



**NEW! BUS FUN at the Willamette Heritage Center (WHC)
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Step on the bus! Come join us for two exciting tours as we view art, visit a museum and winery, and celebrate the coming holiday season with a light show!

Bus trips are NOW available this fall and winter:

EVENT: Fall Bus Trip to Benton County

WHEN: Saturday, September 25

Leaving WHC at 9:00 a.m., returning approximately 4:00 p.m.

COST: \$42 members, \$50 non-members –cost of lunch included.

DESCRIPTION: Join Center staff as we explore aspects of the Willamette Valley's agricultural heritage; Highlights include: a behind-the-scenes tour of Benton County Historical Society and Museum; a tour of OSU's Art About Agriculture Collection (not currently on display at WHC); and a visit to Tyee Winery for fall wine tasting.

EVENT: Bus Trip to visit Portland Zoo for Zoo Lights

WHEN: Thursday, December 2 from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm

COST: \$30 members, \$35 non-members

DESCRIPTION: December is here and many of our thoughts turn to the holiday season. At the Willamette Heritage Center, that means lighting up the site! Join Center staff for a pre-*Magic at the Mill* extravaganza as we visit Zoo Lights at the Portland Zoo.

For more information, contact the Willamette Heritage Center, 1313 Mill Street SE, Salem, OR, 97302, 503- 585-7012 or visit <http://www.missionmill.org>

Mission Mill Museum, part of the Willamette Heritage Center, has been designated an American Treasure by the National Park Service. Mission Mill Museum is a non-profit, five acre, historical museum that preserves and interprets two homes from the 1841 Methodist Mission Station in Salem, the 1847 home of the Oregon Trail traveling John D. Boon Family, the oldest Presbyterian Church in the Pacific Northwest, and the Thomas Kay Woolen Mill established in 1889. 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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