

2017 Holiday Happenings



Holiday Happenings



Metro Atlantans celebrate the holiday season by continuing old traditions, decorating public spaces and putting on plays. The EAST COBBER is happy to provide a sampling of those special events to help you get in the holiday spirit.

CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

THROUGH JANUARY 3

Six Flags Over Georgia Holiday in the Park

More than one million LED lights and dozens of Christmas trees, festive shows, tasty culinary treats and of course, the Big Man: Santa Claus in all his glory. Select days Ticket prices vary with discounts, check website for pricing on your day.

Six Flags Over Georgia
275 Riverside Parkway SW, Austell
770-948-9290 | www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia/special-events/holiday-in-the-park

DECEMBER 1, 8 & 15

Holidays at the Avenue

Enjoy complimentary horse drawn carriage rides, holiday music and visits with Santa at The Avenue! 3-7pm. Free.
The Avenue of East Cobb
4475 Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-971-9945 | www.shoptheavenue.com

DECEMBER 2

A Day With Santa

Santa's arrival begins at noon with a Main Street parade featuring marching bands, decorated floats, vintage cars, and colorfully-costumed characters. The celebration continues at Depot Park with a holiday host of activities including FREE snow tubing, inflatables and amusements, kid's crafts, visits with Santa, stage entertainment, and a holiday market full of gift ideas and unique merchandise. Food vendors will be onsite. 12-6pm. Free.

Downtown Kennesaw
2838 Cherokee Street NW, Kennesaw
Depot Park
2828 Cherokee Street NW, Kennesaw
770-422-9714 | www adaywithsanta.com

DECEMBER 2-3

The Marietta Pilgrimage

A Christmas tour of six private historic homes all lovingly restored and decorated for the season. Saturday: 9am-6pm. Candlelight tour: 7-9:30pm. Sunday: 10am-6pm. \$25 in advance; \$30 the day of the tour. Candlelight tour: \$20 in advance; \$25 the day of the tour. Combo Ticket: \$30 in advance; \$35 the day of the tour.
Marietta Welcome Center
4 Depot Street, Marietta
770-429-1115 | www.mariettapilgrimage.com

SATURDAYS: DEC 2, 9 AND 16

Botanical St. Nick at Atlanta Botanical Garden

Meet Saint Nick clad in his dark green robe and botanical head wreath. Bring a camera to take your own photos. 10am-2pm. Free with garden admission or membership.
Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta
404-876-5859 | www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org

DECEMBER 3

Christmas Packages

Check out over 20 venues featuring timeless Christmas traditions including carriage rides, music, face painting, freeze tag, puppets, trains, reindeer, food trucks and crafts. 4-7:30pm. Free.
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-795-3256 | www.johnsonferry.org

DECEMBER 3

Holiday Lights Celebration

This special evening features holiday music, special guest appearance by Santa Claus, and the lighting of the live East Cobb Park tree. 5-7pm. Free.
East Cobb Park
3322 Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb
www.eastcobbpark.org

DECEMBER 3

Light the Night Tree Lighting

WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center hosts its 12th annual tree lighting event and ushers in the holiday season. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for a photo with you and your family. There will be festive children's activities, holiday musical performances, refreshments and hot chocolate. Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive at 4:30pm and will be on hand for photo with you and your family. 4-6pm. Free.

WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Blue Parking Deck – Top Level
677 Church Street, Marietta
470-644-0300 | www.wellstar.org/lightthenight

DECEMBER 5, 7, 12, 14

Christmas High Tea

At Bulloch Hall served by ladies in period clothing. 4pm. Reservations: \$50.

Bulloch Hall
180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell
770-992-1731 | www.bullochhall.org

DECEMBER 8-9

Christmas at Piedmont Church

This free 2-day event features local school choruses, orchestras, and bands performing holiday music, inflatable jumpies for kids, crafters offering hand-made gifts, and the only Snow Tube slide in Cobb County. Friday: 5-9pm. Saturday: 10am-5pm. Free.

Piedmont Church
570 Piedmont Road, Marietta
770-422-2566 | piedmontchurch.tv/events/christmas-at-piedmont

DECEMBER 9

3rd Annual Breakfast with Santa

Fundraiser for Mutt-Maddness. Enjoy a delicious complete breakfast. There will be some adorable, adoptable dogs on site. 9:30am-12:30pm. Tickets: Adult(13+): \$25; Child (4-12): \$7; children 3 and under Free. Ticket price includes: complete breakfast and keepsake picture with Santa. Raffle items available and Valet parking is complimentary.

Classic Subaru of Atlanta
7700 Roswell Road, Atlanta
770-394-9100 | Tickets: mmsantabfast3.eventbrite.com

DECEMBER 9

17th Annual Sleighbells on the Square

5K/1K/Tot Trot sponsored by the Cobb County Bar Association to benefit their Children's Emergency Fund. Peachtree qualifier. 8:30am. \$30/advance. \$35/race day.

Historic Marietta Square
www.active.com | www.cobbcountybar.org
www.marietta.gov



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CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

DECEMBER 9

Breakfast with Santa

Presented by Mt. Zion Youth. 8:30-10:30am. \$5/person; \$20/family.

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
1770 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-971-1465 | www.mtzionumc.org

DECEMBER 9

Christmas for Kids

Yule log and candy cane hunt, snacks, craft, stories, and a visit from the Snow Queen and Winter Princess as well as Mr. & Mrs. Claus. For ages 5-11. 10am-12pm. \$15. Reservations required.

Bulloch Hall
180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell
770-992-1731 | www.bullochhall.org

DECEMBER 9

Kennesaw's Breakfast with Santa

Kennesaw Parks & Recreation is partnering with the Kennesaw-Acworth Optimist Club to host an "all-you-care-to-eat" pancake breakfast with Santa. Two seating options available: 8-9:15am; and 10-11:15am. Advance tickets are \$6 per person, purchased in advance at the Ben Robertson Community Center. Tickets are available for purchase at the door for \$8 per person (based on availability, space is limited). Children two (2) years of age and under do not need a ticket; however, they must sit on an adult's lap.

Ben Robertson Community Center
2753 Watts Drive, Kennesaw
770-422-9714

DECEMBER 9

Southern Museum Polar Express Adventure

Immerse yourself in the classic story told throughout the museum, with vignettes highlighting the plot and interactive performers bringing the story to life. The highlight of the event is a theatrical performance by the British Academy of Performing Arts dancers and performers that culminate in a visit from the big guy himself...Santa Claus! There will be readings of The Polar Express book between performances and The Polar Express movie showings in the theater at 3pm and 5pm. 2:30-7pm. Adults: \$7.50; Seniors(60+): \$6.50; Children(4-12): \$5.50; Free for children 3 and under. Free for Museum members.

The Southern Museum
2829 Cherokee Street, Kennesaw
770-427-2117 | SouthernMuseum.org

DECEMBER 10

Cookies with Santa

All ages are invited to come for a relaxing, fun-filled afternoon of holiday activities. Kids will be able to talk to Santa in a casual environment. Enjoy an afternoon of holiday treats, cocoa and tea. 2-4pm. \$5/child. Parents are free but must accompany children to this event. Register online: Class ID: 429394 or at either Y branch.

McClesky-East Cobb Family YMCA
1055 East Piedmont Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-977-5991 | www.ymcaatlanta.org

DECEMBER 10

Enchanted Woodland Wonders

Come out for this unique new holiday tradition. Live reindeer will be making a special holiday appearance. Create reindeer crafts and warm up with campfire treats, find fairy houses and gnome homes, and food trucks. 3-7pm. Members Free. Adults: \$10. Children(3-12): \$6. Under 2 Free.

Chattahoochee Nature Center
9135 Willeo Road, Roswell
770-992-2055 | www.chattnaturecenter.org

THROUGH DECEMBER 12

Christmas at Callanwolde

You'll be transported into a magical world in the twinkling of an eye as you enter the magnificent Gothic-Tudor mansion. Transformed by Atlanta's top interior and floral designers, the historic Callanwolde estate captures the spirit and charm of the holidays. 12-8pm. \$20/online \$25/at the door. Free/children 3 and under.

Callanwolde Fine Arts Center
980 Briarcliff Road NE, Atlanta
678-701-6114 | www.christmasatcallanwolde.org

DECEMBER 16

Christmas Royal Tea and Grand Yuletide Ball

Treat that special starry-eyed child in your life this holiday season at The Strand. You and your prince or princess will start the evening with Christmas royals Prince Good tidings and Princess Joy at the The Strand's fourth floor banquet chamber for High Tea. Afterwards, guests are invited to retire to 2nd floor minstrel's hall where the Prince and Princess will teach young guests a few simple royal dances at the Grand Yuletide Ball. 1pm and 4pm. \$15. Limited space available.

The Earl & Rachel Smith Strand Theatre
117 N. Park Square, Marietta
770-293-0080 | www.earlsmithstrand.org



DECEMBER 17

Tacky Sweater Party

Break out those sweaters or vests from the back of your closets, blow off the age-old dust and sport those tacky nightmares over to Six Flags Over Georgia for the biggest tacky sweater party in Georgia! All guests who arrive at the park wearing a tacky Christmas sweater will be given a half-priced General Admission ticket to Six Flags Over Georgia's Holiday in the Park celebration. 2-8pm. General Ticket Admission.

Six Flags over Georgia
275 Riverside Parkway SW, Austell
770-948-9290 | www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia/special-events/tacky-sweater-party

WEEKENDS THROUGH DECEMBER 31

The Botanical Express at Atlanta Botanical Garden

10am-4pm. \$5/passenger; \$3/member. Climb aboard as the conductor takes you on a scenic holiday journey around the Garden. Train does not run in inclement weather.

Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta
404-876-5859 | www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org

THROUGH DECEMBER 31

Pink Pig

A holiday tradition for the whole family, ride Priscilla along the train tracks under the Pink Pig Tent and experience storybook fantasy in real life. Macy's Lenox Square Mall. Closed Christmas Day. Hours: Monday-Friday: 10am-8pm. Saturday: 10am-9pm. Sunday: 11am-7pm. Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve: 11am-6pm. \$3/ride.

Macy's Lenox Square Mall
3393 Peachtree Road, Atlanta
404-231-2800
www.visitmacysusa.com/macys-iconic-events

THROUGH JANUARY 3

Stone Mountain Christmas

More than two million lights and an abundance of performances and activities. Prices and times vary by day. Stone Mountain Park
U.S. Highway 78, East Stone Mountain
770-498-5690 | www.stonemountainpark.com/Events/Stone-Mountain-Christmas

THROUGH JANUARY 7

Winter Wonderland at The Marietta Square

This Holiday season, The Marietta Square transforms into a nostalgic Winter Wonderland featuring open-air ice skating, Santa's Workshop, multi-story Christmas tree and more! Holiday entertainment will fill the air and the season will include New Year's Eve Celebration and Square Drop. During school: Monday-Thursday: 4:30-9pm. Friday: 4:30-11pm. Saturday: 10am-11pm. Sunday: Noon-8pm. When school is out: Monday-Thursday: 10am-10pm. Friday-Saturday: 10am-11pm. Sunday: 12-8pm. \$12 includes entrance and skate rental, bring your own socks. Marietta Square Glover Park
4 Depot Street NE, Marietta
www.winterwonderlandmarietta.com

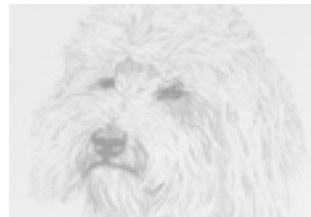
THROUGH JANUARY 14

Holidays at The Battery Atlanta

The Battery Atlanta is ringing in the holiday season with the opening of its seasonal ice skating rink, visits from Santa Claus, the first lighting of its Christmas tree and a live DJ that will perform on various nights throughout the holiday season. Sunday-Thursday: 11am-9pm. Friday-Saturday: 11am-11pm. The Battery Atlanta
800 Battery Avenue, Atlanta
batteryatl.com



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CONCERTS

DECEMBER 2

Holiday Fine Arts Showcase

Presented by the Joseph Wheeler High School band, chorus, and orchestra. Prelude concert: 2pm by the Symphonic and Concert Bands, Philharmonia and Sinfonia Orchestras and Chorale Choir. Finale Concert: 4:30pm by the Full Orchestra, Bel Voce Choir, Chamber Orchestra, and Wind Ensemble. \$10/adults, \$5/students and senior adults (60+), \$25/family of 5 (2 adults, 3 students).

Wheeler Performing Arts Center
375 Holt Road, Marietta/East Cobb
www.wheelerorchestra.com

DECEMBER 2

Holiday Pops!

Georgia Symphony Orchestra's annual holiday spectacular featuring seasonal favorites performed by the Georgia Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. 3pm & 8pm. Tickets: \$10-\$30.

Marietta Performing Arts Center
1171 Whitlock Avenue, Marietta
770-429-2390 | www.cobbsymphony.org

DECEMBER 2

Cobb New Horizons Concert Band Annual Christmas Concert

Directed by Dr. Charles Jackson, enjoy Hanukkah and Christmas favorites. 3pm. Free.

Lassiter High School Performing Arts Center
2601 Shallowford Road, Marietta/East Cobb
www.cobbnewhorizonsband.com

DECEMBER 3

Christmas Light

Michael O'Neal Singers usher in "the most wonderful time of the year" with a program of holiday favorites from days gone by. 3pm. \$23/Adult. \$18/Seniors & Students.

Roswell United Methodist Church
814 Mimosa Boulevard, Roswell
770-594-7974 | www.mosingers.com

DECEMBER 8

Song of Atlanta and Atlanta Vocal Project at KSU

Special holiday performance featuring Song of Atlanta and Atlanta Vocal Project. This pair of award-winning Atlanta-based a cappella vocal ensembles share their passion for harmony in this special seasonal performance. 8pm. Tickets: \$18-\$25.

Morgan Concert Hall at KSU
488 Prillaman Way, Kennesaw
kennesaw.edu/music/concerts-and-events

DECEMBER 8

The Sounds of Christmas

Presented by Symphony on the Square. Bring the family for a trip down Christmas memory lane. 8pm. \$15.

Cobb Civic Center, Jennie T. Anderson Theatre
548 South Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta
www.symphonyonthesquare.org

DECEMBER 8 & 10

Carols for Christmas: The Gifts We Bring

Stirring narration, much-loved carols, beautiful music, and an exciting light show will bring to life a tale of gifts: the gifts of the three kings to the baby in the manger, the gift of Christ to the world, and the gifts that He birthed into each of our hearts. 7:30pm. 6pm. Free.

Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church
4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta
770-971-2880 | www.mtbethel.org

DECEMBER 8 & 10

Christmas Festival Concert

With the 100-voice Roswell United Methodist Church Sanctuary Choir and 60-member Georgia Philharmonic under the direction of Dr. Michael O'Neal; Celebration Ringers under the direction of Lisa Stover; and organist, Tom Alderman present a concert filled with favorite holiday music. 7:30-9pm. 3-4:30pm. Free, but tickets required to ensure seating.

Roswell United Methodist Church
814 Mimosa Boulevard, Roswell
770-594-0512 | www.rumc.com

DECEMBER 9

A Happy Holiday with the Atlanta Wind Symphony

A holiday concert featuring jazz influences and holiday favorites. 7:30pm. Free. Bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate.

Centennial High School
9310 Scott Road, Roswell
www.atlantawindsymphony.org

DECEMBER 9 & 10

The Johnson Ferry Christmas Festival

Christmas concert featuring the Johnson Ferry Choir and Orchestra. Preschool childcare available. 4pm & 7pm. Free.

Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
955 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-973-6561 | www.johnsonferry.org



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DECEMBER 9 & 10

Big Chicken Chorus 2017 Christmas Show: Have Yourself A Merry-etta Christmas.

This show features special guest, Vintage Mix. 3pm.
Tickets: \$0-\$30.

Marietta Performing Arts Center at Marietta High School
1171 Whitlock Avenue NW, Marietta
www.bigchickenchorus.org

DECEMBER 14

"In The Spirit"

Presented by Atlanta Pops Orchestra with John Driskell Hopkins. This performance features a very special holiday collaboration between John Driskell Hopkins, founding member of three-time GRAMMY® Award winning Zac Brown Band, and the Atlanta Pops Orchestra. John and the Orchestra collaborated to write and record the 2015 release "In The Spirit: A Celebration of the Holidays" which combines the classic sound of holiday favorites with new, modern arrangements written by KSU jazz faculty member Wes Funderburk. 8pm. Tickets for this performance are \$25-55.

Morgan Concert Hall at Kennesaw State University (KSU)
488 Prillaman Way, Kennesaw
kennesaw.edu/music/concerts-and-events

DECEMBER 15-23

A Christmas Tradition

This song and dance revue is guaranteed to make the entire family dance, clap, and enjoy the spirit of the holidays - from Santa loving six year olds to out of town in-laws. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays: 8pm. Sundays: 3pm. \$30.

The Earl & Rachel Smith Strand Theatre
17 N. Park Square, Marietta
770-293-0080 | www.earlsmithstrand.org

DECEMBER 16

Cobb Wind Symphony Holiday Concert

Conductor Alfred Watkins, Assistant Conductor Bob Cowles present holiday classics. 8pm. Free. (Donations accepted.)

Lassiter High School Performing Arts Concert Hall
2601 Shallowford Road, Marietta
678-305-7148 | www.cobbwindsymphony.org

DECEMBER 17

Atlanta Concert Band Annual Holiday Festival Concert

Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church presents the Atlanta Concert Band. 4-6pm. Free.

Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church
471 Mt. Vernon Highway NE, Atlanta
404-358-1966

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CONCERTS

DECEMBER 17

Lessons in Carols

A Christmas Cantata by the Chancel Choir. 8:30am & 11am. Coffee hour in between. Nursery provided.

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
1770 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta
770-971-1465 | www.mtzionumc.org

DECEMBER 17

Messiah Sing-Along

Join voices with the Michael O'Neal Singers in this annual community event. 3pm. \$10.

Roswell United Methodist Church
814 Mimosa Boulevard, Roswell
770-594-7974 | www.mosingers.com

DECEMBER 21

The Strand Ole Opry's Country Christmas

The very best of a down-home holiday gathering with a bluegrass flair for Strand Ole Opry's Country Christmas! This back-porch special featuring Travis Cottle and his One Horse Band and a host of guest vocalists is sure to please country fans of all ages! Following in the footsteps of a great southern tradition, this concert will transport patrons to the old south with beautiful vocals and live band accompaniment, as well as traditional southern storytelling. Join the performers in the Lumiere Lounge for some drinks and maybe even some sing-alongs after the show! 8pm. Tickets: \$18 in advance and \$20 the day of.


The Earl & Rachel Smith Strand Theatre
117 North Park Square, Marietta
earlsmithstrand.org

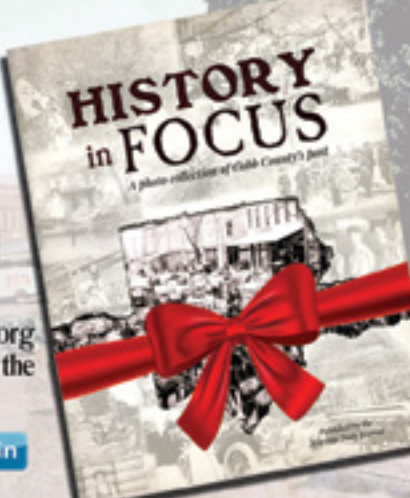
The past is always perfect for a present!

Only available at the Marietta Museum of History!

1 Depot Street
Marietta, GA 30060
770-794-5710

www.MariettaHistory.org
or check us out on the following





HANUKKAH HAPPENINGS

DECEMBER 12

Mommy, Menorahs, and Me!

Join MJCCA East Cobb/Roswell for this Hanukkah-themed playgroup at the East Cobb Library. Bring your friends and family, and enjoy stories and crafts about the Festival of Lights. 10:15am. Free.

East Cobb Library
4880 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb
678-812-4086 | www.atlantajcc.org/eastcobb

DECEMBER 18

Menorah Lighting on Marietta Square

Congregation Ner Tamid will hold a ceremony on the Glover Park Stage at Marietta Square to light a Menorah as part of a Hanukkah Celebration which will include holiday music, hot chocolate and jelly donuts. 6:30-7:30pm. Rain Date December 19. Free.

Marietta Square Glover Park
4 Depot Street NE, Marietta
678-264-8575 | www.mynertamid.org



GET OUTSIDE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON AT CNC!

ENCHANTED WOODLAND WONDERS

Sunday, Dec. 10 • 3–7 pm
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CHATTAHOOCHEE NATURE CENTER
9135 Willeo Rd., Roswell, GA 30075
chattnaturecenter.org • 770-992-2055 X238

LIGHT DISPLAYS

THROUGH DECEMBER 31

Lights of Life

Millions of holiday lights throughout the campus. Santa Claus will be visiting on weekends for photographs. Sunday-Thursday: Dark-9pm. Fridays & Saturdays: Dark-10pm. Monday-Thursday: \$5/car, Weekends and December 15-31: \$10/car; \$20/bus. There will also be pony rides (\$5 per rider), train rides (\$3 per rider), a petting zoo (\$3 per person), and a concession stand offering seasonal drinks and snacks for purchase.

Life University

1269 Barclay Circle, Marietta

678-331-4342 | www.life.edu

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THROUGH JANUARY 3

Holiday in the Park

Six Flags Over Georgia is continuing its holiday tradition as it extends its season with the addition of Six Flags Entertainment's annual holiday festival — Holiday in the Park. More than one million LED lights and dozens of Christmas trees will create the perfect magical atmosphere this holiday season from November 18 through January 3 on select days. Holiday in the Park at Six Flags Over Georgia. Includes sparkling lights, festive shows, tasty culinary treats and of course, the Big Man: Santa Claus in all his glory. Guests can enjoy the park's most popular rides including Goliath, as well as rides for the entire family to enjoy. Holiday in the Park will be topped off with its most iconic image at the historic Riverview Carousel, which will create a glowing light and walkthrough experience never before seen in Atlanta and the Southeast region. Check website for times. Ticket prices start at \$48.99.

Six Flags Over Georgia

275 Riverside Parkway SW, Austell

www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia/special-events/holiday-in-the-park

"O Come, All ye Faithful"

The Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Paul Invites You to Spend Advent and Christmas with us!

Advent Lessons and Carols: Sunday, December 10th at 4:00pm. Special worship service that marks the quiet season of Advent.

Advent Organ Music begins at 3:30pm.

Christmas Eve Family Holy Communion: Sunday, December 24th at 3:00pm.

Children and youth in a dramatic presentation of the Christmas story. Nursery available.

Christmas Eve Holy Communion: Sunday, December 24th at 5:00, 9:00 & 11:00pm.

Traditional Christmas Eve services. Mild incense at 11:00pm. Nursery available for 3:00pm and 5:00pm only.

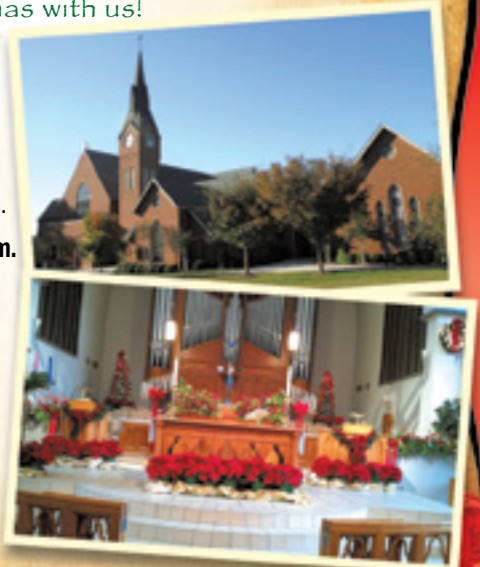
Christmas Day Holy Communion: Monday, December 25th at 10:30am.

No Nursery available.



The Episcopal Church of
St. Peter &
St. Paul

1795 Johnson Ferry Road
Marietta, GA 30062 • 770-977-7473
www.peterandpaul.org



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LIGHT DISPLAYS

THROUGH JANUARY 3

Magical Lights at Lake Lanier Islands

Take a driving tour through more than 7 miles of giant illuminated characters and millions of twinkling lights. Daily (including holidays). 5-10pm. \$35/car; \$70/van (11-20 people); \$175/bus (21+ people or more) in advanced, additional charge applies at the gate.

Lake Lanier Islands
7000 Lanier Islands Parkway, Buford
770-945-8787 | www.lakelanierislands.com

THROUGH JANUARY 6

Fantasy in Lights at Callaway Gardens

Enjoy the scenic five-mile drive, featuring over eight million lights with holiday tunes. \$28/Adults. \$14/Children 6-12. Ages 5 and under: free but require a "free child" ticket. Prices vary with prime and value days. Check for times and purchase tickets in advance for best rates. Christmas Village opens at 4pm.

Callaway Gardens
4500 Southern Pine Drive, Pine Mountain
844-512-3826 | www.callawaygardens.com

THROUGH JANUARY 7

7th Annual Garden Lights at Atlanta Botanical Garden

The annual extravaganza features spectacular light displays throughout the Garden. All nights Friday & Saturday: 5-11pm. Sunday-Thursday: 5-10pm. Ticket prices vary based on Non-Peak and Peak nights. Discounted tickets are available online before 4pm on the day of the show.

Atlanta Botanical Garden
1345 Piedmont Avenue, Atlanta
404-876-5859 | www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org

LIVE NATIVITY

DECEMBER 2-3 & 8-9

Bethlehem Walk

Walk through the streets of Bethlehem to a live nativity scene. 7-9pm. Free.

Mountain View United Methodist Church
2300 Jamerson Road, Marietta
770-928-0050 | www.mvumc.org

LIVE NATIVITY

DECEMBER 13

Live Nativity and Bethlehem Walk.

5-8pm. The walk through Bethlehem will open at 5pm with performances of the nativity at 5:30pm, 6:30pm, and 7:30pm.

Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church
4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-971-2880 | www.mtbethel.org

DECEMBER 13

Live Nativity

6:15-6:45pm.

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
1770 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta/East Cobb
770-971-1465 | www.mtzionumc.org

DECEMBER 16

An Evening in Bethlehem

The Bethlehem Village (a simulated first-century marketplace) will be in the Dining Room in the Chapel Building. Journey through an indoor reenactment of an authentic 1st century marketplace before we witness the joyous birth of our new King, Jesus. 4-6:30pm. The Presentation of the Nativity will be at 4:30pm & 5:30pm. Free (\$10 family donation appreciated). Reservation required for seating of the Nativity.

Roswell UMC:
Fellowship Hall in the Chapel Building
814 Mimosa Boulevard, Roswell
770-993-6218
www.rumc.com/evening-bethlehem-registration

SANTA SIGHTINGS

MON-SUN THROUGH DECEMBER 24

Lenox Square Mall

Make an appointment for holiday photos by visiting simon.santasfastpass.com.

3393 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta
More info: 404-233-6767
www.simon.com

MON-SUN THROUGH DECEMBER 24

North Point Mall

Monday-Saturday: 11am-8pm. Sunday: 12-6pm.

Special hours:

December 15-23: 9am-9pm

Christmas Eve: 9am-6pm

1000 North Point Circle, Alpharetta
More info: 770-740-9273

www.northpointmall.com



SANTA SIGHTINGS

MON-SUN THROUGH DECEMBER 24

Perimeter Mall

Monday-Saturday: 11am-8pm. Sundays: 11am-6pm.

Special Hours:

December 15-23: 9am-9pm

December 17: 10am-8pm

Christmas Eve: 9am-6pm

(Break: 12:30pm-1:30pm)

4400 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta

More info: 770-394-4270

www.perimetermall.com

Santa on the Marietta Square

Reserve your time with Santa in advance.

See website for available dates/times.

Marietta Square - Glover Park

50 North Park Square, Marietta

www.winterwonderlandmarietta.com

Town Center Mall

Check website for hours.

400 Ernest W. Barrett Parkway, Kennesaw

More info: 770-424-9486

www.towncenteratcobb.com

DECEMBER 2: 5-7PM

Atlanta Swim Academy

732 Johnson Ferry Road

Marietta/East Cobb

More info: 770-973-3120

www.atlantaswimacademy.com



DECEMBER 1, 8 & 15: 3-7PM

The Avenue at East Cobb

4475 Roswell Road

Marietta/East Cobb

More info: 770-971-9945

www.theavenueeastcobb.com

MON-SUN THROUGH DECEMBER 24

Cumberland Mall

Monday-Saturday: 12-8pm. Sundays: 12pm-6pm.

Special hours:

December 15-23: 9am-9pm

December 17: 10am-8pm

Christmas Eve: 8am-6pm

(Break: 12:30-1:30pm)

2860 Cumberland Mall SE, Atlanta

More info: 770-435-2206

www.cumberlandmall.com

DECEMBER 3 & 10: 2-4PM

Edward-Johns Jewelers

1205 Johnson Ferry Road, Suite 124

Marietta/East Cobb

More info: 770-977-2026

www.edward-johns.com



DECEMBER 9 & 16: 1-3PM

Santa and Mrs. Claus at Historic Town Square

Sit on Santa's lap and tell him what you want for Christmas. Take photos and just enjoy the holiday season with Santa and Mrs. Claus. 1-3pm. FREE.

610 South Atlanta Street, Roswell

More info: 770-641-3705

DECEMBER 16: 12-2PM

Pet Photos with Santa

Bring your furry friends to pose with Santa. No reptiles or exotic animals please.

The Janice Overbeck Real Estate Team of Keller Williams

2249 Roswell Road, Marietta

www.Janiceoverbeck.com

DECEMBER 16: 9AM-1PM

Sweets with Santa

Free pictures with Santa, rides in a trackless train and a create-your-own hot chocolate station.

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THEATER & DANCE

THROUGH DECEMBER 31

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer

Based on the classic television special. Ticket includes the live performance, Create-A-Puppet Workshop, and admission to the Worlds of Puppetry Museum. Show times vary by date. No Show on Christmas. \$25.

Center for Puppetry Arts

1404 Spring Street NW, Atlanta

404-873-3391 | www.puppet.org

DECEMBER 1-3

The Nutcracker

Presented by The Georgia Ballet, featuring dancing snowflakes, giant toy soldiers, a growing Christmas tree, and a delectable land of sweets. Friday: 7pm. Saturday: 2pm & 7:30pm. Sunday: 2pm & 5:30pm. \$12-\$48.

Cobb Civic Center, Jennie T. Anderson Theatre

548 South Marietta Parkway, Marietta

770-528-8490 | www.georgiaballet.org

Holiday Happenings

THEATER & DANCE

DECEMBER 1-3

The Story Christmas at Eastside Baptist Church

A play about the story of Christmas. Friday: 7pm.
Saturday: 1pm. Sunday: 3pm & 7pm. Free.

Eastside Baptist Church

2450 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta/East Cobb

www.followeastside.com

DECEMBER 1-16

Santa After Hours 2017: Holiday Party Crashers

Presented by Out of Box Theater. This adult only show brings you Holiday Party Crashers, and it promises to be their best show yet. Each season, Santa After Hours is a completely new show written by a bunch of local playwrights/actors who are certainly on the naughty list and are collectively known as "The Usual Gang of Idiots."

Fridays & Saturdays. 9pm. \$15.

Out of Box Theatre, Artisan Resource Center

585 Cobb Parkway South, Marietta

678-653-4605 | www.outofboxtheatre.com

DECEMBER 1, 2 & 3

The Gift of the Magi

Presented by Marietta's New Theatre in the Square. Based on the 1905 story by O. Henry. This touching story of the sacrifice for true love is a classic tale for the whole family. Holiday activities and Santa visits an hour before the show. 7:30pm. 2:30pm. \$12-\$35.

Marietta's New Theatre in the Square

11 Whitlock Avenue SW, Marietta

770-426-4800 | www.theatreinthesquare.net

DECEMBER 7-23

A Christmas Carol

A traditional holiday classic for the entire family guaranteed to fill you with the Christmas spirit and warm your heart. Show times vary by day. Adults: \$18; Students/Seniors: \$16.

Bulloch Hall

180 Bulloch Avenue, Roswell

770-992-1731 | www.bullochhall.org

Christmas at Johnson Ferry

Advent Worship

Wednesday, December 13, 6-8 p.m.

Join our modern worship team for a beautiful night of Scripture, worship, and teaching at our family friendly Advent Worship Gathering. Come sing carols with us, and join us for warm cookies and a cup of hot chocolate immediately after the service!

Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, December 24

Modern Services at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Traditional Services at 10 a.m., 3, 6, 8 and 11 p.m.

Shine (Special Needs Ministry) Service at 3 p.m.

Join us for a comfortable, relaxed candlelight worship service where all families and friends, especially those with Special Needs, are welcome.

f t i s JOHNSON FERRY BAPTIST CHURCH | 955 JOHNSON FERRY RD. MARIETTA, GA 30068 | JOHNSONFERRY.ORG

East Cobber Wishes You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

DECEMBER 7-30

Frosty! A Very Merry Musical

A young orphan named Billy discovers magic in a stolen hat when he places it on a snowman's head and that snowman comes to life! But can Frosty the snowman help Billy find his real family in time for Christmas? Join Billy and Frosty as they embark on a New York City adventure filled with thrills and chills and the discovery that the real magic of Christmas is Love wintertime classic is frozen fun for the whole family! Join a snowman named Frosty for holiday adventures, merry music, and more. Show times vary by day. \$15-\$35.

Marietta's New Theatre in the Square
11 Whitlock Avenue SW, Marietta
770-426-4800 | www.theatreinthesquare.net

DECEMBER 8-24

A Christmas Carol

Join the Alliance Theatre for one of Atlanta's most treasured holiday traditions. Watch as Ebenezer Scrooge encounters the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future in this holiday classic story. Showtime varies. \$20-\$80 plus applicable fees.

Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre
2800 Cobb Galleria Parkway, Atlanta
770-916-2800 | cobbenergycentre.com

DECEMBER 8-28

Atlanta Ballet's Nutcracker

With the Atlanta Ballet Orchestra. Fairies, princes, and dancing snowflakes. The magic of the holiday season is alive again at the Fabulous Fox Theatre. Share the tradition and feel the warmth that has been enchanting audiences in Atlanta for over 50 years. See website for dates and times. Tickets start at \$16.

Fox Theatre
660 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta
404-881-2100
www.atlantaballet.com/performances/nutcracker



DECEMBER 15-24

A Christmas Tradition

This holiday song and dance revue is guaranteed to make the entire family dance, clap, and enjoy the spirit of the holidays – from Santa-loving six-year-olds to out of town in-laws! Tickets: \$20- \$30.

The Earl Smith Strand Theatre
117 N. Park Square, Marietta
770-293-0080 | www.earlsmithstrand.org

DECEMBER 24

It's a Wonderful Life Marathon

In this true holiday classic, an angel (Henry Travers) helps a compassionate but despairingly frustrated businessman (James Stewart) by showing what life would have been like if he never existed. Get here half an hour early for a holiday preshow and sing along on the Mighty Allen Theatre Organ. 1pm, 4pm, 7pm. \$8/adults. \$7/seniors, students, and military.

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Celebrate Christmas
at Powers Ferry United Methodist Church

Birthday Party for Jesus!

December 10 from 12:00 – 2:00pm
Bring a new unwrapped toy for
MUST Ministries and stay for pizza,
activities and crafts.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

December 24 at 7:00pm

245 Powers Ferry Rd., Marietta, GA 30067 – (770) 973-5271
www.powersferryumc.com

East Cobb Lions Club

"Breakfast with Santa"
Saturday, Dec. 2 from 8– 11am (\$7.00/person)

"Christmas Day Meals on Wheels"
Monday, December 25th 9:00am – 11:00
Volunteers are needed to help prepare and deliver over
100 meals for East Cobb Seniors.
www.eclions.org