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The Molly Brown House Museum is decked out for the holidays and open to limited visitors Dec. 18-20, 23, 26-27 and 30 and Jan. 2-3 (and online). Join Santa and Mrs. Claus online for stories Dec. 19 or 23. See details at mollybrown.org. *Provided by Historic Denver*

Listen to stories from Santa, enjoy fun crafts

By **Danielle Dascalos**
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Celebrate a Victorian Christmas with Santa, Mrs. Claus, and the Molly Brown House Museum.

Your virtual visit to the historic home will begin by learning about holiday traditions of a bygone era. Then you'll enjoy Santa and the Missus reading beloved stories such as "A Visit from St. Nicholas" and "Susie's Letter from Santa."

Santa and Mrs. Claus will also answer your questions (sent up until the day before the event). Please note: Questions will be read and answered for everyone in a group to hear (not just your family), and Santa and Mrs. Claus may not have time to answer every question.

This event, Victorian Stories with Santa & Mrs. Claus, will be held at 10 a.m. Dec. 19 and 6 p.m. Dec. 23. The program will last about 45 minutes and will take place online, so you will need to have access to the internet.

You can make this holiday event extra special with the addition of a Victorian Holiday Family Activity Kit, complete with toys, games and activities from the Victorian era, step-by-step instructions for crafts and cookies, holiday cards, a Molly Brown House cookie cutter, and old-fashioned candy. The kit is designed for a family or group of four (with up to two children).

A Victorian Stories with Santa & Mrs. Claus session costs \$24 per household.

The activity kit is available for \$20 when purchased with the storytime. It is available separately for \$35 from the Molly Brown House Museum Online Store (mollybrownstore.square.site). Kits can be picked up or delivered (with additional fee).

Call 303-832-4092, ext. 16 for Victorian Stories tickets or visit mollybrown.org. Advance ticket purchase is required.

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United Airlines employees bring Santa and Mrs. Claus and Christmas presents to families at Warren Village in Denver on Dec. 12.

Bernard Wooten, FocusTree Photography, provided by Warren Village

United brings holiday cheer to Warren Village

By **Stephanie Blake**
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Warren Village, a Denver-based organization focused on helping low-income, single-parent families make the journey from poverty to self-sufficiency, received a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus earlier this month, thanks to United Airlines.

For 33 years, Warren Village has offered residents a Holiday Shop where they can choose donated gifts, free of charge, for their families while enjoying music, refreshments and holiday merriment.

"One of the things I enjoy most about the holidays at Warren Village is that you have a space where people are tuned in to what you need," said Reba, a Warren Village resident. "It's much more than the gifts. They ask what needs you have and how you'd like those needs met."

In lieu of the traditional gathering, residents enjoyed a virtual

Zoom event Dec. 12 that included music and story telling. Afterward, families ran to their windows to see Santa and Mrs. Claus traveling around the building on the United Airlines holiday float. United Airlines also delivered gift bags to families' doors.

"In the past, we've invited families to join us for the Fantasy Flight to the North Pole, but this year we celebrated virtually," said Ann Clemenson with United Airlines. "It's been a tough year for everyone, including the families at Warren Village, and it's important for United Airlines to support our community in a safe and caring way."

United Airlines, which awarded a \$1 million grant to Warren Village in 2017 and has an ongoing partnership with the organization, provided each family with a gift bag and purchased gift wish lists for 30 Warren Village families.

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