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Morris Museum Receives Grant from Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. to Support Collaboration with Sussex Avenue School

(Morristown, NJ)— The Morris Museum has received a \$7,000 grant from Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. The grant will fund a science-based collaboration with the Sussex Avenue School of the Morris School District.

“As a teaching institution, educational programming is integral to our mission. This grant from Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. will enable the Morris Museum to continue our important work with students. This partnership with Sussex Avenue School will enhance science education and bring hands-on learning to museum audiences in the meaningful and unique ways for which the museum is known,” noted Steve Miller, Executive Director of the Morris Museum.

The current project is based in science education and focuses on the heart and circulatory system. With the help of the lead science teacher at the school and museum educators, this winter students in grade five will design and build hands-on interactive activities which will help participants gain a better understanding of how the phenomenal human heart functions. The activity boxes and stations will be used by the Museum in its Super Science Series for children and families. The Super Science Series invites visitors of all ages to drop in and participate in exciting workshops that combine science themes with hands-on art and craft activities.

About the Morris Museum

The Morris Museum explores and celebrates the arts, sciences and humanities through exhibitions, educational programs, performing arts and special events. Founded in 1913, the museum serves nearly 200,000 adults and children each year. These programs are made possible, in part, by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. The Morris Museum has been designated a Major Arts Institution by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts (NJSCA) for

four years in a row, and has been awarded the NJSCA's Citation of Excellence three years in a row.

The Morris Museum, located at 6 Normandy Heights Road (at the corner of Columbia Turnpike) in Morristown, NJ, is open Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Admission to the museum is \$10 for adults and \$7 for children, students and senior citizens. Admission is free for museum members and is free to the public every Thursday between 5 and 8 p.m. For more information, call 973-971-3700, or visit www.morrismuseum.org.

About Daiichi Sankyo, Inc.

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