



NOVEMBER

November 15 - December: Winter in the Garden Programs in North Carolina Botanical Garden
<https://ncbg.unc.edu/2021/11/09/celebrate-the-season-with-winter-in-the-garden/>

November 16-December 24: 2021 Holiday Art Show at FRANK Gallery Stop in to see a lot of wonderful artwork in various media from a wide array of local and regional artists!. On **December 4th** from 1-3 pm come and get a personalized, impromptu poem by none other than the Poetry Fox while enjoying some hot chocolate provided by Epilogue Books. Gallery Holiday hours are Tuesday-Thursday 11 am – 5 pm, Friday - Saturday 11-7pm and Sunday 12 pm – 4 pm through 12/19. Open 12/24 10 am – 1 pm and closed 12/25 – 1/3. University Place, 201 S. Estes Drive, Chapel Hill 919-636-4135.
<https://www.frankisart.com/>

November 17 - December 31: Winter Wonderland With Goats. On every Wednesday – Sunday, 10 am – 6 pm, Spring Haven Farm welcomes you all with more farm festivities. Join our crew in celebrating the Holiday season at our Winter Wonderland with Goats! we'll have Fresh Christmas Trees, create and decorate your own wreaths, our Polar Express Tractor Train Ride, the Snowflake Barn with sweets, treats, and Letters to Santa, and Santa's Workshop with Ornament Making, our Festive Wonderland Barn full of glimmering lights, and of course, all of our Goats, Cows, Pigs, and Other Animals! Also Holiday photo shoots with goats. Tickets are \$13.50 each, kids under 3 are free. The admission ticket Includes the visiting with all of the animals, the Polar Express Tractor Train and the Wonderland Barn, Ornament making is \$5 - \$15 ea. Animal treat bags are \$1 ea. Spring Haven Farm / 5306 Homer Ruffin Rd Chapel Hill (919) 407-1806
https://www.facebook.com/SpringHavenFarmandStables/events/?ref=page_internal

November 27: Small Business Saturday. Support the local economy and our small business by shopping on Small Business Saturday! Look for specials everywhere including Farmers Markets.

November 27: The [Carrboro Business Alliance](#) (CBA) launched the new [Carrboro Cheer Gift Guide](#) ([CarrboroCheer.com](#)), which showcases more than 70 curated, local Carrboro gift ideas for the holiday shopping season. The Gift Guide is part of Carrboro Cheer, an annual #BuyLocal holiday initiative coordinated by the CBA and presented by [Carr Mill Mall](#) with additional support from the Carrboro Tourism Development Authority ([VisitCarrboro.com](#)).

November 27-December 19: Annual Holiday Pottery & Woodturning Show. Saturdays 10:00 am – 5 pm, Sundays 12 pm – 4 pm. Preservation Chapel Hill's annual holiday craft sale will feature pottery and other works by local artists including NC Clayworks Potters Guild members and their Woodturner friends. Come do your holiday shopping in the comfort of the historic Horace Williams House, 610 E. Rosemary Street, Chapel Hill. Free Parking.
<https://www.preservationchapelhill.org/2021holidaycraftsale>

November 28 – December 6: Hanukkah <https://www.jewishforgood.org/calendar>

November 29: Light Up The Pit on the UNC Campus. Grand Menorah Lighting with the Chancellor at The UNC Pit 12 pm – 1 pm with UNC Marching Band, donuts, latkes. Co-Sponsored by Hillel, AEPI and SRL. <https://happeningnext.com/event/grand-menorah-lighting-in-the-pit-eid3a08d711fn>

DECEMBER

Holiday Wreath Stroll Weekend in Hillsborough – Date TBA

Go on the self-guided tour during December and see all the decorated wreaths in Hillsborough while soaking in the historic architecture and holiday spirit! Map of wreath locations will be available at visithillsboroughnc.com/events

Through December 13: Drop new unwrapped toys at the Hillsborough Police station — 127 N. Churton St., between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Large green bins marked for the toy drive will be available outside the front doors or at the Downtown fire station — 206 S. Churton St., between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily. <https://www.hillsboroughnc.gov/news/news/2021/11/12/1133/police-and-firefighters-collecting-toys-for-santas-annual-visit.html>

December 1– January 2: Come see the Enchanting decorations inspired by the traditional holiday song, **The Twelve Days of Christmas** that are displayed throughout The Carolina Inn at 211 Pittsboro St. Chapel Hill. Click below for events associated with the holiday event at the Inn. <https://www.destinationhotels.com/carolina-inn/chapel-hill-event-calendar> or call (919) 918-2777.

December 1: December Double Hitter Puppet Shows

Puppet Show Incorporated <https://www.puppetshowinc.org/> presents The Shoemaker & the Elf and The Wish Tree at the Carrboro Century Center at 10:30 am. Register at 919-918-7364 <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Carrboro%20Century%20Center/182084865156469/>

December 2 – 24: 2021 Deck the Walls Annual Holiday Show

Opening reception is **December 3** from 6 pm – 9 pm at the Eno Arts Mill Gallery at 437 Dimmocks Mill Rd. Music, food trucks and local brews. Find something hand-made and spectacular just in time for your holiday shopping. Gallery Hours Monday – Thursday 12 pm – 5 pm, Friday - Saturday 11 am – 7 pm, Sunday open when holding classes. <https://www.facebook.com/events/645395010227919>

December 3: Holiday Caroling featuring the UNC Chamber Singers, directed by Susan Klebanow at 12:30 pm, on the steps of Hill Hall (weather-permitting)* <https://music.unc.edu/event/first-fridays-celebrating-the-sounds-sights-of-carolina/2021-12-03/>

December 3: Senior Holiday Tea at the Carrboro Century Center. 2 pm – 3:30 pm. There will be wonderful entertainment and light hors d'oeuvres. The Holiday Tea is a program for adults 50 and up. Registration Required. Call (919) 918-7364. <http://www.townofcarrboro.org/calendar.aspx?CID=46>

December 3 – January 2: Homes for the Holidays Gingerbread House Shop & Stroll 2021

Come shop, dine, and stroll as you view all of the beautiful gingerbread creations in storefront windows of businesses in downtown Historic Hillsborough. Don't forget to vote for your favorite(s)! <https://www.homesfortheholidays2021.com/>

December 4: ELF Market 10 am – 5 pm. The 15th Annual Elf Market, a magical festival of holiday arts and crafts, featuring vendors from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, and the Triangle area gather to selling handmade goods such as clothing, body products, food items, fine art, children's toys, ceramic pieces, and jewelry. Free to attend. University Place, 201 S. Estes Drive, Chapel Hill <https://artscenterlive.org/outreach/elf-market/>

December 4: The Timeless Cruizers Car Club of Efland Toy Drive from 10 am – 4 pm at Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes and Fries, located at 601 Hampton Pointe Blvd. Participants are invited to bring toy donations to the Benefit Cruise In and enjoy viewing several vintage cars as well as police patrol vehicles and fire trucks. Kids are welcome. <https://www.hillsboroughnc.gov/news/news/2021/11/12/1133/police-and-firefighters-collecting-toys-for-santas-annual-visit.html>

December 4: 1 Craft Market at the NC Botanical Garden. Find the perfect holiday gifts during our outdoor craft market. Local artisans will offer a variety of products, including folk art, quilts/quilted items, essential oils, handmade natural art, felt art, and natural beauty products. 11 am – 5 pm, 100 Old Mason Farm Road, Chapel Hill <https://ncbg.unc.edu/calendar/list/>

December 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19: The Longest Night A Winter's Tale at the Morehead Planetarium & Science Center. 3 pm – 4 pm. Visit <https://moreheadplanetarium.org/calendar/2021-12/>

December 4: Midway Market & Beyond at 1 pm on N Graham Street off W. Franklin Street. Art, Music, Street Performers, Handmade Gifts, Food. <https://www.instagram.com/midwaymarketnc/> Evening Show at Local 506. Doors open at 7 pm and show at 8 pm with The Muslims w/ Honeychild Coleman (The 1865), The Veldt, DJ Pangean, \$10. Visit <https://local506.com/events/the-muslims-w-honeychild-coleman-the-1865-the-veldt-dj-pangean/> for tickets and information on COVID precautions.

December 4: Southern Village Celebrates the Holidays & Tree Lighting from 6 pm – 9 pm. Enjoy Miracle on Market Street Tree Lighting, Santa and How the Grinch Stole Christmas! Movie with Jim Carrey. Come out to the Southern Village Green for these events and Free Hot Chocolate! <https://www.southernvillage.com/>

December 4 – December 24: Brunch with Santa at 10 am and 12:30 pm
Santa is coming to The Carolina Inn! A festive Carolina Inn meal with Santa will undoubtedly usher in the Christmas magic for young and old alike. Enjoy all the fun that we have planned for you to include magic, face painting and of course a visit from Santa himself. Don't miss this time-honored tradition to gather with your loved ones and find out whether or not you made Santa's nice or naughty list this year. \$65, under three free. <https://www.destinationhotels.com/carolina-inn/chapel-hill-event-calendar/brunch-with-santa>

December 5: Chapel Hill-idays Holiday Sidewalk Market in downtown Chapel Hill. First three Sundays in December from 12 pm – 4pm in the 400 – 500 W. Franklin Street Block. Remember Free Parking every Saturday and Sunday in downtown Chapel Hill during December. www.parkonthehill.com . Events visit <https://www.facebook.com/downtownchapelhill> or www.downtownchapelhill.com

December 5: Running of the Elves, Light Up The Night Hillsborough Holiday Parade, Community Sing and Tree Lighting begins at 4 pm. Grand Marshall is ESPN analyst and Sirius XM radio host, Chris Spatola and of course, Santa Claus. Route is south on Churton Street to Margaret Lane and then north on Cameron. Then come to the Community Sing and Tree Lighting at the Old Courthouse Square. There are also several Downtown shops open and ready for your holiday shopping needs, and several restaurants in Downtown will be open for a yummy end to your day in Hillsborough. <https://www.hillsboroughchamber.com/light-up-the-night-holiday-parade/> (919) 732-8156.

December 10: The Carrboro Town Tree Lighting at 6 pm. The community is asked to come join with a group of local school children to officially kick off the season with music and the lighting of the community tree. <https://www.townofcarrboro.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1928>

December 10: Holiday Circle Show. It's that time of year again! This traditional holiday show (now in its 15th iteration) is coming around again like a Lucky Penny, at The ArtsCenter. This year, with special guests **Martha Bassett and Clyde Edgerton**. At 7 pm – 9 pm. Tickets \$15. The ArtsCenter, 300-G East Main St. in Carrboro, or call (919) 929-2787 <https://artscenterlive.org/performance/holiday-circle-show-2/>

December 10-11: Sunshine Lavender Farm Holiday Open House & Glassblowing Workshops. Friday 11 am – 5 pm, Saturday 10 am – 5 pm. 4104 Millstone Road, Hurdle Mills, NC For tickets visit <https://sunshinelavenderfarm.co/events/>

December 10, 17, 20: Sundaes with Santa at the Maple View Farm Ice Cream Store from 2:30 pm – 6:30 pm. Visit with Santa and his friends from the North Pole! 6900 Rocky Ridge Road, Hillsborough.
<https://www.facebook.com/MapleViewFarmIceCream>

December 11: Drop off Letters for Santa 11 am – 1 pm. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be making an appearance at the Hillsborough Visitor Center. Folks are able to drop off their letters to Santa in person. *Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, there will not be any opportunities to sit on Santa's lap. This is solely to drop off letters and say hello! <https://visithillsboroughnc.com/event/letters-to-santa/>

December 11: Light a Luminary in Southern Village from 1 pm – 10 pm. 28th Annual Light a Luminary in Southern Village to benefit the Ronald McDonald House presented by UNC Hospitals.
<https://www.southernvillage.com/events/28th-annual-light-a-luminary-in-southern-village/1211>

December 12: Chapel Hill-idays Holiday Sidewalk Market in downtown Chapel Hill. 12 pm – 4pm in the 400 – 500 W. Franklin Street Block. Remember Free Parking every Saturday and Sunday in downtown Chapel Hill during December. www.parkonthehill.com Events visit <https://www.facebook.com/downtownchapelhill> or www.downtownchapelhill.com

December 12: Hand Lettering and Holiday Tags with All She Wrote Notes at 2 pm
Enjoy an afternoon of Hand Lettering with All She Wrote Notes in a relaxed atmosphere. A longtime friend of The Carolina Inn, Maghon's traditional hand lettering class will allow you to take home customized holiday tags that will undoubtedly add a creative flair to your holiday gift giving. We will have plenty of sweet and savory goodies for you to nibble on and of course the inn's signature holiday mimosas. No experience necessary. \$65 ages 13+. Book online.
<https://www.destinationhotels.com/carolina-inn/chapel-hill-event-calendar>

December 16: Kids, Cookies and Candy Canes from 10:30 am – Noon. A Holiday Celebration for Children of All Ages! Bring the family to the Carrboro Century Center at 100 N. Greensboro Street to enjoy some holiday fun! Join us for cookies, crafts, and a children's show. Register at link below
<http://www.townofcarrboro.org/Calendar.aspx?EID=5657&month=12&year=2021&day=29&calType=0>

December 16: Santa Claus Visit will take place 6 to 8:30 pm at the Dorothy N. Johnson Community Center, located in the Fairview neighborhood in Hillsborough.
<https://www.hillsboroughnc.gov/news/news/2021/11/12/1133/police-and-firefighters-collecting-toys-for-santas-annual-visit.html>

December 17-18: Voices The Chapel Hill Chorus Holiday Concert. Sat at 7:30 pm and Sun at 3 pm. The concert will be held at University United Methodist Church at 150 E Franklin St., Chapel Hill. Masks are required for singers and attendees and distancing is encouraged. Ticket prices: Voices \$25 Regular Ticket, \$20 Seniors 62+, \$10 Students 13 – 17, Free Children 12 and under.
<https://www.voiceschapelhill.org/>

December 19: Chapel Hill-idays Holiday Sidewalk Market in downtown Chapel Hill. 12 pm – 4pm in the 400 – 500 W. Franklin Street Block. Remember Free Parking every Saturday and Sunday in downtown Chapel Hill during December. www.parkonthehill.com Events visit <https://www.facebook.com/downtownchapelhill> or www.downtownchapelhill.com

December 21: Solstice Lantern Walk 5:45 pm – 7 pm. Each December, the Winter Solstice marks the beginning of the winter season in the Northern Hemisphere, and the longest night of the year. Individuals are asked to bring a handmade lantern that lights up the night, to guide all of us along the walk. Participants will gather at the Enno River Farmer's Market Pavilion at 144 E. Margaret Lane and be led on a procession through River Park, to the River Walk, and ending back in downtown

Hillsborough. Registration is required to participate. Good place for viewing is the Eno River Parking Deck. <https://www.hillsborougharts council.org/solstice>

Pick Up: Friday, December 24, 1 pm- 2 pm - Christmas Brunch To-Go

Let our experienced culinary team prepare a Christmas meal for you to enjoy in the comfort of your home. We'll do the work for you so that you can cozy up near the tree and enjoy the day with your closest loved ones. Place your order by midnight, Dec 18 and then stop by The Carolina Inn between 1-2pm on Thursday, Dec 24 to pick up your feast at The Carolina Inn at 211 Pittsboro Street.

<https://www.destinationhotels.com/carolina-inn/chapel-hill-event-calendar/christmas-brunch-to-go>

December 25: Christmas Day Brunch from 10:30 am – 3 pm

The Carolina Inn at 211 Pittsboro Street invites the entire family to indulge in a special Christmas Day Brunch Buffet. Feast on a seasonal spread presented by Executive Chef Jeremy Blankenship to include an assortment of fresh salads, carving stations, seafood displays, seasonal sides and all of your holiday favorites.

<https://www.destinationhotels.com/carolina-inn/chapel-hill-event-calendar/christmas-day-brunch>

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Check back as more events are added



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