

# Explore Orange County, NC

## Towns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough

### Weekly Calendar of Events

#### December 2 – December 8, 2019

An annotated list of interesting events happening in **Orange County** over the next week, prepared by Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau.

#### **MONDAY** Dec 2

##### **MENORAH LIGHTING AT UNC**

**NOON TO 3 PM**

South Rd. Chapel Hill NC 27599

Hosted by Chabad at UNC-Chapel Hill, all are welcome to light up The Pit and enjoy music, latkes, and donuts. [www.chapelhillarts.org/](http://www.chapelhillarts.org/)

##### **HOLIDAY AFTERNOON TEA**

**2 PM TO 4:30 PM**

Crossroads Chapel Hill / 211 Pittsboro Street Chapel Hill (919) 933-2001

It is said that Anna Russell, 7th Duchess of Bedford, invented Afternoon Tea in 1840. This was to satisfy her peckishness during the long wait between lunch and dinner. We are proud to continue this custom. Prepared and served fresh each day, our menu faithfully follows the traditional combination of sweet and savory treats and homemade scones with clotted cream and jam. Our tea hostess will gladly adjust the menu to flatter the tastes of our young patrons. [www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/](http://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/)

#### **TUESDAY** Dec 3

##### **RAGTIME**

**7:30 PM**

PlayMakers Repertory Company / 120 Country Club Rd Chapel Hill NC (919) 962-7529

Admission: Tickets start at \$15

Nominated for thirteen Tony Awards® including Best Musical, this triumphant masterpiece bursts forth with show-stopping splendor and unbridled passion. Prepare to be swept away by the diverse rhythms of the turn of the 20th century as three intersecting narratives capture the rich complexity of the American experiment past, present, and future. Cultures clash, people change, and hope shines in the darkness. [playmakersrep.org/](http://playmakersrep.org/)

#### **WEDNESDAY** Dec 4

##### **UNC MEN'S BASKETBALL**

**9:30 PM**

Dean E. Smith Center / 300 Skipper Bowles Dr Chapel Hill (919) 962-2296

Admission: \$50

UNC vs. Ohio State [www.goheels.com/](http://www.goheels.com/)

## **THURSDAY Dec 5**

### **UNC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

**6 PM**

Carmichael Arena / 301 South Road Chapel Hill (919) 962-2296

Admission: \$10

UNC vs. Illinois [www.goheels.com/](http://www.goheels.com/)

### **REMEMBERING PEARL HARBOR**

**7 PM**

Eagle Lodge / 142 W King St Hillsborough

Educator and historian, Bill Melega will give a talk about the infamous 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, an expert on World War II, is known for his interactive and dynamic history education programs, will talk about the attack, how it came about, and what it meant for the Allies, the U.S., and the world. The attack on the U.S. Naval Base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii took place on December 7, 1941. The lack of any warning and the brutality of the attack led President Franklin D Roosevelt to proclaim the day "a date that will live on in infamy." This presentation will be given in advance of Pearl Harbor Day 2019, 78 years after the attack took place. [visithillsboroughnc.com/event/remembering-pearl-harbor/](http://visithillsboroughnc.com/event/remembering-pearl-harbor/)

### **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE**

**7:30 PM TO 8:30 PM**

Jerry M Passmore Senior Center / 103 Meadowlands Dr Hillsborough

Orange Community Players presents: It's A Wonderful Life; The Radio Play. This beloved holiday classic comes to life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. The story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve. It takes the help of a lovable angel to show George what life would be like if he hadn't been born. Join us for this joyous story of redemption that resonates with all ages. Tickets: Adults: \$15 in advance/\$18 at the door, Seniors and Students: \$12 in advance/\$15 at the door, Children: \$8 in advance and at the door. Showtimes: December 5-6 at 7:30pm – doors open at 7pm and December 7-8 at 2pm – doors open at 1:30pm. [ocpnc.com/](http://ocpnc.com/)

## **FRIDAY Dec 6**

### **KELLER WILLIAMS**

**8 PM TO 9:30 PM**

ArtsCenter / 300-G East Main St Carrboro (919) 929-2787

Admission: \$32

Since he first appeared on the scene in the early '90s, Keller Williams has gained fame creating his own much-imitated hybrid of guitar-driven bluegrass and groovy, loop-based electronica. Williams has performed and recorded with legends like Victor Wooten, Bob Weir, Bela Fleck, and The Travelin' McCourys. From acoustic to electric, bluegrass to rock and beyond, Keller Williams fans know to expect the unexpected from this master musician. [artscenterlive.org/](http://artscenterlive.org/)

## **SATURDAY Dec 7**

### **BREAKFAST OR BRUNCH WITH SANTA**

**8:30 AM & 10:30 AM**

Carolina Inn / 211 Pittsboro Street Chapel Hill (919) 933-2001

SANTA IS COMING TO THE CAROLINA INN - A festive Carolina Inn breakfast (8:30-10:30am) or brunch (10:30am-12:30pm) will undoubtedly usher in the Christmas magic for young and old alike. Magicians and face painters will be on hand to entertain everyone. Children are welcome to sit on Santa's lap and share their Christmas wish list. Every child will leave with a holiday treat. Breakfast \$40 per person. Complimentary for children 3 and under. Brunch - \$50 per person. Complimentary for children 3 and under. [www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/](http://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/)

### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SHOPPE CRAFT SHOW**

**9 AM TO 4 PM**

St. Thomas More / 940 Carmichael Street Chapel Hill (919) 929-2241

Admission: Free

St. Thomas More Catholic School proudly presents its 16th annual Christmas Holiday Shoppe Craft Show. Enjoy one-stop shopping with 65 talented artisans and crafters from throughout NC and find the perfect gift for everyone on your holiday shopping list! A vast array of unique, handmade gifts and specialty items for sale will include pottery, paintings, hand knitted items, soaps, wooden bowls and cutting boards, yard art, hand sewn skirts, holiday ornaments, decorations and more. Holiday music, a raffle, bake sale and the Reindeer Cafe add festive flair. Free admission. [www.stmcsnc.org](http://www.stmcsnc.org)

### **ELF MARKET**

**10 AM TO 4:30 PM**

ArtsCenter / 300-G East Main St. Carrboro (919) 929-2787

The 13th Annual Elf Market is The ArtsCenter's annual holiday craft market with vendors from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, and the Triangle area gather to sell handmade goods such as clothing, body products, food items, fine art, children's toys, ceramic pieces, and jewelry. The bar will be open, and there will be hands-on craft activities for children and their families. Elf Market is the place to shop local for your holiday gifts on Small Business Saturday this year! [artscenterlive.org/outreach/elf-market/](http://artscenterlive.org/outreach/elf-market/)

### **CHAPEL HILL HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR**

**1 PM TO 5 PM**

Preservation Chapel Hill Horace Williams House 610 E Franklin St Chapel Hill (919) 968-2777

Admission: \$15 ages 8-18; \$25 for Preservation Chapel Hill members: \$35

"Historic Homes: Modern Lifestyles" Preservation Chapel Hill presents a unique afternoon program touring six distinctive historic homes in the West Chapel Hill/Cameron-McCauley Historic District from 1-5pm. Guests are encouraged to end the tour at the historic Horace Williams House, where light refreshments will be served from 4:30-6pm. [www.preservationchapelhill.org/](http://www.preservationchapelhill.org/)

### **THE NUTCRACKER CAROLINA BALLET 2 PERFORMANCES**

**2 PM & 8 PM**

Memorial Hall / 114 East Cameron Ave Chapel Hill (919) 843-3333

Admission: From \$47, kids tickets 1/2 price

2 Performances, 2pm and 8pm. In its fifteenth season performing the holiday classic at Memorial Hall, Carolina Ballet returns with their dazzling production filled with beloved characters, grand magical illusions, and a live symphony orchestra. Also December 8 at 2 pm. [www.carolinaperformingarts.org/](http://www.carolinaperformingarts.org/)

### **WINTER IN THE GARDEN HOLIDAY FESTIVAL**

**5 PM TO 9 PM**

North Carolina Botanical Garden / 100 Old Mason Farm Road Chapel Hill (919) 962-0522

Winter in the Garden Holiday Festival - Celebrate the holiday season at our annual winter festival. Enjoy the splendor of the Garden with lights, kids crafts, holiday music, food trucks, and a craft market. Photos with Santa Rameses will be available from 5-8 p.m. Ticket Prices: In advance: \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under, At the door: \$15 for adults, \$10 for children 12 and under. Tickets have a timed entry. When making your reservation, pick 5 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm or 8 pm. [ncbg.unc.edu/](http://ncbg.unc.edu/)

### **HAYRIDES WITH SANTA**

**5:30 PM**

3501 Dairyland Road Hillsborough (919) 942-6122

Enjoy holiday story time, the scenic view of Maple View Farm in holiday lights, time with Santa & milk and cookies for the children. Times available for hayrides are 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30pm. Reservations required, please call (919) 942-6122 to reserve your slot. [mapleviewfarm.com/](http://mapleviewfarm.com/)

### **SUNDAY Dec 8**

### **THE CAROLINA INN HOLIDAY MARKET**

**NOON TO 4 PM**

Carolina Inn / 211 Pittsboro Street Chapel Hill (919) 933-2001

Don your Santa hat, bundle up your kids, and enjoy the holiday season at The Carolina Inn for three magical Sunday events in Chapel Hill on December 8th, 15th and 22nd. With vendors from all over the state, our market will be 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. [www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/](http://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/)

### **HILLSBOROUGH CANDLELIGHT TOUR**

**1 PM TO 7 PM**

Downtown Hillsborough / Churton & King St Hillsborough (919) 732-8156

The 33rd Annual Candlelight Tour will again feature readings by new and emerging local authors, as well as juried art from local artists. The tradition of opening a variety of private homes and historic sites continues, where visitors will find festive holiday décor, local musicians, and other holiday festivities. A self-guided tour, the Chamber's Candlelight Tour invites the guests to create family holiday traditions while exploring the town's many historic treasures, visiting the local merchants, and becoming a "citizen for the day"! [hillsboroughchamber.com/](http://hillsboroughchamber.com/)

### **SUZUKI ACADEMY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**2:30 PM**

Carolina Inn / 211 Pittsboro Street Chapel Hill (919) 933-2001

Admission: Free

Enjoy a holiday performance by academy students ranging in ages from 5 to 10 years old. Holiday classics will be performed by this talented string ensemble. Complimentary. Reservations not required. Limited seating. Children must be accompanied by an adult. [www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/](http://www.carolinainn.com/twelvedays-events/)

You can find a complete listing of all programs and events offered by our major attractions by visiting [www.visit Chapel Hill.org](http://www.visit Chapel Hill.org) and viewing individual websites listed by attraction.



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