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Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum Hosts Annual Homestead for the Holidays

JACKSON, Miss. – In celebration of the upcoming winter holidays, the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum will host the annual Homestead for the Holidays event on Thursday, December 7, and Friday, December 8, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$8 per person for ages 3 and up.

Enjoy breakfast for supper, story time with Mrs. Claus and get your picture made with Santa and Rudolph. Take a stroll through Small Town to see various agricultural demonstrations and visit the Fortenberry-Parkman Farmstead to experience Christmas during the early 1920s.

The carousel, train rides and hayrides will be available, as well as live music throughout the grounds. Visitors will have the opportunity to write letters to Santa on limited-edition postcards, printed in the Small-Town Print Shop, and browse the General Store for an old-fashioned glass bottle drink and unique Mississippi-made products that make great gifts and stocking stuffers. Homestead for the Holidays is sponsored in part by the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board, the Mississippi Beef Council, Cal-Maine Foods Inc., Mississippi Poultry Association and The Dairy Alliance.

The Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum, located at 1150 Lakeland Drive in Jackson, is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information about the Museum, call 601-432-4500 or 1-800-844-8687, visit www.msagmuseum.org or visit the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum on Facebook. The Ag Museum is a division of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce.

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Photo attached.



The Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum invites the public to enjoy an old-fashioned holiday celebration at the annual Homestead for the Holidays event December 7-8.