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## **CHRISTMAS EXHIBIT AT SPRING STREET HISTORICAL MUSEUM**

Secretary of State Jay Dardenne and the staff of the Spring Street Historical Museum are announcing the opening of the “Jingle Bells and Shotgun Shells: Christmas Traditions and Where They Came From” exhibit. The exhibit examines the origins of many of our most treasured Christmas traditions.

“Jingle Bells and Shotgun Shells” features traditions including where the first Christmas tree came from, the evolving faces of Santa Claus and why we bake dozens of cookies each year. Visit the museum this holiday season and to see an authentic Victorian Christmas display upstairs in our Victorian parlor. The exhibit is on display through Wednesday, Dec 31.

The Spring Street Historical Museum is located at 525 Spring St. in downtown Shreveport. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum will be closed Dec. 24-26 for the holidays. Admission is free. For more information about the Spring Street Historical Museum call 318.424.0964 or visit our Web site at [www.sos.louisiana.gov/sshm](http://www.sos.louisiana.gov/sshm).

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