



The Chester Village Christmas is Coming

Nov 24/25/26, 2023

The 6th Annual Chester Village Christmas event takes place over three days later this month!

Plan your visit to Chester for holiday happenings and shopping specials from local inns, cafés, and merchants. Anyone can enter the Chester Village Christmas photo contest by tagging your photo posts “#chestervillage” for a chance to win a \$100 or \$50 cash prize.

Friday, November 24th kicks off with a Celebration of Trees all three days, and the Village Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa’s arrival start at 5pm at Parade Square.

Saturday, November 25th begins with a Pancake Breakfast and the Gingerbread Run. A Family Fun Faire is on at the Chester Art Centre, with games, prizes, crafts, and a gingerbread house competition. The Merry Witchmas Holistic Craft Market is on at the Chester Legion, tours and a 4pm pay-what-you-can screening of the movie “Elf” is on at the Chester Playhouse, and holiday activities like photo ops and story reading are on in Village cafés and shops. Musical duo Scott and Chris Robinson play at the Fo’c’sle Tavern in the evening.

Sunday, November 26th sees the Chester Farmers’ & Artisans Market on specially for the occasion in Chester Area Middle School. The gingerbread house competition continues at the Art Centre, and a cookie competition is on at the Yacht Club. A highlight of the day is the Pet Parade held at Parade Square at 12pm: bring your furry friend dressed in a holiday outfit for prizes and bragging rights. Holiday activities and specials continue in the cafés and shops. Picnic Not in the Park presents the Gordon Tucker Trio on Sunday evening at the Legion.

For the full schedule with times and locations, see the attached Calendar of Events or visit the event Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ChesterMerchants>

Questions? Contact chestervillagechristmas@gmail.com or the Chester Merchants’ Association.



CHESTER VILLAGE CHRISTMAS – CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

FRIDAY Nov 24th

ACTIVITY	DETAILS	TIME	LOCATION
Celebration of Trees	Trees decorated by community organizations; proceeds to Chester Food Bank; bid on tress by Silent Auction till Sunday	10- 4pm	Captains House
Xmas Show & Furniture Sale (up to 75% off)	Treats & Giveaways; 2 ballots/purchase to win a Home Pantry Jelly Cupboard -well stocked (draw Dec21); Art Show till Dec 23	10-4 pm	Going Coastal
Gingerbread House Competition	Come and view the amazing creations, vote for People's Choice Award, and bid in the Silent Auction	4- 8pm	Chester Art Centre
Christmas Tree Lighting & Santa's arrival	Entertainment; hot chocolate & cookies sale by Enpointe dancers; Santa & Mrs. Claus arrive between 6-6:30 pm	5-7 pm	Chester Parade Square
Weekend Package	Check with Suzi @ 902-275-4638 to find out about the special!		Mechlenburg Inn
Karaoke	First floor; come sing along and have FUN!	7:30-11pm	Chester Legion

SATURDAY November 25th

ACTIVITY	DETAILS	TIME	LOCATION
Pancake Breakfast	Hosted by Enpointe dancers; pancakes with strawberries & whipped cream, sausages & a drink Adults \$8; Kids under 10 \$5	9-11 am	East Chester Rec
Gingerbread Run	Chase that delightfully crazy Gingerbread Man around the block; Gingerbread cookies for all!	10 am	Chester Art Centre Annex
Gingerbread House Competition	Come and view the amazing creations, vote for overall People's Choice Award, and bid in the Silent Auction	10-4 pm	Chester Art Centre
Xmas Show & Furniture Sale (up to 75% off)	Treats & Giveaways; 2 ballots/purchase to win a Home Pantry Jelly Cupboard -well stocked! (draw Dec21); Art Show till Dec 23	10-8 pm	Going Coastal
Family Fun Faire	Chester Art Centre backyard; LOTS of games & prizes; hotdogs for sale from 1-4	10 -4 pm	Chester art Center
Celebration of Trees	Trees decorated by community organizations; proceeds to Chester Food Bank; bid on tress by Silent Auction up till Sunday	10-4 pm	Captains House
In store contest	Come check out the wonderful Xmas gift ideas	10 – 4 pm	Village Emporium
Gingerbread House Competition	Come and view the amazing creations, vote for overall People's Choice Award, and bid in the Silent Auction	10-4 pm	Chester Art Centre
Christmas Market	41 vendors!	10-3 pm	Oceanview Home & Garden
Merry Witchmas Holistic Craft Market	2 nd floor; lots of vendors	10 -4pm	Chester Legion
FREE Hot Chocolate	Lots of flavors & fixings! On the deck	11-3 pm	Kiwi Café
Elf Names & Photo Ops	Stop by the Jib Coffee House & Bistro deck to get your Elf Name; take your selfie in a pair of elf boots & enter the photo contest	1-4 pm	Jib House & village locations
Tax Free Sale	Lots of great items; treat yourself & someone on your list	1-4 pm	Luna Spa
Story Time	Kids can enjoy a story while parent(s) shop	Noon- 1pm	Martins Point Mercantile
Theatre Tours & Xmas Movie	Theater Tours 1-3 pm; ELF "Pay What You Can "movie at 4 pm!	1-6 pm	Chester Playhouse
Crafts for kids	Kids can enjoy an art activity and enter the coloring contest; 2x \$100 draw prizes. Prize draw on Sunday	1-3 pm	Chester Art Centre Annex
Sip'n'Shop	4 inside vendors; complimentary beverage; 15% off purchase over \$100	3-7 pm	Martins Point Mercantile
Live music	Scott & Chris Robinson	6:30-9:30	Fo'c'sle Tavern

SEE OVER for SUNDAY!!

SUNDAY November 26th

ACTIVITY	DETAILS	TIME	LOCATION
Christmas Market	30 local vendors; baked goods; honey; soaps, treats, meats & more	9 – 1 pm	Chester Area Middle School
Celebration of Trees	Trees decorated by community organizations; proceeds to Chester Food Bank; last day to bid by silent auction	10-4 pm	Captains House
Xmas Show & Furniture Sale (up to 75% off)	Treats & Giveaways; 2 ballots/purchase to win a Home Pantry Jelly Cupboard- well stocked (draw Dec21) : Art Show till Dec 23		Going Coastal
Gingerbread House Competition	Come and view the amazing creations, vote for People’s Choice Award, and bid in the Silent Auction	10-4 pm	Chester Art Centre
Christmas Cookie Contest	Registration (\$5) & drop off 11am-12:15; judging 12:30-1:30; Awards at 2; auction at 2:15	11am-3 pm	Chester Yacht Club
Pet Parade	All pets welcome on a leash Prizes and bragging rights	Noon- 1	Chester Parade Square
In store tasting event	@whimchocolate, @connectedcraftbeverages, @tylers_hot_stuff and @pamsteve.	Noon- 5 pm	Martins Point Mercantile
Elf Names & Photo Ops	Stop by the Jib Coffee House & Bistro deck to get your Elf Name; take your selfie in a pair of elf boots & enter the photo contest	1-3 pm	Jib House & village locations
Crafts for kids	Kids can enjoy an art activity; and enter the coloring contest; 2x \$100 draw prizes; prize draw on Sunday.	1-3 pm	Chester Art Centre Annex
Picnic Not in the Park	Gordon Tucker Trio: donations to band appreciated	4-6 pm	Chester Legion

**PHOTO CONTEST: Post your photos with
#chestervillagechristmas
for a chance to win \$100 cash prize**