

## 2018 ORANGE COUNTY, NC HOLIDAY EVENTS IN CHAPEL HILL, CARRBORO AND HILLSBOROUGH, NC



## **NOVEMBER**

November 23-December 23: Winter Fest: Santa With Goats at Spring Haven Farm from 12 pm - 4 pm. Winter Fest is back this winter bigger and better with more goats, animals, a new hay ride and tractor ride, delish holiday treats and a Christmas Market! Watch the baby goats run & play along, just be sure to get your snuggles in when they catch a break! Santa will be at the farm on all weekend giving you the perfect family photo opportunity. They'll also be serving hot cider and other beverages at the concession stands. Admission is \$13.50. Open weekends through Dec 23. Spring Haven Farm / 5306 Homer Ruffin Rd Chapel Hill (919) 407-1806 https://www.springhaven.farm/winterfest

November 23-December 24: "Deck the Walls" Winter Art Fest at Frank Gallery 6 pm - 9 pm. Holiday Art Show by artists from the Orange County Artists Guild Nov 23 - Dec 24. Hours Tuesday-Friday 1-6pm, Saturday 11-7pm and Sunday 1-6pm. https://www.frankisart.com/ University Place, 201 S. Estes Drive, Chapel Hill 919-636-4135

November 27-December 22: Chapel Hill Woodturners Christmas Craft Exhibit & Sale at the Horace Williams House, 610 E. Rosemary Street, Chapel Hill. Holiday Hours Tue - Sat, Noon - 4 pm, Sun 2 - 5 pm. Opening reception Dec 2, 2 pm - 4 pm. www.preservationchapelhill.org

**November 29-December 21: Gingerbread House Exhibit.** Come see the marvelous gingerbread creations, and place your vote for "People's Choice" winners at the Burwell School, 319 North Churton Street, Hillsborough. Entries will be displayed Wed-Sat 11-4 and Sundays 1-4. The Burwell School will be decorated for the holiday season including participating in the Hillsborough Candlelight Tour on December 9. 319 N. Churton Street, Hillsborough. Normal hours Wednesday through Saturday, 11 - 4 and Sunday, 1 - 4. Free <a href="www.burwellschool.org">www.burwellschool.org</a>

## **DECEMBER**

**December 1- January 2:** Enchanting decorations inspired by the traditional holiday song, The **Twelve Days of Christmas** will be displayed throughout The Carolina Inn at 211 Pittsboro St. Chapel Hill. Enjoy festive meals, gingerbread house making, holiday market, holiday express, music events and more. https://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/or call (919) 918-2777.

**December 20: Nine Ladies Dancing.** Join us for a lively presentation by Footnotes Tap Ensemble, a professional tap company based in Durham at 7 pm. Free and no reservations required at The Carolina Inn, 211 Pittsboro St, Chapel Hill. https://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/

**December 20:** Jim Watson's Hillsborough Holiday Concert at St Matthew's Episcopal Church at 210 St. Mary's Road, Hillsborough at 7:30 pm. Jim Watson has been doing a Holiday Show annually for 30-some years. Call the office at (919) 732-9308 to reserve your ticket (\$10). Jim is an original member of the Red Clay Ramblers and a member of Robin & Linda Williams' "Fine Group." He will lend his high lonesome tenor to a full set of holiday favorites and end with a celebratory sing-along. www.stmatthewshillsborough.org

**December 21: Brunch with Santa from** 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Santa is coming to The Carolina Inn. Enjoy a festive Carolina Inn brunch. Magicians and face painters will be on hand to entertain everyone. Each child is welcome to sit on Santa's lap and share their Christmas wish list. Every child will leave with a holiday treat. Limited Seating. Reservations Required. Children Must be Accompanied by an Adult. \$45 Per Person, Complimentary for Children 3 and Under \$600 to reserve a table for up to 12 guests. 211 Pittsboro St. https://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/

December 21: Solstice Celebration Lantern Walk, which takes place at 5:45 pm, is a non-denominational winter event that encourages creativity and community participation. Individuals are asked to bring a handmade lantern that lights up, to guide them along the walk to usher in winter. Enter line from the Farmer's Market Pavilion, 144 E. Margaret Lane, Hillsborough and the 30 minute walk will be on the Riverwalk. Participants must use LED lights and please stay true to the Winter White color theme. If you want to be a spectator, view from the Eno Parking Deck where free parking is available (behind Weaver Street Market). Only individuals with lanterns will be allowed to enter the Riverwalk. For information contact the Hillsborough Arts Council, <a href="www.hillsboroughartscouncil.org">www.hillsboroughartscouncil.org</a> 919-643-2500 or <a href="maintenant-info@hillsboroughartscouncil.org">info@hillsboroughartscouncil.org</a>

December 21-22: Make Your Own Gingerbread House at 2 pm-4pm. Just in time for Christmas, The Carolina Inn is hosting a children's Gingerbread House Making Class. Join us for a cozy afternoon that begins with a story of Christmas magic. Each child will then be able to assemble and decorate their very own Gingerbread House complete with an apron, chef's hat and all the holiday sweets and goodies that their imaginations can hold. At the end of class, each child will take home a completed Gingerbread House and accessories. Limited Seating. Reservations Required. Children Must be Accompanied by an Adult. \$45 Per Child Ages 5-12. The Carolina Inn, 211 Pittsboro Street, Chapel Hill <a href="https://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/">https://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/</a>

December 23: Holiday Market at The Carolina Inn. Noon - 5 pm. Come and enjoy the holiday season on this magical Sunday. Get into the festive spirit because it is going to snow (with a snow machine). With vendors from all over the state, The Carolina Inn Holiday Market is a wonderful place to shop for hand crafted yuletide gifts from chocolates, to jewelry, to garlands and ornaments. If you get hungry there will be plenty of goodies to choose from. We have an outstanding lineup of local food trucks and exceptional offerings from our own culinary team. You'll be able to feast on everything from soft pretzels to pulled pork. Your sweet tooth won't be disappointed either. Dig into some fried dough, donuts, or caramel apples. Better yet, cuddle up to the fire and enjoy some s'mores. Relax with a hot chocolate or opt for something a little stronger like a mulled wine or a craft beer, <a href="http://www.carolinainn.com/holiday-market">http://www.carolinainn.com/holiday-market</a>

December 31: Night Lights: A Family New Year's Eve. Partnering with the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnership, the Morehead Planetarium & Science Center is pulling out all the stops to make this year's event the best yet. Make sure to get your tickets for our special planetarium shows featuring Studio A DanceArts and then join us for games, Science Stage presentations and activities, games, a photo booth selfie station, a performance from The Bouncing Bulldogs, food trucks, a New Year countdown, and more. Tickets are \$5 and for our individual shows, but all other activities are free and open to the public. Event is 2 pm - 6 pm at the Morehead Planetarium on the UNC Campus. http://moreheadplanetarium.org/newsroom/all-news-releases/night-lights-a-family-new-years-eve-1

**December 31: Join us for a rockin' New Year's Eve at The ArtsCenter!** Local old-time favorites Ellis Dyson and The Shambles, joined by singer Katharine Whalen, ring in 2019 with a foot-stompin' set of Squirrel Nut Zippers songs for audiences both young and old. Live music opens the evening, with live DJ sets to follow starting at 11:00 PM. Join us as we ring in 2019 with a high-energy New Year's Eve party at The ArtsCenter! 8 pm. \$25. ArtsCenter - 300-G East Main St, Carrboro, (919) 929-2787 <a href="https://artscenterlive.org/">https://artscenterlive.org/</a>

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