center is seeking volunteers to help decorate for the annual Magic at the Mill Celebration. Come get in the holiday mood, work off some turkey and help us out with the huge task of covering our five-acre site with thousands of twinkling holiday lights. For more information about the events or to sign up, contact Kylie Pine [kyliep@missionmill.org](mailto:kyliep@missionmill.org), 503-585-7012.

### **Razzle Dazzle Holiday Review**

Sunday, December 5

6:00 to 7:00 pm - \$5.00 admission

Salem's very own 50s-plus Razzle Dazzle Theatrical Troupe will present "I Have a Dream"...Santa sleeps and dreams of Christmas fun, magic and lights around the world. Directed by Pat Thurrell, Razzle Dazzle's 18-members cast, ranging from 62 to 94 years young, will present all of your Christmas favorites. A benefit for the Center.

### **"Do It Yourself" Heritage Workshop - Researching, Preserving and Digitizing Your Photos**

December 11 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

\$10 for members, \$13 for non-members

Pre-registration by Wednesday, December 8 is required.

Come take part in this workshop led by the Heritage Center's staff. This session explores photography and issues that arise with aging, storage, and use. Examples and recommendations for care, handling and digitizing will be provided.

### **Family Fun Saturday - Christmas Past and Christmas Presents - FREE!!!**

Saturday, December 11 - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Family Fun Saturdays offer activities for families to explore and enjoy on the second Saturday of every month. Sachets from dry flowers and spices make good old fashioned gifts. Make one with us and learn how to make more at home.

### **Salem Big Band Dance**

Friday, December 17 - 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm

\$10 members, \$13 non-members

Dance to the sounds of the Salem Big Band. A free dance lesson at 7:30 pm with "Miss Jitterbug." Come get into the holiday spirit for Magic!

### **11th Annual Magic at the Mill**

Sunday, December 19 through Thursday, December 23 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm

Costs: Members free; \$5 adults (13 and up); \$3 youth (4-12); ages 3 and under free.

Features thousands of twinkling holiday lights and entertainment for all. Bring all your children, friends and family to celebrate! Come join us for our annual holiday celebration!

### **Become Part of the Magic**

Magic at the Mill is the Willamette Heritage Center's biggest yearly event. We cover the entire site with thousands of twinkling holiday lights and feature live music, living history, kids activities, demonstrations and more for five nights December 19-23. It takes hundreds of volunteers to make this event happen. Please consider joining the fun. If you are interested in volunteering, please click here to download and fill out this form.

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The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, a unification between Mission Mill Museum and Marion County Historical Society, is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an *American Treasure* by the National Park Service. Since its founding in 1964 as a private non-profit association, Mission Mill Museum has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon's history. The museum's histories are shared with visitors through daily and group tours, speakers, living history, children's programs, hands-on activities, special events, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit <http://www.missionmill.org>.

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