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TOPIC: Mystery at the Mansion (October 13, 27, and 28, 2023)

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Tickets Now on Sale for The History Museum's Mystery at the Mansion

South Bend, IN— Tickets are now on sale for The History Museum's "Mystery at the Mansion," taking place on Friday, October 13, 27, and 28. Tours leave every 15 minutes, with the first one at 5:30 p.m. Tours are limited. Tickets sell out quickly, and reservations are strongly recommended. Tickets are \$25/general and \$20/members. Purchase online at historymuseumSB.org.

This year's Mystery at the Mansion turns the clock back to 1935. In the early morning hours on January 10, 1935, South Bend's Palace Café was reduced to rubble when three bombs exploded. There were plenty of suspects, but no conclusive evidence. Local authorities called on a so-called "scientific palmist" named Nellie Simmons Meier to help in the investigation. *Who* was guilty, *what* was their motive, and *how* did they know about detonating bombs? To discover the villain, participants will need to listen carefully to clues while walking from room to room in the three-story Oliver Mansion. Stair-climbing is required. Tickets are \$25/general and \$20/members. Reservations are strongly recommended; tours are limited. Purchase online at historymuseumSB.org

Now in its 16th year, Mystery at the Mansion is a popular annual event at The History Museum. As participants walk through the elegant 38-room Oliver Mansion, they listen to the characters' dialogues, with the rooms of the house as a backdrop to each scene. Details of the crime surface as the play unfolds. This popular mystery needs good investigative skills to track down "whodunit." Those who solve the case win a chance at the grand prize.

The Oliver Mansion, once home to the J.D. Oliver family, is a historic house museum owned and operated by The History Museum. The Oliver family moved into the three-story, 12,000 square-foot house on January 1, 1897. The Victorian mansion would be home to the family for the next 75 years. All the mansion's furnishings are original, showing the house just as it appeared when the family lived there. The Oliver Mansion (named Copshaholm by the family) is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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