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Hotel de Paris Museum Reintroduces Exotic Fragrances and Genuine Scents

Georgetown, Colo., May 1, 2018- Hotel de Paris Museum, a Site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, opens its tour season to the public on Saturday, May 26, 2018. The museum recently replaced artificial food with real food to emphasize the culinary history of the site through sight and smell.

“The authenticity of Louis Dupuy’s Hotel de Paris encouraged the removal of our food props. In place of papier-mâché bread, ceramic eggs, and foam strawberries, we reintroduced ingredients and condiments like those used by Dupuy, the best cook in the Colorado Territory,” explains executive director Kevin Kuharic. “Visitors can now experience smell jars containing East India curry, Formosa oolong tea, bay leaves, cloves, baker’s cocoa, and mocha java coffee. Our dining tables are replenished with granulated sugar, table salt, celery salt, black pepper, and pepper sauce. We even brought back examples of men’s cologne and women’s perfume which were once sold as toiletries by ‘French Louie.’”

“Famous the wide world over,” Hotel de Paris began in 1875 and is older than the State of Colorado. Dating from the state’s silver mining boom, the property offered a first-class French restaurant, showrooms for traveling salesmen, and luxurious lodging. The idealized French inn catered to wealthy businessmen, railroad tycoons, mining investors, and outdoor adventure seekers during the Gilded Age. After the Silver Panic of 1893, Hotel de Paris steadily declined; in 1954, the hotel was purchased and opened as a museum. Restored period rooms showcase the building’s original furnishings. The site’s wholeness provides a fascinating window into the lives of the hotel’s proprietors, workers, builders, and guests. Open daily May 26-September 30, and weekends October 1-December 9. Admission is \$7; discounts are available for youths, seniors, active military and their families, AAA, and members of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Hotel de Paris Museum is situated at 409 6th Street, Georgetown, CO 80444. ADA accessible. Gift shop. Free parking.

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About Hotel de Paris Museum

Hotel de Paris Museum, a Site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, is owned and operated by The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America in the State of Colorado. Hotel de Paris Museum collects, preserves, and shares history and culture associated with Louis Dupuy’s Hotel de Paris, and serves as a catalyst for heritage tourism. For more information, visit <http://www.hoteldeparismuseum.org>

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