

Christmas at Crossroads Village

See what's happening in and around Flint & Genesee for the week of December 4-10

Holiday Happenings

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10

Santa and Friends at Genesee Valley Center
3341 S. Linden Road, Flint · (810) 732-4000 · geneseemall.com

(Open during mall hours) Visit with Santa and friends, in Center Court, and walk through the Woodland display, based on the children's book "Stranger in the Woods." Visits with Santa are free and photos are available for a small fee.

Monday–Sunday, December 4–10 Santa Visits at Great Lakes Crossing Outlets 4000 Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills · (248) 454-5000 · greatlakescrossingoutlets.com

(Open during outlet hours) Become a member of Santa's flight crew, which includes a visit with Santa, a personalized Cadet Badge, an opportunity to try on a virtual flight suit, dancing under magical lights and snowfall and find out how Santa's sleigh operates. Also, meet Santa's elves – George, Sleigh Mechanic, Sparkle, Flight Director, and Flash, the Reindeer Caretaker. Santa photo packages available.

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10 "Winter Wonderland" at Sloan Museum 1221 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-3450 · sloanlongway.org

(Open Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.) See a Dickens Village like you have never seen before, complete with more than 200 buildings, characters and countless lights all set to holly-jolly music. Let speeding miniature locomotives guide your eyes and ears through this wee world.

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"Cosmic Christmas – A Christmas Laser Light Show" at Longway Planetarium

1310 E. Kearsley Street, Flint \cdot (810) 237-3400 or (810) 237-3409 \cdot sloanlongway.org

(Show begins Monday-Wednesday & Sunday 4 p.m. and Thursday-Saturday 4 p.m. & 7 p.m.) Enjoy this Christmas light show, created at Longway, featuring a combination of 16 songs including several holiday classics, a few new hits and a couple of fun Christmas songs you might

not have heard before. All this set to stunning 4k visuals in a festival of Christmas splendor. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead to confirm.

Tuesday, December 5

Annual "Holiday Walk" at Flint Cultural Center Campus Kearsley Street off I-475 at Longway Blvd., Flint · (810) 237-7333 · FlintCulturalCenter.org

(Event runs 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.) Enjoy this community event on the beautifully decorated 33-acre Flint Cultural Center Campus complete with holiday light displays, caroling and festive live music, holiday theatre performances, hands-on seasonal arts and crafts, holiday planetarium samplers, refreshments, Santa visits/photos and more. The annual tree lighting ceremony begins at 5:15 p.m. Food trucks will also be selling food and beverages. While this is a free event, donations of non-perishable food or personal care items will be accepted for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan.

Thursday & Friday, December 7 & 8 "Holiday Candlewalk" in Flushing's Downtown Entertainment District

Main Street, Flushing • (810) 659-4141 • flushingchamber.com

(Event runs 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. both nights) Enjoy this community tradition as thousands of softly glowing candles will light the way along the streets of downtown Flushing along with holiday music, ice sculptures, wood carvings, live entertainment, a Lionel train display, s'mores, refreshments, horse drawn wagon rides, warming stations and more. Don't miss Santa's arrival during Thursday's Parade of Lights.

Friday-Sunday, December 8-10

Christmas at Crossroads Village & Huckleberry Railroad "Holiday Magic"

6140 Bray Road, Flint • (800) 648-PARK • geneseecountyparks.org

(Open 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.) Visit Crossroads when thousands of lights sparkle like tiny stars throughout the village with live entertainment, model trains, holiday music, costumed villagers making vintage crafts, shops full of great holiday gifts and Santa bringing smiles to faces of all ages. Ride the Huckleberry Railroad for a festive night-time ride.



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Saturday, December 9

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" at The Whiting 1241 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-7333 · thewhiting.com

(Performances begin 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.) This beloved TV classic soars off the screen and onto the stage this holiday season. Come see your favorite characters including Santa and Mrs. Claus, Hermey the Elf, the Abominable Snow Monster, Clarice, Yukon Cornelius and, of course, Rudolph, as they come to life in this musical production.

Saturday & Sunday, December 9 & 10 Holly Dickens Festival

Village of Holly's Entertainment District/Battle Alley \cdot (248) 634-7040 \cdot hollydickensfestival.org

(Festival runs Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Step back in time and partake in this family-fun event as the Dickens Festival celebrates its 44th year, the longest running Dickens themed event in the U.S. Stroll the streets of downtown Holly while enjoying the sweet sounds of carolers as they sing our favorite Christmas songs, visit Holly's unique shops, listen to the story of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol", grab a bite to eat, take a holiday carriage ride and more.

Events

Tuesday, December 5

"Let's Hike It Baby!" at For-Mar Nature Preserve 2142 N. Genesee Road, Burton · (810) 789-8567 · geneseecountyparks.org

(Event runs 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.) Get outside, get active and explore! Designed for parents with small children, come out and learn how to enjoy the outdoors at a young age. Meet at For-Mar's Visitors Center for some stretching and a story, then hit the trails. Dress for the weather. Recommended for families with toddlers and older.

Wednesday, December 6

"Craft Academy: Felt Michigan Ornaments" with Flint Handmade at The Local Grocer 601 Martin Luther King Avenue, Flint · (810) 285-9900 · flinthandmade.org

(Event runs 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.) Learn how to use felt, ribbon, embroidery floss and a tiny heart button to make fun Michigan ornaments. All materials and instructions provided.

Friday, December 8

"Treehouse Story Time: Getting Ready For Winter" at For-Mar Nature Preserve

2142 N. Genesee Road, Burton · (810) 789-8567 · geneseecountyparks.org

(Event runs 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.) Sprout the love of reading and nature while sharing books, singing songs and making a craft. Recommended for families with children 2 and older.

Friday, December 8

"Flint Generals vs. Red Wings Alumni Game" at Dort Event Center

3501 Lapeer Road, Flint · (810) 744-0580 · dorteventcenter.com

(Game begins 7 p.m.) Cheer on your team as the Flint Generals and the Detroit Red Wings play a hockey game to remember.

Friday, December 8

University of Michigan-Flint Men's Hockey at Crystal Fieldhouse Ice Arena

5371 Daly Farms Drive, Burton • (810) 744-0800 • crystalfh.com

(Game begins 8 p.m.) Come out for a night of exciting hockey when the University of Michigan-Flint Men's Hockey team plays against SVSU.

Friday & Saturday, December 8 & 9 "Student Art Fair" at Mott Community College Event Center

1401 E. Court Street, Flint · mcc.edu

(Art Fair runs Friday 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) Enjoy this first-ever Student Art Fair featuring the works of more than 30 student artists ranging from paintings, photography, sculpture, prints and screen prints, mixed media and more. This art fair was launched to teach students how to make a living in the arts from preparing artwork for sale to promoting an event and marketing their work.

Saturday, December 9

"Tech StudioOH!: Saturdays with Steve - Minecraft" at the Flint Public Library/Main Branch 1026 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 232-7111 · fpl.info

(Event runs 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.) Meet up with fellow Minecraft adventurers to build and survive in unique and exciting worlds featuring the challenge of game modes. Players of all skill levels are welcome. We learn from each other. Recommended for Middle and High school ages.

Saturday, December 9

"Indoor Ice Racing" at Dort Event Center 3501 Lapeer Road, Flint · (810) 744-0580 · dorteventcenter.com

(Event runs 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.) The Flint Motorcycle Club will host this 58th annual indoor ice racing competition with proceeds benefitting Big Brother Big Sisters.

Attractions

Monday–Sunday, December 4–10 **Sloan Museum**

1221 E. Kearsley Street, Flint • (810) 237-3450 • sloanlongway.org

(Open Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Enjoy regional history, historic automobiles and hands-on science activities where children and adults can explore principles of chemistry and physics through exhibits and staff presentations.

"The Adventures of Clifford the Big Red Dog" – Enjoy this interactive, learning experience as visitors climb aboard a ferry and listen to seagulls while approaching Birdwell Island. Encounter a colossal nine-foot tall Clifford and slide down his tail. Work together to fill Clifford's big food bowl and gain self-confidence on stage with Clifford and his pals. Explore T-Bone's beach, find buried treasure and build a sandcastle. Also, start a dance party and play instruments in the Musical Marina. Then, crawl through a tunnel in Cleo's Backyard and try shape-sorting and matching activities.

"Collecting Flint from A to Z" – The Sloan Museum has a variety of artifacts, nearly 400,000 of them! You name it, they probably have



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one. A large, eclectic collection is required to accurately record the last 200 years of life in Flint & Genesee. This exhibit highlights 26 groups from Sloan's vast and varied collection, normally hidden away in storage. Each alphabetized set reveals something about Flint's shared history. View historic automobiles, firearms, radios, wedding dresses, beer, blueprints and everything in-between.

"Flint and the American Dream" – This exhibit takes visitors on a fascinating journey through Flint in the 20th century – from the birth of the auto industry to the present. Encounter the ups and downs of General Motors, the birth of the UAW, Flint's role as the "Arsenal of Democracy" and what life was like during the 50s, 60s and 70s. The gallery displays over 600 artifacts and photographs, including rare antique automobiles, colorful neon signs, period clothing, household furnishings and commercial goods.

"Art at Work: Early GM Designs of Dick Ruzzin" - This exhibition showcases over 30 automotive design sketches from one of General Motors' most prolific car designers, on loan from the artist. Dick Ruzzin spent over 40 years designing for GM in its various studios and for its various brands, before retiring as the Director of Design for Chevrolet cars. The artistry of Ruzzin's designs went largely unacknowledged until the late 1980s. They were viewed as work product, and generally thrown away when projects came to an end. Ruzzin was given permission to retain only a tiny fraction of the artwork he produced during his career. This exhibition offers a rare glimpse into the art generated in the pursuit of a larger goal – to ultimately produce cars that were beautiful, functional and desirable.

"Wisner's Whizbang Emporium" - Explore Wisner's Whizbang Emporium, an interactive gallery where young and old can play together. Wonder at toys from the past as the little one's shop for food in the miniature grocery store and cook in the play kitchen. Take the wheel in the climb-on ambulance, play a board game or discover a book together.

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10 Longway Planetarium 1310 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 237-3409 or (810) 237-3400 · sloanlongway.org

Due to the dark planetarium environment, shows listed below are recommended for children 4 years and older. No late seating and no re-entry after show begins. Tickets go on sale ½ hour before show time. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

"Skies Over Michigan" (Show starts daily 3 p.m.) Learn about the rotation of the Earth, find the North Star and the way around the night sky, what a constellation is and which are visible in the current night sky. Also, learn about Moon phases, the daily and monthly motion of the Moon through the sky, visible planets and their movement among the stars. Recommended for ages 6 and older.

"The Queen Light Show: From Mercury With Love" (Show starts Thursday-Saturday 8 p.m.) Longway Planetarium breathes new life into the wildly popular classic rock light show format with an original production set to the music of Queen. Experience 10 of Queen's greatest hits in this new show, including favorites like Bohemian Rhapsody, Another One Bites the Dust and You're My Best Friend. Recommended for adults.

"In My Backyard" (Show starts Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m.) Join Fred Penner from TV's Nickelodeon as he explores things large and small,

from the colors of the rainbow, to reasons for the seasons and the stars at night. Show is especially designed for the youngest stargazers.

"We Are Stars" (Show starts Saturday & Sunday 1 p.m.) What are we made of? Where did it all come from? Narrated by Andy Serkis, explore the secrets of our cosmic chemistry and explosive origins. Connect life on Earth to the evolution of the Universe by following the formation of Hydrogen atoms to the synthesis of Carbon and the molecules for life. Recommended for ages 10 and older.

"Accidental Astronauts" (Show starts Saturday & Sunday 2 p.m.) Follow the adventures of Sy, Annie and their dog Armstrong as they embark on an unexpected journey into space. Explore the Earth, Sun and Moon with a wise-cracking starship computer. Follow an asteroid as it crashes into the Moon and bounce along on the lunar surface. Then, get up close and personal with a solar system. Recommended for ages 3 to 8.

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10 **LEGOLAND Discovery Center Michigan** 4240 Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills · (866) 622-0605 · legolanddiscoverycenter.com/michigan

(Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Center remains open 2 hours after last admission; please allow a minimum of 2 to 3 hours for a visit) Located at Great Lakes Crossing Outlets, this indoor family attraction features two LEGO rides, a 4D cinema, large children's play area, a creative workshop where guests learn about LEGO building from experts and more. Also, visit Miniland and view some of Metro Detroit's iconic buildings and attractions made from LEGO bricks. All tickets are pre-booked online, meaning that guests must select a visit date and time and arrive at that appointed time to guarantee entry. During peak periods, and because guests can stay as long as they want once inside, there may be entry delays. Please be advised that adults must be accompanied by a child to enter this attraction. Visit the website above for special hours and closures. Recommended for children ages 3 to 10.

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10 Sea Life Michigan Aquarium 4316 Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills · (866) 622-0605 · visitsealife.com/michigan

(Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. – Last entry is 1 hour prior to closing time) Located at Great Lakes Crossing Outlets, get transported into an amazing underwater world. Come nose-to-nose with sharks and prepare for astonishingly close views of everything from humble seahorses to graceful rays. Walk through an underwater Ocean Tunnel, encounter more than 5,000 sea creatures, hold a crab and touch a sea star. Meet Benson, a young Green Sea turtle rescued after being struck by a boat in Florida. Benson now has permanent damage to his shell and spine and can't dive for food, so he will never be able to be released back into the wild. Also, participate in daily fun talks and feed shows. Visit the website above for special hours and closures.

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, December 5, 7 & 9 Flint Farmers' Market 300 E. First Street, Flint · (810) 232-1399 · flintfarmersmarket.com

(Open Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Open year-round, shop Flint's city market featuring over 50



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inside vendors selling produce, including fresh, locally grown foods, a meat market, poultry, breads and baked goods, cheese, a wine shop, art gallery, flowers, gourmet coffees, crafts, fine arts and more. Also, enjoy breakfast and lunch at "Steady Eddy's", a unique market café that purchases a large selection of their menu ingredients from market vendors (also open limited hours on off market days).

Tuesday-Sunday, December 5-10 Flint Children's Museum 1602 W. University Avenue, Flint ⋅ (810) 767-5437 ⋅ thefcm.org

(Open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.) Home to over 50 exhibits designed for children ages 1-10 to inspire a lifelong love for learning through exploration and hands-on play.

"The Big Blue Blocks" from Imagination Playground – Enjoy this interactive exhibit that fosters creativity, cognitive development, social skills and physical development for children. Even adults have fun building and designing with these over-sized geometric shapes. There is no right or wrong way to play with Big Blue Blocks, so everyone will have fun no matter what. Come put your imagination to work and build your own designs.

Art & Culture

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Flint Institute of Arts (FIA) 1120 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 234-1695 · flintarts.org

(Open Monday-Friday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) Visit FIA and browse their outstanding collections of American, European, Native American, African and Asian art including paintings, sculptures, prints, drawings and decorative arts featuring a complete set of 17th century French tapestries that tell a story.

"The Art of Containment – Vessels from the Sidney Swidler Collection" - In 1984, Sidney Swidler began collecting contemporary ceramics and, since that time, has collected over 1,000 objects. His background as a modern architect honed his eye for the essential elements of form, texture, glaze selection, craftsmanship and artistic intent. In 2017, Swidler gifted over 100 objects to the FIA. This collection of ceramics encompasses pieces by ceramicists working predominantly with the vessel form and illustrate the versatility of this art form and the breadth of Swidler's collection.

"The Eccentric Vision of William Stolpin" – This exhibit features prints from the long and distinguished career of Bill Stolpin, from Holly, Michigan, who has been making prints for over 50 years. Stolpin works in multiple print mediums, including woodcuts, linocuts, etchings, aquatints and serigraphs. His work is not just varied in its techniques, but in subject matter as well and revolves around several themes such as architecture, landscape, fantasy, abstraction and space.

"Size Matters: Big and Small Works from the FIA Collection" – From oversized paintings of Sophie Matisse and Ray Parker to small works by Sir Henry Raeburn and David Eichenberg, this exhibition considers the importance of size in the experience of art. Throughout history, artists have often utilized the element of size (or scale) when determining the context of their work. The objects in this display date from the 18th to the 21st century and feature objects of both gigantic and diminutive size.

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, December 5, 7 & 9 Art at the Market Gallery at the Flint Farmers' Market 300 E. First Street, Flint · (810) 238-9202 · artatthemarket.com

(Open Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.) Located in the Flint Farmers' Market, enjoy browsing, and purchasing, at this unique art gallery showcasing original artwork from over 30 local artists. Art at the Market is a non-profit organization and operated by its artists.

Thursday-Saturday, December 7-9 Mott-Warsh Collection Gallery 815 S. Saginaw Street, Flint (Gallery entrance is on E. Court Street) · (810) 835-4900 · m-wc.org

(Open Thursday & Friday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the 2nd Friday of each month 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.) The Mott-Warsh Collection is a private collection of fine art created by artists of the African diaspora. Maryanne Mott and her late husband, Herman Warsh, initiated the collection in 2001 as a means of providing fine art to a broader audience in the City of Flint and beyond. With a focus on art produced since 1940, the Mott-Warsh Collection contains work by over 125 artists covering a range of media from drawing to painting, prints to photography and mixed media to sculpture. The collection contains abstract and representational work depicting the unique cultural and social experience of Africans living and working in American society. Exhibits change frequently.

Thursday-Saturday, December 7-9 **Buckham Gallery**134½ W. Second Street, Flint · (810) 239-6233 · buckhamgallery.org

(Open Thursday & Saturday 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.) Founded in 1984, Buckham Gallery is an artist-run, not-for-profit exhibition and performance space that features artists from as many diverse locations as possible. It is the philosophy of the gallery to create an open atmosphere, which allows both emerging and established artists to take charge of their own creative pursuits. On Friday, during the Second Friday ARTWALK from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Buckham Gallery presents the "Artist Member Show" exhibition. Stop by and see some cool art, enjoy some food and drinks and have a good time. This exhibit is on display through January 6, 2018.

Friday, December 8

"Second Friday ARTWALK" in Flint's Downtown Entertainment District

Saginaw Street, Flint • (810) 238-ARTS • geneseefun.com

(Event runs 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.) Partake in delicious food, tasty beverages, live music and the works of various artists on display throughout a variety of downtown Flint art galleries and businesses including The Local Grocer (601 Martin Luther King Avenue), which hosts an evening of social crafting and an art show by local artists of Flint Handmade. Stop by the Greater Flint Arts Council (816 S. Saginaw Street) for this month's walking tour, while supplies last. Free admission.



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Greater Flint Arts Council (GFAC)

816 S. Saginaw Street, Flint · (810) 238-ARTS · greaterflintartscouncil.org

(Open 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.) The GFAC programs and services are designed to engage the community in creative processes and support the work of Michigan artists. This is accomplished by showcasing a new exhibit each month, in their downtown Flint gallery, with the opening reception during the Second Friday ARTWALK. Join the GFAC tonight as they celebrate the opening of the "Glass Artists of Michigan" exhibit along with live music by Dr. Phil Young and Friends, food and beverages. This exhibit is on display through January 5, 2018.

Theater

Wednesday-Sunday, December 6-10

Clio Cast & Crew presents "The One and Only Santa Claus" to Theatre 57

2220 W. Vienna Road, Clio · (810) 687-2588 · cliocastandcrew.com

(Performances begin Wednesday-Friday 7:30 p.m., Saturday 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 2:30 p.m.) Live in your living room, it's your favorite TV show, "American Profiles"! When a family is startled to find host Yul Tide in their living room on Christmas morning, the show begins. In a series of hilarious and heart-warming sketches, Yul Tide and co-host Chrystal Flakes explore what Santa Claus really represents while introducing us to various people who know and love him.

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The Fenton Village Players presents "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" to Fenton Village Playhouse 14197 Torrey Road, Fenton · (810) 750-7700 · fentontheatre.org

(Performances begin Friday 7 p.m., Saturday 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m.) Enjoy this comedy that follows the outrageous shenanigans of the Herdman siblings, or "the worst kids in the history of the world." The siblings take over the annual Christmas pageant in this hilarious and heartwarming tale involving the Three Wise Men, a ham, scared shepherds and six rowdy kids.

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The Flint Youth Theatre presents "The Lion, Witch, and the Wardrobe" to Bower Theatre

1220 E. Kearsley Street, Flint • (810) 237-1530 • thefyt.org

(Performances begin Friday 7 p.m., Saturday 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m.) Travel through the wardrobe into the magical land of Narnia in this one-of-a-kind, on-your-feet immersive thriller play about a heroic tale of love, faith, courage and giving; the life and death struggle for control of Narnia and the grandeur of good over evil, which has enthralled audiences of all ages.

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"The King's Choice" at the Flint Institute of Arts' Film Theater

1120 E. Kearsley Street, Flint · (810) 234-1695 · flintarts.org

(Film begins Friday & Saturday 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m.) Based on a true story, this film concerns three dramatic days in 1940, when the King of Norway is presented with an unimaginable ultimatum from the

German armed forces and faces a choice that will change his country forever. This film is not rated.

Entertainment

Monday-Saturday, December 4-9
Ice Skating at Flint Iceland Arena
1160 S. Elms Road, Flint · (810) 635-8487 · flinticeland.com

(Open Monday through Saturday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) Enjoy the sport of ice skating with friends and family. Public skating sessions are a great way to get out on the ice, get some exercise and have fun while doing it. Public skating schedule is subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Ice Skating at Crystal Fieldhouse Ice Arena 5371 Daly Farms Drive, Burton · (810) 744-0800 · crystalfh.com

(Open Monday through Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and calendar of events page for a listing of all events) Enjoy public skating, drop-in hockey, stick-n-puck, broomball, U-of-M Flint Hockey games for both men and women, Powers Catholic High School home games, GFHA Youth Hockey leagues, Try Hockey for free days, learn to play hockey, CRYSTAL Skating Academy learn to skate, learn to gure skate, hockey skating skills, private lessons, adult learn to skate classes, adult hockey leagues, tournaments, camps and clinics. Book birthday parties and/or school and church field trips. Event times are subject to change. Please call ahead.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Michigan Escape Games

9023 Davison Road, Davison • (810) 652-6165 • michiganescapegames.com

(For game times and availability call the phone number above or visit the website) If you're a gamer and think you've got what it takes to test your clue-cracking skills in the real world, then this is for you. Designed for small groups of 2-12 people and team events up to 50 people, challenge your wits, skills and teamwork to find clues and solve ciphers to escape from a locked room in under 60 minutes. The Escape Game provides sophisticated, high-level games that will challenge even the most hardcore gamers. Each themed room transports all into an adventure and one that will never be forgotten!

Monday-Sunday, December 4–10 The Sandbox Virtual Reality Arcade 4290 Miller Road (Somerset Town Centre), Flint · (810) 715-9791 · thesandbox-vra.com

(Open Monday-Thursday & Sunday 12 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Become what you imagine while enjoying top of the line equipment for the best experience at a reasonable cost. Become an astronaut, a race car driver, zombie hunter, Jedi Knight, an assassin, an artist or even take a trip to the bottom of the ocean or climb Mount Everest. Get ready for something you have never experienced before by taking a trip into a Virtual World. Comfortable atmosphere for all ages, private rooms for friends and parties, drinks and snacks available and extra VR equipment to enhance the experience. Online reservations suggested, but walk-ins welcome (no guarantee for instant play).



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IMAX Trillium Theatre Grand Blanc/NCG Cinemas 8220 Trillium Circle Avenue, Grand Blanc · Show Times (810) 695-5000 / Main (810) 953-0650 · ncgmovies.com/grand-blanc/

"Justice League: An IMAX Experience" – Fueled by his restored faith in humanity and inspired by Superman's selfless act, Bruce Wayne and Diana Prince assemble a team of metahumans consisting of Barry Allen, Arthur Curry and Victor Stone to face the catastrophic threat of Steppenwolf and the Parademons who are on the hunt for three Mother Boxes on Earth. Rated PG-13. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

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Cops & Robbers Ice Cream & Gifts - "Where It's A Crime Not To Have A Good Time!"

323 E. Main Street, Flushing · (810) 202-1001 · copsandrobbersshop.com

(Open 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Located in Flushing's former police station, this amazingly unique store offers a variety of toys, books, jewelry, nail polish, soaps, puzzles, games, playing cards, greeting cards, coffee mugs and much more including the largest local selection of J.R. Watkins products. If you are looking for something sweet, Cops & Robbers is the place to go for delicious treats from Bella Birches Bakery and premium ice cream from New Era, Michigan's Country Dairy. They also have slushies, soft serve, fresh baked cookies, Cops & Robbers homemade chocolate bark, dipped and decorated cones, malts and more. Recommended for all ages.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Chuck E. Cheese's

3489 Miller Road, Flint \cdot (810) 733-7404 \cdot chuckecheese.com

(Open Sunday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Chuck E. Cheese's is the ultimate place "Where a Kid Can Be a Kid" and parents can enjoy every moment. That's why Chuck E. himself takes pride in providing a safe, family-friendly environment offering video games, high-tech simulator rides, skytubes, kiddie rides for the little ones, live stage shows and more. Admission is free and games are always just one token.

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Bowl Flint

B's Bowling Center · 750 S. Center Road, Flint · (810) 743-7570 · bowlflint.com Richfield Bowl · 5340 Richfield Road, Flint · (810) 736-4880 · bowlflint.com

(Open Monday through Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) Richfield Bowl and B's Bowling are dedicated in providing one of the best entertainment venues in Flint & Genesee. These modern bowling centers offer kid-friendly bumper bowling lanes with lightweight bowling balls and small shoes. Also, experience Cosmic Bowling, on the weekends, with glow in the dark lanes along with laser, disco, black and runway lights, fog and music.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10

Bowl Grand Blanc Lanes

5301 S. Saginaw Road, Flint • (810) 771-4273 • grandblanclanes.com

(Open Monday through Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) Enjoy Genesee County's largest bowling center with

76 modern lanes featuring the "Main Side" with 44 Brunswick synthetic lanes and the "Annex Side" with 32 wood lanes. Both sides have their own snack bar, lounge and bowling counter, which makes it easy to accommodate groups of all sizes. Bumper bowling and automatic scorers make for a great family outing. On Friday and Saturday, come rock, dance and bowl during Cosmic Bowling.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Roller Skating at Rollhaven Skate & Fun Center

Flint/Grand Blanc • 5315 S. Saginaw Road, Grand Blanc Twp. • (810) 694-4533 • rollhaven.com—(Open Monday through Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) This family-fun center offers open skate sessions, adult skate, friends & family skate, kid specials, a Friday Nite Live skate, Junior Roller Derby, laser tag, a giant soft play area and more. On Tuesday, enjoy "Turkey Fest Fun" from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a variety of turkey games for all.

Flushing • 3464 Ann Drive, Flushing • (810) 659-7260 • rollhaven. com—(Open Monday through Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) Rollhaven Skate & Fun Center in Flushing has fun for everyone with open skate sessions, Friday Nite Live skate, Sunday FunDay, CannonBlaster and a huge soft playground area.

Tuesday-Sunday, December 5-10

Card Table Republic – A Board Game Lounge "where board games and friends unite"

8427 Davison Road, Davison • (810) 652-6363 • cardtablerepublic.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 3 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.) Card Table Republic is a place where, for a small fee, people of all ages can relax and challenge themselves playing over 500 board, card and dice games with friends and family. Old classic games such as Monopoly, Life, Battleship and Trouble are available to play as well as the newer style games such as Ticket To Ride, Catan, Carcassonne and Cards Against Humanity. A party room, that seats up to 30, is also available and the snack bar features made in Michigan products like Faygo and Better Made chips.

Tuesday-Sunday, December 5-10 CRU Paintball

4403 Clio Road, Flint • (810) 785-2278 • crupaintball.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) CRU Paintball is an unforgettable, adrenaline rush experience for paintball enthusiast and newcomers alike. With the largest indoor field in Michigan along with multiple indoor and outdoor fields, players are never kept waiting and can spend as much time on the fields as they desire. To ensure a fair match and make sure everyone has fun, teams are balanced so that a group of new players don't have to face a team of experienced paint ballers by themselves – new players are given a fair shot and experienced players will never have it too easy.

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The Summit Play Park
2630 Lippincott Boulevard, Flint · (810) 820-2341 · facebook.com/Summit-Play-Park-414386245585135/

(Open Tuesday-Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 12 p.m.



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to 8 p.m.) Enjoy this indoor, family-fun play park featuring inflatables, air hockey, obstacle courses, gaming stations, giant slides, pool tables, arcade games, a full service concession stand and more. Great place to take the kids for birthday parties and special events – ask about their package deals.

Wednesday & Friday-Sunday, December 6 & 8-10 Roller Skating at Skateland Arena 8460 N. Dort Highway, Mt. Morris・(810) 686-6110・skatelandarena.com

(Open Wednesday & Friday-Sunday – visit website above for hours of operation and events) Family owned and operated for over 50 years, Skateland has been entertaining families at an affordable price. Come out and skate on their large rink offering skate themed nights and Roller Hockey Arena along with an arcade and play center, laser tag, full concessions, birthday parties, skating lessons, a Volleyball Club and more. Their Skate Shop carries some of the best brands and prices for Traditional and In-Line skates as well as Roller Derby, Hockey and Speed skates. Wednesday is adult R&B/Old School Skate for ages 18 and older only.

Shopping

Monday–Sunday, December 4–10 Genesee Valley Center 3341 S. Linden Road, Flint · (810) 732-4000 · geneseemall.com

"Shop until you drop" at Flint's 1.3 million square feet of shopping space with over 130 retailers and anchored by Macy's, JC Penney, Sears and Burlington Coat Factory. Find those unique buys at the Center's one-of-a-kind shops and markets such as Buckle, Best Buy Mobile and Forever 21. The Outdoor Village offers 65,000 square feet of boulevard-style shopping and national tenants including Barnes & Noble, Bar Louie, The Sleep Number Store and more. Kids will have fun playing in the bounce houses at the center's American Fun Center. Visit the website above for hours of operation and coupon savings.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Courtland Center Mall

4190 E. Court Street, Burton · (810) 744-0742 · courtlandcenter.com

Conveniently located off I-69, Courtland Center offers 472,000 square feet of enclosed shopping featuring national retail anchors including JC Penney, Staples, Jo-Ann Superstore and Dunham's Sports. Visit more than 50 retailers and eateries while enjoying this friendly shopping experience with convenient parking. Visit the website above for hours of operation and special store offers.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Birch Run Premium Outlets

12240 S. Beyer Road, Birch Run • (989) 624-6226 • premiumoutlets.com

Find incredible values on all the new season fashions with up to a 65% discount on every day savings. Shop at over 145 well-known brand name stores such as the Pottery Barn Outlet, COACH Factory and the Nike Factory Store. Visit the website above for hours of operation and a list of additional in-store promotions.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Great Lakes Crossing Outlets 4000 Baldwin Road, Auburn Hills • (248) 454-5000 • greatlakescrossingoutlets.com

Great Lakes Crossing Outlets is the market's dominant retail outlet and entertainment destination, attracting customers throughout the Midwest and Canada. With 185 manufacturer's outlets and traditional retail stores, Great Lakes Crossing Outlets is Michigan's only enclosed value-regional mall. Visit the website above for hours of operation and special coupon savings.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Carriage Town Antique Center

503 Garland Street, Flint · (810) 238-1444 · carriagetownantiquecenter.com

(Open Monday-Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) Housed in a restored Art Deco warehouse, Carriage Town Antique Center has a fantastic mix of quality antiques, vintage collectibles and exquisite art. Browse two levels for antique furniture, glass, pottery, silver, vintage clothing, primitive pieces, period lighting and vintage Christmas all year round.

Dining with Evening Entertainment

Monday–Saturday, December 4–9 **Cranberries Café**

10250 Hegel Road, Goodrich · (810) 636-3409 · cranberriescafe.com

(Open for lunch Monday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and for dinner Tuesday-Thursday 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday & Saturday 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.) Enjoy great food and drinks, including Michigan beers on tap, while relaxing in this 1917 building featuring its original tin ceiling and flooring, an antique cherry bar and an original floral icebox, from northern Michigan, now converted into a wine cooler. Every Tuesday is Beer Night with half priced bottles and \$2 off drafts with dinner. Dine at Cranberries on Wednesday and receive a bottle of wine half off with dinner and/or visit on Thursday for live entertainment from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Monday-Saturday, December 4-9 Johnny's Pour House 240 W. Main Street, Flushing (810) 487-1020

(Open Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 11p.m. and Friday & Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Enjoy one of Flushing's most comfortable dining experiences for breakfast, lunch and dinner, in a casual atmosphere where friends and family can meet and enjoy the highest quality food, at affordable prices, along with friendly service. Each dish is created with the finest ingredients and soups are prepared from scratch. Live music runs most Friday and Saturday nights starting at 9 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 Beale Street Smokehouse BBQ

2461 North Road, Fenton · (810) 750-0507 · bealestreetsmokehouse.com

(Open Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.) Using the highest quality meats, enjoy tasty pulled pork and chicken, brisket, St. Louis and baby-back ribs, Michigan craft beers on tap, and in bottles, and more. Beale Street offers that "Juke Joint" atmosphere with live weekend music, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., with Lolly & The Pops performing Friday and Greg Ellis on Saturday.



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Blondie's Food & Spirits

2520 W. Hill Road, Flint · (810) 766-9680 · blondiesfoodandspirits.com

(Open Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.) Blondie's Food & Spirits has a passion for food and their guests. This unique restaurant offers more than just a commitment to fresh and traditional menu items, they make sure that every guest has a memorable dining experience in a warm and inviting atmosphere. Their extensive upscale, American comfort menu offers something for everyone for lunch, dinner and drinks. Also, enjoy live entertainment with Thursdays with Noel starting at 7 p.m. and the group Noyz Boyz (acoustic duo) performing Friday and Saturday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10

Brickstreet of Grand Blanc

1223 E. Grand Blanc Road, Grand Blanc \cdot (810) 603-2114 \cdot brickstreetbarandgrill.com

(Open at 11a.m. Monday – Friday and at 12 p.m. on Saturday & Sunday) Famous for fresh seafood, house-cut steaks and signature entrees, enjoy lunch, dinner and drinks in a friendly and comfortable atmosphere. Relax and sing along with live pub entertainment with Bob Adado Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening beginning at 7 p.m. Brickstreet also offers a Sunday Brunch and Bloody Mary Bar from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (reservations suggested).

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 The Corner Bar & Grill 4015 Owen Road, Fenton · (810) 354-8808 · cbgfenton.com

(Open Monday-Wednesday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 12 a.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.) Enjoy this rock-n-roll gastro pub offering a unique mix of fun and elegance with quality food from gourmet burgers to excellent codfish tacos along with craft beer and handcrafted drinks. A delicious brunch is served every Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with loaded omelets, brewcakes, chicken and waffles, breakfast hash, mimosas and more. In addition to great food, the Corner Bar & Grill hosts weekly entertainment with Jason Waggoner (wide variety) performing Thursday at 7 p.m. Friday, starting at 9 p.m., enjoy music and karaoke with DJ Marlow Ray Morgan. Then Saturday, Joe & Mike from Atomic Betty (acoustic duo) takes the stage at 9 p.m.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 **Lake View Bar & Grill** 8291 Silver Lake Road, Linden · (810) 458-6147

(Open Monday-Thursday 2 p.m. to 12 a.m., Friday 2 p.m. to 2 a.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 12 a.m.) Enjoy this sports bar and eatery located on the peaceful shoreline of Lobdell Lake. Their kitchen is open daily, from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m., serving sandwiches, soups, salads, burgers and hand tossed stone baked pizza with entrees and pasta dishes available between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Breakfast is served on the weekends. Entertainment begins Monday with Karaoke Night, starting at 8 p.m., Open Mic Jam Night on Thursdays at 8 p.m. and live bands perform most weekends from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 The Rough Draught Coffee & Barroom 134 N. Leroy Street, Fenton · (810) 714-3005 · roughdraughtbarroom.com

(Open Monday & Tuesday 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., Wednesday & Thursday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 6 a.m. to midnight and Sunday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.) Come experience this unique reminiscent of an old bar in an industrial building with reclaimed brick, lighting and other structural elements offering a unique selection of craft beers and cocktails and exceptional wines. Baristas are on staff to brew up the perfect latte, cappuccino or gourmet coffee. A light menu is also available offering breakfast and lunch sandwiches, burgers, salads and more all specially prepared with house made ingredients. Enjoy live acoustic tunes by local artists on Saturday.

Monday-Sunday, December 4-10 **Sherman's Lounge**

4211 Fenton Road, Flint • (810) 233-7057 • shermanslounge.com

(Open Monday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 2 a.m.) Home to Flint's Finest Entertainment for nearly 50 years, enjoy the best of live, local bands and events throughout the week. Wednesday, the Handsome Devils (guitar and vocals)) perform starting at 8 p.m. and on Thursday enjoy some Old School Karaoke starting at 7 p.m. On Friday, starting at 9:30 p.m., the group Square Pegz will perform a tribute to the 80's music. Then on Saturday, starting at 9 p.m., Rodeo Drive (classic rock) takes the stage. Sherman's also features a fully stocked bar, multiple flat-screen TVs, three pool tables, video games, keno and more. Their menu offers pizza, subs, signature sandwiches and a variety of other tasty dishes.

Tuesday-Sunday, December 5-10 **Andy's Place**

208 S. Broad Street, Holly • (248) 382-5020 • andysplace.wixsite.com/andy

(Open Tuesday & Sunday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Wednesday & Thursday 11 a.m. to 12 a.m. and Friday & Saturday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.) This friendly, fun atmosphere offers a selection of homemade soups, grilled sandwiches, build your own burgers and more. Andy's also features a large selection of beers, margaritas, martinis and specialty drinks – You Name It, They Will Make It. Enjoy live local music on Friday's from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Saturday, during dinner, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Then on Saturday evening, Andy's hosts an Open Mic Set from 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Happy Hour runs Tuesday through Friday 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and then from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with drink and food specials.

Tuesday-Sunday, December 5-10 Fenton Winery & Brewery (FWB) 1370 N. Long Lake Road, Fenton · (810) 373-4194 · fentonwinery.com

(Open Tuesday-Thursday 3 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday & Saturday 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.) Founded in 2007, FWB began as a typical winery featuring 15 wines and a tasting bar. They now offer a variety of beers on tap and over 20 wine choices (some on tap) with a steady rotation of seasonal wines and specialties. FWB also offers a retail store "Taproom" to purchase those favorites, a delicious menu, wine & beer samplings and live entertainment most weekends starting at 8 p.m.



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Friday, December 8

The Jewel of Grand Blanc/Paddy McGee's 5270 Perry Road, Grand Blanc · (810) 694-5960 · jewelgolf.com

(Open 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. or later) Located inside the Grand Blanc Golf Club, The Jewel of Grand Blanc offers Friday night country entertainment with DJ "Dan Richards' along with line dancing from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Adjacent to The Jewel is Grand Blanc's superior Irish Pub, Paddy McGee's, serving an all-day full breakfast and lunch and dinner menu as well as drink specials (open daily).

Nightlife

Friday & Saturday, December 8 & 9
Red Ink Flint Local 432 Concert Venue
124 W. First Street, Flint · facebook.com/FlintLocal432/

(Live music runs Friday 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. and Saturday 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.) This all ages club, known for its diversity, features performing arts programming, primarily live music, but also theatre, dance, comedy and more. Most of its audience and musicians are high school and college-age students. Friday, enjoy live music by the groups Goldblum, Penny Arcade, Ashley Marie, Captain Redbeard & The SS Friendship and Compainer. On Saturday, Beyond Words presents live performances by Wendel Patrick, Brinae Ali, Dr. Joyce Piert, Joel Rydecki, Desiree Duell and Frances Bradley. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Friday & Saturday, December 8 & 9

The Machine Shop Concert Lounge

3539 S. Dort Highway, Flint · (810) 715-2650 · themachineshop.info

(Doors open 7 p.m. for all shows unless otherwise noted) The Machine Shop hosts live rock-n-roll, metal and outlaw country events weekly. Friday, the group Whiskey Myers takes the stage with special guest Goodbye June. Saturday, William Michael Morgan performs with special appearances by Stone Cold and Shiatown. Shows are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead.

Friday & Saturday, December 8 & 9
Historic Holly Hotel Comedy Club
110 Battle Alley, Holly · (248) 634-5208 · hollyhotel.com

(Show begins 8:30 p.m. & 10:30 p.m.) Enjoy professional stand-up comedy featuring a variety of local and national entertainers with Warren B. Hall in the Club this weekend with special guest Dan Simon.

Friday & Saturday, December 8 & 9
The Old Sequoia Wine Bar & Martini Lounge
5304 Gateway Centre Drive, Flint · (810) 233-8000 · theredwoodlodge.com

(Live music begins 9 p.m.) Located inside the Redwood Steakhouse & Brewery, the Sequoia Lounge presents live weekend music.

Information and dates above are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead to confirm.