



Forget the Box of Chocolates!

Unexpected, inspired, and creative ideas for your Valentine

This [Valentine's Day](#), think outside the box of chocolates! For a break from traditional flowers and candy, shop at the [Museum Store](#) for handmade, global, and musical gifts inspired by the museum's collections. Heart objects in various styles and made in different countries are always a special way to show your love. Metal and stone hearts from [Peru](#), Mexico, and [Haiti](#) make beautiful decorative accessories, while heart-shaped [jewelry](#) is a favorite expression of love.

For musicians, the Museum Store has a great selection of [instruments](#) to add to personal collections. From harmonicas and ocarinas to [HAPI drums](#) and [shekeres](#), your true love can make sweet music with our worldly selection of instruments. For the bibliophile, choose from volumes about music and musicians or one of our [books](#) celebrating love.

Shop our unique selection during store hours from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Museum members save 10 percent, and proceeds from your purchase support MIM and its programs. Can't shop in person? Shop the [MIM Online Store](#). Cupid may not deliver, but we do!

Other thoughtful surprises for your valentine include a visit to the museum, concert tickets, or a [MIM gift card](#), which can be used toward admission, [concert tickets](#), dining at [Café Allegro](#), and shopping in the Museum Store.

This year, count on MIM for a treasure trove of gifts that are as unique as your valentine.

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CONCERT ALERT!

SOLD OUT
January 30 & 31
[An Evening with George Winston](#)

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[Del McCoury performs Woody Guthrie](#)

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February 4
[MIM and the Phoenix Symphony Present Vivaldi's Four Seasons](#)

February 6
[Pavlo](#)

SOLD OUT
February 7
[Cantus](#)

February 8
[Mandy Harvey](#)



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The Children's Heart Gallery Returns

Arizona foster children enjoy eventful day at MIM

Last Saturday, several MIM team members arrived to work at 6:00 a.m. on a day that many had off. These team members, state workers, and other volunteers spent the morning setting up games, crafts, and more. The reason? Picture day for several Arizona foster kids!

For many of these kids, getting photos taken is nerve-wracking. These pictures are what potential adoptive families see before meeting the children and are a gateway to finding a "forever home." Prior to 2014, photos of the children seeking homes were often taken in state departmental buildings.

In an effort to improve this experience, the [Johnjay and Rich Care for Kids Foundation](#) started the [Children's Heart Gallery](#). The project works to make picture day a fun, eventful day—which was why MIM team members, state workers, and volunteers arrived at MIM before sunup.

When the children arrived at MIM, they were received by smiling volunteers, games, crafts, and

Music Is the Language of the Soul

Talented, Deaf American singer-songwriter performs at MIM

Do you listen to music, or do you feel it? For Mandy Harvey, the answer is simple. In fact, Harvey lost her residual hearing in 2006 at age eighteen because of a connective tissue disorder. At that time, she was a vocal music education major whose dream was to become a choir director. She then left her program of study but later returned to music and has been wowing audiences ever since.

As a deaf singer-songwriter, Harvey has a unique way of staying on beat. To do this, she literally feels the music. She performs with her shoes off and "listens" to the vibrations of the notes through the floor, although you would never know this from listening to her sing.

"From the first note, Mandy Harvey tames her audience into stunned appreciation as she glides pitch-perfect from breathy jazz standard to growling blues. . . . At show's end the audience is on its feet."—*Los Angeles Times*

Harvey proves that music is for everyone and is everywhere. She proves that music is truly the

museum activities. Donated clothing hung in the theater dressing rooms and a professional hair stylist helped the children feel pampered. The children were all smiles as they explored the museum and enjoyed their special day.



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language of the soul.

The MIM Music Theater is pleased to welcome Mandy Harvey on Wednesday, February 8. Her show starts at 7:00 p.m. and tickets are \$35.50–\$43.50



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Noteworthy

New Concerts Just Announced

The following concerts will go on sale this week: [Mindi Abair](#) on Saturday, April 1; [Gaby Moreno](#) on Thursday, April 6; and [Jenny and the Mexicats](#) on Friday, April 21. Tickets will go on sale to [Circle of Friends](#) members starting at noon on Tuesday, January 31, and can be purchased in person, by phone, or through MIM's [member portal](#). Tickets will go on sale to the public starting at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 2, when they can be purchased in person at MIM, by calling 480.478.6000, or online at [MIM.org](#). [Circle of Friends](#) members who give \$500+ annually are eligible for 10 percent off concert tickets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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[Experience Canada](#)

Sat. & Sun., Feb. 11 & 12
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.



[MIMkids Musical Adventures](#)

Saturday, February 11
1:30–2:30 p.m.



[Holly Hofmann with Mike Wofford, Katie Thiroux, and Jeff Hamilton](#)

Included with paid museum admission; free for [members](#)

Be ready to honor Canadian culture and music as MIM celebrates Canada's 150th birthday and Arizona's Canada Week! Get a taste of Canada through musical performances, cultural talks, a Canadian-inspired café menu, and activities for all ages. Make sure to carve out time to stop by MIM's Artist Gallery to check out our new Randy Bachman display.

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[Schedule of activities](#)

\$12 each or 3 for \$30

Pick up your MIMkids Passport and embark on a musical journey with MIMkids Musical Adventures, an educational program designed for kids aged 6–10. This session focuses on Tanzania and participants will make *chisekeses*.



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Valentine's Day
Tuesday, February 14
7:00 p.m.

\$23.50–\$28.50

One of the jazz world's premier flutists, Holly Hofmann is joined by her exceptionally talented friends.

“Holly Hofmann is an energetic, swinging, straight-ahead jazz flautist who has been performing for over thirty years.”
—AllAboutJazz.com



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