

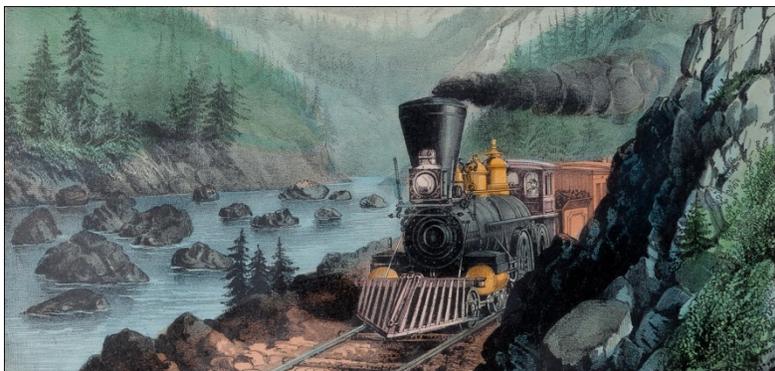


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Family Fun Day

Joslyn Art Museum Hosts a Free Afternoon of Artful Entertainment

(Omaha, NE) – Joslyn Art Museum will host a free Family Fun Day on **Sunday, November 6**, from **1-4 pm**. The event will celebrate three exhibitions about America. Visitors can explore contemporary photographs of the American landscape, Currier & Ives prints from the 1800s, and Wendell Minor's illustrations inspired by our country, its people, and traditions.

Family Fun Day is sponsored by the Joslyn Art Museum Association. Activities and performances will include:

- **Nebraska!**
Join Martha Mays from Fontenelle Nature Association to celebrate the diverse Nebraska landscape! Hands-on learning for the whole family!
- **Music**
Folk music is an important part of America's oral tradition. Roots music tells stories, educates about shifts in political currents, and celebrates the diversity of the American cultural landscape. Local musicians will be on hand to share their sound and their knowledge of traditional instruments. Enjoy an afternoon of history through music!

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Family Fun Day at Joslyn Art Museum

- **Shoot!**

Stop by for a photo shoot! Local photographer Jim Ferguson will be on hand to document guests' time travel to the days of old as they dress up in period clothing. Joslyn staff will upload photos from the day to the Museum's website for free download!

- **Art-Making**

Offered throughout the event.

Photograms

Young artists will use found objects to create a 3-D composition, then transform their design into a 2-D work of art using a blast of light and photosensitive paper!

Purple Mountains & Amber Waves

Colors can transport us to faraway places. Using soft pastels, visitors will create a color composition representing their favorite state of the union, and then cut their paper to match the shape of that state.

Art Assembly Line

Currier & Ives used a blend of printmaking and hand coloring to generate a large number of prints in a comparatively short period of time. As a result, their art was widely distributed and affordable! Guests will try their hand as a colorist and use watercolor to add richness to a black and white Currier & Ives print.

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Our Mission – Joslyn Art Museum collects, preserves, and interprets the visual arts of the highest quality, fostering appreciation and enjoyment of art for the benefit of a diverse audience.

Our Vision – To be cherished and respected as a premier art museum.

The Museum was a gift to the people of Omaha from Sarah Joslyn in memory of her husband, George, who made his fortune as president of the Western Newspaper Union. The Museum's original 1931 building is one of the finest examples of Art Deco architecture in the nation, with 38 types of marble from seven countries. The Walter and Suzanne Scott Pavilion, a 58,000-square-foot addition built in 1994, was designed by renowned British architect Norman Foster, Baron Foster of Thames Bank, as his first U.S. commission. The Museum features galleries, a 1,000-seat concert hall, fountain court, education technology gallery, lecture hall, classrooms, library, café, and shop.

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Museum Admission: \$8 adults; \$6 senior citizens (62+) and college students (with ID); \$5 ages 5-17; free for children four and younger and Joslyn members. The general public is admitted free on Saturdays, 10 am to noon. Group rates available for 10 or more with advance reservations. Call (402) 661-3833 or e-mail groupsales@joslyn.org. Increased admission for some special exhibitions. Museum Hours: Tues-Sat, 10 am-4 pm; Sun, noon-4 pm; closed Mon and major holidays. Extended hours for some special exhibitions.

Pictured (page 1): *The Route to California: Truckee River Sierra-Nevada* (detail), Currier & Ives, 1871, Corporate Collection of ConAgra Foods, Inc.