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## Calendar of Events

For information about Vesterheim's education programs and a folk-art class list go to Vesterheim [Lifelong Learning](#).

**The first Thursday of every month Vesterheim offers free admission to the museum and a special event.**

### October 4, 2012

#### [Free First Thursday](#)

Book signing from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by Judit Martin, author of *Augusta's Daughter: Life in Nineteenth-Century Sweden*, in the Bruening Visitor Center. Presentation at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For more information and Judit and her book check [here](#).

### October 10, 2012

#### [With Restauration Through Hell Gate to the Promised Land](#)

7:00 p.m. in Vesterheim's Bethania Lutheran Church. A storytelling performance by Norwegian Anne Elisebeth Skogen about the first Norwegian group of emigrants who arrived in New York on Oct. 9, 1825, on the "Norwegian Mayflower," the boat *Restauration*. Follow Norwegian emigrants as they decide to leave their home country, cross the Atlantic, pass through Hell Gate, arrive in New York, and travel to Kendall on Lake Ontario. Free will offering.

### October 19, 2012

#### [Benefit Auction](#)

A lively gala dinner and auction featuring folk art donated by award winning artists. Auction items can be viewed online beginning October 1 and at the Hotel Winneshiek on the 19th.

### October 27, 2012

#### [Milwaukee Friends Event](#)

Milwaukee Friends host a luncheon at 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Milwaukee Yacht Club. The event is hosted by Linda Norderhaug, Neal Nottleson, Daniel Thurmer, and Wendy Olsen with special guest host Trygve Lønnebotn, Former Honorary Consul of Norway for Wisconsin. Tickets are \$40 per person. Reservations are required, please RSVP by October 20. To make reservations or for further information, contact Stephanie