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The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree

The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree (NYC's pride and joy) is a beaming and brilliant symbol of the holiday season. Tourists and native New Yorkers alike sure do love this towering tree. The tree will be lit daily from 5am to midnight after a special light-up night ceremony on Wednesday, December 4. On Christmas Eve, the tree is lit for 24 hours and on New Year's Eve it is lit from 5am to 9pm. The tree goes dark for the season in mid-January. More than 50,000 multi-colored LED lights wrap around the branches. It's topped with a three-dimensional Swarovski star that weighs 900 pounds and sparkles in 3 million crystals.

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Lightscape at Brooklyn Botanic Garden

Brooklyn Botanic Garden's gorgeous, after-dark illuminated spectacular is back from November 22 through January 5, 2025. Lightscape, an illuminated trail of art from local and international artists, features the iconic Winter Cathedral and a larger Fire Garden—all set to over a million lights, color and music. As always, a curated playlist of music brings the light art to life, and there will be food concessions along the trail that will still offer seasonal treats like hot cocoa, hot cider, and mulled wine as well as light bites, cookies and sweets. Tickets are now on sale for the event ranging from \$24-\$45 for adults and \$12 to \$23 for kids, depending on the visit date.

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New York Transit Museum's Holiday



Christmas markets

NYC is packed with holiday markets every fall with holiday spirit and unique gifts. While fancy

Within Grand Central Terminal, find the New York Transit Museum's 20th annual Holiday Train Show, an ode to all kinds of locomotives. You'll feel positively giant while wandering around the 34-foot-long display, festooned with miniature versions of city landmarks such as the Brooklyn Bridge and the Empire State Building. Watch as Lionel model trains depart from a miniature replica of Grand Central. Then they travel over the river (the East River, to be exact) and through the wood to reach their final destination, the North Pole. The Holiday Train Show will be on view at Grand Central Terminal through February 2025. The free show is open Monday-Friday, 10am-7:30pm; Saturday-Sunday, 10am-6pm; and closed major holidays. Find it in the shuttle passage on 42nd Street and Park Avenue, adjacent to the Station Master's Office.

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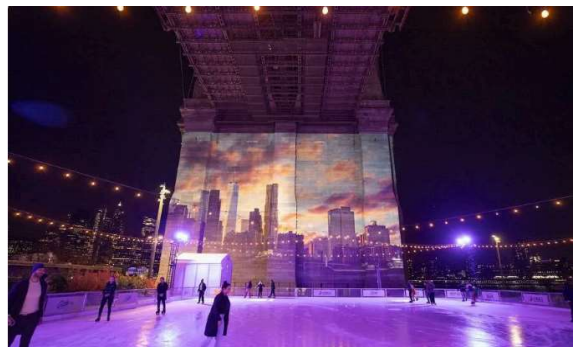


Bronx Zoo Holiday Lights

The Bronx Zoo's sparkling seasonal outdoor celebration featuring animated lights and LED displays of animals from around the world is back. Expect the zoo to dazzle with 400 wildlife lanterns representing 100 species spread across an expansive area of the zoo. This year, the display spreads across six different trails, focusing individually on wildlife from North America, Africa, Latin America, and more. The zoo is introducing an interactive lights section this year with bright stepping stones and sparkling lights. Also don't miss the park's holiday train, new snacks like apple pie nachos and warm spiked apple cider, and ice carving

Christmas window displays may entice you, NYC's holiday markets offer a chance to shop local. With everything from clothing to holiday ornaments to artwork, there's something for everybody on your holiday shopping list. Shopping for the perfect gift doesn't have to be stressful; make it fun at these holiday markets.

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Ice skating

It's time to lace up your skates—the best ice skating rinks in NYC are waiting for you. As one of the most beloved cities to spend the holidays in, NYC has plenty of indoor and outdoor rinks where you can glide and practice your toe jumps. To help narrow down your options, we've ranked the top places to go, from the renowned Rink at Rockefeller Center to the iconic Wollman Rink in Central Park.

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demonstrations. Holiday Lights will run at the Bronx Zoo on select dates through January 5.

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Shine Bright Only at Hudson Yards

Talk about shining bright! Two million twinkling white lights will adorn Hudson Yards for the shopping center’s fifth annual holiday display. This year’s seasonal illumination includes 115 miles of string lights, 725 evergreen trees dressed to create a gleaming forest, 16-foot tall illuminated hot air balloon decorations and a massive 32-foot hot air balloon centerpiece suspended in The Great Room of The Shops & Restaurants. In addition to the awe-inspiring light display, there are plenty of free photo opportunities, chances to visit Santa and stores to shop for everyone on your list.

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Washington Square Park Tree Lighting

Framed perfectly inside the park’s famous arch, Washington Square Park’s beautiful tree is a sight to behold. It officially lights up on Wednesday, December 11 (5-7pm), and all are invited to the festivities. The tree lighting ceremony includes carols by the Rob Susman Brass Quartet and vocalist Linseigh Green. Santa Claus himself has promised to appear, candy canes in hand, to lead the illumination countdown. If you miss the tree lighting, you can see the beautifully lit 45-foot tree throughout the holiday season, lit from 4pm-1am daily. Also mark your calendar for Christmas Eve caroling on Friday, December 24 at 5pm.

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The gorgeous architecture of Paris' Notre Dame is headed to New York

After traveling through Dubai, Montreal and Washington, D.C., an exhibit that tells the story of Paris' Notre-Dame cathedral is landing in New York. Starting Thursday, November 15, history fanatics and art buffs can make their way to Morningside Heights' massive Cathedral of St. John the Divine to experience this multimedia event. As a part of the church's art collection this winter, "Notre-Dame de Paris: The Augmented Exhibition" promises an interactive tour of crucial moments in the cathedral's 850-year history, from its inception in 1163 to the current process of restoration after the 2019 fire.

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NYC New Year's Eve

The pressure is always immense to have a good time on New Year's Eve—and have a good time you will. Ring in 2024 with a raucous amount of drinks and a good dinner with a champagne toast, or a New Year's Eve fireworks display. You'll find these celebrations and more with our essential guide to New Year's Eve in New York.

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SEE IT NOW

Curated List by Sharon Hoge

Not to miss this month is the Metropolitan Museum's classic tree surrounded by its elaborate eighteenth-century Neapolitan Nativity scene with silk clad angels hovering over. Also stop by the Morgan Library to see their newly acquired earliest manuscript of "A Visit from St. Nicholas" – "The Night Before Christmas." And along with all the holiday lights and decorations, there are some splendid exhibits to visit before they move on.



Jacob Hashimoto

Miles McEnergy Gallery

Suspended on delicate threads in mid-air, intricate, intimately scaled hand-crafted paper “kites” evoke multicellular organisms with microscopic parts contributing seamlessly to the whole.

Closes December 7

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Patrick Philip Lee Different Places

Miles McEnergy Gallery

Intimate graphic portraits, rendering microscopic facial details, explore how physical appearance shapes both self-presentation and external interpretations of identity. With the name and profession of each subject disclosed, viewers can confront visual misconceptions head on.

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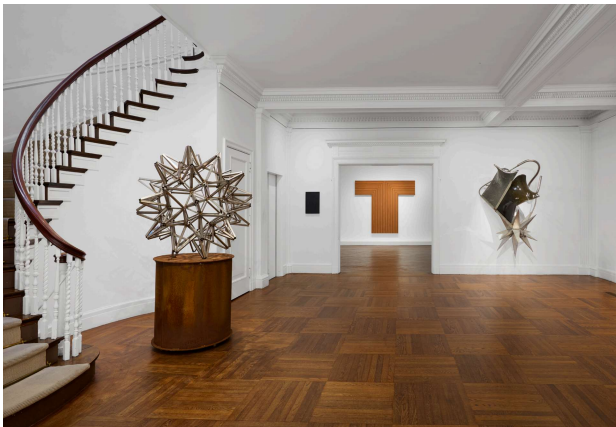
Fiona Rae

Miles McEnery Gallery

According to the artist, each painting embodies a sentence or quote though with no intention of illustrating the meaning or emotion of the particular sentence, rather letting the languages of abstraction and literature twist around each other to give rise to new unexpected images and meaning.

Closes December 7

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Homage to Frank Stella

Mnuchin Gallery

Selected works spanning 1958 to 2023 illuminate the enduring significance of Stella's diverse and exploratory oeuvre in an exhibit commemorating the life and artistic legacy of the masterfully innovative artist.

Closes December 14

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Caitlin Keogh *Procession*

Bortolami Gallery

Beauty, mystery, strangeness in a cavalcade of images selected from items mailed to the artist weekly from a friend are fashioned into eight loosely "classical" paintings which open the viewer to response and interpretation.

Closes December 19

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Jerome Caja Ugly Pageant

Bortolami Gallery

Created by an artist who was an irreverent, outrageous drag performer, intimate paintings composed in nail polish, glitter, and found scrap materials evoke Catholic miniatures depicting saints and other figures in bawdy, grotesque scenes.

Closes December 19

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Africa's Fashion Diaspora

The Gallery at FIT

Harriet Tubman inspired textile prints, a Balmain collection based on Black American cowboys are among fashions created by designers reaching across geographies to tie Black cultural practices together.

Closes December 29

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