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Sign Up for Free Family Tours and Films at the Morse This Summer

Note to Editors: Attached is a high-resolution image of a Vasekraft glazed-clay lamp, c.1910–26, by Fulper Pottery of Flemington, New Jersey. The lamp is featured in the Morse Museum's exhibition on the Arts and Crafts movement in America.

WINTER PARK, Fla.—This summer the Morse Museum invites families to experience its newest exhibition, *The Virtues of Simplicity—American Arts and Crafts from the Morse Collection*, through two free programs designed especially for elementary-school-age children.

On Tuesdays in June and July, families can enjoy a 45-minute guided museum tour that will include *The Virtues of Simplicity* and a take-home art activity related to the show. On three Fridays—June 26, July 10 and July 24—participants will see a short film, produce a work of art, and visit the exhibition as well as other galleries.

Space in these free programs is limited, and **reservations are required**. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. A \$5 refundable deposit per child is requested when securing a reservation for the family film. Call (407) 645-5311, extension 117, to make a reservation or for more information.

Families visiting the museum may also request a free family brochure written to help visitors of all ages better appreciate the objects and themes presented in *The Virtues of Simplicity*. Children younger than age 12 receive free admission to the museum and are welcome any day of the week with their parents or guardians.

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The Virtues of Simplicity explores a major chapter in the history of American decorative art, featuring more than 50 objects from Arts and Crafts designers such as Frank Lloyd Wright, Gustav Stickley, the Roycrofters, and others. The exhibition provides insight into the historical period in which the city of Winter Park was founded as well as a new context for understanding the museum's renowned collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany.

The museum's summer hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 for students, and free for children under 12.

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