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Alberta Legislature Lights Up to Celebrate the Season

EDMONTON – “Since 1985 the Alberta Legislature has cherished the tradition of celebrating the holiday season with music and lights throughout the month of December,” said the Honourable Robert E. Wanner, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. “While each of us may choose to celebrate this season in a different way, I think we can all agree that Alberta’s centre of democracy – the Legislature Building, Grounds and Visitor Centre – is the perfect destination for friends and families to gather and experience the spirit of the holidays.”

Legislature Light-Up – December 1 at 5 p.m.

The festivities begin on the Legislature Building front steps with the lighting of hundreds of trees festively transforming the Legislature for the holiday season. Following the light-up music, cookies and hot chocolate will be served inside the Legislature building for all to enjoy.

Celebrate the Season – December 2 to 23

Nearly 70 choirs and musical ensembles will grace the Legislature rotunda’s grand staircase with daily performances throughout Celebrate the Season.

The full list of performances can be found here: assembly.ab.ca/visitor/PDF/2016/CTS_ChairSchedule.pdf

Visitors are encouraged to come for more than just the music and lights during Celebrate the Season.

The Legislative Assembly of Alberta is open to discover with free building tours running every hour – weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and weekends from noon to 5 p.m.

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The Legislative Assembly Visitor Centre offers the Agora Interpretive Centre, a great place to brush up on Alberta's democratic history, complemented by the 4-D theatre experience in the Pehonan Theatre, currently playing *Our People, Our Province*. A new exhibit, *Storytellers*, opens in the Borealis Gallery on December 14 and will explore places around Alberta as well as moments in time, relationships and stories. Finally, Alberta Branded offers unique art and fine craft items for sale, made by Alberta artisans, and will feature a special artist pop-up event on December 15.

During the winter season skating on the south grounds is open to the public, weather permitting.

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