



New Seasonal Exhibit Showcases Family Holiday Cards Created By Disney Artists

Personal holiday cards created by Disney artists

*Mary Blair, Bill Justice, the original voice of Donald Duck - Clarence Nash,
Bill Peet, Roy Williams, and more*

The Presidio, San Francisco, CA (October 20, 2011) – “Disney Artists' Holiday Wishes,” a special collection of personal holiday cards created by 18 Disney Studio animators, comic strip artists, story men, a “Mooseketeer” and even the creator of the voice of Donald Duck, opens November 5 and runs through December 31, 2011 at [The Walt Disney Family Museum](http://www.thewaltdisneyfamilymuseum.org). The delightful holiday exhibit features more than 50 hand-drawn cards, created from 1937-1970, by some of the most famous Disney talent.



Courtesy Walt Disney Family Foundation

Visitors to the Museum are sure to enjoy seeing the holiday cards as a reflection of each artist’s distinct creative style that made them a Disney Studio great. Though not one card includes a Disney character or theme, the creators’ humor, style and attention to detail are apparent. The collection includes cards from Clarence Nash, creator of the voice of Donald Duck, and Roy Williams, nicknamed “Mooseketeer” by Walt Disney, in honor of his duties as co-host of the Mickey Mouse Club television series.

The exhibit includes two cards from artist Mary Blair, whose Disney legacy lives on in Disney animated classic films such as *Cinderella*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *Peter Pan*, *Song of the South* and the design for Disneyland’s “it’s a small world.” “Disney Artists' Holiday Wishes” will be located near a case featuring Mary Blair’s paint stand, along with her eyeglasses, paint brushes and artist materials, in the lobby of the Museum’s *Fantasia*-inspired digital theater.

The exhibit features cards from:

Edwin Aardal
Lee Blair
Mary Blair
Claude Coats
Nick George
Franklin Grunden

Hamilton Luske
Clarence Nash
Ted Osborne
Bill Peet
Charles Philippi
John Reed



Courtesy of the Mary Blair family

Richard Huemer
Bill Justice
John Lounsbery

Roy Williams
Retta Scott Worcester

The cards, part of the Museum's permanent collection, but never previously displayed, were a gift to the Museum from one of Walt Disney's grandsons, Walter E. Disney Miller. He acquired them from a private collection that was started more than 60 years ago. "Disney Artists' Holiday Wishes" is included in the Museum's general admission price.

ABOUT THE MUSEUM

The Walt Disney Family Museum presents the fascinating story and achievements of Walt Disney, the man who raised animation to an art, transformed the film industry, tirelessly pursued innovation, and created a global and distinctively American legacy. Opened in October 2009, the 40,000 square foot facility features the newest technology and historic materials and artifacts to bring Disney's achievements to life, with interactive galleries that include early drawings and animation, movies, music, listening stations, a 14-foot model of Disneyland and much more.

Hours: 10am to 6pm, Wednesdays through Monday; closed on Tuesdays, January 1, Thanksgiving Day, and December 25.

Tickets: \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and students, and \$12 for children ages 6 to 17; Admission is free for [members](#). Movies are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children.

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