



Read House & Gardens

LIT *for the*
HOLIDAYS

*The Season in Miniature with
the First State Mini Club*

WHEN: Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023
6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: 42 The Strand,
New Castle, DE

LIT for the Holidays is the Read House's tribute to the Christmas and New Year's parties of Lydia and Philip Laird; these celebrations were an **annual fixture of holiday spirit** in the town of New Castle, and established the now-longstanding tradition of celebrating the start to the winter season at the Read House.

This year, LIT doubles as the **premier party** for our upcoming seasonal exhibit. The **First State Mini Club** proudly partners with the Read House & Gardens to present "The Season in Miniature", a collection of twenty miniature displays, each with their own characteristic design, details, and visual narrative. This **seasonal exhibition** features both holiday scenes and fanciful interpretations of everyday life, inviting you to explore the whimsical nature of the "small things".

While it is our pleasure to organize this exciting event, LIT for the Holidays is only made possible through the **support of our community sponsors**. Please show your support by contributing to one of the four designated sponsorship levels, indicated as the **Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Diamond** levels.

[Click here](#) to purchase your ticket.



For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Kathleen Butler, the Director of Institutional Advancement, at kbutler@dehistory.org.

Sponsorship Levels, 2023



Diamond Level: The Diamond level is our **highest category** of sponsorship, where patrons may pledge gifts at **\$750 or greater**. We greatly appreciate all sponsors who choose to donate at this level, and in addition to our standard recognition package, which includes signage, newsletter and Donor Honor Roll acknowledgments, we also offer to this tier of supporters a **special seasonal gift**, as a token of our gratitude. This level includes 4 complimentary tickets.

Gold Level: Gold Level sponsors are appreciated for their donations of **\$500 - \$749**. These generous patrons will be recognized through event signage and Donor Honor Roll commendations, but will also be **acknowledged in our upcoming newsletter** for their support. This level includes 3 complimentary tickets.

Silver Level: Sponsors at the Silver Level will be recognized for their generosity of contributions between **\$250 and \$499**. These generous sponsors will be commended for their support through event signage and **Donor Honor Roll** acknowledgments. This level includes 2 complimentary tickets.

Bronze Level: Sponsors contributing amounts less than **\$250** will be recognized on the Bronze Level. Sponsors giving at this level will be acknowledged on front-of-house event signage for their generosity. This level includes 1 complimentary ticket.

Corporate Sponsorship: The Delaware Historical Society greatly appreciates its Corporate Sponsors, and encourages corporate giving during the LIT fundraising season! Corporate donations will be honored at the Sponsorship Levels listed above, but will include the **additional perk** of featuring the businesses' logo on various materials - including our event signage, Donor Honor Roll, and upcoming newsletter - for **donations at or exceeding the Silver Level**.

To become a 2023 LIT for the Holidays sponsor, please contact Kathleen Butler, the Director of Institutional Advancement, at kbutler@dehistory.org.

