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HOLIDAYS IN MINIATURE ... AND ON A GRAND SCALE

November 12, 2018 (KANSAS CITY, MO) – It's that time of year! Time for The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures to lavishly decorate its halls – including the 1911 mansion that today serves as the museum's Tureman Education Center – and open the doors for special holiday events. Throughout the holidays, the museum will also exhibit cases of Hanukkah- and Christmas-themed fine-scale miniatures. All events are included with the regular \$5 museum admission.

DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING FAMILY DAY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 | 10-4PM

Gather your family and friends for a post-Turkey Day visit to T/m. Enjoy reminiscing about childhood toys you once found under the Christmas tree, and be mesmerized by the incredible detail in fine-scale miniature works of art. Then, create your tiny Christmas tree—complete with a garland and miniature ornaments.

COLEMAN DOLLHOUSE OPENING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 | 10-4PM

The annual tradition returns! See T/m's grand nine-foot-tall dollhouse decked out for the holiday season. Get up close as T/m opens the doors for a day of in-depth talks about this giant dollhouse. 20-minute educator talks begin at 10:30am, 1pm, and 2:30pm, or come anytime between 10am and 4pm to view the house.

MEET THE EXPERTS: THE TOYS OF JERRY SMITH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 | 1-2:30PM

Get to know the experts at The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures through this monthly exploration of special topics. On December 9, discover the story behind the museum's special exhibit, *Going Places: The Toy Collection of Jerry Smith*. Relive Christmases past while exploring the toy trains, airplanes, and automobiles collected by one Kansas City philanthropist. Included with museum admission.

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FATHER CHRISTMAS COMES TO T/m

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 | 1-2:30PM

Join us for hot cocoa, cookies, and a visit with Father Christmas. Professional storyteller Jim "Two Crows" Wallen will engage the entire family with tales of holiday traditions around the world in the museum's festively decorated Tureman Education Center. Be sure to bring your camera so you can snap a keepsake photo of your family with the man in red! Included with museum admission.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF TOYS AND MINIATURES

The National Museum of Toy and Miniatures educates, inspires, and delights adults and children through the museum's collection and preservation of toys and miniatures. Located on the University of Missouri - Kansas City campus, the museum exhibits the world's largest collection of fine-scale miniatures and one of the nation's largest collections of antique toys. The museum reopened on August 1, 2015, after a year-and-a-half, \$8 million renovation. For more information, call (816) 235-8000 or visit www.toyandminiaturemuseum.org.

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