

# DECEMBER 2017 *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Your official guide to what's happening  
in and around Scottsdale



Las Noches de las Luminarias

# DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



## LAS NOCHES DE LAS LUMINARIAS

Ongoing thru Dec. 30, 2017 (select dates) | 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. | [dbg.org](http://dbg.org)

Every holiday season, the trails of the Desert Botanical Garden glow with the light of more than 8,000 hand-lit luminarias and thousands of twinkling white lights. Musical groups along the paths provide live entertainment ranging from Native American flute to traditional holiday carols.



Christmas at the Princess

## HOLIDAYS IN SCOTTSDALE

Thru Dec. 31, 2017 | [holidaysinscottsdale.com](http://holidaysinscottsdale.com)

Visit [HolidaysInScottsdale.com](http://HolidaysInScottsdale.com), your official guide to all the season's most exciting events, hotel packages and holiday offers. You'll also find suggestions for outstanding holiday dining at Scottsdale's finest restaurants and tips on the best holiday light displays.



## SCOTTSDAZZLE

Ongoing thru Jan. 1, 2018 | [scottsdazzle.com](http://scottsdazzle.com)

This month-long celebration of all things holiday includes the Santa Wine Around (Dec. 2), Scottsdale Cowboy Christmas (Dec. 9), Scottsdazzle ArtWalk (Dec. 14) and concerts under the stars (Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23). Visit the website for a complete listing of Scottsdazzle events and times.



## PUEBLO GRANDE INDIAN MARKET

Dec. 9-10, 2017 | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. | [pueblogrande.org](http://pueblogrande.org)

This annual event features more than 100 Native American artist booths showcasing pottery, jewelry, basketry and other arts. Enjoy live performances of traditional music and dance, as well as food trucks offering fry bread, cactus chili, burgers and other delicious specialties.



## A MERRY-ACHI CHRISTMAS

Dec. 16, 2017 | 8 p.m. | [scottsdalearts.org](http://scottsdalearts.org)

Join Maestro Jose Hernandez and his platinum-selling Sol de Mexico for an evening of treasured holiday favorites and selections from the mariachi songbook. The first mariachi ensemble to be nominated for a Grammy Award, Sol de Mexico has been delighting crowds for more than 30 years.



## COLLEGE FOOTBALL BOWL GAMES

Cactus Bowl: Dec. 26, 2017 | 7 p.m.

Playstation Fiesta Bowl: Dec. 30 | 2 p.m. | [fiestabowl.org](http://fiestabowl.org)

Capture gridiron action at its finest when college football's Cactus Bowl and Playstation Fiesta Bowl roll into the Valley of the Sun! Make Scottsdale your home base and you'll enjoy all the festivities, from pre-game parties and events to the ultimate game-day showdowns.

# DECEMBER EVENTS

## ONGOING EVENTS

### Ancient Musical Treasures from Central China

Musical Instrument Museum  
480-478-6000 | mim.org  
Thru 5/6/18

### Art of Ice Cream Experience

4224 Craftsman Court  
See website for details  
480-666-5545  
artoficecreamexperience.com  
Thru 2/28/18

### Canvas of Clay: Hopi Pottery Masterworks

Western Spirit: Scottsdale's Museum of the West  
480-686-9539  
scottsdalemuseumwest.org  
Thru 12/29/19

### Christmas at the Princess

Fairmont Scottsdale Princess  
480-585-4848 | scottsdaleprincess.com  
Thru 12/31/17

### Fragments: Broken Bowls Tell More Tales

Pueblo Grande Museum & Archaeological Park  
602-495-0901 | pueblogrande.com  
Thru 8/31/18

### Grand Canyon Grandeur

Western Spirit: Scottsdale's Museum of the West  
480-689-9539  
scottsdalemuseumwest.org  
Thru 12/31/17

### \*HGTV's Santa HQ Holiday Experience

Scottsdale Fashion Square  
480-941-2140 | fashionsquare.com  
Thru 12/24/17

### \*Holiday Lights

McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park  
480-312-2312 | therailroadpark.com  
Thru 1/7/18

### Illumination AZ

1-17 & Jomax Rd. exit  
602-567-3618 | illuminationaz.com  
Thru 1/14/18

### Infinite Light: A Photographic Meditation on Tibet

Phoenix Art Museum  
602-257-1880 | phxart.org  
Thru 2/18/18

### Marking the Infinite

Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art  
480-874-4666 | smoca.org  
Thru 1/21/18

### Paolo Soleri: The City is Nature

Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art  
480-874-4666 | smoca.org  
Thru 1/28/18

### Polar Express

Grand Canyon Railway  
800-843-8724 | thetrain.com  
Thru 1/6/18  
(no trains Dec. 5, 12, 25, 31; Jan. 1-3)

### \*PRISMATICA

Scottsdale Waterfront  
scottsdalepublicart.org  
Thru 1/14/18

### \*Reflection Rising

Arizona Canal at Scottsdale Waterfront  
scottsdalepublicart.org  
Thru 3/4/18

### \*Scottsdazzle

Downtown Scottsdale  
scottsdazzle.com  
Thru 1/1/18



### Zoolights

Phoenix Zoo  
602-286-3800 | phoenixzoo.org  
Thru 1/14/18

*Zoolights shines with millions of lights, a three-story lighted tree, hundreds of glimmering light displays, lakeside Music-in-Motion shows and more!*

### DEC. 1

#### Marty Ashby's Holiday Jazz Celebration

Musical Instrument Museum, 7:30 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

### Robert Cray

The Showroom at Talking Stick Resort  
8 p.m.  
480-850-7777 | talkingstickresort.com

### DEC. 1-3

#### The Bodyguard: The Musical

ASU Gammage  
See website for show times  
480-965-3434 | asugammage.com

### Holiday Pops

Symphony Hall  
See website for show times  
602-262-6225 | phoenixsymphony.org

### International Off-Road & UTV Expo

Westworld of Scottsdale  
See website for details  
internationaloffroadexpo.com

### DEC. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-23

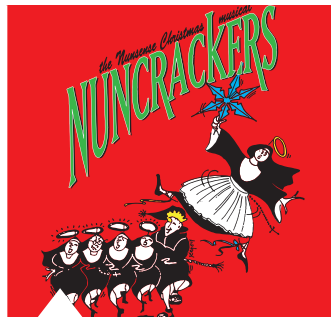
#### Peter Pan

Scottsdale Desert Stages Theatre  
Fri. & Sat. 7:30 / Sat. & Sun. 2 p.m.  
480-483-1664 | desertstages.org  
(no matinees Dec. 22, 23)

### DEC. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 19-23, 26-30

#### Las Noches de las Luminarias

Desert Botanical Garden  
5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  
480-941-1225 | dbg.org



### DEC. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 20-24

#### Nuncrackers: The Musical

Scottsdale Desert Stages Theatre  
See website for show times  
480-483-1664 | desertstages.org

*Hilarity ensues as you witness the first TV special taped in Reverend Mother's studio, located in the convent basement.*

### DEC. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

#### \*Native American Dancing

Hyatt Regency Scottsdale, 5 p.m.  
480-444-1234 | scottsdale.hyatt.com

### DEC. 2

#### Arizona Coyotes vs. New Jersey Devils

Gila River Arena, 6 p.m.  
480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

### The Brunch Club

Mountain Shadows, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
480-945-7193 | thebrunchclubaz.org

### Nachito Herrera:

#### "Gershwin Meets Lecuona"

Musical Instrument Museum, 7:30 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

### Scottsdazzle: Culinary Demonstration

Barrio Queen, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
scottsdazzle.com



### Scottsdazzle: Santa Wine Around

Downtown Wine Trail, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

*Tasting rooms on the Scottsdale Wine Trail offer holiday treats to all, plus commemorative wine glasses to those dressed like Santa or Mrs. Claus.*

### \*Scottsdazzle: Canal Concert with Phoenix Boys Choir

Soleri Bridge Plaza, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

### DEC. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

#### \*McDonald's Rock 'n' Roll Car Show

The Pavilions, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
480-443-0080  
thepavilionsattalkingstick.com

\* denotes free event



**DEC. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

**\*Old Town Farmers' Market**

Brown Ave. & First St., 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
623-848-1234  
arizonacommunityfarmersmarkets.com

*Treasures include locally grown produce, homemade salsas, artisan breads and seasonal items.*

**DEC. 3**

**Arizona Cardinals vs. Los Angeles Rams**

University of Phoenix Stadium, 2:25 p.m.  
602-379-0102 | azcardinals.com

**DEC. 3-7, 10-14, 17-21, 24-28 & 31**  
**Scottsdazzle: Culinary Holiday Tour with JoyRides AZ**

Old Town Scottsdale  
4 p.m., 6 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**DEC. 5**

**Makana**

Musical Instrument Museum, 7 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 6**

**Handel's Messiah**

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m.  
480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**DEC. 7**

**Sharon Isbin & the Pacifica Quartet**

Musical Instrument Museum, 7:30 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 7, 14, 21, 28**

**\*Scottsdale ArtWalk**

Scottsdale Arts District (Main St. & Marshall Way)  
6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
scottsdalegalleries.com

**DEC. 8**

**The Mike Stern Quartet**

Musical Instrument Museum  
7 p.m. & 9 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 8-10 & 15-17**

**Sister's Christmas Catechism**

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts  
See website for showtimes  
480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**DEC. 8-10, 15-17 & 21-24**

**Ballet Arizona's "The Nutcracker"**

Symphony Hall  
See website for show times  
602-381-1096 | balletaz.org

**DEC. 9**

**Scottsdazzle: Culinary Demonstration**

Super Chunk Sweets & Treats  
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**\*Scottsdazzle: Cowboy Christmas**

Old Town District, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**\*Scottsdazzle: Miracle of the Roses Pageant**

Old Adobe Mission, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**\*Scottsdazzle: Canal Concert with Campanillas del Sol Handbell Choir**

Soleri Bridge Plaza, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com



**\*Twas a Girls Night Before Christmas: The Musical**

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 5 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

*Join five zany friends as they laugh, gossip and let their hair down during the holidays!*

**Warren Miller's Line of Descent**

ASU Gammage, 8 p.m.  
480-965-3434 | asugammage.com

**DEC. 9-10**

**Pueblo Grande Indian Market**

Pueblo Grande Museum & Archaeological Park, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
602-495-0901 | pueblogrande.org

**DEC. 10**

**Arizona Cardinals vs. Tennessee Titans**

University of Phoenix Stadium, 2:05 p.m.  
602-379-0102 | azcardinals.com

**Taylor Hicks**

Musical Instrument Museum, 7 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 11-12**

**Tower of Power**

Musical Instrument Museum  
7 p.m. & 9 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 14**

**Arizona Coyotes vs. Tampa Bay Lightning**

Gila River Arena, 7 p.m.  
480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

**Phoenix Boys Choir**

Musical Instrument Museum, 7:30 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org



**\*Scottsdazzle ArtWalk**

Scottsdale Arts District (Main St. & Marshall Way), 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
scottsdalegalleries.com

*The weekly ArtWalk takes on a holiday glow with luminarias, strolling carolers and live ice sculpting.*

**DEC. 15**

**David Britton Christmas: Sounds of the Season**

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.  
480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**\*Scottsdazzle: Live Nativity & Choir**

Old Adobe Mission, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**DEC. 16**

**A Merry-Achi Christmas**

Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.  
480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**Arizona Coyotes vs. Pittsburgh Penguins**

Gila River Arena, 6 p.m.  
480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

**The Forgotten Carols**

ASU Gammage, 7:30 p.m.  
480-965-3434 | asugammage.com

**Scottsdazzle: Culinary Demonstration**

Marcellino Ristorante, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com



**\*Scottsdazzle: Sugar Plum Avenue**

Fifth Avenue District | 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

*Enjoy live entertainment, aerial performances, Candy Land Bounce Houses, Sugar Plum Fairies and more.*

**\*Scottsdazzle: Canal Concert with Phoenix Women's Chorus**

Soleri Bridge Plaza, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**DEC. 16-17**

**Timothy B. Schmit**

Musical Instrument Museum  
Sat. 7:30 p.m. / Sun. 7 p.m.  
480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 17**

**\*Scottsdazzle: Children's Choir & Sing-Along**

Old Adobe Mission, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.  
scottsdazzle.com

**DEC. 19**

**Arizona Coyotes vs. Florida Panthers**

Gila River Arena, 7 p.m.  
480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

*\* denotes free event*



**DEC. 19**  
**Cherish the Ladies:**  
**Celtic Christmas**  
 Musical Instrument Museum, 7 p.m.  
 480-478-6000 | mim.org  
*Traditional carols get an Irish twist thanks to Celtic instruments, beautiful harmonies and spectacular step dancing.*

**DEC. 19-24**  
**Rodgers + Hammerstein's**  
**CINDERELLA**  
 ASU Gammage  
 See website for show times  
 480-965-3434 | asugammage.com

**DEC. 21**  
**Windham Hill Winter Solstice**  
 Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m.  
 480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**DEC. 22**  
**Arizona Coyotes vs.**  
**Washington Capitals**  
 Gila River Arena, 7 p.m.  
 480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy's Wild**  
**Swingin' Holiday Party**  
 Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.  
 480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**DEC. 23**  
**Arizona Coyotes vs.**  
**Colorado Avalanche**  
 Gila River Arena, 6 p.m.  
 480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

\***Scottsdazzle: Canal Concert**  
**with MC6 A Capella**  
 Soleri Bridge Plaza, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
 scottsdazzle.com

**DEC. 24**  
**Arizona Cardinals vs.**  
**New York Giants**  
 University of Phoenix Stadium, 2:25 p.m.  
 602-379-0102 | azcardinals.com

**DEC. 26**  
**29th Annual Cactus Bowl**  
 Chase Field, 7 p.m.  
 480-350-0900 | cactusbowl.com

**DEC. 26-30**  
**Sing-a-Long-a Grease**  
 Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts  
 See website for show times  
 480-499-8587 | scottsdalearts.org

**DEC. 28**  
**Arizona Coyotes vs.**  
**Toronto Maple Leafs**  
 Gila River Arena, 7 p.m.  
 480-563-7825 | coyotes.nhl.com

**DEC. 29**  
**Roger Clyne and the Peacemakers**  
 Salt River Grand Ballroom at  
 Talking Stick Resort, 8 p.m.  
 480-850-7777 | talkingstickresort.com

**DEC. 30**  
**Playstation Fiesta Bowl**  
 University of Phoenix Stadium, 2 p.m.  
 480-350-0900 | fiestabowl.org



**DEC. 30 & 31**  
**Decadence New Year's Concert**  
 Rawhide Event Center, 3 p.m. – 3 a.m.  
 decadencearizona.com

*Two massive stages host more than 25 national acts, including Big Wild and Bjou, to ring in the New Year.*

**Jim Brickman:**  
**A New Year's Celebration**  
 Musical Instrument Museum  
 Sat. 7 p.m. / Sun. 6 p.m. & 8 p.m.  
 480-478-6000 | mim.org

**DEC. 31**  
**Family New Year's Eve Train**  
 Verde Canyon Railroad, 1 p.m.  
 800-293-7245 | verdecanyonrr.com

**New Year's Eve Celebration**  
 Symphony Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
 602-262-6225 | phoenixsymphony.org

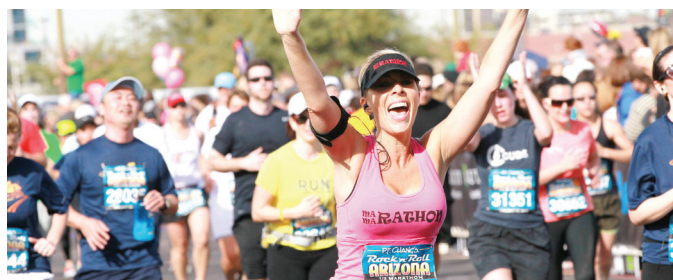
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# JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS



**SCOTTSDALE GOLF WEEK**  
 Jan. 8-14, 2018 | scottsdalegolfweek.com

*Golf. Food. Fun. It's all in play during Scottsdale Golf Week. This weeklong celebration showcases the best of Scottsdale by teeing-up outstanding golf, dining and entertainment deals just for you. If you're an avid golfer, you won't want to miss it! See website for details.*



**ROCK 'N' ROLL ARIZONA MARATHON & 1/2 MARATHON**  
 Jan. 12-14, 2018 | rnrar.com

*This annual event combines idyllic winter running weather and live music every mile for a marathon experience runners and spectators won't want to miss! The course runs through Scottsdale, Phoenix and Tempe, and is followed by post-race concert celebration at Tempe Beach Park. See website for details.*



**BARRETT-JACKSON COLLECTOR CAR AUCTION**  
 Jan. 13-21, 2018 | barrett-jackson.com

*Headquartered in Scottsdale, Barrett-Jackson is the world's leader in collector car auctions and automotive lifestyle events. In 2017, more than 1,800 pieces of automobilia and 1,700 vehicles crossed the auction block, and more than \$2.2 million was raised for charity. See website for details.*

# JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS



## CELEBRATION OF FINE ART

Jan. 13 – March 25, 2018 | 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
[celebrateart.com](http://celebrateart.com)

*The Celebration of Fine Art is where art lovers and artists connect! This juried, invitational show and art sale features more than 40,000 square feet of working studios and works of art by 100 renowned and emerging artists from across the country.*



## ART IN MOTION: A VIDEO EXPERIENCE ARTWALK

Jan. 25, 2018 | 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
[scottsdalegalleries.com](http://scottsdalegalleries.com)

*The Scottsdale Gallery Association presents video artists who will create a trail of art projected on buildings, in the streets, within galleries and on storefronts. Art in Motion is a Gold Palette ArtWalk, a series of specially themed events that take place throughout the year.*



## WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN

Jan. 29 – Feb. 4, 2018 | [wmphoenixopen.com](http://wmphoenixopen.com)

*Year after year, "The Greatest Show on Grass" draws the largest crowds on the PGA TOUR to the TPC Scottsdale. Past champions include Hideki Matsuyama (2017, 2016), Brooks Koepka (2015) and Kevin Stadler (2014). After dark, head over the Bird's Nest Music Festival where nationally renowned performers keep the energy flowing. See website for details.*



SCOTTSDALE  
ARIZONA

[ExperienceScottsdale.com](http://ExperienceScottsdale.com)

## EXPERIENCE SCOTTSDALE TOURIST INFORMATION CENTER

### SCOTTSDALE FASHION SQUARE

Located in the food court

7014 E. Camelback Rd.

Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

