

December 2023 Las Guias Update ...

From Education Coordinators Linda Hefter & Jackie Stubbs



Guild Holiday Brunch Wednesday, December 6:

Hope to see many of you at the Guild's Holiday Brunch on Dec. 6. So that everyone can attend the Brunch there will be no private or public tours on the morning of the 6th. The one scheduled school tour will be given by Marcus Monenerkit.

Heardlings Family Activity Room:

The newly designed Family Activity Room opened on Dec. 1. Come check out all the fun things to do. Draw on the giant olla-shaped basket, listen to stories on programmed iPads, create designs on the extra-large LiteBrite and write stories on the storyboard. And come meet Archie the fuzzy little Heard rabbit.

Subs Required as of January 1:

Starting Jan. 1, 2024 all guides will be required to get a sub if they cannot tour on their scheduled day. Getting a sub is easy. Address an email to yourself. In the Bcc line put lasguias@heardguild.org. Include in your message the date and shift you need a sub for and your contact information. In case of a last minute emergency contact your shift mates. Call the Heard at 602-252-8848 if you are the only scheduled guide.

EarthSong - Printed Copies Available for Las Guias

If you would like a hard copy of the latest issue of EarthSong stop by Admissions the next time you are at the Heard. Admissions will have a small number of EarthSongs for pick up by members of Las Guias.

Some Touring Issues of Concern:

In the past several weeks guides have attempted to start private and school tours before the Museum opens at 10 a.m. While the Visitor Services staff appreciates our enthusiasm and dedication they kindly request that we wait until the official opening time before starting any tours.

And a reminder from Visitor Services that the Museum closes at 4 p.m. The staff kindly requests that tours not be extended beyond 4 p.m. Please refrain from making exceptions without obtaining pre-approval.

And finally, a reminder that we are doing introductions to Boarding School but not full tours. Your cooperation and understanding is much appreciated.

Exhibit Updates...

Closing Dec. 10...

Arriving Forever Into the Present World

Closing Jan. 2:

Early Days: Indigenous Art from the McMichael

Opening Feb. 2

Heart of the Community:

Baskets from the Basha Family Collection of American Indian Art

On Oct. 9, the family of Eddie Basha Jr. announced the gift of the Basha Family Collection of American Indian Art to the Heard Museum's permanent collection. Baskets, ceramics, katsina doll carvings and jewelry are all part of the gift. We will be sharing the artworks with our visitors through a series of exhibitions, beginning on Feb. 2, 2024, with baskets. The exhibition is titled Heart of the Community: Baskets from the Basha Family Collection of American Indian Art.

Books Of Interest...

The Rediscovery of America: Native Peoples and the Unmaking of U.S. History by Ned Blackhawk is the 2023 winner of the National Book Award for non-fiction. The New York Times also listed it as one of the best non-fiction books of 2023.

The Memoirs of Miss Chief Eagle Testickle: A True and Exact Accounting of the History of Turtle Island Vol 1 & Vol. 2 by Kent Monkman and Giselle Gordon were published in November. According to one reviewer the two volumes are a transformational work of true stories and imagined history that will remake readers' understanding of the land called North America.

Thanks much for all you do...

Warm wishes to you and your family for a wonderful holiday season! Looking forward to an exciting 2024 at the Heard...

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