

CHRISTMAS IN NEWPORT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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1 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1st

OFFICIAL OPENING OF CHRISTMAS IN NEWPORT*

6:00 p.m., Washington Sq. Features proclamation from the Mayor, tree lighting, Newport Artillery cannon salute, live entertainment. Free. 849-6454 christmasinnewport.org

ISLAND MOVING COMPANY'S NEWPORT NUTCRACKER AT ROSECLIFF

548 Bellevue Ave. Times vary. Admission TBA. 847-4470 islandmovingco.org

NEWPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE*

4-6 p.m., Newport Colony House at the top of Washington Sq. Tour the Colony House before the Christmas in Newport official opening ceremony, and join us for a revival of a Newport holiday tradition, a reading of The Christmas Tree Hessian. This tale by Cora Cheney explores life—and Christmas—in Revolutionary War era Newport through a child's eyes. Donations welcome. 846-0813 and 841-8770.

NEWPORT DOORWAY CONTEST

Deadline to enter is Thursday, December 8. See inside panel for details.

2 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

ANNUAL NEWPORT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT

9-4 p.m. at the Hill Courtyard at Newport Hospital, Powell St. Handiwork and craftsmanship of local artisans and employees. Bake sale and raffle. Proceeds will support Auxiliary patient programs. 845-1638.

ISLAND MOVING COMPANY'S NEWPORT NUTCRACKER AT ROSECLIFF

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SALVE REGINA UNIVERSITY MADRICAL CHORUS

Performs at Seamen's Church Institute, 4 p.m., 18 Market Sq. Free. 847-4260 seamensnewport.org

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m., departing from the Brick Market Museum & Shop, 127 Thames Street. Hear the history of early American holiday traditions on an evening walking tour. Learn how colonial Newporters recognized (or didn't) the holidays. Reservations required. Walk-in space may not be available. \$15/adults; \$10/NHS members and active duty military with ID. \$5 children ages 5-12. Weather permitting. Reservations: 846-0813 and 841-8770.

MISTLETOE MADNESS AT GLEN MANOR HOUSE

7-11 p.m., 3 Frank Coelho Dr., Portsmouth. Cocktail reception, dancing, admission \$65 per person. 683-4177 info@glenmanorhouse.com

VICTORIAN BOUTIQUE HOLIDAY SALE

7-8:30 p.m., Edward King House, 35 King St. Unique shopping experience with special Victorian-style gifts both old and new to satisfy the most discerning customer. Free admission. 846-7426 edwardkinghouse.org

3 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd

16TH ANNUAL LUCY'S HEARTH DESIGNER WREATH SALE

9-12 p.m., Rotunda at Easton's Beach. Christmas wreaths and table top decorations created by designers, artists, gardeners and florists from the community. Also gourmet sweets bake sale. All proceeds go to Lucy's Hearth. 847-2021.

UNDECKED HALLS: BEHIND THE SCENES AT DORIS DUKE'S MANSION IN WINTER

Rough Point, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 680 Bellevue Ave. Experience the quiet house, see the decorated staff wing, and hear about Miss Duke's tropical holiday. Learn how Rough Point's winter caretaking traditions have remained the same for the past half century. Tour the first floor and enjoy refreshments in the staff dining room, not normally open to the public. Tours offered every half hour. Adults \$15, children under 12 free. 846-4152 x122 newportrestoration.org

TRINITY CHRISTMAS SILVER TEA

12-4 p.m., Honyman Hall, Trinity Church, Queen Anne Sq. Holiday high tea. \$12. 862-4474 trinitynewport.org

SANTA'S WORKSHOP*

Noon-3 p.m., Easton's Beach Rotunda Ballroom, 175 Memorial Blvd. Crafts, goodie bag, ride on carousel and decorate cookies. \$5 per child. 845-5800 cityofnewport.com

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR MARINERS

2-4 p.m., Seamen's church Institute, 18 Market Sq. Drop in to warm up with hot chocolate and write a Christmas card to men and women serving on the seas this Christmas. Free. 847-4260 seamensnewport.org

NEWPORT COUNTY ORCHESTRA CONCERT

3 p.m., Casino Theatre, 9 Freebody St. Classical and holiday music sponsored by the Salve Regina University Music Dept. \$8 admission, \$5 seniors, students. 341-2295 vincent.mattera@salve.edu

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m. See details on December 2nd listing.

46TH ANNUAL BOWEN'S WHARF TREE LIGHTING AND OPEN HOUSE*

America's Cup Ave., Frosty the Snowman and caroling starting at 4:30 p.m., Santa and Mrs. Claus and tree lighting. Free. 849-3478 bowenswharf.com

HOLIDAY EVENING AT THE BREAKERS

6 p.m.-8 p.m. Enjoy live holiday music and light refreshments as you stroll through softly lit rooms, taking in the ambience of a Gilded Age holiday. Preservation Society members \$30 in advance, \$35 day of event. Non-members \$35 in advance, \$45 day of event; Children 6-17 \$10 in advance, \$15 day of event. Children under 6 are admitted free. 847-1000 newportmansions.org

SWANHURST CHORUS CONCERT

8 p.m., Emmanuel Church at the corner of Spring and Dearborn Streets. Swanhurst Chorus, Newport County's standing choral ensemble for over 87 years, will offer "Beethoven's Missa in C and other Works" under the direction of conductor Edwin Milham. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, and \$10 for full-time students. 682-1630 swanhurst.org

4 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th

CHRISTMAS AT WHITEHALL

2-4 p.m., Whitehall Museum House, 311 Berkeley Ave., Middletown. Enjoy wassail and Christmas treats while viewing 18th century Whitehall by candlelight. Sponsored by The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the state of RI. Free. 480-4183 whitehallmuseumhouse.org

VISIT WITH SANTA CLAUS AT THE BREAKERS*

Noon-3 p.m., 44 Ochre Point Ave. The jolly old elf will visit with children and hear their Christmas wish list. Refreshments. Regular daytime admission. 847-1000 newportmansions.org

NEWPORT COMMUNITY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT

3 p.m., Casino Theatre, 9 Freebody St. SRU Newport Community Band, Jazz Ensemble, and Flute Ensemble performing holiday favorites. Admission \$8, \$5 seniors, students. 341-2295 davis@salve.edu

THE RHODE ISLAND CIVIC CHORALE & ORCHESTRA

Conducted by Edw. Markward, 3 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church, 5 Mann Ave. Bach's Christmas Oratorio (sung in English) with featured soloists. General Admission \$30, Advance \$27, Seniors \$24, Students with ID \$10. 521-5670 ricco.org

JOINT ADVENT SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

By the combined choirs of St. John's Church and Emmanuel Church, and Choristers of The Choir School of Newport County, 5 p.m., Church of Saint John the Evangelist, 61 Washington St. at Willow St. Free-will offering. Incense-free and child-friendly for ages 5 and up. 848-2561 saintjohns-newport.org

7 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7th

HOLIDAY CABARET — CARRIGAN AND FRIENDS

7 p.m., Edward King House, 35 King St. Special night of holiday entertainment with 2016 Beach Idol winner Carrigan Nelson, Newport's Jimmy Winters, local favorite Ben O'Connor and more. Suggested donation \$10. 846-7426 edwardkinghouse.org

8 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8th

STUDENT'S IMPRESSIONS OF CHRISTMAS IN NEWPORT*

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Newport Yacht Club, 110 Long Wharf. Student K-12 art exhibit, commemorative Christmas in Newport postmark, United States Postal Service. Free, light refreshments. 846-9410. The US Post Office will display a sample of the artwork in the 320 Thames St. main lobby from Dec. 9-20th.

9TH ANNUAL SINGING FOR SHELTER ACOUSTIC CHRISTMAS CONCERT*

7-9:30 p.m., Channing Church, 135 Pelham St. Various local musicians. Benefits Lucy's Hearth and The McKinney Shelter. \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door, (children with an adult are free). Tickets 835-7209 or mgorman20@cox.net

NEWPORT DOORWAY CONTEST

Deadline for entry is today. See inside panel for details.

9 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9th

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m. See details on December 2nd listing.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: THE REASON FOR THE SEASON

7 p.m., Mt. Zion A.M.E. church, 31-33 VanZandt Ave. An evening of music and poetry by various local choirs and musicians. Free will offering. 849-3569 mtzioname1@verizon.net

CHRISTMAS IN SONG BY THE NEWPORT NAVY CHORISTERS

7:30 p.m., St. Lucy's Church, 909 W. Main Rd., Middletown. Concert to benefit Dare to Dream Ranch. Admission \$12 adults, children/seniors \$8. 849-1135 newportnavychoristers.org

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS

372 Purgatory Rd., Middletown, 7:30 p.m. The birth of Jesus is told by lesson and song. Congregational singing and carols by the School choir. Free. 847-7565 stgeorges.edu

NEWPORT DOORWAY CONTEST

Judging is today. See inside panel for details.

10 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10th

CHRISTMAS WITH THE WHITEHORNES*

10-2 p.m., Whitehorse House, 416 Thames St. Step back in time and experience the traditional Christmas festivities of 1800's Newport. Receive a booklet of authentic recipes from Mrs. Whitehorse's own Sugar House Book. \$8 adults, \$5 for NHS members and military, 18 yrs. and under free. newportrestoration.org

CHRISTMAS TREASURES ARTISAN SHOW

10-4 p.m., Trinity Church, One Queen Ann Square. An assortment of local artisans selling their wares. Free. 862-4474.

ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR & BOUTIQUE SALE

Potter League for Animals, 10-4 p.m. 87 Oliphant Ln. Middletown. 846-0592 potterleague.org

UNDECKED HALLS: BEHIND THE SCENES AT DORIS DUKE'S MANSION IN WINTER

Rough Point, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 680 Bellevue Ave. See Dec. 3 for details newportrestoration.org

THE EMMANUEL CHURCH HANDBELL CHOIR

Performs at Seamen's Church Institute, 11-12 p.m., 18 Market Sq. Free. 847-4260 seamensnewport.org

SANTA CLAUS AT CLOCK TOWER SQUARE*

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 103 Clock Tower Square, West Main Road, (RT114), Portsmouth. A visit with Santa Claus and cookie decorating is offered. Sponsored by the Merchants at Clock Tower Sq. Free. 682-2272 DAWinthrop@cox.net

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AT THE IRISH MUSEUM

Noon-4:30 p.m. at the Museum of Newport Irish History Interpretive Center, 648 Lower Thames Street. Free. View the exhibits while enjoying Celtic holiday music, eggnog and cookies. Free admission. Celtic-inspired bracelets and lapel pins available for sale with proceeds to benefit the Museum. 3:30-4:30 p.m., caroling by the Ancient Order of Hibernians Men Singers. newportirishhistory.org or newportirishhistory@gmail.com

HOUSE TOUR OF SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE

12 p.m., 18 Market Sq. Behind the scenes tour of this 1930 waterfront institute, featuring the Chapel of the Sea which was designed and painted by the well-respected artist Durr Freedley, living in Newport in the early 1900s. Display exhibition, Wood, Wind & Water: The Genius of F. Spaulding Dunbar. Free. 847-4260 seamensnewport.org

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m. See details on December 2nd listing.

HOLIDAY EVENING AT THE BREAKERS

6-8 p.m. See details on December 3rd listing.

CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT

8 p.m., Ochre Court, 100 Ochre Pt. Ave. Performances by the Salve Regina Chorus and Madrigals. \$8 general admission, \$5 seniors, students. 341-2295 stjeand@salve.edu

11 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th

VISIT WITH SANTA CLAUS AT MARBLE HOUSE*

Noon-3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. The jolly old elf will visit with children and hear their Christmas wish list. Refreshments. Regular daytime admission. 847-1000 newportmansions.org

TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS TEA AT ST. COLUMBA'S CHAPEL PARISH HALL

2-4 p.m. with sittings at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., 55 Vaucluse Ave., Middletown. Gift shop. Admission \$12. 847-5571 stcolumbaschapel.org

CHRISTMAS AT THE WHITE HOUSE

2 p.m., Paradise School, corner of Paradise and Prospect Ave. Middletown. Middletown Historical Society is hosting Patricia Perry, historical interpreter, to take one on a journey of Christmas past. \$5 admission at the door. middletownhistory.org

HOLIDAY SILVER TEA

2 p.m., Edward King House, 35 King St. Including an old fashioned holiday sing along. \$10 per person. 846-7426 edwardkinghouse.org

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AT GLEN MANOR HOUSE

2-4 p.m., 3 Frank Coelho Dr., Portsmouth. Free. 683-4177 info@glenmanorhouse.com

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH

4 p.m., 525 Broadway. Service for those suffering loss to find hope and healing for the holidays. 846-9567 pastorstpetersri@gmail.com

27TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS IN SIGN

Presented by The James L. Maher Center, 5 p.m. at the Casino Theater, 9 Freebody St. Christmas and holiday music performed in sign language under black lights. Admission is free. 846-0340 x104 mahercenter.org

MUSIC OF THE SEASON

7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Broadway at Everett St. Brass, organ, handbells and vocal choir, and an opportunity to sing some favorite carols. Free. 847-1749 music@fpcnewport.org. Inclement weather date is Dec. 18th.

CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT

8 p.m., Ochre Court, 100 Ochre Pt. Ave. Performances by the Salve Regina Chorus and Madrigals. \$8 general admission, \$5 seniors, students. 341-2295 stjeand@salve.edu

12 MONDAY, DECEMBER 12th

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society, 6:30 p.m. at Jesus Saviour Church, 509 Broadway. Wakefield Concert Band performing. Admission \$10. 846-0115 choirgilmairie@zgov.com

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION OF LIGHT

7 p.m., Edward King House, 35 King St. Featuring lighting of the menorah, the story Hanukkah, live music and traditional foods of the season. Goodwill offering. 846-7426 edwardkinghouse.org

13 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th

CHRISTMAS AT THE INNS TOUR

1-5 p.m. Seven participating Inns: Francis Malbone House, 392 Thames St.; Cliffside Inn, 2 Seaview Ave.; Ivy Lodge, 12 Clay St.; Sarah Kendall House, 47 Washington St.; Samuel Durfee House, 352 Spring St.; Hydrangea House, 16 Bellevue Ave.; and Hilltop Inn, 2 Kay St. \$20 for all 7 inns, payable at first inn toured. Proceeds benefit Lucy's Hearth. 864-4485.

105TH ANNUAL MEDIEVAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

St. George's School Chapel, 372 Purgatory Rd., Middletown, 7:30 p.m. Candlelit service of the portrayal of the Christmas story. Free. 847-7565 stgeorges.edu

14 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14th

CHRISTMAS AT THE INNS TOUR

3-7 p.m. See details on December 13th listing.

15 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15th

CAROLING ON BROADWAY*

3:30 p.m., starting at Colony House and sponsored by Off Broadway Neighborhood Assoc. Join local musician Christopher Carbone, Thompson Middle School chorus and OBNA in a carol along Broadway. 481-5135 obna@amyhaog.com

CHRISTMAS ON THE POINT

7 p.m., Church of Saint John the Evangelist, 61 Washington St. at Willow St. Congregational caroling, guest soloists featuring Mozart's "Coronation" Mass in C with choir, strings and organ, along with a traditional reading of the Christmas story. Suggested donation \$15, seniors/students \$10, children ages 5-12 free. 848-2561 saintjohns-newport.org

16 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th

EDWARD KING HOUSE SINGERS PRESENT A HOLIDAY CONCERT

11:15 a.m., Edward King House, 35 King St. Holiday favorites from the 1950s to present. Singing along is always welcome. 846-7426. Goodwill offering. edwardkinghouse.org

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m. See details on December 2nd listing.

17 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17th

UNDECKED HALLS: BEHIND THE SCENES AT DORIS DUKE'S MANSION IN WINTER Rough Point, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. See details on December 3rd listing.

COMMUNITY TREE DECORATING AND SANTA VISIT*

Seamen's Church Institute, 18 Market Sq. 1 p.m. for tree decorating, bring an ornament and help decorate the tree. 2 p.m. Santa arrives and will read a classic Christmas tale. Free. 847-4260 seamensnewport.org

NEWPORT HOLIDAY LANTERN WALKING TOUR

4 p.m. See details on December 2nd listing.

SANTA CLAUS AT BRICK MARKET PLACE*

Noon-3 p.m., 223 Goddard Row, Brick Market Place. A visit with Santa Claus, face painting and cookie decorating is offered. Sponsored by the Stores at Brick Market Place. Free. 846-3999 DAWinthrop@cox.net

SWANHURST CHORUS 24TH ANNUAL MESSIAH AND CAROL SING

7 p.m. Emmanuel Church, corner of Spring and Dearborn St. Swanhurst Chorus under the direction of conductor Edwin Milham offers "Messiah and Carol Sing: The Christmas Story," a beloved tradition of Christmas in Newport. This special evening will feature much of the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah as well as beloved carols, plus selections by Swanhurst's Chamber Singers and the telling of the Christmas Story. Bring your own score and sing along or just sit and be immersed in the glorious sounds of the season. Scores will be available for rent. A festive "Wassail Bowl" reception for all will follow. Admission is \$10, \$5 for children 12 and under, and \$25 maximum per family, and will be available at the door. 682-1630 swanhurst.org

HOLIDAY EVENING DUET AT THE ELMS & MARBLE HOUSE

6-9 p.m. Enjoy two houses for the price of one. Take a leisurely self-guided evening stroll through both Marble House and The Elms, enjoy live holiday music and refreshments. Adults \$35 in advance, \$45 at the door, children 6-17 yrs. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. 847-1000 for reservations. newportmansions.org

18 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th

Note – Reschedule date for MUSIC OF THE SEASON, if cancelled on Dec. 11.

OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

9:30 a.m., St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 525 Broadway. The service is designed to help us not only hear the familiar story again, but to enter into it, letting it become part of us and us part of it. All are welcome. 846-9567 pastorstpetersri@gmail.com

ST. PETERSBURG (RUSSIAN) MEN'S ENSEMBLE IN CONCERT

10 a.m. and 2 p.m., Emmanuel Church, 42 Dearborn St. This ensemble will present a dazzling concert of Russian choral music and folk songs for the season. \$20 suggested donation for the 2 p.m. concert. 847-0675 emmanuelnewport.org

VISIT WITH SANTA CLAUS AT THE ELMS*

Noon-3 p.m., Bellevue Ave. The jolly old elf will visit with children and hear their Christmas wish list. Refreshments. Regular daytime admission. For info 847-1000 newportmansions.org

AMERICAN GIRL DOLL HOLIDAY PARTY*

2-3:30 p.m., Edward King House Senior Center, King St. Crafts, cookie decorating, fashion stroll. Sponsored by Newport Recreation Dept. Advanced reservations required, limited availability, \$10 per child. Reservations at 845-5800 cityofnewport.com

RHODE ISLAND BALLET THEATRE PRESENTS ALICE MEETS THE NUTCRACKER*

3 p.m., Stanford White Casino Theatre, 9 Freebody St. A holiday dance show featuring Alice in Wonderland and Nutcracker variations for children and families. \$25 per person. 847-5301 ribt-nm@cox.net

CHRISTMAS ON HISTORIC HILL: A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

Trinity Church, One Queen Anne Sq., 4 p.m. A holiday tradition! Join the choir of Trinity and the Newport Community Youth Choir in a festive celebration of Christmas. Free will offering to support the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center. 846-0660 trinitynewport.org

LIVE NATIVITY AT ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH*

5-7 p.m., 525 Broadway. Hear the choir of the Community Baptist Church at 5 p.m., watch the Nativity Story from 5:30-7 p.m. Pet the sheep or be part of the live nativity with pictures. Enjoy cookies and cocoa, and create your own