

33rd Annual Leif Eriksson International Festival 2020 Schedule

Welcome to LEIF 2020! This is our 33rd year, but our 1st one completely online. We hope you will print out this schedule and partake of the many, varied programs and events available here. Destination of the Day links will be made available on a daily basis and will then be available in the days following.

LEIF 2020 Events

Friday, October 2

Online Concert with EGS: Riverside Winds – Live Streaming Video

Sunday, October 4

11 am LEIF Worship Service Online – Embedded YouTube video on LEIFMN.org website

Nordic Flag Processional

Greeting: Eivind Heiberg (Norwegian), Katrin Sigurdardottir (Icelandic)

Preacher: Pastor Arden Haug

Organist: Jordan Buchholtz

Vocalist: John De Haan

Announcements: Jeannette Henrikssen

Readers: Martin Bertilsson (Swedish), Eyglo Bjarnadottir (Icelandic)

Special Music: Tidløs, Bill Wangensteen

2pm Duo Ihana's concert – Embedded YouTube video on LEIFMN.org website

Tuesday, October 6

11 am Tuesday Open House program – Live Zoom Meeting “Alt for Norge” winner: Emma Boyum”

3pm Nordic Whiteness and Migration to the USA - Presenter: Terje Mikael Hasle Joranger - Director at the Norwegian Emigrant Museum

Friday, October 9 - Leif Eriksson Day

The Parish Church System and the Religious Life of Norse Greenlanders in Medieval Times - Presenter Vancouver-based Professor Kristjana Gunnars of the University of Iceland

Saturday, October 10

“Iceland Travel Adventure” Embedded YouTube video on LEIFMN.org website - Presenter Magne Hatlevik

Sunday, October 11

11 am LEIF Worship Service – Embedded YouTube video on LEIFMN.org website

Nordic Flag Processional

Greeting: Rikke Dierssen-Morice (Danish)

Preacher: Rev. Andrés Roberto Albertsen

Organist: Jordan Buchholtz

Vocalist: John De Haan

Announcements: Jeannette Henrikssen

Readers: Joona Sundström (Finnish) and Grethe Petersen (Danish)

Special Music: Tidløs, Bill Wangensteen and Jordan Buchholtz (Piano duet)

2 pm Tidløs på Låven concert – Embedded YouTube video on LEIFMN.org website

COVID-19 has challenged us to present an ALL VIRTUAL festival in 2020. Every event and resource listed here is online for your comfort and safety. While we won't be greeting each other in person, we do want to stay connected with you!

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LEIF 2020 Destinations of the Day

Date	Theme	Description
Friday, October 2	Norwegian Connections	Enjoy these links to enhance your concert experience; kids can explore art by children from around the world.
Saturday, October 3	Nordic Connections	Whet your appetite with Nordic Cuisine, visit the National Nordic Museum in Seattle, explore learning Nordic languages, and visit the websites of the five Nordic embassies in the US; kids can interact with Legos, one of the most famous products from the Nordic countries, and enjoy story time at the museum.
Sunday, October 4	Norwegian and Finnish Connections	Join in a Nordic Worship Service hosted by the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Minneapolis, then check out the offerings of Oslo's Nobel Peace Center before enhancing your concert experience with Duo Ihana; kids can learn about the youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner, Malala Yousafzai.
Monday, October 5	Swedish Connections	Celebrate Cinnamon Bun Day in Sweden and Scandia (MN), tour Scandia's Swedish Immigrant Museum , several sites in Sweden, and Minnesota's own American Swedish Institute ; kids can explore Stockholm's six best museums for children .
Tuesday, October 6	Emigration Connections	Before or after the Tuesday Open House talk, explore some links to the TV station that aired Alt for Norge and the Norwegian Emigrant Museum in Ottestad near Hamar (one of the many museums in Hedmark); kids can explore programming on Norway's special channel for children or more of the Anno museums in Hedmark.
Wednesday, October 7	Finnish Connections	Connect with several Finnish-American sites and learn about the "sport" of wife-carrying in preparation for the North American event on October 9 in Maine; kids can try activities planned for children in Finland.

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Thursday, October 8	Sámi Connections	Learn about the Sámi people of Northern Europe through the Siida museum and nature center in Inari, Finland – in the Sámi Homeland – and the Saami Council and other sites; kids can learn about reindeer.
Friday, October 9	Leif Eriksson Day	Before or after the talk by Professor Gunnars celebrate the life and journeys of Leif Eriksson on the 56th national observance of Leif Erikson Day, which has several Minnesota connections; kids can try some activities from Great Britain.
Saturday, October 10	Icelandic Connections	Before or after you take your virtual Iceland Travel Adventure, visit these Icelandic-American sites and several more in Iceland; kids can get an overview of the 17 exhibits at the Saga Museum in Reykjavik (Lucky Leif is Number 7), then see how they make the figures, and travel to Iceland with NatGeo.
Sunday, October 11	Danish Connections	Join in a Nordic Worship Service hosted by the Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church in Minneapolis, then check out some favorite sites in Denmark and Danish-America; kids can have fun at the original Legoland and with the Tivoli Youth Guard.