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Winter 2024 Event Guide

Your source for upcoming community happenings & places to go!

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Parade

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INSIDE: Music, Art, Food and More!

Christmas in the Country Open House and Studio Tour

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Be a part of the 33rd Christmas in the Country open house and studio tour. This year's event takes place Friday, December 6 (9am-4pm), Saturday, December 7 (9am-4pm) and Sunday, December 8 (9am-2pm). This self-guided tour takes place in multiple locations throughout Washington County. Follow the Christmas tree signs to find handcrafted specialties at our local countryside artists' studios! Maps can be found on Facebook: Christmas In The Country Washington County. Participating this year are:

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- WHOVILLE STUDIO - 99 Hadlock Pond Road, West Fort Ann
- HAMELLOT - 16 Joe Green Road, Fort Ann
- The HANDS & FEET of HOPE & RAINA'S JEWELRY - 10394 Route 149, Fort Ann 518-796-7926
- WOODLAND CRAFTS - 371 Sly Pond Road, West Fort Ann 518-232-6657

26th Annual Saratoga Chowderfest

SARATOGA – Saratoga's Annual Chowderfest is one of the area's most highly anticipated events of the year. Family-friendly, fun and utterly delicious, Chowderfest features more than 80 vendors—including Saratoga County's best restaurants and caterers—who open their doors to the public and serve 4 oz. samples of chowder for \$2 to event goers. Sponsored by the Saratoga Convention & Tourism Bureau, Chowderfest will take place Saturday, February 8 from 11am to 4pm in downtown Saratoga Springs.

2024 Troy Turkey Trot



TROY - The Troy Turkey Trot is a premier road race featuring 5k and 10k distances, among other events. Since its humble beginnings in 1916, when six runners entered, the Troy Turkey Trot has grown into one of the largest and oldest turkey trots in the United States. 2024 Troy Turkey Trot

The 2024 Troy Turkey Trot will feature big time racing across four events: the competitive 5k and 10k runs, the one mile Turkey Walk, and the Grade School Mile. Join us in this proud annual tradition!

This event gets underway starting at 8am with the 10k, and the day's events culminate with the largest 5k race in the Capital District at 10am. The race will take place Thursday, November 28 beginning at 8am at the Troy Atrium (4 3rd Street, Troy). For more information or to register visit www.troyturkeytrot.com.

23rd Annual Christopher Dailey Foundation 5K Turkey Trot

SARATOGA SPRINGS - The Christopher Dailey Foundation's annual Turkey Trot returns on Thanksgiving morning - Thursday, November 28, 2024 at 8:30am. Packet pickup will take place at the Saratoga Hilton on Wednesday, November 27 between 4pm-8pm and Thursday, November 23 between 6:30am-8am. The course starts at City Hall and finishes on the corner of Route 50 and North Broadway. Learn more and register at: christopherdaileyfoundation.com.

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Saratoga History Museum Dinner Theater Fundraiser

SARATOGA SPRINGS - Enjoy a wonderful dinner and a captivating play by Kirk and Maria Starczewski at the annual fundraiser for the History Museum. This event takes place Friday, December 13 from 6 to 10pm at the Saratoga History Museum (1 E. Congress Street, Saratoga Springs).

19th Annual Albany Santa Speedo Sprint

ALBANY – Mark your calendars, get your affairs in order and kiss your loved ones because the 19th Annual Santa Speedo Sprint will be on Saturday, December 14, 2024 and you have to be there!

Registration begins at 11am and the race is at 2pm. Come on down to 154 Lark Street in Albany for the race. Find more information on Facebook: facebook.com/events/1452776145501243.





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Holiday Lighted Nights



GREENWICH - The Holiday Lighted Nights at the Washington County Fairgrounds is back for a second year! We have expanded the route for even more lights for the same great price of \$25 per car!

This drive-thru holiday tradition will be fun for the whole family as you drive through over a mile and a half of holiday magic, taking in giant lighted displays featuring holiday favorites as well as community-

created displays by Greenwich FFA, Washington County Cornell Cooperative Extension and the History Museum Committee while listening to your favorite holiday music provided by IHEART Radio. The path and displays change each year, so each year is a new experience!

Don't forget to stop in the Holiday Square to visit the Fair Store, purchase snacks from Reggies Veggies and Barbie's Snack Shack, and more surprises this season!

Dates are November 29 through December 30.

Tickets can be purchased at washingtoncountyfair.ticketspice.com or at the gate!

Help us Support the Comfort Food Community "Shine on Hunger" campaign. Please bring an unexpired soup can to donate to the Comfort Food Community.

Get your Holiday Shopping done while supporting local artisans. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Nights visit our Holiday Bazaar for everyone on your list!

Visit Santa! Tell him what you want for Christmas, snap a picture, or drop off a letter for him to take back to the North Pole.

Washington County Fairgrounds is located at 392 Old Schuylerville Road in Greenwich.

Flight Night Fridays: Christmas Cocktail Flights



TROY - Join us at Bard & Baker for Flight Night Fridays! For only \$20 you get a flight of four mini cocktails plus a snack bowl of your choosing to share. Join us for games and drinks and fun! Flight Nights are 5-9pm each Friday at B&B on the following dates:

- Friday December 6th - boozy hot chocolate flights
- Friday December 13th - hot tea toddy flights
- Friday December 20th - Christmas cocktail flights
- Friday December 27th - glitzy spritzzy flights

Mocktail versions of each flight always available each week for a discounted price. B&B is located at 501 Broadway, Suite 105 in Troy.

Cambridge Valley Fine Art Tour

CAMBRIDGE - Artists participating in this tour are: George Van Hook, Matt Chinian, Sara Kelly, Gena Semenov, Mark Tougias, Julie Duggan and Clarence King

The Cambridge Valley Fine Art Holiday Tour and Sale will take place on Saturday December 7 and Sunday December 8 from 11 to 4 on both days.

This is a self-guided tour where art lovers and the curious have the opportunity to visit seven participating painters who work in oils and watercolors using various techniques, styles and approaches. The seven artists, Mark Tougias, Matt Chinian, Sara Kelly, Gena Semenov, Clarence King, Julie Duggan and George

Van Hook all live in the village of Cambridge within a few blocks of one another, making a visit to all six easy and stress-free. Visit Matt Chinian's bright airy studio and view his Prosaic Realism plein air paintings. Sara Kelly will have her studio open, displaying a selection of fanciful artwork and printed goods. At George Van Hook's there will be watercolors, figure drawings, and lots of oils in all sizes encompassing farmscapes, seascapes, rivers, lakes, mountains, figurative works and still lifes. Mark Tougias has a house full of rich and colorful landscapes, painted plein air and in the studio. Clarence King is an experienced regional painter and has exhibited in many fine galleries and shows. Julie Duggan has very recognizable scenes of the local landmarks and landscapes. We welcome Gena Semenov to the tour this year. Gena paints in a bold direct impasto style in oils and acrylics.

Please feel free to drop by either day between 11 and 4. All artist accept either cash or checks, and some accept credit cards.

Genealogy Group

SCHUYLERVILLE - Join a local knowledgeable genealogy group in learning about your heritage. Open to all. The group meets the fourth Monday of each month from 10am to 12pm at the Schuylerville Public Library (52 Ferry Street).

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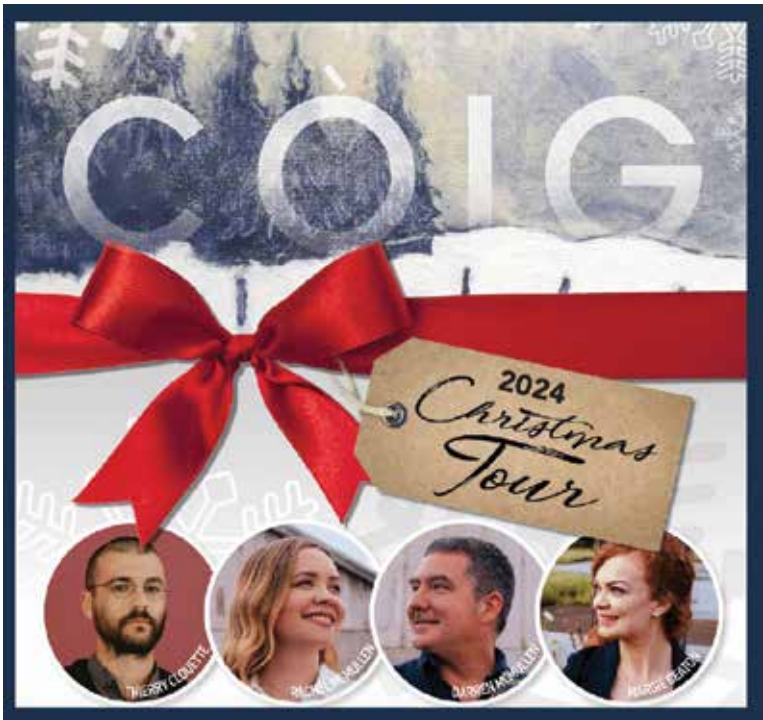
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Celtic Music Concert - 2024 Christmas Tour



CAMBRIDGE – A Holiday Concert Hosted by Hubbard Hall Center for the Arts and Education in Cambridge on Sunday, December 15 from 6 to 8pm at 25 East Main Street in Cambridge.

Còig, is one of Atlantic Canada’s most exciting Celtic traditional groups made up of accomplished multi-instrumentalists Rachel McMullen, Darren McMullen, Chrissy Crowley, Theirry Clouette and Margie Beaton. With the fiery Celtic high-energy style as its musical core, Còig easily shifts between century-old tunes of past generations to original and upbeat compositions, featuring the band’s range of over a dozen instruments (vocals, fiddles, piano, guitars, banjo, mandolin, viola, bouzouki, whistles, and more). With driving tunes, haunting songs and infectious energy, Còig is an unparalleled music force.

Còig’s music is a unique combination of influences that could only come from these players. “We all come from sort of a traditional background, but then we have different influences that

we’re interested in,” explains fiddler and singer Rachel McMullen. “Chrissy (Crowley, fiddler) likes to dive into a lot of world music, Darren (mandolin, guitar, banjo, etc.) comes from a kind of Irish theme from playing around a lot. More of the traditional Cape Breton stuff is really what I love, plus all the folk songs, so it’s an interesting mix.”

The Cape Breton quartet have earned rave reviews from audiences around the world and an impressive list of credits for their recordings, ”Rove” (2017), “Carols” (2015) and “Five” (2014) including a Canadian Folk Music Award, a JUNO Award nomination and multiple East Coast Music Awards and Music Nova Scotia Awards.

The best in trad music, in a non-traditional way. That’s Còig.

Admission is: \$30 for adults and \$15 for students 21 and under. To purchase tickets online visit Hubbard Hall website - Now Playing and click on the event to link to registration. 518-677-2495



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2024 Saratoga Festival of Trees



SARATOGA SPRINGS - Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties invites the local community to unwrap the magic of the holiday season at their 29th annual fundraiser - The Festival of Trees!

The Festival returns with a showcase of beautifully decorated trees, wreaths and other holiday and gift items for purchase. Festival proceeds will benefit the programs of Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties. The dates for this year’s festival are Thursday, Dec 5, 2024 until Sunday, Dec 8, 2024 at the Saratoga Springs City Center, 522 Broadway Saratoga Springs. For more information call 518-587-5000.

Cambridge Thanksgiving Turkey Trot 5k

CAMBRIDGE - Join us on Thanksgiving morning for the third annual Cambridge Thanksgiving Turkey Trot 5k. This will be a morning of fun, community fellowship, and exercise! This fast and scenic course will start at the old brick Coila Church on State Route 372 and head towards the village of Cambridge. You will get to run along Old Coila Road, through portions of downtown, and by the old Cambridge Hotel before heading back down main street and finishing at The Coila Church, where snacks and beverages will be handed out as you finish, along with finish photos and finisher goodies! Course maps will be provided at check-in, route will be clearly marked and controlled by law enforcement to ensure safety.

Over the last 2 years, we have been proud to put 100% of registration profit towards the Cambridge Food Pantry and the CVRS (Cambridge Valley Rescue Squad)! This year, we will be utilizing all funds to support the Cambridge Fuel Fund. We are excited to provide this essential service to members of our community, particularly right before winter. Please consider bringing cans, pantry items, and non-perishable foods

to the race to donate to the food pantry, bins will be available for contributed items.

Two opportunities for packet pickup will be provided, first on the evening before the race (Wednesday, Nov 27, from 4-5pm) and second on the morning of the race (Thursday, Nov 28) from 7:00-8:00. We highly encourage participants to use the Wednesday evening option to relieve the crowds

Thursday morning. Any participant not checked in by 8:10 will be considered a “no-show” and refunds will not be issued. Family members may complete packet pickup/registration for their immediate family members. While we may have limited day-of registration available, we ask that you register as far in advance as possible to assist the event go smoothly. Register for the race at runsignup.com.

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MJ The Musical

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The MJ creative team features Scenic Design by two-time Tony and Emmy Award winner Derek McLane, Lighting Design by seven-time Tony Award winner



Natasha Katz, Costume Design by Tony and Emmy Award winner Paul Tazewell, Sound Design by Tony Award winner Gareth Owen, Projection Design by two-time Tony Award nominee Peter Nigrini, and Hair & Wig Design by two-time Emmy Award nominee Charles G. LaPointe. The creative team also features Musical Supervision by Tony Award nominee David Holcenberg, Orchestrations and Arrangements by David Holcenberg and Tony Award winner Jason Michael

Webb, and Music Direction by Victor Simonson. Casting by The Telsey Office / Rachel Hoffman, CSA, Lindsay Levine, CSA.

MJ is recommended for ages 8 and up. Running time is 2 hours 30 minutes, including a 15-minute intermission.

If you have a group of 10* or more, you can save on ticket prices! Contact Group Sales at (518) 382-3884 ext. 139 or send an email to groupsales@proctorscollaborative.org for more information. The play runs Tuesday, December 3 through Sunday, December 8 from 7:30 to 10:30pm each night.

Life of Pi at Proctors



SCHENECTADY - After a shipwreck in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, a sixteen-year-old boy named Pi survives on a lifeboat with four companions- a hyena, a zebra, an orangutan and a Royal Bengal tiger. Come see this theatrical event at Proctors (432 State Street, Schenectady) Tuesday, February 18 through Sunday, February 23 beginning at 7:30pm each night.

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Grunge Night with The Ledbetters & Superunknown

SARATOGA SPRINGS - Grab your flannels and combat boots and join us for a Grunge Night that will transport you back to the 90s! The Ledbetters, THE ultimate Pearl Jam tribute band, are joined by Superunknown who is quickly becoming the premier tribute band for the music of Chris Cornell.

The Ledbetters are THE ultimate Pearl Jam tribute band.

Capturing an authentic recreation of Pearl Jam's studio recordings, combined with their intense live shows, The Ledbetters will bring you right back to your flannel-wearing days. Comprised of powerhouse singer Jamie Stem (Sinch), James Burke on lead guitar, Steven Piperno on guitars, Rocco De Lise on bass guitar and John Stover on drums, they accurately pay homage to the DEEP

catalogue of iconic songs that influenced a generation. WHY GO see them? They'll make you feel ALIVE!

Superunknown covers all eras of Chris Cornell, playing the music of Soundgarden, Audioslave and Temple of the Dog. They have already scored gigs playing the Gramercy Theatre in NYC, The Queen in Wilmington, and the World Café Live and Underground Arts venues in Philadelphia, where they connected with audiences desiring to hear the music of the late, great music legend.

Get the GROUP ADVANTAGE! Gather your group of 10 or more and receive 10% off your tickets for qualifying shows. Contact Group Sales at (518) 382-3884 ext. 139 for more information today! The concert will be held Saturday, November 16 from 7:30 to 10pm at the Universal Preservation Hall, 25 Washington Street Saratoga Springs.



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2024 Jingle Bell Run



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Wear your favorite holiday costume and spread good cheer for a great cause. We're raising awareness and funds to support arthritis research for better treatments and a cure. Register as an individual or as a team with family, friends, or even coworkers! We're also helping the Arthritis Foundation develop tools, resources and opportunities to connect with each other. Together, we're committed to conquering arthritis for good. Please join us! For more information visit: events.arthritis.org.

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Getaway with Murder in Manchester



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Saratoga New Years Eve

SARATOGA - Saratoga New Year’s Eve, originally called First Night, and for a short time, Saratoga New Year’s Fest will offer residents and visitors a fun way to ring in the new year in downtown Saratoga Springs!

Presented by Discover Saratoga, Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce, Saratoga Springs City Center, and the City of Saratoga Springs, in partnership with Proctors Collaborative, this event promises spectacular entertainment and unforgettable fun for the whole family.

The two-day event will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2024, and

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025.

The celebration will kick off with a free outdoor concert on Ellsworth Jones Place, located just outside the Saratoga Springs City Center, and a spectacular fireworks display, starting at 6:00 pm, launched from the top level of the City Center’s parking garage.

This portion of the event, held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on New Year’s Eve, is designed to offer a family-friendly option at no cost to the public.

Afterward, Saratoga New Year’s Eve ticketholders can enjoy more live entertainment

from nationally recognized acts at multiple downtown venues. Headlining performers and a full entertainment schedule for Saratoga New Year’s Eve will be announced in the coming months, and tickets will go on sale this fall.

The festivities will conclude on New Year’s Day with the Saratoga First Day 5K, a fun and healthy tradition for runners and anyone looking to kick start 2025.

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The Singing Anchors

SALEM - The Singing Anchors, a beloved musical trio, have been captivating audiences across the Capital Region since 2009. Originally formed by esteemed regional news anchors Jerry Gretzinger, Benita Zahn, and Jessica Layton, this dynamic group quickly became a local sensation. Their highly acclaimed Singing Anchors Holiday Show became a cherished tradition, gracing venues from their home base at Fort Salem Theater to the Saratoga Racino, Caff  Lena, Cohoes Music Hall, and libraries across Clifton Park/Halfmoon and Guilderland.

In 2015, Jessica Layton expanded her career by moving to the New York City market, where she now anchors for MSNBC and occasionally substitutes on NBC's Early Today Show. Meanwhile, Jerry Gretzinger and Benita Zahn continued their partnership, co-anchoring at WNYT while touring their hit musical show, Side By Side. After more than three decades in Albany, Benita retired from WNYT in 2021, and Jerry transitioned from his anchor role in 2022 to become the Associate Commissioner for Internal & External Affairs at the NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS).

From 2009 to 2015, The Singing Anchors performed year-round across the Capital Region, with their sold-out holiday shows becoming a seasonal highlight. Even after Jessica's move, Jerry and Benita kept the holiday tradi-



tion alive, continuing to bring joy to their audiences.

In 2023, Jerry took to the stage with his solo show, Sinatra: The Man, the Myth and the Music, at Universal Preservation Hall, showcasing his versatility as a performer.

Now, in 2024, the trio is thrilled to reunite alongside Jay Kerr on piano for The Singing Anchors' Reunion Holiday Show, bringing Jessica back into the fold for what promises to be an unforgettable celebration of music, camaraderie, and holiday cheer.

CONCERT

This concert will take place

November 24 from 4 to 5:30pm at the Fort Salem Theater (11 East Broadway). For more information visit fortsaalem.com or call 518-854-9200.

Schenectady-Saratoga Symphony Orchestra Poinsettia Pops

SARATOGA SPRINGS - 'Tis the season for all of your holiday favorites—now with TWO days to enjoy! Due to popular demand, Schenectady-Saratoga Symphony has added a second day of holiday cheer at Universal Preservation Hall. Both concert days will feature guest soloists Jeanine Ouderkirk, Mowgli Giannitti and Elizabeth Sterling.

Don't miss the pre-concert talk with our guest artists and Artistic

Director/Conductor Glen Cortese at hour before each performance at UPH! It's an excellent way to learn more about the music and an opportunity to ask questions about the performance. All are invited to attend.

Tickets are \$17-\$24. Children under 18 are free when accompanied by a ticketed adult. Dates for this year's concerts are Saturday, December 7 (7pm) and Sunday, December 8 (3pm).


Nutcracker Tea at the Canfield Casino

SARATOGA SPRINGS - Join Saratoga Springs Youth Ballet at the historic Canfield Casino Sunday, November 17 at 11am to 5:30pm for a whimsical afternoon with tea, delicious treats, dancing, and holiday fun. Children and families will enjoy holiday shopping from local vendors, basket raffle and silent auction. Delight in a live performance from the Nutcracker Suite along with a reading of The Nutcracker Story. Don't forget to take your photo with Clara and the Sugar Plum Fairy! Canfield Casino is located at 1 E. Congress Street in Saratoga Springs.

Holiday Craft Fair

GREENWICH – Come get into the holiday spirit at the GCS Holiday Craft Fair! Many vendors attending as well as raffle opportunities! We have a wide variety of vendors with a little something for everyone. We will have a concession stand with plenty of homemade hot foods to enjoy along with delicious sweet treats! Please visit and like our facebook page at GCS Holiday Craft Fair to find out more information on this great event!

The GCS Holiday Craft Fair will be held Sunday, December 8 from 10am - 3pm in the Greenwich High School Gym (10 Gray Avenue).



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Three Day Winter Raptor Tour

QUEENSBURY - Experience the grasslands in winter! See the raptors that migrate south from the Arctic, as well as other birds that winter in the grasslands.

Join us for a three-day Winter Raptor Tour in the Fort Edward Grasslands Important Bird Area (IBA). The Audubon-designated IBA is especially appealing to winter raptors, who migrate to the grasslands from colder climates in search of food. Many of the birds that winter in the IBA depend on the open fields and meadows of the IBA for their survival.

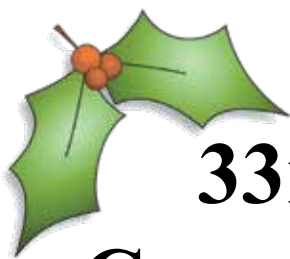
Our small footprint (one vehicle and a maximum of 6 guests, 1 guide and a driver) allows us to go to the areas the birds love best. We will have excursions in the early morning and in the late afternoon as these are the times



that the raptors hunt.

Meals are at locally owned establishments. Your accommodation will be at the locally owned historic hotel, The Queensbury, in Glens Falls. The Queensbury is on the National Historic Register. For questions on the tour itinerary contact Roberta Kravette at 908-656-4016 or rkravette@signpostpublishing.com.

Your trip helps preserve this important grassland bird habitat. This year's event will take place February 7 through February 9 at Alfred Z. Solomon Grassland Bird Viewing Area (Plus Other Birding Locations), 160 County Route 42 Fort Edward.



33rd Annual North Country Festival of Trees

GLENS FALLS - The 33rd Annual North Country Festival of Trees is presented by Berkshire Bank to benefit the Prospect Center, an affiliate of the Center for Disability Services.

The iconic Queensbury Hotel is transformed into a holiday wonderland, with beautifully adorned trees, wreaths, kissing balls, centerpieces, gingerbread houses, hats, etc., all available for purchase. Shoppers will find a variety of unique, handmade items in the boutique created by local artisans for gift giving, or display at home.

This year's festival takes place November 29 through December 1. The hotel is located at 88 Ridge Street in Glens Falls.



Photos with a Very Jolly Santa



SALEM - Choose Saturday or Sunday to have your photo taken with Santa. Signups will be available closer to the date. Photos with Santa will take place December 7 and 8 from 10am to 4pm at Gardenworks in Salem. Proceeds will benefit Lunch, Learn and Play. This will be a great time with a jolly Santa! For more information call 518-854-3250.

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Evergreen Centerpiece or Boxwood Tree Class

SALEM – Visit Gardenworks to create one 18" candle arrangement or a boxwood tree combining Fraser Fir and Boxwood with accents of berries and ribbons. This class will be held at Gardenworks on December 14 from 9am to 12pm. To register visit gardenworksfarm.com. Gardenworks is located at 1055 County Route 30 in Salem.

Free Holiday Concert

SALEM - The LaMothe Gee Family Concert to Celebrate the Holidays is coming to Gardenworks on November 30 at 3pm. This free concert will be fun for the whole family. Gardenworks is located at 1055 County Route 30 in Salem. For more information call 518-854-3250.

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Glens Falls Symphony Holiday Pops!

GLENS FALLS - Get ready for The Glens Falls Symphony's annual Holiday Pops 2024 on Sunday, December 8 at the Glens Falls High School Auditorium!

Join the beloved tradition of "Holiday Pops!" with unique selections from Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," ballet performed by dancers from Saratoga Springs Youth Ballet.

Also on stage will be high school choral singers from South Glens Falls, Warrensburg, and the region to make the concert hall joyful.

The Glens Falls Symphony, the dancers from Saratoga Springs Youth Ballet, and the choristers will perform family holiday favorites together for an evening.



The concert begins at 4pm. Glens Falls High School is located at 10 Quade Street in Glens Falls.

Evergreen Wreath Making Workshop



SALEM - Join Gardenworks to create a beautiful full, fresh evergreen wreath for your front door. All greens, berries, cones and ribbons are provided. The cost to register is \$45 per person.

Wreath making workshops will be held on the following dates from 9:30am-12pm: November 23, November 30 and December 7. To register visit gardenworksfarm.com. Gardenworks is located at 1055 County Route 30 in Salem.

Granville's 6th Annual Lighted Tractor Parade

GRANVILLE - Who's ready for another "lit" family-friendly event?! Decorated tractors, firetrucks, ATV's and more will take over the village of Granville to ring in the holiday season.

Granville's 7th Annual Lighted Tractor Parade will kick off from Telescope Casual Furniture (82 Church St., Granville, NY 12832) at 5:30 p.m. and finish at the same location around 7:30 p.m.

Similar to years' past, specta-

tors can gather around the route and enjoy the parade for free. Or participants can pay a small registration fee and put their decorating skills to the test and compete for cash, trophies, slate ornaments, gift cards and more.

Over 60 entries are expected.

Follow the Granville Lighted Tractor Parade on Facebook to stay up to date! Find more information on Facebook or email: granvillelightedtractorparade@gmail.com.

Northeast Ballet's Nutcracker

SCHENECTADY - Northeast Ballet's annual production of Nutcracker brings you international guest artists and the best of the best that regional talent can offer. This year's ballet will be held Saturday, December 14 (7pm) and Sunday, December 15 (2pm) at Proctors Theatre (432 State Street, Schenectady).

Become a traveler in Clara's magical dream through the glistening snowfall to the Magic Kingdom of Sweets. Experience all the thrilling variations from the various countries she visits. Get your tickets at tickets.proctors.org.

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Fire Department Santa Tour



SALEM - The Salem Fire Department's annual Santa Tour will be held December 22. Santa will leave the Salem firehouse around 4pm and will tour the streets of the old village. Don't miss your chance to see Santa as he passes by your home.

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Enjoy many of your favorite songs, dances and a special meet and greet opportunity following the show with autographs and photo ops. This is the FIRST time this show has featured FOUR amazing princesses!

NEW THIS YEAR! Add a VIP upgrade and receive priority seating, an extra 30 minutes with Rapunzel and the Little Mermaid, an exclusive song, plus a magical coronation and photo op with a real rhinestone tiara and princess sash to keep. VIP tickets are required for PARTICIPATING CHILDREN ONLY. However, all guests over 18 months require a general admission ticket in order to attend



the show, including the VIP section.

Children are encouraged to dress up. We ask that adults please refrain from wearing full costumes or character wigs, as this can be confusing for young

children. Festive, themed or holiday attire encouraged for all!

See the Facebook event for additional terms and conditions.

The Holiday Inn is located at 2223 Canada Street in Lake George.

Greenwich Lighted Tractor Parade

GREENWICH - The Greater Greenwich Chamber of Commerce’s 12th Annual Holiday Lighted Tractor Parade will be held on Saturday, November 23rd, 2024, in the historic Village of Greenwich, New York.

This year, the parade has a new streamlined route. The tractors will step off from Capital Tractor in Greenwich at 6pm heading east and continuing down to the end of Main Street.

This annual kick-off to the holiday season, faithfully supported by the community and Greenwich Chamber members since 2013, has become one of the largest events in Washington County and, unofficially, the largest parade of its kind in the country. It is estimated that 10,000 people attend the parade to view over 70 tractors and displays travel through the heart of the village.

The parade promises to be bigger and better than ever, featuring an array of festive tractors, local vendors and entertainment for all ages. Whether participating in the



parade or cheering from the sidelines, your presence adds to the magic of this special event.

In addition to the parade there will be festivities throughout the afternoon before the start of the

parade. Come for the food trucks, music, shopping, horsedrawn wagon rides and visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Kickoff the season at this family friendly lighted parade.

Shopee Off Broadway Annual Christmas Sale

SALEM - The Shoppe Off Broadway is very excited to announce the Shoppe’s famous Christmas sale! It will be held November 16, in the Courthouse great hall.

It’s going to be a great day to

support the youth in Salem! Shop with us and hit up Salem Booster Clubs craft fair at school!

For more information visit salemcourthouse.org. The Historic Salem Courthouse is located at 58 East Broadway in Salem.

“Snow Business” at Fort Salem Theater

SALEM - Fort Salem’s favorite original holiday concert revue, “Snow Business,” will spread joy and holiday cheer from Dec 13 - Dec 15. Join in the celebration & ring in the holiday season! Performers will deck the halls with

boughs and Broadway in this original holiday showtune sing-a-long! Fun for the whole family!

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