

Happy New Year 2014 to all you Global Villagers,

Thank you! Thank you to all who contributed to the Matching Fund campaign. We met and surpassed our \$20,000 target by nearly \$2,500! We had more than 70 members and friends who donated along with the GVM Board of Directors who were 100% contributors. We appreciate the support and enthusiasm you all provide the Global Village Museum. I know you agree that our Museum is an institution that is a valuable asset to the community and worthy of continued support.

“Celebrations Around the World and International Santas” exhibition - a really stupendous display which runs through February 22 - continues to draw folks. On Boxing Day, December 26th, the Museum had a free day as our gift to the community with more than 115 visitors. The last Saturday of December we had 45 guests in less than three hours! Don't miss it -- bring family, friends and neighbors, too.

Now is also the time to call or come by the Museum to make reservations for *Night for the Museum* on February 22, this year at the Fort Collins Country Club. It promises to be a wonderful evening of international food, libation, music and silent/live auctions of fabulous artifacts and recreation opportunities.

And finally....after five years as Board Chair, this announcement serves as my 'retirement,' although I will remain on the Board of Directors. Our newly elected Chair is Heidi Nash Cross, past Vice Chair and daughter of the late Jeanne Nash, one of our founders. Bonnie Titley was elected as Vice Chair. I look forward to good things to come at the Global Village Museum in this new year - 2014.

Keep on keepin' on...

Sincerely,  
John E. Roberts

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*Second Annual*

**NIGHT  
FOR THE  
MUSEUM**

A Night of Art, International Food and Music  
with Silent and Live Auction

**Fort Collins Country Club**  
1920 Country Club Road, Fort Collins  
**Saturday, February 22, 2014 5 - 9 pm**

5 - 6 pm Early Bidder Purchasing & Reception \$75

6 - 9 pm Event Admission \$50

**International hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, dance and live music!**

**Silent and Live Auction Items include:**

Trips to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico; Ski-In/Out Hotel Madeline, Telluride, CO; Monarch's House, St. Andrews, Scotland;

El Corazon de Santa Fe, New Mexico; The Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn & Spa, CA.

Provided by Philantopia

**Reservations**

Online at [GlobalVillageMuseum.org](http://GlobalVillageMuseum.org)

By check sent to 200 West Mountain Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80521

In person at the Museum (Tuesday - Saturday 11 - 5)



Photo courtesy of Mike Barry

This collection of Russian Nesting Dolls, also called **Matryoshka Dolls**, are all authentically made in Russia and are on display as you enter Mundoville. Dolls were first carved in 1890 by Vasily Zvyozdochkin from a design by Sergey Malyutin who was a folk crafts painter. In 1900, Russian nesting dolls were presented at the Exposition Universelle in Paris where they earned a bronze medal. Soon after matryoshka dolls were being made in several places in Russia and shipped around the world. Be sure to read the story of the Turnip Family nesting set to learn the lesson it teaches.

**Main Gallery Exhibit: Celebrations Around the World**

The Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures proudly presents *Celebrations Around the World & International Santas* in its temporary exhibit. This festive and colorful exhibit highlights unique holidays and cultural traditions from other countries. View the familiar, such as Germany's Oktoberfest, and learn about Tibet's Shoton, to discover how it is related to opera.

Jack Curfman, legendary exhibition designer and professor emeritus, Colorado State University, is the guest curator and exhibition installer. Curfman explained, "The art, artifacts, decorations, and masks are displayed in the order of the months of the year in



which the holidays are celebrated. My concept for the exhibition was to use large, colorful panels to separate each month, as colors are important in celebrations to get people in a festive mood. I want this to be an exciting experience and stir up the emotions." Exhibit runs through February 22, 2014.

Melissa Basta, Haiti Collection

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## **“Africa Through Art” Exhibit & Sale Opens Friday**

The beauty, triumph, and splendor of the African people is revealed in the “Africa Through Art” exhibit and sale, opening on Friday, January 3, 2014 from 6 - 9 pm at the Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures. The nonprofit Simwatachela Sustainable Agricultural and Arts Program (SSAAP) is exhibiting African objects, which includes paintings, woodcarvings and garments for sale. Proceeds from sales directly benefit the nonprofit SSAAP and help indigenous underprivileged citizens of both Zambia and Sierra Leone, the nations which SSAAP serves.

This show by Heather Cumming from SSAAP is featured during Fort Collins Gallery Walk and the Museum’s half-price “Date Night” on Friday, January 17 from 5 – 8 pm. The exhibit and sale continues in the Hall Gallery through March 22 at the Museum.

According to Ms. Cumming, “The African continent is the wealthiest on the planet in terms of natural resources, minerals, and precious stones yet remains the poorest in the world due to excessive greed, power, and control. (Africans) have endured centuries of enslavement, the fracturing of tribes, and extreme forces of nature which affect every aspect of their lives. [Yet] the people of Africa are resilient and adaptable, proud and possess great humility. [In this exhibit,] their world is conveyed through dancing silhouettes, brilliant colors of nature, and finely hand carved wooden art, accentuating the vibrancy they interpret in their lives and through their creative expression...”

For more information about Simwatachela Sustainable Agricultural and Arts Program (SSAAP), [www.ssaap.org](http://www.ssaap.org), contact Gail Cumming at 970.237.7007

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*As you start your New Year's resolution to organize and clean out the basement/garage/attic, please keep our Wish List in mind:*

### **Wish List:**

Storage Unit 10' x 12'  
Shelves (deep width for storage)  
Display cabinets, e.g., trophy case with glass  
Upright vacuum with hand hose and a smaller hand vacuum  
Wet "Swiffer" mop  
Adjustable desk chair (no arms OK)  
Pencil sharpener, staplers & tape dispensers  
Floor mat front door (one inside & one outside)  
Coat rack = wooden pole stand for guests' coats  
PC printer with copier (doesn't need fax)  
Printer paper  
Printer Ink – 920hp black and colors  
Bulk paper towels and bulk "kleenex"

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## **Mark Your Calendars:**

**January 3, 2014** Fort Collins Gallery Walk, 6 - 9 pm, half price admission to all four galleries

**January 17, 2014** "Date Night at the Museum" - half price admission. Heather Cumming, Artist, *Africa Through Art* featured in Hall exhibit

**February 2014 Martenitsa Bracelets Class:** A children's class making the traditional Bulgarian red and white woven yarn bracelets.

Exact date to be determined.

**March 7, 2014 Indian Thali: A Feast for the Senses, Guest Curator Maya Jairam** Tempt your palate and whet your appetite with this exploration of the vivid palette painted across India. When one hears "India," the response is usually visceral and engages the senses fully: from the bright colors and textures, to the rich musical and dance traditions, the exotic languages and literature, the rich history, mysterious traditions, and finally the intoxicating gastronomy. Join us in exploring the subcontinent and all it has to offer, through various programs and displays. You'll leave wanting a second helping! Runs through May 17, 2014.



**Museum** **Hours**  
**Tuesday** - **Saturday** **11** - **5**  
The Museum will be closed New Year's Day. Happy New Year 2014!

**Admission: \$5 Adults, \$3 Seniors 62+ & Students, \$1 Children 4 - 12**

*The Global Village Museum of Arts and Cultures and Intercultural Resource Center is dedicated to showcasing international folk art. Exhibits are created to engage and inspire visitors to learn more about world cultures, people, art, and history in order to promote world understanding and peace.*

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