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Witte Museum Celebrates National Clown Week with Send in the Clowns!

1-4 p.m., Sunday, August 2, 2009

SAN ANTONIO—**National Clown Week** is August 1-7 and in recognition of this event the Witte Museum welcomes back San Antonio's clown troupe, the **Jolly Joeys**, for an afternoon of fun and games. **Send in the Clowns!** is **1-4 p.m.** on **Sunday, August 2** and is included with museum general admission.

Bring the entire family to spend the afternoon getting your face painted, designing your own clown hat, creating balloon animals and enjoying clown shows!

The celebration of Clown Week shows the Witte Museum's continued appreciation of the circus. The Witte Museum is home to the famous Hertzberg Circus Collection, one of the largest and most impressive collections of circus art and artifacts in the world. In 1970, President Richard Nixon passed the law to observe National Clown Week for recognition of clowns and the valuable service they provide. Every year during National Clown Week, clowns all across the country make special appearances and visits.

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