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– FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –

Enjoy a Swedish Delicacy in Philadelphia! Crayfish Dinner Party Friday, August 8th 6:00 pm



Philadelphia, PA- Like discovering new cultural cuisine? Looking for a fun night out with friends? Enjoy a summer evening at the American Swedish Historical Museum to indulge in a Swedish specialty: crayfish!

The Swedish tradition of feasting on crayfish in the last month of summer dates has a long history. At one time the lakes of central Sweden were filled with crayfish, but overfishing decimated their population. Eventually, the government prohibited the catching of crayfish except for a short time in

late summer. After going the whole summer without the delicacy, the return of crayfish to the dinner table in August became a great cause for celebration. Crayfish parties in Sweden are often held out of doors surrounded by big paper lanterns and festive colored lights strung for decoration. This is a can't miss opportunity to try crayfish prepared the Swedish way. Everyone can raise a glass of *aquavit* and sing traditional Swedish drinking songs.

ASHM's take on the Swedish crayfish dinner includes a buffet of crayfish, Swedish meatballs, potatoes, cheese pie, salads, dessert, and a glass of *aquavit* outside on the Museum terrace under our decorated tent.

Tickets are \$60 for ASHM members and \$70 for non-members. Pre-registration is required by August 4th, space is limited. Register on our website at:

<https://www.americanswedish.org/events/crayfish-party-5>



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**About ASHM:**

Visit the American Swedish Historical Museum to learn the forgotten history of Swedes in Philadelphia. Built in 1926 during the Sesquicentennial, the Museum has a unique interior divided into a dozen galleries designed to highlight Scandinavian influences in America. The galleries explore a range of topics including the New Sweden Colony, women's history, scientific innovations, and Swedish craft arts. ASHM hosts a variety of programs from Swedish holiday celebrations to history lectures to family programs.

The American Swedish Historical Museum welcomes everyone to explore cultural identity through stories of Swedes and all Scandinavians and to connect with a vibrant community dedicated to preserving and interpreting culture through celebrations, exhibitions, and opportunities to learn, experience, and grow. No matter your age or interests, ASHM has something for you! Visit our website www.americanswedish.org to learn more.

The American Swedish Historical Museum is located in scenic FDR Park at 1900 Pattison Avenue in South Philadelphia near the Sports Complex. Plenty of free parking is available. For those taking public transportation, the Broad Street Subway's NRG/Pattison Avenue stop is within walking distance or SEPTA's Route 17 (to Pattison) can bring you right to the Museum.