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## **Emily Dickinson Museum Celebrates the Poet's Birthday Dec. 10**

AMHERST, Mass.—The Emily Dickinson Museum will host its annual Open House on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 1 to 4 p.m. in honor of Emily Dickinson's 175th birthday (Dec. 10, 1830). The event is free and open to the public. The Emily Dickinson Museum is composed of the Dickinson Homestead, birthplace and home of the poet, and The Evergreens next door, the home of Austin and Susan Dickinson, the poet's brother and sister-in-law.

The Museum's 10th annual "At Home" celebration will include self-guided tours of the Homestead and The Evergreens, parlor music, poetry reading and special cakes from Dickinson family recipes. In addition, visitors will be invited to write their own birthday tributes to Emily Dickinson. And as is tradition, this year the first 175 guests to the Museum will receive a rose, offered by an anonymous donor.

The Museum is located on Main Street in Amherst and is owned by the Trustees of Amherst College. For more information about the Open House, please call 413/542-8161 or visit [www.emilydickinsonmuseum.org](http://www.emilydickinsonmuseum.org). Accessible parking is available at the Homestead; all other vehicles are asked to park on the street or in an Amherst College lot on Spring Street. Call for more information about accessibility. The Museum will be closed for the winter from Dec. 12 through March 1.

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