

Dear Friends,

Planning is well underway for our December holiday activities, now collectively named the Slate Valley Museum Holiday Festival! This heartwarming community event brings people together in the spirit of kindness, joy, and giving. I am writing to ask you to **participate in our Festival this year by sharing a holiday display with us, perhaps with a tree, centerpiece, table setting, or other creation.**

The theme for our 2026 holiday celebration is "Oh, What Fun!," is grounded in our year-long exploration of how slate helps us play or create opportunities for fun (think games like checkers, chess, hopscotch, etc). While it isn't required that you base your design on our theme, we've found that many people find their creativity in inspiration. But please feel free to create something that highlights your organization mission, business, or other unique idea that compels you!

We also hope that you'll consider donating your design or another item to our *Virtual Holiday Auction.* Every penny we raise supports our education programs, workshops, events, and other activities throughout the year.

Please complete and return the attached reply form to share your plans to participate today. We are grateful for your creativity and look forward to welcoming you to this year's Festival.

Warmly,

Sarah Kijowski

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Executive Director