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GETTY VILLA CELEBRATES THE EXHIBITION *APHRODITE AND THE GODS OF LOVE* WITH AN ALL DAY FAMILY FESTIVAL

At the J. Paul Getty Museum, Getty Villa
Saturday, April 21, 2012

LOS ANGELES—On Saturday, April 21, the Getty Villa will offer an all-day **Family Festival** celebrating the exhibition *Aphrodite and the Gods of Love*. On view until July 9, 2012, the exhibition explores the various aspects of the Greek goddess of love and beauty who was one of the most widely worshipped deities of the ancient world.

The festival activities include enchanting performances by Helios Dance Company, tales of Aphrodite told by storyteller Carl Weintraub, and a quartet of musicians whose sounds of ship bells explore the spaces at the Villa. The day will also include a variety of engaging workshops which will offer visitors a chance to make a shell hand mirror, a pair of divine wearable wings, and offerings to build a shrine to Aphrodite.

The family festival will take place at the Getty Villa in Malibu on Saturday, April 21, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Admission is free, but a ticket is required. Parking is \$15 a car. To make a reservation please call (310) 440-7300 or visit www.getty.edu.

For additional information about the family festival visit:
www.getty.edu/education/kids_families/programs/villa_family_festival.html



Statuette of Aphrodite and Eros on a Base, 2nd-1st century B.C. Unknown artist. Greek (Hellenistic). Bronze. The J. Paul Getty Museum, Villa Collection, Malibu, California.

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Visiting the Getty Villa

The Getty Villa is open Wednesday through Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is closed Tuesday and major holidays. Admission to the Getty Villa is always free. A ticket is required for admission. Tickets can be ordered in advance, or on the day of your visit, at www.getty.edu/visit or at (310) 440-7300. Parking is \$15 per car. Groups of 15 or more must make reservations by phone. For more information, call (310) 440-7300 (English or Spanish); (310) 440-7305 (TTY line for the deaf or hearing impaired). The Getty Villa is at 17985 Pacific Coast Highway, Pacific Palisades, California.

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