

## Programming for 2025



Waldemar Ager Association, Inc.  
Waldemar Ager Museum

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<https://agerhouse.org>

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## Program Committee Plan for 2025 (Revised from December 19) December 30, 2024

### Events: Traditional and Special

#### Traditional

- CultureFest (March 9)
- Syttende Mai (May 16)
- Summer Solstice and Yard Sale (June 20)
- Tusenbeiner (July 19)
- **Multicultural Fair/Festival**
- Scandinavian Food Demonstration (November 9 or 16)
- Art and Crafts Sale (November 22 or 29)
- Advent at the Ager (November 30)

#### Special and Themed (three events)

- Immigration and Literacy
- Immigrants in Eau Claire—the Scandinavian experience (*On the Way to the Melting Pot*) Hmong experiences (both included in collaborative even with CVM)
- Immigration 200 years ago and in mid-20<sup>th</sup> century

Connections to Norwegian literature: collaboration with the Department of Music and Theater Arts, UW-Eau Claire, including promotion of the production of *A Doll's House* scheduled in March 2025.

#### Goals

To raise awareness of Waldemar Ager and his many achievements.

To acknowledge and explore the experience of immigrants.

To provide rich and various cultural programs for the community and region.

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Date	Event	Description	Status/Coordinator
Feb 13 6:30 – 7:30	Lecture Series: Immigration and Literacy	Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Hart, Executive Director, Literacy Chippewa Valley	Doug
Feb 15	Hike/walk/run the new trail from the Ager Museum (out and back or circle tour back to Ager Museum)	Start at 1:30. Return to Ager Museum for cocoa and cookies at 2:30 p.m.	Doug
Feb 24 – March 9	Collaboration with UWEC on “A Doll’s House.” On campus and downtown.	Events in association with UWEC production of A DollHouse	TBD
March 9 Noon to 4	CultureFest	Exhibit table, a performance excerpted from Melting Pot	Script in progress. No coordinator yet
Late April/early May	Collaborative event with CV Museum. Program to complement exhibit.	Immigrants in Eau Claire: Hmong and Norwegians	Jodi Kiffmeyer/Bob Gough?
May 1	CVLR Tours of Ager Museum	10 – 11:30 and 1:30 – 3	Sally Felling and Tim and Doug
May 13	CVLR Tours of Ager Museum	10 – 11:30 and 1:30 – 3	Sally Felling and Tim and Doug?
May 16 at 6 pm	Syttende Mai Banquet and Program	At the Holiday Inn South, Presenter Tom Loftus	17 mai Committee
May 17	Syttende Mai, memorial of Ager’s birthday in March; reception for Tom Loftus?	At the Ager Museum	Coordinator to be designated.
June 20	Yard Sale and Celebration of Summer Solstice	What is it? How about ice cream and strawberries?	Coordinator to be decided.
July 19 at 8:30 a.m.	Tusenbeiner 3	2K/5K run; breakfast at Ager after the run	Doug coordinator
August 24? 11 to 5	Multicultural Festival	A table; maybe a kubb demo/learn to play	Coordinator TBD
September 16 or 18	Lecture Series: On immigration	Immigration: Restaurationen?	No speaker. No coordinator.
October 9	Lecture Series: On the immigration experience	Interview with member immigrants Ivar Lunde and Jan Hansen	TBD
November 9 or 16	Scandinavian Foods	Demonstration	Engen coordinator?
November 22 or 29	Art and Craft Sale	3 – 5 participants	Pearson coordinator.
Nov 30	Advent at the Ager	Food, music, tours, more?	Coordinator to be decided.