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Christkindlmarket Naperville will not return to museum campus in 2019

NAPERVILLE, IL — The Naperville Heritage Society announced today that Christkindlmarket Naperville will not be returning this winter. The popular German holiday market has been held at Naper Settlement since 2016.

"True to our mission, Christkindlmarket has provided a gathering place during the holiday season for people to connect. It was a great event and we take this moment to thank all our visitors for coming to celebrate the holidays with us," said Rena Tamayo-Calabrese, president and CEO of Naper Settlement.

The partnership between Naper Settlement, the City of Naperville, and German American Events created an incredibly successful holiday event for Naperville and the surrounding communities, attracting patrons from all over the world and generating \$7.2 million gross in economic impact each year.

Maren Biester Priebe, CEO of German American Events, said "We have enjoyed three wonderful years celebrating our Christkindlmarket with the Naperville community. We are thankful for the support of our visitors, the Naperville Heritage Society, and the City of Naperville."

"We wish German American Events the very best in their future endeavors," added Tamayo-Calabrese.

Christkindlmarket's departure brings new opportunities and Naper Settlement is in conversation to develop a new holiday experience at the museum campus this winter.

About Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor museum set on 13 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville. Located 30 miles from Chicago, the museum is home to thirty historical structures dating back as early as the 1830s. Featuring exhibits, special events, educational programming and more, Naper Settlement is

where history comes alive and the community comes to connect. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.org or call (630) 420-6010.