Season’s Greetings!

Dear Friend,

The Friends of the Wadsworth Atheneum invite you to join us for the 2023 Annual Festival of Trees & Traditions, November 30 through December 10. This year’s theme, “Season’s Greetings from Around the World,” reflects our community’s diverse cultural and familial practices.

Please help us by donating a decorated tree. We also welcome wreaths, menorahs, centerpieces, topiaries, or similar examples of your own traditional celebrations. Visitors will enjoy our museum’s vast collection of art further enlivened by joyous seasonal decorations.

In addition to enhancing the success of our Festival of Trees & Traditions fundraiser, your donation supports public programs and exhibitions at the Wadsworth and reaches members of our community. During the event, every item on view is available for sale and, following the festival, many are then donated to local charities.

Attached are helpful contribution guidelines and a contract to be returned by November 13, 2023. When you deliver your item to the Wadsworth you will receive an in-kind tax acknowledgment letter and complimentary tickets. Tree donations of 4 feet or taller receive four tickets, trees under 4 feet, wreaths and tabletop items receive two tickets. Your donation will be acknowledged by name on the signage at the festival.

If you have any questions regarding your donation, please contact Ginny Schneider at (860) 454-4540 or via email at fotcontributor@gmail.com. For other questions related to the Wadsworth, please contact Katie Hare at kathryn.hare@thewadsworth.org.

We hope you will join us to make the 2023 Festival of Trees & Traditions another successful fundraiser and a memorable celebration!

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