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Winter Solstice Celebration | Photo: ASI staff

We're gearing up for the most wonderful time of the year: Holidays at ASI! It's a time to celebrate in community and remember all the things that make this season special. ASI invites you to continue growing your knowledge and skills through an excellent lineup of handcraft, food, language, learning, youth and family, and community-focused programs.

Unless otherwise noted, all programs take place in-person at ASI, and advanced registration is required. Learn more about ASI's programs and exhibitions at asimn.org.

Become an ASI member!

Support local arts and culture, receive free museum admission, and save on ASI's classes, workshops, and events, with opportunities to register for many of these programs before they become publicly available.

Join today at asimn.org.

Registration opens

**Monday, September 28
(ASI members)**

**Friday, October 2
(general public)**

**Register online
at asimn.org**

Mark your calendar for spring 2027 programs!

Spring programs and events will go on sale Monday, January 4 for ASI members and Friday, January 8 for the public. Watch for an announcement in December.



Arts & Culture

From exhibition openings to concert series, book talks to nature walks, these events and festivals bring people together in celebration of art and culture in all their forms.



Arts & Culture

Special Events

Lutfisk Dinner

Sun, Nov 15, 1–3 pm

You've heard about it. You've laughed about it. Now it's time to try it. Don't miss ASI's annual Lutfisk Dinner. \$70 (\$60 ASI member) \$30 youth 6-17, free child (5 and under)

Julmarknad Preview Night

Fri, Dec 4, 5:30–8 pm

Get a first pick of handmade wares made by local artisans. Ticket includes museum admission, additional dinner, drinks, and desserts available for purchase. \$40 (\$35 ASI member)

Julmarknad Handcraft Market & Festival

Sat, Dec 5–Sun, Dec 6, 10 am–4 pm each day

Enjoy shopping, music, hands-on crafts and a festive campus at one of the region's largest holiday handcraft markets. Sunday family day pricing offers one youth ticket free with the purchase of an adult ticket. Timed ticket entry: \$24 (\$19 ASI member), \$12 youth 6-17 (\$9 youth 6-17 ASI member), free child (5 and under), museum admission included.

Winter Solstice

Fri, Dec 18, 5–9 pm

Mark the shortest day and longest night of the year with ASI's signature Winter Solstice Celebration. \$30 (\$25 ASI member), \$12 youth 6-17 (\$8 youth 6-17 ASI member), free child (5 and under)

Julbord Dinners

Sat, Dec 19, 6–8 pm

Sun, Dec 20, 1–3 pm

Skip cooking at home and find tastes that will please everyone at one of the region's best holiday smörgåsbords. \$95 (\$85 ASI member), \$40 youth 6-17, free child (5 and under)

Talks & Lectures

Bring new life to old family archives with Chris Fischbach

Sat, Jan 9, 1–4 pm

Bring old family materials—photos, letters, documents—and create something new. Use your family's history as inspiration for your creativity. \$40 (\$35 ASI member, \$70 family (2+ individuals)

How Sweden Works: Democracy and the Right to Vote with Alexander Fooy

Wed, Jan 28, 6:30–8 pm

Dive into modern Swedish political system and how the currents driving modern Swedish politics have their roots in these now long-ago social trends. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Plan a Trip to Scandinavia Talk with Autumn

Sun, Jan 10, 1:30–3:30 pm

Heading to Scandinavia? Get the best tips and tricks for planning an incredible experience from traveler and photographer Autumn Carolyn. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Music & Dance

FIKA Supper Club Concert Series

Lyra Baroque Orchestra

Fri, Nov 6, 4 pm supper, 7 pm show

The Lyra Baroque Orchestra returns to ASI for a special night of Nordic repertoire! Experience the rich sound of a full Baroque ensemble playing period music from the Nordic canon in the comfort of ASI's Larson Hall.

Chi Westfelt

Fri, Jan 22, 4 pm supper, 7 pm show

Award-winning New York-based Swedish-Vietnamese singer and composer, Chi Westfelt, makes her ASI debut! As a rising star, Westfelt has been lauded as a fresh voice in the jazz scene for her unique sound and synthesis of many influences.

To reserve your table for FIKA Café's dinner hour, email fika@asimn.org. \$35 (\$30 ASI member), \$40 walk-up

Needle Felted Holiday Tomte Workshop
Photo: Jen Newburg



Nordic Handcraft

Embrace your inner maker with hands-on workshops, meet-ups, and lectures on the past, present, and future of Nordic handcraft. These programs invite makers of all backgrounds to build community, practice folk arts, and share innovative and creative approaches to woodcarving, basketry, textiles, and more, inspired by the Swedish tradition of *slöjd* (handcraft).

Some programs require students to provide their own materials while others include a materials fee paid directly to the instructor. Find the full course descriptions at asimn.org.



Nordic Handcraft

Basketry

[Weaving the Skruck Basket with Ty Sheaffer](#)

Fri, Nov 6, 6–8 pm, Sat–Sun, Nov 7–8, 9 am–5 pm each day

Weave a unique splint basket from Sweden's Hälsingland province, the skruck basket, in this weekend-long workshop. \$270 (\$240 ASI member) + \$50 materials fee

Community Craft

[Virtual Makers Mornings](#)

Tuesdays, 10:30 am–12 pm CST | Online

Join a community of makers in a relaxed virtual setting hosted by ASI staff. Each week, makers share projects, work, experiences, and stories. All crafts and skill levels are welcome. Free; registration required.

[Makers Night](#)

Third Thursday of each month: Nov 19, Dec 17, Jan 21, 6–8:30 pm

Makers Night is a monthly opportunity every third Thursday for anyone interested in craft to work in community and share conversation, tips, and questions. Free

Glass & Ceramics

[Craft & Cocktails: Painted Clay Ornaments with Sue Flanders](#)

Thu, Nov 12, 6:30–8:30 pm

Spend a relaxing evening painting designs on four pre-shaped clay ornaments while sipping on a festive beverage from FIKA Café. Ages 21+ \$80 (\$70 ASI member) + \$10 materials fee

[Craft & Cocktails: Carve and Paint a Ceramic Ornament with Kim Burnham](#)

Thu, Dec 10, 6:30–8:30 pm

ASI's Craft and Cocktails workshops are fun and approachable sessions in community. Join potter Kim Burnham to carve and paint a ceramic ornament. \$80 (\$70 ASI member) + \$25 materials fee

Jewelry & Metalworking

[Holiday Tinsmithing—From Ornaments to Tinsel with Kitty Latané](#)

Sat, Nov 21, 1–5 pm or Sun, Nov 22, 10 am–3 pm

Brighten your home for the holidays and create beautiful decorations under the instructor of tinsmith Kitty Latané. Ages 14+ \$80 (\$70 ASI member) + \$15 materials fee

Natural Home & Wellness

[Nordic Herbals for Winter with Gigi Risberg Stafne](#)

Sat, Nov 14, 10 am–4 pm

Spend a day exploring modern medicinal herbs and healing traditions with master herbalist Gigi Risberg Stafne. \$100 (\$90 ASI member) + \$30 materials fee

[Local Holiday Wreath with Elle Sullivan](#)

Thu, Dec 3, 6–8:30 pm

Celebrate the season by working alongside farmer-florist Elle Sullivan to build a unique holiday wreath using local evergreens and dried florals. Ages 18+. \$65 (\$55 ASI member) + \$50 materials fee

[Dried Florals Wreath with Elle Sullivan](#)

Thu, Feb 4, 6:30–8:30 pm

Bring a little color to your home this winter by building a long-lasting wreath made with locally grown dried flowers and foraged elements. Ages 18+. \$65 (\$55 ASI member) + \$50 materials fee



Paper & Studio Arts

[Stamped Holiday Cards with Jeanne McGee](#)

Sun, Nov 15, 1–4 pm

Design and carve your own stamps to create a set of handmade cards, just in time for sending holiday greetings. \$75 (\$65 ASI member) + \$40 materials fee

[Watercolor Heirloom Recipe with Tara Sweeney](#)

Wed–Thu, Nov 18–19, 10 am–5 pm each day

Create a unique piece of art to keep or gift illustrating a favorite family recipe over two days with watercolor artist and illustrator Tara Sweeney. \$250 (\$225 ASI member), students provide materials

[Simple Bound Books Workshop with Skyler Hawkins](#)

Sat, Nov 28, 10 am–3 pm

Learn easy bookbinding techniques for creating your own journals, notebooks, or sketchbooks while making several different types of stitched books. \$80 (\$70 ASI member) + \$35 materials fee

[Handmade Giftwrap with Jeanne McGee](#)

Fri, Dec 11, 1–3 pm

Carve a set of stamps and create your own festive gift tags, gift bags, wrapping paper, and more in this hands-on two-hour workshop. \$70 (\$60 ASI member) + \$40 materials fee

[Painting with Swedish Egg Yolk Paint with Pieper Fleck Bloomquist](#)

Fri, Jan 15, 1–3 pm

Learn to make your own natural paint out of egg yolks, then paint a beautiful flower inspired by Swedish folk paintings. Ages 12+. \$65 (\$55 ASI member) + \$15 materials fee

[Swedish Kurbits \(*Dalmålning*\) Painting with Pieper Fleck Bloomquist](#)

Sat, Jan 16–Sun, Jan 17, 10 am–5 pm both days

Explore the art of kurbits, or *dalmålning*, while learning folk painting skills. Students will use acrylics to paint a potted kurbits flower. Ages 14+. \$225 (\$200 ASI member), \$15 materials fee and students provide some materials

[Binding a Hardcover Book with Maeve Gathje](#)

Sat–Sun, Feb 6–7, 9 am–4 pm both days

Get started with bookbinding while making two unique hardcover books just the size (and colors) you need. Suitable for ages 18+. \$225 (\$200 ASI member), \$85–\$130 materials fee

Textiles

[Advanced Band Weaving with Kerstin Neumüller](#)

Sat–Sun, Nov 21–22, 10 am–12 pm each day

Join Swedish textile artist Kerstin Neumüller over two online sessions to learn advanced techniques on a small rigid heddle style band weaving loom. \$90 (\$80 ASI member)

[Block Printed Skinnfell Ornaments Workshop with Becky Utecht](#)

Sun, Nov 29, 1–4 pm

Learn about a unique Norwegian craft while making two ornaments out of sheepskin printed with wood block stamps. \$70 (\$60 ASI member) + \$20 materials fee

[Needle Felted Holiday Tomte Workshop with Jen Newburg](#)

Sat, Dec 12, 1–3 pm

Needle felt a sweet woolly tomte to take home with you this holiday season in this hands-on workshop. \$65 adult (\$55 ASI member adult) + \$25 materials fee



Nordic Handcraft

Felted Globe Luminaries with Judy McDowell

Sun, Dec 20, 10 am–3 pm

Use wet felting techniques to make a felted wool globe luminary, which can be illuminated from within to bring a cozy glow to your home. Ages 16+ \$100 (\$90 ASI member) + \$20-30 materials fee

Intro to Card Weaving Workshop with Josie Cooke

Sat, Jan 9, 10 am–5 pm

Learn about the history and art of card weaving while making a beautiful patterned woven band. \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$25 materials fee

Intro to Inkle Loom Weaving Workshop with Josie Cooke

Sun, Jan 10, 10 am–5 pm

Learn to weave bands on an inkle loom, a useful and transportable loom used for weaving bands of all patterns and styles! \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$25 materials fee

Craft and Cocktails Workshop: Needle Felted Winter Scene with Jen Newburg

Thu, Jan 14, 6:30–8:30 pm

Try out needle felting to “paint with wool” and create a colorful winter scene while enjoying a beverage from FIKA Café. \$80 adult (\$75 ASI member adult) + \$20 materials fee

Skinnfell—The Printed Sheepskin Workshop with Becky Utecht and Sue Flanders

Sat, Jan 23, 10 am–5 pm

Learn about the history of Norwegian embellished sheepskins, or skinnfell, while block printing and finishing a tanned sheepskin about 22” by 32”. \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$115 materials fee

Creative Darning and Mending with Riley Kleve

Thu, Jan 28, 6:30-8:30 pm

Practice basic techniques to darn knit cloth and mend woven cloth, to add color, pattern, and new life to well-loved clothing. Ages 16+. \$65 (\$55 ASI member) + \$6-26 materials fee

Wood

Chip Carved Ornaments with Paul Anderson and Mike Hughes

Wednesdays, Dec 2–16, 6–8:30 pm each day

Explore the technique of Scandinavian style chip carving to decorate several small wooden ornaments over three evening sessions. Ages 18+. \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$15 materials fee

Carve a Heart with Maeve Gathje

Sat, Dec 19, 10 am–12:30 pm

In this beginner-level course, students will make a sweet wooden heart decoration in the tradition of Scandinavian-style flat plane carving. \$55 (\$50 ASI member) + \$10 materials fee

Flat Plane Carved Ornaments with Maeve Gathje

Sat, Dec 19, 2–4:30 pm

Try your hand at carving while creating unique wooden ornaments using Scandinavian-style flat plane carving. Ages 16+ or 11-15 with an adult. \$65 (\$55 ASI member) + \$20 materials fee

Start Carving Tiny Folk with Maeve Gathje

Sun, Jan 3, 10 am–5 pm

Get started with flat plane figure carving in the Scandinavian style carving and painting tiny characters! Ages 14-15 with an adult or 16+. \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$40 materials fee

Carved Spreaders and Spatulas with Maeve Gathje

Sat, Jan 2, 10 am–5 pm

Carve some useful kitchen tools while trying out the basic tools and techniques of Scandinavian green woodcarving. Ages 16+ or 14-15 with an adult. \$115 (\$100 ASI member) + \$30 materials fee

Advanced Scandinavian Green Woodcarving with Paul Linden

Wednesdays, Feb 10–May 5, 6:30–9 pm each session

Tackle advanced green woodcarving skills in the Scandinavian tradition in a multi-week setting. Open to students with previous experience, ages 16+. \$455 (\$410 ASI member) + \$50 materials fee



Food Programs

ASI's food programs connect people as we celebrate, learn, and share stories together through cooking workshops, demonstrations, dinners, and lectures. Tickets to virtual Nordic Table classes include access to a recording of the class for one month.



Food Programs

Nordic Table

ASI's Nordic Table series highlights historic and contemporary foodways of the Nordic countries, and all people who have moved to and from these places from pre-history to today.

Nordic Table Demo: Lingonberries in the Nordic Kitchen with Kristi Bissell

Thu, Nov 12, 1–2 pm CST | Online

Join Kristi Bissell as she demonstrates several Nordic-inspired recipes from her blog *True North Kitchen*. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Swedish Comfort Food with Scott Graden

Fri, Nov 13, 5–8 pm

Join Chef Scott Graden of the North Shore's New Scenic Café for an evening of cozy comfort food, Swedish style, in this demonstration class. \$170 (\$150 ASI member)

Nordic Table Workshop: Modern Scandinavian Cookies and Bars with Patrice Johnson

Sat, Nov 28, 1–3 pm

Star Tribune Cookie Contest Award Winner Patrice Johnson shares her modern takes on classic Scandinavian cookie recipes! \$85 (\$75 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Edible Evergreens with Maria Wesserle

Thu, Dec 3, 6–8:30 pm

Ever eaten a pine tree? Many parts are indeed edible, so let forager Maria Wesserle guide the way in identifying, harvesting, and preparing them. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Glögg Party with Kristi Bissell

Thu, Dec 10, 1–2 pm CST | Online

Celebrate the season Swedish style with a *glöggmingle* or Mulled Wine Party! Kristi will share some of her favorite seasonal recipes. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Meatballs for Everyone with Patrice Johnson

Thu, Dec 10, 6–8 pm

Delicately spiced meatballs are a hallmark of Swedish Christmas tables—make sure you have recipes up your sleeve that can be adapted for all guests! \$85 (\$75 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Cozy Danish Classics with Ian Carr

Sat, Jan 9, 10:30 am–12:30 pm

Learn to make cozy classic winter dishes in this lunchtime demonstration class that concludes with a light meal. \$85 (\$75 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Classic Danish Desserts with Ian Carr

Sat, Jan 9, 2–4 pm

Sample several classic Danish desserts in this demonstration-style class, from pudding to cake. \$85 (\$75 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Intro to Nordic Table with Patrice Johnson

Thu, Jan 14, 6–8 pm

Join Patrice for an introduction to ASI's Nordic Table program in this demo class. Prepare and share a light meal and explore New Nordic cuisine. \$85 (\$75 ASI member)

Nordic Table Demo: Beyond Bread—Cooking and Baking with Rye with Kristi Bissell

Thu, Jan 21, 1–2 pm CST | Online

Go beyond breads to explore how to put rye—an important ingredient in the Nordic Kitchen—to use in cookies, breads, and savory dishes. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)



Language Learning

ASI's language program is one of the best resources for Swedish, Finnish, and Sámi language learning outside of the Nordic region. Both virtual and in-person classes offer students at all skill levels an opportunity to learn and practice their language skills from anywhere in the world.



Language Learning

Mark your calendar!

ASI's spring term for 12-week language classes will start on February 1, 2027. Registration opens at 10 am on Monday, January 4 for ASI members and Friday, January 8 for the public.

January Term Language Expansion Classes

Sweden and Swedish for Travelers with Gregg White

Mondays, Jan 4–25, 5:30–7 pm CST | Online
Planning a trip to Sweden? Get ready with a brief introduction to the Swedish language and the lovely country where it is spoken. \$75 (\$70 ASI member)

Keep Reading Swedish: *Kanotklubben (lättläst)* with Gunn Edberg-Caldwell

Mondays, Jan 4–25, 4–5:30 pm CST | Online
Keep up with your Swedish by reading a short Swedish novel with Gunn Edberg-Caldwell.
\$75 (\$70 ASI member)

Short Stories in Swedish with Gunn Edberg-Caldwell

Mondays, Jan 4–25, 6:15–7:45 pm CST | Online
Read a selection of short stories in Swedish for Beginners with Gunn Edberg-Caldwell.
\$75 (\$70 ASI member)

Learn Swedish Grammar Review with Gregg White Section 1

Tuesdays, Jan 5–26, 4:30–6 pm CST | Online

Section 2

Tuesdays, Jan 5–26, 6:15–7:45 pm CST | Online

Section 3

Thursdays, Jan 7–28, 6:15–7:45 pm CST | Online

Brush up on Swedish grammar in this four-week course designed to build a strong Swedish language foundation. Three sections available based on Swedish level. \$75 (\$70 ASI member)

Svensk poesi: Modern Poetry in Swedish with Kjerstin Moody

Tuesdays, Jan 5–26, 5:30–7 pm CST | Online
Read and discuss Swedish poetry with Kjerstin Moody. \$75 (\$70 ASI member)

Keep Reading Swedish: *Hjärterum (lättläst)* with Liz Stopka

Wednesdays, Jan 6–27, 5–6:30 pm CST | Online
Read and discuss a Swedish *deckare*, detective book, with Liz Stopka. \$75 (\$70 ASI member)

***Vinterhistorietter* with Gregg White**

Thursdays, Jan 7–28, 4:30–6 pm CST | Online
Read classic Swedish stories with Gregg White in this four-week course. \$75 (\$70 ASI member)



Language Learning

Swedish Grammar Intensive: Morphology with Rachel Willson-Broyles

Thu, Jan 14, 6–8 pm CST | Online

Dive deep into Swedish grammar and morphology with Rachel Willson-Broyles. \$30 (\$25 ASI member)

Intermediate Finnish Conversation with Daniel Haataja

Thursdays, Jan 14–28, 6:30–8 pm

Practice conversations in Finnish with Daniel Haataja to improve your Finnish speaking skills. \$60 (\$55 ASI member)

Swedish Immersion Day

Sun, Jan 17, 10 am–3 pm

Immerse yourself in Swedish for the day in this day camp for adult language learners led by instructors Kjerstin Moody and Liz Stopka. \$90 (\$80 ASI member)

Introductory Classes

Intro to Swedish with Liz Stopka

Thu, Jan 21, 6–8 pm CST | Online

Learn basic Swedish in this introductory course with Liz Stopka. \$30 (\$25 ASI member)

Intro to Northern Sámi with Dr. Áila O'Loughlin

Sun, Jan 31, 2–4 pm CST | Online

Learn the basics of the Northern Sámi language in this introductory course with Dr. Áila O'Loughlin. Families welcome! \$30 (\$25 ASI member, \$50 family)

Scholarships available!

ASI offers need-based financial assistance and scholarships for BIPOC students for food, handcraft, language, and youth programs.

See asimn.org/about/scholarships for more info and to apply.



Youth & Family

ASI's Youth & Family Programs invite participants of all ages to play, learn, and explore Nordic art, craft, and culture year-round. Participatory programs offer families, children, and even the tiniest tots a chance to discover something new about their world—and themselves!



Youth & Family

Special Events

Momma's Christmas Gift: A Kao Kalia Yang Book Talk

Sat, Nov 14, 10:30 am–11 am, followed by book signing

Kao Kalia Yang shares her new book *Momma's Christmas Gift*, a heartfelt story of family, generosity, and love during the holiday season. Pay what you can pricing: \$30 Pay it Forward, \$15 standard, \$5-10 sliding scale

Julglädje: A Family Holiday Concert

Sat, Nov 28, 9–10 am

Sat, Nov 28, 11 am–12 pm

***Sun, Nov 29, 1–2 pm**

Celebrate the season with Ross Sutter and his friends during *Julglädje*, a joyful holiday concert where families sing, dance, enjoy stories, and create memories together. *Sunday features Lilla Lag, ASI's youth fiddle group. \$22 (\$17 ASI member adult) \$12 (\$7 ASI member youth 6-17) Free child (5 and under)

Lucia Celebration Concert

Sat, Dec 12, 1–2 pm

Sat, Dec 12, 3–4 pm

Share the warmth of Swedish holiday music through songs of hope, light, and community at ASI's annual Lucia Celebration Concert in Larson Hall. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Pippi's After Christmas Party

Sat, Jan 16, 12:30–2:15 pm

Discover the Swedish tradition of *julgransplundring* with Pippi's After Christmas Party, a joyful celebration of music, creativity, and togetherness. \$25 (\$20 ASI member adult) \$15 (\$10 ASI member child) Child 2 and under free

Summer Camps

Save the date! ASI's summer camps will go on sale Monday, January 4 for ASI members and Friday, January 8 for the public.

Preschool Programs

Explore Swedish and Swedish American culture with your little one. This program is specifically designed for children ages 3–5 and their favorite grownups. Adult accompaniment is required, and advance registration is required for all Preschool Programs. Limit one adult per registered preschooler.

Needle felted pepparkakor with Jen Newburg

Fri, Nov 6, 10–11:30 am

Teaching artist Jen Newburg guides preschoolers as they needle felt *pepparkakor* and explore Swedish Jul traditions. \$36 (\$31 ASI member child)

Lucia's Legend

Fri, Dec 11, 10 am–11:30 am

In December, we'll explore the legend of Saint Lucia. \$30 (\$25 ASI member child)

Fika with Patrice Johnson

Fri, Jan 8, 10 –11:30 am

Patrice Johnson introduces preschoolers and their important grown-ups to *fika* traditions through food, stories, and creative activities. \$30 (\$35 ASI member child)

Alla Hjärtans Dag

Fri, Feb 12, 10–11:30 am

Preschoolers and their important grown-ups discover *Alla Hjärtans Dag* traditions in Sweden through crafts, candy, and Castle exploration at ASI. \$30 (\$25 ASI member child)



Youth & Family

Babies at the Castle

These stroller-free tours are specially designed for infants up to 18 months and their caregivers, offering exclusive access before ASI opens. Enjoy a 30-minute guided tour followed by 15 minutes of sensory play in the Castle. Ticket price includes museum admission. \$21 non-member adult and one infant (\$16 ASI member adult and one infant); \$17 additional adult

November

[Fri, Nov 13, 9:15–10 am](#)

[Sat, Nov 14, 9:15–10 am](#)

December

[Fri, Dec 11, 9:15–10 am](#)

[Sat, Dec 12, 9:15–10 am](#)

January Special Event: Baby Jams with MacPhail

[Fri, Jan 22, 9:15–10:15 am](#)

[Sat, Jan 23, 9:15–10:15 am](#)

Baby Jams invites infants and their important grown-ups to explore *Remember When* through music and movement with ASI and MacPhail educators. \$35 (\$30 ASI member adult and baby); \$35 additional adult

Kids at the Castle

It's a morning playdate at the Castle! Kids at the Castle offers action-packed mornings with circle time, storytelling, crafts, music, and more. Designed for children ages 2-5, each session explores seasonal themes. Activities may take place outdoors, so families should dress for the weather, bring sun protection, and be ready for outdoor play. Adults must accompany children. \$25 per family. One family registration covers a household unit or group of people who share participation in the program.

November Special Event: *Dream of Owls*

[Fri, Nov 20, 9–10 am](#)

[Sat, Nov 21, 9–10 am](#)

Seth Eberle presents *Dream of Owls*, an imaginative puppet performance where families explore courage, curiosity, and the power of learning. \$30 per family

Terrific Tomtar

[Fri, Dec 18, 9–10 am](#)

[Sat, Dec 19, 9–10 am](#)

January

[Fri, Jan 15, 9–10 am](#)

[Sat, Jan 16, 9–10 am](#)

Youth Handcraft Workshops

Starting with Slöjd

Starting with Slöjd is a monthly program for early elementary children. Participants explore new tools, materials, and skills that prepare them for a lifelong love of handcraft. These drop-off programs are suitable for students in grades K–2. \$20 (\$15 ASI member)

[Straw Craft](#)

Sun, Dec 20, 11 am–12:15 pm

This month's focus is making holiday decorations, like *tomte* or the *Julbock*, from straw.

[Dala Horse Decoration](#)

Sun, Jan 17, 1–2:15 pm

This month's focus is practicing beginner embroidery and sewing skills on felt.

[Paper Quilled Valentines](#)

Sun, Feb 7, 1–2:15 pm

This month's focus is creating Valentine's Day cards using the art of paper quilling.



Youth & Family

Slöjd Studio

Slöjd Studio is a monthly program for children in grades 3–5. Students will practice slöjd skills with instructor Anna Ruhland and explore new tools as they continue to nurture their lifelong love of handcraft. Although this drop-off program was designed as a continuation of Starting with Slöjd, participation in that program is not a prerequisite. \$25 (\$20 ASI member)

Straw Craft

Sun, Dec 20, 1–3 pm

Explore working with straw to make decorations inspired by Swedish holiday décor.

Dala Horse Embroidery Sampler

Sun, Jan 10, 1–3 pm

Learn and practice a variety of embroidery techniques and stitch designs inspired by the Dala Horse.

Tin Embossed Heart Garlands

Sun, Feb 14, 1–3 pm

Learn the basic techniques of tin embossing and make a garland of handmade hearts.

Intergenerational Workshops

ASI's intergenerational programs are designed for one child and one adult to attend together while working on their own projects. Please reach out if you wish to inquire about available space for additional children to attend alongside a registered adult.

Needle Felted Pocket Tomte and Friend

Tue, Dec 22, 1–3 pm

Needle-felt a sweet little woolen Tomte and critter friend with needle felter Jen Newburg. This class is for kids aged 9-17 alongside an adult. \$55 adult/child pair (\$45 ASI member adult/child pair) + \$25 materials fee

Needle Felted Tiny Snowman

Sun, Jan 17, 1–3 pm

Chill out by making needle-felted woolly little snowman perfect for imaginative play. Kids aged 9-17 are invited to join alongside an adult. \$55 adult/child pair (\$45 ASI member adult/child pair) + \$25 materials fee

Felted Heart Garland

Sun, Feb 14, 1–3 pm

Needle-felt a garland of colorful wool hearts with felter Jen Newburg. Kids ages 5-10 and their adults learn the magical technique of needle felting. \$55 adult/child pair (\$45 ASI member adult/child pair) + \$25 materials fee

Registration Policies

Ticket Policies

Tickets for ASI programs, as well as museum admission, may be purchased online, via phone, or in-person at the ASI Front Desk during business hours. Advance purchase is required for most activities. Same day purchases available when specified and dependent on capacity. ASI charges a 4% processing fee on all event and class registrations. Registrations paid via cash or check are not subject to a processing fee. Check or cash payments can be made during open hours at the front desk of ASI. Full payment must be received for registration to be complete.

Any ASI activity may be filmed, photographed, or recorded by ASI staff. Registrants consent to appear in this documentation and its future use by ASI.

Waitlists

ASI keeps waitlists for all filled programs. Please call 612-871-4907 to be added to a waitlist. ASI will only contact those on waitlists as space becomes available.

Cancellation Policy

Program registration may be canceled more than 30 days in advance of the start of a program for a refund, less the registration fee. A \$10 cancellation fee will be applied to any cancellation within 30 days of a program. Cancellations within 10 days of a program are non-refundable. ASI reserves the right to cancel a program one week prior to its start date if enrollment has not reached the required minimum, or due to severe weather. If ASI cancels a program for any reason, registrants will be notified via phone or email and will receive a full refund. In the case that ASI remains open for programming during inclement weather, absent registrants are not eligible for refunds.

Virtual Programs

Virtual programs are taught over Zoom. Participants need a strong internet connection and a device with video capabilities. Some programs are recorded

for documentation or teaching purposes. Login instructions are provided at the time of purchase. Contact ASI if you have not received login information.

Health & Safety

Visit asimn.org/registrationpolicies for information about current safety guidelines.

Kits & Material Fees

Certain virtual programs use kits that include some or all of the required program materials. Kits are available for pick up at ASI approximately one week in advance of a program or can be shipped for an additional fee.

Certain in-person workshops require material fees payable by cash or check to the instructor at the beginning of class. These fees cover equipment and materials used.

Age Policy

Certain ASI programs have age requirements. Registrants must meet listed age requirements in order to participate in a program. Unless otherwise noted, Nordic Handcraft workshops are open to ages 16 and older.

Program Scholarships

ASI is committed to removing financial barriers to our programs for anyone who needs assistance; any individual may apply for up to \$400 of financial assistance per year. We also warmly welcome students from under-represented backgrounds into all Handcraft, Food, Language, and Youth & Family classes at a reduced tuition cost. More info is available at asimn.org/about/scholarships

Non-discrimination policy

ASI does not discriminate based on race, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, or disability.



Baby Jams, Photo:ASI staff

Museum Galleries, Museum Store & FIKA Café hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	10 am–4 pm
Wednesday	10 am–4 pm
Thursday	10 am–8 pm
Friday	10 am–4 pm
Saturday	10 am–4 pm
Sunday	10 am–4 pm

FIKA Café lunch menu is served 11 am–3 pm and on Thursdays 11 am–8 pm. Happy hour every Thursday 3–8 pm.

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Museum admission

\$20 adults; \$18 seniors; \$12 ages 6–18 and students with ID; FREE for children under 6 and ASI members.