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## Light up your Hanukkah with *Latkepalooza!*, a hands-on, family-friendly celebration featuring music, crafts, food, and fun

**(New York, NY)** — Get ready for the Festival of Lights with food, music, and hands-on activities for families with children at the first-ever, family-friendly *Latkepalooza!*, presented by the Workmen's Circle, National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene, and Museum of Jewish Heritage on Sunday, December 18 in Lower Manhattan.

*Latkepalooza!* will be held at the Museum of Jewish Heritage, 36 Battery Place, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. and is open to families with children from ages 3 to 10 years old.

The event features arts and crafts, where you can decorate menorahs; holiday food, including latkes and jelly donuts; Hanukkah sing-a-longs; and, an original presentation of a play based on the PJ Library story, *The Golem's Latkes*, by Eric A. Kimmel.

Tickets are \$10 each. The event is free for the children and grandchildren of Workmen's Circle, National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene, and Museum of Jewish Heritage members. Tickets can be purchased at [www.mjhnyc.org/latkepalooza](http://www.mjhnyc.org/latkepalooza), by calling 646.437.4202, or by visiting the Museum's Box Office the day of the event.

### **About Museum of Jewish Heritage**

The Museum of Jewish Heritage educates people of all ages and backgrounds about the broad tapestry of Jewish life in the 20th and 21st centuries—before, during, and after the Holocaust. Multiple perspectives on modern Jewish history, life, and culture are presented in the Museum's unique Core Exhibition and special exhibitions. The Museum is home to Andy Goldsworthy's memorial *Garden of Stones*. In Edmond J. Safra Hall, the Museum offers visitors a vibrant public program schedule celebrating the richness of Jewish culture and ideas. The Museum is the new home of the National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene, now celebrating its 102nd season. The Museum receives general operating support from the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs and New York State Council on the Arts. Learn more: [www.mjhnyc.org](http://www.mjhnyc.org).

### **About National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene**

Since 1915, the award-winning National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene (NYTF) has presented a window into the world of Jewish culture by engaging, educating, and igniting the imaginations of generations of theatergoers. NYTF is the longest consecutively

producing performing arts institution in the US as well as the longest consecutively producing Yiddish theatre company in the world. It presents plays, musicals, concerts, literary events and workshops in English, Yiddish, Hebrew and Russian, with English and Russian supertitles accompanying most performances. Its mission is to celebrate the Jewish experience through the performing arts and to transmit a rich cultural legacy in exciting new ways. In 2017, NYTF plans to tour it's critically-acclaimed Off Broadway production of the long-lost operetta *The Golden Bride*, as it launches a global initiative to restore lost and forgotten works of the Yiddish theatre canon. Learn more: [www.nytf.org](http://www.nytf.org).

### **About The Workmen's Circle**

At the Workmen's Circle, Jewish identity and belonging are found in our heritage, values, ideals, language, cultural traditions and celebrations. We have been cultivating a proudly progressive, diverse, and inclusive community rooted in Jewish culture and social action for more than a century. Since our founding, the needs and priorities of our community have evolved and today's Workmen's Circle is responding in new and exciting ways. We seed and support a growing network of vibrant Jewish complimentary schools; create opportunities to connect to Jewish culture, including a global Yiddish language program; celebrate our rich heritage; and take action for social and economic justice. Together, as we always have, we are working to build a *shenere un besere velt far ale* – a better and more beautiful world for all. Learn more: [www.circle.org](http://www.circle.org).

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