



*Image caption: Dan Ellerboek thanks customers purchasing holiday gifts at the Penn Museum Shop. Photo: Penn Museum.
A downloadable image is available [here](#).*

"Shop with Purpose" for Thoughtful, Impactful Gifts **Museum Store Sunday at the Penn Museum, Dec. 1**

PHILADELPHIA, October 17, 2024—The [Penn Museum Shop](#) is among nearly 25 attractions across the City of Philadelphia that will participate in **Museum Store Sunday** on **December 1**.

This nationwide event involving more than 2,100 museum stores representing all 50 states is designed inspire holiday shopping with meaningful economic impact.

The **Penn Museum Shop** will offer **20 percent off all merchandise** in both its online and onsite stores for the entire weekend: **Friday, November 29 through Monday, December 2**.

Shoppers will find wide range of gifts for all ages inspired by the Penn Museum’s world-renowned collections—such as hand-crafted holiday [ornaments](#) from Kenya, [umbrellas](#), [silk scarves](#), [hand-knitted wool mittens](#), [stunning jewelry](#) duplicating the royal style of a Mesopotamian queen, [artifact replicas](#), [excavation kits](#) for kids, hieroglyph-decoding activity kits, spices, teas, mugs, chocolates from around the world, [Anubis](#) as a cuddly stuffed animal, [board games](#), and [1,000-piece puzzles](#).

“Shopping during Museum Store Sunday not only supports the mission of cultural institutions, it also helps local communities around the world. Museum shops like ours are intentional about buying from local artisans and businesses to showcase fair trade products like tins of [Just Tea](#), keychains from Guatemala, and Made 51’s ornaments,” explains Dan Ellerbroek, Penn Museum Shop Assistant. “Shopping with purpose can be a fun and powerful way to give back—what better way to get into the spirit of holiday gift-giving?”

In addition, online shoppers will receive free shipping with a minimum order of \$50 on Museum Store Sunday.

Other area attractions participating in Museum Store Sunday include the African-American Museum of Philadelphia, American Swedish Historical Museum, Battleship New Jersey, Betsy Ross House, Carpenter’s Hall, Eastern State Penitentiary, Independence Seaport Museum, Laurel Hill Cemetery, and National Constitution Center.

Another opportunity to support local cultural institutions is on [Giving Tuesday](#), December 3. Created in 2012, Giving Tuesday encourages people to contribute toward building a better world through acts of generosity and kindness.

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ABOUT THE PENN MUSEUM

The Penn Museum's mission is to be a center for inquiry and the ongoing exploration of humanity for our University of Pennsylvania, regional, national, and global communities, following ethical standards and practices.

Through conducting research, stewarding collections, creating learning opportunities, sharing stories, and creating experiences that expand access to archaeology and anthropology, the Museum builds empathy and connections across diverse cultures.

The Penn Museum is open Tuesday-Sunday, 10:00 am-5:00 pm. On first Wednesdays of the month, it is open until 8:00 pm. The Café is open Tuesday-Thursday, 9:00 am-3:00 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. On Sundays, the Café is open 10:30 am-2:30 pm. For information, visit www.penn.museum, call [215.898.4000](tel:215.898.4000), or follow @PennMuseum on social media.