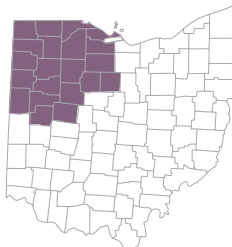


2025-26 CALENDAR

DECEMBER/JANUARY

NORTHWEST



THROUGH DEC. 30 – Upper's Winter Fantasy of Lights, Harrison Smith Park, 525 E. Wyandot Ave., Upper Sandusky, Fri.–Sun. 6–10 p.m., Mon.–Thur. 6–9:30 p.m. \$10/car, \$15/van, \$50/tour bus. The park's 33 acres will be ablaze with millions of lights and a myriad of unique light displays. 419-294-2351 or www.upperfantasyoflights.org.

THROUGH DEC. 31 – Lake of Lights, Saulisberry Park/France Lake, 13344 St. Rte. 67 W., Kenton, 6–9 p.m. daily. \$5 per car. Drive-through lighting event. Special events held on the weekends. 567-674-4567, lakeoflights08@gmail.com, or www.facebook.com/LakeOfLights.

THROUGH JAN. 3 – NWORRP North Pole Express, Northwest Ohio Railroad Preservation Inc., 12505 Co. Rd. 99, Findlay. \$5; 12 and under, \$3. Hop on board our quarter-scale trains for a trip through a winter wonderland of lights and festive decorations. See operating toy trains, hundreds of decorated trees, and Santa and Mrs. Claus on select nights. 419-423-2995, www.facebook.com/nworrrp, or www.nworrrp.org.

THROUGH JAN. 4 – "Hayes Train Special" Model Train Display, Hayes Library and Museums, Spiegel Grove, 1337 Hayes Ave., Fremont. Free; donations accepted. Operating

model train display runs through an intricate Victorian holiday scene. Interactive buttons, multi-tiered layout. 419-332-2081 or www.rbhayes.org.

DEC. 6 – Christmas at Apollo Craft Show, Apollo Career Center, 3325 Shawnee Rd., Lima, 9 a.m.–2 p.m. \$5; 12 and under free. Over 100 crafters selling homemade and handcrafted wares. Food available for purchase. www.facebook.com/apollocareercenter.

DEC. 6 – Donuts with Santa, Koenig Equipment, 306 N. Main St., Botkins, 10-11:30 a.m. Festive fun, sweet treats, and a visit from the jolly elf, plus holiday savings on John Deere toys and merchandise. www.koenigequipment.com/resources/events.

DEC. 8–22 – Winter Wonderland Light Display, Sandusky Co. Fgds., 901 Rawson Ave., Fremont. Drive-through, Dec. 8–18 and 21–22, 6–8 p.m., \$5 per car. Walk-through, Dec. 19–20, 6–9 p.m., \$2, under 12 free. 419-332-5604 or www.sanduskycountyfair.com.

DEC. 19 – Classic Movie Night: It's a Wonderful Life, Hancock Historical Museum, 422 W. Sandusky St., Findlay, 7 p.m. Free; donations accepted. Historical information presented before and discussion after the movie. Popcorn and refreshments provided; feel free to BYOB. 419-423-4433 or www.hancockhistoricalmuseum.org/special-events.

DEC. 19–20 – Hayes Home Holidays: "Spirits of Christmas", Spiegel Grove, 1337 Hayes Ave., Fremont, 5–9 p.m., final tour starting at 8 p.m. Tour the Hayes home and hear beloved Christmas stories by Charles Dickens. Before your tour, enjoy the "Hayes Train Special" model train display in the auditorium. 419-332-2081 or www.rbhayes.org.

DEC. 19–20 – Silver Screen Classics: It's a Wonderful Life, Valentine Theatre, 400 N. Superior St., Toledo, 7:30 p.m. \$8. See Frank Capra's perennial holiday classic on the big screen. 419-

242-2787 or www.valentinetheatre.com.

DEC. 26–31 – Horse-Drawn Sleigh and Trolley Rides at Spiegel Grove, 1337 Hayes Ave., Fremont, 1–4 p.m. \$6 trolley, \$7 sleigh; 2 and under free. Rides are drawn by South Creek Clydesdales. 419-332-2081 or www.rbhayes.org.

DEC. 31 – Lima Symphony NYE Pops: Queen in Concert, Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center, #7 Town Square, Lima, 7:30 p.m. \$40–\$50. Ring in the new year with this rock spectacular that brings the iconic music of Queen to life. 419-222-5701 or www.limasymphony.com.

JAN. 3 – Model Train Clinic, Hayes Presidential Library and Museums, Spiegel Grove, 1337 Hayes Ave., Fremont, 11 a.m.–4 p.m. \$5; 5 and under free. Veteran model train hobbyists will examine your model train and help you with issues. You can also run your trains on the "Hayes Train Special" track. 419-332-2081 or www.rbhayes.org.

JAN. 3–4 – Tri-State Gun Show, Allen Co. Fgds., 2750 Harding Hwy., Lima, Sat. 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m. \$8; 18 and under free. Cash only. Over 400 tables of modern and antique guns, edged weapons, and sportsmen equipment. 419-647-0067 (Manetta Obringer) or www.allencofair.com/events-calendar.

JAN. 6–MAY 12 – Line Dancing, Delphos Eagles Aerie #471, 1600 E. Fifth St., Tues. 6–7:30 p.m. \$5. Step-by-step instructions given at the beginning of each class. Everyone can learn! Private lessons also available. Taught by Kelly Jackson Kroeger (see her Facebook page). www.visitgreaterlima.com/calendar.

JAN. 8 – Alter Ego: The World of Rock n' Roll, Crouse Performance Hall, Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center, #7 Town Square, Lima, 7:30 p.m. \$25–\$76. Tribute show catapulting you through a time warp where '70s disco fever clashes with '80s rock rebellion and '90s pop anthems. 419-224-1552 or www.limaciviccenter.com.

SOUTHWEST



THROUGH DEC. 31 – Light Up Middletown, Smith Park, 500 Tytus Ave., Middletown, 6–10 p.m. nightly. Drive-through fantasy light display, open in all weather. Admission by cash donation — you set the price! www.lightupmiddletown.org.

THROUGH DEC. 23 – North Pole Express, LM&M Railroad, 16 E. South St., Lebanon. \$35–\$50; under 2, \$10. Visit with Santa and his elves as you take a ride on a vintage train! Children

will receive a souvenir bell and a holiday cookie. Hot chocolate available for purchase. www.lebanonrr.com/holiday-special-events.

THROUGH DEC. 28 – Ornament Blow, Neusole Glassworks, 11925 Kemper Springs Dr., Cincinnati, Wed./Thur. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Fri.–Sun. 10 a.m.–8 p.m. (closed 24th and 25th). \$45 per 15-minute session. Must be 5 years and older. With help from our professional glassblowers, you can make your own Christmas ornament from hot molten glass! Reservations required. 513-751-3292 or neusoleglassworks@hotmail.com.

THROUGH JAN. 4 – Holiday Lights on the Hill, Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park and Museum, 1763 Hamilton-Cleves Rd., Hamilton. Tues.–Thur., Sun.: 6–9 p.m.; Fri./Sat.: 6–10 p.m.; closed Mondays. \$25 per carload. Drive-through tour featuring over 1 million lights and illuminated installations by local artists. www.pyramidhill.org/events/lights.

THROUGH JAN. 28 – Bluegrass Wednesdays, Vinoklet Winery, 11069 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, Wed. 6:30–8:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner, wine, and

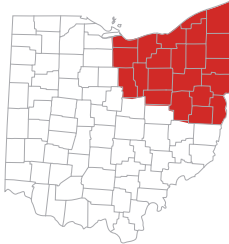
an evening of free entertainment by Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass. Reservations recommended. 513-385-9309, vinokletwinery@fuse.net, or www.vinokletwines.com.

DEC. 1–31 – ParkLights at Caesar Ford Park, 520 S. Stringtown Rd., Xenia, 6–9 p.m. Drive-through dazzling light display. 937-562-6440 or www.gcpkstrails.com/events/parklights.

DEC. 10–11 – "Jingle Jazz: The Nutcracker Remix", The Redmoor, 3187 Linwood Ave., Cincinnati, 7 p.m. \$10–\$35. This swinging holiday tradition features jazzy takes on classic carols and soulful seasonal surprises. We also will be celebrating the release of CCJO's brand-new *Nutcracker Remix* album. 513-227-1039 or www.cincinnatijazz.org.

DEC. 19 – A Madcap Christmas Carol, Oxford Community Arts Center, 10 S. College Ave., Oxford, 7–8 p.m. Featuring Madcap Puppets. A brand-new, family-friendly twist on a classic tale. Recommended ages: 4–10. 513-524-8506 or www.oxarts.org.

NORTHEAST



THROUGH DEC. 28 – Ashtabula County's Lights on the Lake, Lakeshore Park, 1700 E. 1st St., Ashtabula, Fri.–Sun. 6–9 p.m.; Dec. 24–25, 6–9 p.m. Car/van \$5, bus \$1/person, mini bus \$20. Largest holiday light display on Lake Erie, with over 70 displays on 54 acres of rolling hills and the majestic backdrop of Lake Erie. 440-993-1051 or www.aclotl.com.

THROUGH DEC. 28 – Elegant Illusions Drive-Through Park, Portage County Randolph Fgds., 4215 Fairground Rd., Atwater. \$20 car; \$40–\$50 limo/tour bus. All-new LED displays, the latest in animatronics, and over 50 holiday scenes, plus visits with Santa and Mr. Grinch. 330-947-2974 or www.elegantchristmaslighting.com.

THROUGH DEC. 31 – “Brightman Family Christmas: Holidays at the Mansion,” Victorian House Museum, 484 Wooster Rd., Millersburg, Sun.–Thur. 1–4 p.m., Fri./Sat. 1–8 p.m. \$10; seniors and veterans/active military, \$9. Step back in time and celebrate the holidays in

Victorian splendor! 330-674-0022 or <https://www.holmeshistory.com/museum>.

THROUGH JAN. 3 – Christmas at the Fort, Historic Fort Steuben, 120 S. 3rd St., Steubenville. Holiday Market, colorful lights and decorations, puppet shows, photo opportunities, music, Christmas Shoppe, Holly Trolley rides, and tours of Fort Steuben. www.oldfortsteuben.com.

THROUGH JAN. 9 – Steubenville Nutcracker Village, downtown Steubenville. Free. See 200 large-as-life, unique nutcrackers stationed amid lights and holiday decorations throughout the downtown 24/7. Also enjoy hayrides, children's activities, music, crafts, and much more! 740-283-4935 or www.steubenvillnutcrackervillage.com.

DEC. 4–23, 26–30 – Stan Hywet's Deck the Hall, Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens, 714 N. Portage Path, Akron, 3–8 p.m. \$13–\$28; 2 and under free. Over 1 million holiday lights across the estate, dazzling winter-themed décor inside the Manor House, shopping, refreshments, and visits with Santa. 330-315-3287 or <https://stanhywet.org/events/deck-hall>.

DEC. 5–7, 12–14 – Candlelight Holiday Tours of the Big House, Malabar Farm, 4050 Bromfield Rd., Lucas, Fri./Sat. 5–8 p.m., Sun. 1–4 p.m. \$6 adults, \$4 children. Self-guided tours of Louis Bromfield's historic home, all decked out for the holidays. Enjoy cookies and warm drinks after the tour. 419-892-2784 or www.facebook.com/MalabarFarm/events.

DEC. 5–7, 12–14, 20–28 – Medina County Fair Drive Thru Holiday Lights, Medina Co. Fgds., 720 W. Smith Rd., Medina, Sun.–Thur. 6–9 p.m., Fri./Sat. 6–10 p.m. Cars \$10, small bus/15-

passenger van \$20, large bus \$70. 330-723-9633 or www.medinaohiofair.com.

DEC. 13–14 – Jingle Mingle Craft and Vendor Show, Ehrnfelt Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Rd., Strongsville, Sat. 9 a.m.–2 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Free admission. Over 70 vendors selling handmade crafts, wood items, home decor, seasonal items, handmade cards, and much more. www.hometownvendors.org.

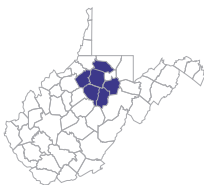
DEC. 14 – Willoughby Winter Pop-Up Shop, Willoughby Senior Center, 36939 Ridge Rd., Willoughby, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Free admission/parking. Join us for our last show of the season, where artists and crafters will be selling their original handmade items. www.avantgardeshows.com.

DEC. 21 – Flea Market of Collectables, Medina County Community Center, 735 Lafayette Rd., Medina, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. \$3. Early bird special admission 6–9 a.m., \$4. A treasure trove of vintage items and collectibles. 330-948-4300 or <https://conraddowdell.com/event>.

JAN. 3 – Snow Dogs Train Show, Emidio and Sons Expo Center, 48 E. Bath Rd., Cuyahoga Falls, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. \$6; under 12 free. Free parking. Operating layout of several gauges, many dealers, good food at reasonable prices. www.cvsqa.com.

JAN. 7–11 – Ohio RV Supershow, I-X Center, Cleveland, Wed.–Fri. 12–9 p.m., Sat./Sun. 10 a.m.–9 p.m. \$15–\$18; 12 and under free. Discover the latest RV models, meet industry experts, and find everything you need for your next adventure. Demos, fun activities, and entertainment. www.ohiorvshow.com.

WEST VIRGINIA



THROUGH DEC. 29 – Celebration of Lights, Morris Park, Fairmont. \$10/car, \$40/bus. See over 540 Christmas light displays in this 1.3-mile drive-through tour. Wednesdays are walker nights and are closed to traffic: \$5/person; under 12 free. Closed 24th and 25th. 304-366-4550 or www.celebrationoflightswv.com.

THROUGH JAN. 4 – Winter Festival of Lights, Oglebay Resort, Wheeling, nightly from dusk to midnight. Featuring 300 acres of twinkling lights over a 6-mile drive, with more than 100 lighted attractions. Suggested donation of \$30 per car; pass good for the entire festival season. 877-436-1797 or www.oglebay.com.

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SOUTHEAST



THROUGH DEC. 20 – The Christmas Cave, White Gravel Mines, 4007 White Gravel McDaniel Rd., Minford, Fri./Sat. 4–10 p.m. Free admission; donations appreciated. See the story of Christ's birth unfold around you in lighted displays throughout the cave. 740-820-6161 or www.whitegravelmines.com/the-christmas-cave.

THROUGH DEC. 20 – Santa Train, Hocking Valley Scenic Railway, Nelsonville Depot, 33 W. Canal St., Nelsonville. \$19–\$24; under 3 free. Santa boards the train and visits with each child as the train traverses the historic Hocking River Valley. See website for dates and times. www.hvsry.org/train-rides/santa.

THROUGH DEC. 21 – The Magic of Christmas Mansion Tours, Belmont County Victorian Mansion Museum, 532 N. Chestnut St., Barnesville, Fri. 5–8 p.m., Sat./Sun. 1–4 p.m. Join us for some Christmas cheer and see our mansion museum decorated for the season. www.belmontcountymuseum.com.

THROUGH DEC. 31 – Dickens Victorian Village, downtown Cambridge. Stroll the downtown streets to view more than 100 lifelike scenes that capture the spirit of Victorian England. 800-933-5480 or www.dickensvictorianvillage.com.

THROUGH JAN. 1 – Guernsey County Courthouse Holiday Light Show, Cambridge. Synchronized light and music shows nightly. More than 85,000 lights, two amazing 23-foot Christmas trees, and 60 animated displays. 800-933-5480 or www.dickensvictorianvillage.com.

THROUGH JAN. 4 – Winterfest, Market Square Park, Portsmouth. Get ready to step into a winter wonderland where the festive spirit comes alive, with an ice skating rink, craft vendors, food trucks, live music, carriage rides, and even visits with Santa Claus himself! www.friendsofportsmouth.com/Winterfest.

DEC. 10 – A Christmas Carol, Peoples Bank Theatre, 222 Putnam St., Marietta, 7 p.m. \$29–\$54. A dazzling new adaptation of Dickens'

beloved classic Christmas story, with more than two dozen timeless Christmas carols woven throughout the production. 740-371-5152 or www.peoplesbanktheatre.com/event.

DEC. 11, 18, 20 – Victorian Christmas Tours: The Davis Family Christmas, The Castle Museum, 418 4th St., Marietta, 7–8 p.m. \$14.50; 7 and under free. Reservations recommended. Step back into 1888 and discover how the Davis family celebrated the holiday season. Enjoy engaging stories, immersive displays, and interactive moments. 740-373-1480 or www.mariettacastle.org.

DEC. 16 – Christmas with John Berry, Majestic Theatre, 45 E. Second St., Chillicothe, Time: 7:30 p.m. \$32–\$57. The Grammy-winning singer/songwriter is back for his 29th annual Christmas tour, featuring classic carols, fan favorites like "O Holy Night," and heartwarming stories. VIP packages available. www.majesticchillicothe.net.

DEC. 31 – New Year's Eve Train and Fireworks, Hocking Valley Scenic Railway, Nelsonville Depot, 33 W. Canal St., Nelsonville, 10:30 p.m.–12:30 a.m. \$25–\$38. The train will travel to East Logan and return, stopping near the stroke of midnight to ring in the new year with a fireworks display! Refreshments served. www.hvsry.org/train-rides.

CENTRAL



THROUGH JAN. 4 – Butch Bando's Fantasy of Lights, Alum Creek State Park Campgrounds, 3311 S. Old State Rd., Delaware, Sun.–Thur. 5:30–9 p.m., Fri./Sat. 5:30–10 p.m. Locally owned and family-operated drive-through holiday light show. See website for ticket information. 614-412-3499 or <https://butchbandosfantasyoflights.com>.

THROUGH JAN. 6 – Nativity at Cathedral Square, St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Free. Historic outdoor life-sized Nativity display (formerly at State Auto). Lighting times: daily 6–8 a.m., 5–11:30 p.m.; until 12:30 a.m. Fri./Sat.; Christmas Eve 3 p.m. until 8 a.m. Christmas Day. Choir schedule available at www.facebook.com/catholicmuseumcolumbus.

DEC. 7 – Coshocton Community Choir: Christmas Festival Concert, River View High School Auditorium, 26496 St. Rte. 60, Warsaw, 3–4:30 p.m. Free-will donations only. The 80-voice adult choir, the Coshocton Youth Chorale,

the Coshocton Singers, the Roscoe Brass, and additional instrumentalists will perform sacred choral music, familiar Christmas tunes, hymns, classical and popular works, and more. 740-623-0554 or www.coshoctoncommunitychoir.org.

DEC. 12 – Columbus Symphony Orchestra Holiday Spectacular, Faith Memorial Church, 2610 W. Fair Ave., Lancaster, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Adults \$30, children \$10. Tickets available online or by calling the CBUSArts Ticket Office at 614-469-0939 or the church office at 740-654-1711. For more information, visit www.columbussympphony.com or www.faithm.ch.

DEC. 13 – Holiday Cookie Walk, Fairfield County Genealogical Research Library, 503 Lenwood Dr., Lancaster (corner of West Mulberry and Lenwood), 1–4 p.m. Homemade cookies \$6 per pound. 740-653-2573 or www.fairfieldgenealogy.org.

DEC. 14 – Columbus Winter Avant-Garde Art and Craft Show, Makoy Event Center, 5462 Center St., Hilliard, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. \$3; under 12 free. Artists and crafters will be selling their original handmade items. Full concessions stand on-site. A portion of proceeds will benefit a local nonprofit, Hope Hollow. www.avantgardeshows.com.

DEC. 20–21 – Scott Antique Market, Ohio Expo Center, 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Sat. 9 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Free admission. Parking \$7. America's favorite treasure hunt! info@scottantiquemarket.com or www.scottantiquemarkets.com.

DEC. 21 – Last Chance Holiday Market, Historic Granville Inn, 314 E. Broadway, Granville, 11 a.m.–

4 p.m. Free admission and parking. A Made Local event in Ohio's very own Hallmark Christmas village! 30 vendors. 614-937-7177 or www.facebook.com/madelocalevents/events.

JAN. 2 – First Friday Art Walk, downtown Zanesville, 5–8 p.m. Come downtown on the first Friday of the month, when all our participating galleries, studios, and small businesses are open at the same time! For a map of current participants, visit <https://artcoz.org/arts-district-map>.

JAN. 2–4 – Columbus Building and Renovation Expo, Ohio Expo Center, Kasich Hall, 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Fri. 12–6 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.–5 p.m. \$5; under 18 free. Parking \$7. From top-quality exhibits to insightful demos and more, you'll discover thousands of ways to design or renovate your home. www.homeshowcenter.com.

JAN. 9–18 – Ohio RV and Boat Show, Ohio Expo Center, 717 E. 17th St., Columbus. \$13–\$15; 12 and under free. Parking \$7. See the new year's RVs, campers, boats, pontoon/tritoons, PWC, golf cars, and motorcycles. www.ohiorvandboatshow.com.

JAN. 11 – Buckeye Valley FFA Alumni Annual Farm Toy Show, Buckeye Valley High School, 901 Coover Rd., Delaware (3 miles north of Delaware off Rte. 23), 9 a.m.–2 p.m. \$2; 12 and under free. Vintage and new farm toys, toy trucks, farm collectibles, NASCAR items, and much more! Baked goods, food, raffle, door prizes, kiddie tractor pull (9 a.m.–noon). Breakfast \$7, 8–10 a.m. (includes show admission). 740-272-1782.