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Eagle, Wis. - During the first two weekends in December, Old World Wisconsin will host a 19th-century celebration of Christmas tales and holiday customs. This fun and festive holiday celebration will let guests walk through the Old World villages that will be trimmed for the holidays and enjoy many activities that capture the merriment of the holiday season.

"Guests will enjoy free old-fashioned horse-drawn bobsled rides (or wagon, if snow isn't in the forecast) through the 1800s Crossroad Village," said Dan Freas, site director of Old World Wisconsin. "During the day, there will be live holiday performances of favorite 19th-century tales throughout the village." - it's not really

performances, more like a chance to step inside of 19th-century homes as they celebrate the holidays.

The homes, shops, and businesses at Old World Wisconsin will be decked for the holidays in the manner of the era, with wood-burning stoves beckoning guests with warmth and homemade holiday treats to sample. Traditional holiday brass music will be performed in the Farmers' Club Hall, and guests are invited to sing along with beloved carols at St. Peter's Church.

Make it an entire day by enjoying an Old World Breakfast which features a robust breakfast buffet, special holiday performance and an opportunity to have a photo with Father Christmas. Pre-registration is required to attend the Old World Holiday Breakfast.

Details:

- **An Old World Christmas:** December 2-3 and 9-10. Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Adults \$12, children 5-17 \$9, children 4 and under free, Wisconsin Historical Society members free.
- **Old World Holiday Breakfast (Pre-registration is required):** Advanced prepaid reservations are required for this holiday breakfast. Tickets are non-refundable. Advance reservations can be made online at oldworldwisconsin.org or by calling [262-594-6301](tel:262-594-6301).

No reservations are required for An Old World Christmas without breakfast. All Wisconsin Historical Society members receive free admission to An Old World Christmas. For more information, please visit oldworldwisconsin.org.

About Old World Wisconsin

Old World Wisconsin is a 600-acre regional history attraction that features interactive environments and immersive stories of 19th-and early 20th-century Midwestern immigrant farm and rural life. It is one of twelve Wisconsin Historical Society sites and museums around the state. The museum offers guests hands-on activities, led by period-clad staff members, as they visit 10 working farmsteads, explore 12 heirloom gardens, meet heritage animal breeds and try historic crafts and skills. Old World Wisconsin is located on Highway 67 just south of Eagle, Wisconsin in the Milwaukee/Chicago/Madison triangle. Check our website for seasonal hours. For more information visit www.oldworldwisconsin.org or call [262-594-6301](tel:262-594-6301).

About the Wisconsin Historical Society

The Wisconsin Historical Society, founded in 1846, ranks as one of the largest, most

active and most diversified state historical societies in the nation. As both a state agency and a private membership organization, its mission is to help people connect to the past by collecting, preserving and sharing stories. The Wisconsin Historical Society serves millions of people every year through a wide range of sites, programs and services. For more information, visit wisconsinhistory.org.