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THE BUFFALO BILL STORY JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

DENVER – Friday, November 20, 2009 – Buffalo Bill loved Christmas and he loved children. He often dressed up as Santa Claus to give gifts to his employees' children. So it's appropriate that the Buffalo Bill Museum is opening a new and comprehensive exhibit about Buffalo Bill on December 12, just in time for the holidays. Entitled "The Buffalo Bill Story," this exhibit, the Museum's largest, will be a permanent installation about Buffalo Bill's life.

"The Buffalo Bill Story", based on the latest research about Buffalo Bill, includes rare and never-before-seen artifacts including the Stetson hat worn by Buffalo Bill at the last performance before his death. Other rare artifacts include a peace pipe that belonged to Sitting Bull and the head of the last buffalo shot by Buffalo Bill. There are several Masonic artifacts (Cody was a lifelong member of the Masons), Buffalo Bill's fez from the Tangier Shrine and his tuxedo jacket, found in the prop department of Bonfils Theater back in 1974.

Posters, photographs and archival materials supplement the many artifacts in the exhibit that belonged to Buffalo Bill. Visitors also can hear early recordings of Buffalo Bill's voice introducing the Wild West show and the "Buffalo Bill Farewell March," played during a series of farewell exhibitions in 1912.

"The Buffalo Bill Story" opens to the public on Saturday, December 12. During the holiday season, the Buffalo Bill Museum is open from 9 am to 4 pm, Tuesday through Sunday. The Museum

will close at 2:00 pm on Christmas Eve and will be closed on Christmas Day. The Museum will be open on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

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