



EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF THE HOLIDAYS WITH THE LIGHTING OF THE 35-FOOT CHRISTMAS TREE AND FIREWORKS AT NORTH BLVD TOWN SQUARE. ENJOY FREE ICE SKATING, PLAY IN TEN TONS OF REAL SNOW AT THE SNOW VILLAGE, SEE HOLIDAY PERFORMERS, FACE PAINTERS, ELF JUGGLERS, AND OF COURSE...SANTA! CHECK THE LIST OF EVENTS AT THE SNOW VILLAGE, SANTA'S GIFT SHOP, OPEN HOUSES, AND MORE!

2018 Downtown Festival of Lights Guide

MAYOR'S STAGE AT GALVEZ PLAZA

Soul Jukeboxx Performs (4:15pm-6:00pm)

Lighting Ceremony (6:00pm-6:25pm) Lighting of the Christmas Tree with Fireworks Immediately following

Swing into Christmas with Ned Fasullo (6:25pm-9:00pm)

WINTER WONDERLAND

Free Ice- Skating (4:00pm-9:00pm) Provided by the River Center at City Hall Plaza- Ages 5-10 only

Free Snow Village (5:00pm-9:00pm)- Repentance Park Take a turn sliding down ten (10) tons of real snow! Ages 5-15 only

Free Movies (6:30pm-8:30pm)

Enjoy Rudolph the Red- Nosed Reindeer, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, and More!

Santa's Gift Shop (4:00pm-9:00pm)- City Hall Plaza

Artists from the Baton Rouge Arts Market, and around the region sell unique handmade items for everyone on your holiday gift list!

Community Stage (5:00pm-8:45pm)- North Blvd Town Square

BRCVPA, McKinley Middle Magnet Mustang Show Choir, Salvation Army School of Performing Arts, Park Forest Middle Dance Troupe, Magnolia Woods Master Choir, Glasgow Concert Band, Hosanna Christian Academy Praise Dancers, Theatre Baton Rouge Carolers, Baton Rouge Magnet High School Orchestra, Florida Street Blowhards.



OTHER DOWNTOWN HOLIDAY FUN

Festival Lights at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum (5:00pm-8:00pm) 100 River Road

Experience a special showing of Let It Snow: A Holiday Music Journey in the planetarium, and get creative at our hands-on Holiday Ornament Workshop where you can create fun and fanciful crafts that are yours to keep. 225-389-7210 www.lasm.org

Santa in the Senate at The Old State Capitol (6:30pm-8:30pm)

100 North Blvd Admission: Free

Santa and Mrs. Clause will be in the Senate Chamber to take pictures with families and children. They will also have holiday crafts for the young visitors and a Christmas film playing in the House Chamber.

225-342-0500 www.louisianaoldstatecapitol.org

Live Nativity at First Presbyterian Church Terrace Garden (7:00pm) 763 North Blvd

Join FPCBR in the terraced garden where baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the three wise men, and the shepherds, along with a donkey and sheep will re-enact Jesus' birth. There will also be a petting zoo for young children. Special Christmas Concert by the Foto Sisters at 8:00pm! 225-387-0617 www.fpcbr.org

Reindeer Run and Jingle Bell Jog 5K + 1 Mile Forum 35 (7:00pm-9:00pm) 300 North Blvd Race

Admission: Ages 6-17 = \$25 (\$35 on day of race), Ages 18 + = \$30 (\$40 on day of race)

www.forum35.org www.reindeer-run.org

Cajun Night Before Christmas at Old Governor's Mansion 502 North Blvd

NORTH BOULEVARD

Food and Beverages from Cortana Kiwanis All Proceeds from food sales go directly to support children's charities

Face Painting, Nutcracker Living Statue, Elf Juggler, and MORE!

East Baton Rouge Parish Library Book Mobile

The Library is bringing the bookmobile out to the Festival of Lights!

Louisiana Youth Orchestra Bake Sale

Purchase baked goodies, hot chocolate, and popcorn to benefit the Louisiana Youth Orchestra

Popcorn, Hot Chocolate Bar and Beverages

Manship Theatre at Shaw Center for the Arts Junior League of Baton Rouge St. James Episcopal School to provide Hot Chocolate

The Cajun Night Before Christmas will feature Papa Noel. Kids and families will also have the opportunity to purchase The Cajun Night Before Christmas book, create alligator ornaments, decorate Old Governor's Mansion- inspired holiday cards, write letters to Papa Noel and more! 225-387-2464 www.preserve-louisiana.org

14th Annual Holiday Trunk Show- LSU MOA 100 Lafavette St

Support the LSU Museum of Art while crossing everyone off your list! Shop unique items from local artists, including jewelry, photography, and paintings on November 30th from 3-9 p.m.

We'll be offering free gift wrap and refreshments. Plus, every purchase is entered to win a tiger pendant from Mimosa Handcrafted!

FREE IN THE RIVER CENTER Parking also available in: PARKING PARKING GARAGES \$2/Hr or \$10 all-day flat rate



DECEMBER 1

Hands-On Happenings: Holiday Ornament Workshop 10:00am-12:00pm in the Atrium at LASM 100 River Road South

An Evening of Holiday Jazz with George Bell and Friends 7:30pm at Manship Theatre 100 Lafavette St

DECEMBER 2

Planetarium Family Hour & Stargazing 10:00am in the Planetarium Theater at LASM 100 River Road South

Gallery Talk with Malcom McClay 2:00pm at LSUMOA, 100 Lafayette St.

BR Concert Band *3:00pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 412 North Street*

BRSO Home for the Holidays 7:00pm at First Baptist Church 529 Convention St

Live Nativity 5:00pm and 6:00pm at First Presbyterian Church 763 North Blvd

The Polar Express 3:00pm in Planetarium Theater at LASM, 100 River Road South

An Evening of Holiday Jazz with George Bell and Friends 7:30pm at Manship Theatre 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 4

The 12 days of Christmas Story & Craft 4:00pm

River Center Library, 447 Third St. BR High Candlelight Concert

7:00pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 412 North Street

DECEMBER 6

Muse (Group A) 1:00pm at LSU Museum of Art 100 Lafayette St.

Red Stick Revelry Champagne Stroll 6:00pm at Visit Baton Rouge

BRSO Holiday Brass 7:30pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 401 Main St

Christmas Wonderland 7:30pm at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

DECEMBER 7 Spoof Night! Christmas Special

7:30pm at Manship Theatre 100 Lafayette St Lynyrd Skynrd 7:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

DECEMBER 8

BASF Kids' Lab | Ages 6–12 with accompanying adults 11:00am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm at LASM 100 River Road South

Cortana Kiwanis Christmas Parade 5:30pm

DECEMBER 9

Planetarium Family Hour & Stargazing 10:00am in the Planetarium Theater at LASM, 100 River Road South

BASF Kids' Lab | Ages 6–12 with accompanying adults December Activity: A Hair-Raising

Experiment Science Station Lab \ 45-Minute Workshops 1:30pm, 3:00pm at LASM 100 River Road South

The Polar Express 3:00pm in Planetarium Theater at LASM, 100 River Road South

The Big Bad Fox and Other Tales... AKA- "Le grand méchant renard et autres contes..." 2:00 pm & 4:30pm at Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

Festival of Carols: A Christmas at First Event 10:45am at First Baptist Church 529 Convention St

Downtown Pilgrimage 5:30pm at Mt. Zion First Baptist 6:00pm at First United Methodist 6:30pm at First Presbyterian 7:00pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 7:30pm at St. James Episcopal 8:00pm at First Baptist

BRSO Holiday Brass 4:30pm at Houmas House Plantation and Gardens, 40136 LA-942

DECEMBER 11 The 12 days of Christmas Story

& Craft 4:00pm River Center Library, 447 Third St.

Brian Shaw: Cool Winter Nights, Hot Jazz 7:30pm at Manship Theatre 100 Lafayette St

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DECEMBER 13 LASM Discovery Dome 8:30am

River Center Library, 447 Third St.

For a complete listing of downtown events and merchants, visit www.downtownbatonrouge.org Many thanks to the sponsors: City of Baton Rouge: Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome and the Metro-Council, Department of Public Works, Downtown Development District, The Advocate, WAFB- TV Channel 9, and the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge.

DECEMBER 14

Cangelosi Dance Project: Holiday Nutcracker 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm at Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 15

The Cajun Battle 8:00am at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

The Nutcracker – A Tale from the Bayou 2:00pm & 6:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center

DECEMBER 16

"Silence and the Sound" – A Cantata for Christmas 9:00am and 11:00am at First Presbyterian Church, 763 North Blvd

Planetarium Family Hour & Stargazing 10:00am in the Planetarium Theater at LASM 100 River Road South

Movie: The Muppet Christmas Carol 2:30pm, River Center Library, 447 Third St.

The Polar Express 3:00pm in Planetarium Theater at LASM 100 River Road South

Casa Manana presents: Junie B. Jones: Jingle Bells Batman Smells 2:00pm at

Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St First United Methodist Church Christmas

Concert

NBTS, 5:00pm-7:00pm

DECEMBER 18

8-Bit Ornaments 12:00pm

River Center Library, 447 Third St. **The 12 days of Christmas Story & Craft** 4:00pm River Center Library, 447 Third St.

DECEMBER 19

National Theatre Encore: The Madness of George III 1:00pm and 6:30pm at Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 20

Marc Broussard: Mistletoe and Magnolias Holiday show 7:30pm at

Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 21

Ice Skating on the River 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center, 275 S. River Rd.

Red Dragon Songwriters Series Presents: Ray Wylie Hubbard in Concert 7:30pm at

Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 22

Ice Skating on the River 10:00am, 12noon, 2:00pm, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm at 275 S. River Rd. Raising Cane's River Center

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Experiment Science Station Lab \ 45-Minute Workshops 11:00am,1:00pm, 3:00pm at LASM 100 River Road South

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Planetarium Family Hour & Stargazing 10:00am in the Planetarium Theater at LASM 100 River Road South

Ice Skating on the River 10:00am, 12noon, 2:00pm, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

<mark>It's a Wonderful Life</mark> 2:00pm at Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

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Science Station Lab 45-Minute Workshops

1:30pm, 3:00pm at LASM 100 River Road South www.lasm.org

The Polar Express 3:00pm in Planetarium Theater at LASM 100 River Road South www.lasm.org

DECEMBER 24

Ice Skating on the River 10:00am, 12noon, 2:00 pm at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

Christmas Eve at First Presbyterian Church

4:00pm & 6:00pm 763 North Blvd

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass 4:00pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 412 North Street

Christmas Eve Mass 9:00pm at St. Joseph Cathedral 412 North Street

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DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day Mass 10:30am at St. Joseph Cathedral 412 North Street

DECEMBER 26

Ice Skating on the River 10:00am, 12noon, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center 275 S. River Rd.

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9th Annual Home for the Holidays

7:30pm at Manship Theatre, 100 Lafayette St

DECEMBER 28

Ice Skating on the River 10:00am, 12noon, 2:00pm, 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm at Raising Cane's River Center, 275 S. River Rd.

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6:00pm, 8:00pm at Raising Cane's River

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Planetarium Family Hour & Stargazing

10:00am in the Planetarium Theater at

DECEMBER 31

DOWNTOWN

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Vigil Mass

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3:00pm in Planetarium Theater at

