RING IN THE HOLIDAYS WITH 15 DAYS OF MINTURN

Celebrate the season and Minturn's 115th year with a lineup of festive entertainment and commemorative activities

Minturn, CO (November 15th, 2019) — This December, join Minturn in ringing in 115 years with a special **15 Days of Minturn** celebration. From December 1st through the 15th, this quaint mountain town will be hosting daily events, from music and markets to local adventure and lively gatherings.

Kick off the month on Sunday, December 1st at **Vail Mountain Coffee and Tea** from 4 to 6 p.m. The **15 Days of Minturn Kickoff Party**, presented by Vail Jazz Foundation and the Town of Minturn, will bring together the community with live jazz performed by the Kathy Morrow Trio. The event will also feature an art exhibit by the Vail Valley Art Guild.

On Friday, December 6th there are several events to choose from, or you can include them all. From 5:30 to 8 p.m., join the **Vail Valley Art Guild** for the December **First Friday Exhibition Reception** at the **Minturn Community Fund**, located at 291 Main Street in Minturn. Come out to meet the artists and see their work in the mediums of photography, painting, ceramics and more. Wine and snacks will be served.

Also on Friday, December 6th, **Monkshood Cellars** is hosting **Wine and Fine Jewels** from 4 to 8 p.m. Local jewelry maker Paulina Dean (*PaulinaWarren.com*) will be showcasing her work while Monkshood will be pouring some of its newly released fermentations.

The annual **Town Tree Lighting** will be held on Friday, December 6th, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., in Downtown Minturn (Main St. and Toledo). This will be a traditional small-town tree lighting celebration for both locals and visitors. Kid's trivia and prizes, a reading of "Twas the Night Before Christmas", free hot cocoa, music and more!

And don't miss the **Winter Holiday Market** on Saturday, December 7th and Saturday, December 14th — it's truly one of Minturn's most celebrated gatherings of the season. In addition to a wide variety of vendors and holiday gift options, the market will feature carolers, Santa, s'mores and much more!

Also during the Market on the 14th, the **Eagle County Historical Society** will be offering historical walking tours from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Across the street from the Market, visit **Anahata Yoga** for **Self-Care Saturdays** on both December 7th and December 14th. Pop on in for a class and pickup something extra for yourself!

Sunday, December 8, Send It Sundays at the Minturn Saloon will begin at 3pm.

Throughout the month, locals and town guests are encouraged to explore **Meadow Mountain** on snowshoes and **Maloit Park** on snowshoes or cross country skis. These beautiful natural areas sit on the edges of Minturn and truly represent the beauty of the mountains in the winter.

Meadow Mountain and Maloit Park long been a popular spot for winter recreationists. Both are very accessible and uniquely remote. On Meadow Mountain, once you get beyond the first bend in the trail and if you have the time and the stamina to make it to the top, you will be rewarded by amazing panorama views of the Gore Range and a spectacular vantage point of Battle Mountain and the Town of Minturn.

Go **caroling** with the **Minturn Community Fund** on Thursday, December 12th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Carolers will meet at 5:30 p.m. at Minturn Community Fund (291 Main Street in Minturn) Hot cocoa will be provided — bring your own thermos and headlamp, and be sure to dress warm!

On Friday, December 13th, head to **Revival Photographic** for a 1900s-inspired Tintype Portrait Party. Bring your best 1900s gear: tophats, snapcaps, feathercaps, think Prohibition era.

In the spirit of a grand finale weekend, an **Outdoor Winter Concert** in Downtown Minturn will follow the Winter Market on Saturday, December 14th (from 3-5pm). The bluegrass show, presented the Town of Minturn and Crazy Mountain Brewery, will feature the **Blue Canyon Boys**, a high-energy Colorado quartet. Wine by Monkshood Cellars will be available, and food by Baked and Loaded. This is a free show, with food and beverage proceeds benefiting the Minturn Community Fund's community programs.

Lastly, on Sunday, December 15th, raise a glass to the Town of Minturn at the **Community Dinner**, being held at Town Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The December dinner will feature a holiday theme, and the main course is being sponsored by **Sunrise Minturn**.

And of course, also on Sunday, December 15th (and every Sunday in the winter, at 3 p.m.), join the Minturn Saloon and Crazy Mountain Brewery for **Send it Sundays.**

For more information visit minturn.org/15days.

About The Town of Minturn, Colorado

Minturn is the historic gem of Eagle County, located just minutes from world renowned Vail and Beaver Creek. The railroad town, which developed in the late 1800s and was established in 1904, is currently home to one-of-a-kind shops, businesses and restaurants located along Main Street. The railroad era homes and buildings that line Main Street render Minturn's history palpable, and offer a true sense of place. Though proud of its small town ethos, Minturn maintains an innovative atmosphere as it is home to a number of valley institutions. Known as the gateway to the White River National Forest and the Holy Cross Wilderness, at 7,861' Minturn's backyard is vast and full of opportunity. There are mountains to climb, trails to ride, rivers to fish and local outfitters to guide guests as they make it an adventure in Minturn. For up to the minute information and updates please check out <u>www.minturn.org</u> as well as follow along on social media @gominturn (Facebook & Instagram).