

FIRST NIGHT WINCHESTER 2025



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Organized by the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley

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CATEGORIES & PRIZES:

Entries will be grouped into the following categories: **tot (4 & under)**, **child (5–7)**, **youth (8–12)**, **teen (13–17)**, **adult (18–59)**, and **senior (60+)**. One winner in each category will receive a one-year family membership to the MSV (\$95 value), a package of McDonald's® gift cards, two tickets for a free movie at the Alamo Drafthouse Winchester (free popcorn, too!), and Charley Harper merchandise from the Museum Store. One entry per person. **To be eligible to win a prize, you must bring (or mail) your completed coloring sheet to the Guest Services Desk in the MSV galleries building by 5 p.m. on Sunday, December 29, 2024.** The MSV is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (closed on Monday, Thanksgiving, and December 24 & 25). Contest winners will be contacted on December 30. The six winning entries will be on display in the MSV galleries building lobby on December 31.

ABOUT THIS YEAR'S PICTURE: DANCE INTO 2025!

Color or paint this picture that celebrates New Year's Eve fun, dancing, and the special MSV exhibition *Curious by Nature: Works by Charley & Edie Harper*. The drawing was inspired by the wildlife illustrations on view in the exhibition and the dance party that will take place at the MSV on New Year's Eve (see First Night details below).

At the MSV through January 5, 2025, *Curious by Nature* is a must-see for animal lovers! Presenting the whimsical art of Charley and Edie Harper, the exhibition features more than 80 prints and paintings. Works by Charley Harper showcase birds, insects, and other wildlife, and Edie Harper's prints explore natural subjects, Biblical scenes, and childhood memories.

Curious by Nature is organized by the Springfield Museum of Art and Fowler Artistic LLC. The exhibition's MSV display is supported by Shenandoah Oncology.

Curious by Nature
Works by Charley & Edie Harper



CELEBRATE FIRST NIGHT AT THE MSV!

Enjoy free family-oriented entertainment and admission by donation to the MSV galleries, Glen Burnie House, and gardens on December 31. The day's highlights include a free family portrait photo session (10 a.m.–noon); a Kids' Animal Masquerade Ball (11 a.m.–1 p.m.) featuring a "Noon New Year's Countdown," DJ, and photo booth; and animal presentations by the Blue Ridge Wildlife Center (2 & 4 p.m.). Throughout the day, explore the wildlife art in the *Curious by Nature* exhibition, enjoy face painting, make animal masks, and more!

Hot beverages will be available for purchase from the Good News Coffee Company (11 a.m.–2 p.m.). Sign up for the photo session at www.theMSV.org/FN25. Wildlife presentations are first-come, first-served with limited space. The free portrait photo session is part of the Family Portrait Project organized by Summit Events.

On New Year's Eve, the galleries are open 10 a.m.–5 p.m., and The Trails at the MSV park is open 7 a.m.–dusk.