



2025 Downtown Youngstown Holiday Events List

Christmas Tree Lighting

 Central Square | Dec. 5th | following parade approximately 7:15PM

Flea on Phelps Holiday Market

 North and South Phelps | Dec. 5th | 4 PM–8 PM | www.youngstownflea.com

- This special edition of the Youngstown Flea is part of the city's Holiday Parade and Light-Up Night festivities, and will feature vendors, music, and festive cheer.

Music & Entertainment Main Stage – Sponsored by #1 Cochran

 Central Square | Dec. 5th | 4 PM–8 PM

- Hosted by Lex The MC, and featuring Idora & the Wildcats, and a holiday medley by Brooke Lynn & Andrew from The 232, Backed by Andrews Family Singers

Open House

 OH Wow! The Roger and Gloria Jones Children's Center for Science & Technology | 15 Central Square, All 3 Floors | Dec. 5th | 4 PM–6 PM | Free admission | www.ohwowkids.org

- Open House on all 3 Floors including music, crafts, & STEM activities

Pop-Up Library

 Central Square | Dec. 5th | 4-8PM | www.libraryvisit.org

- The Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County Pop-Up Van

Santa's Workshop (FREE)

 OH WOW! The Roger and Gloria Jones Children's Center for Science & Technology | 15 Central Square, 3rd Floor | Dec. 5th | 3 PM–8 PM (Elevator and Stairwell access to 3rd Floor) | www.ohwowkids.org

- Free Photos with Santa — 3 PM–6 PM ONLY
- Sing-a-long with Elsa, Grinch, Cindy Lou, & Xmas Belle
- Meet Buddy the Elf & Olaf
- Free Hot Chocolate

Watch from the Windows Parade Viewing

 DoubleTree by Hilton | 44 Federal Plaza East | Dec. 5th | 5:30 PM–8:30 PM | Advance ticket purchase required, limited seating | <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/yngdodt-doubletree-youngstown-downtown/>

- Watch the parade and Tree Lighting from the windows of the DoubleTree & enjoy the musical talents of Rick and Mary Jo
- Windows on the Square lounge open to public with holiday drinks and appetizers after Tree Lighting

717 Credit Union on the Square

 SE Central Square | Dec. 5 | 4-8PM | <https://www.717cu.com/>

- Free hot cocoa, prizes and giveaways for the family.

2nd Annual YSU Art Student Holiday Art Show

 Concept Studio | 217 W. Federal St. | Dec. 5th | 5 PM–8 PM | www.ysu.edu/ccca/departments-art

- Original art on display and available for sale

Holiday Open House

 SMARTS | 25 E. Boardman St. | Dec. 5th | 1 PM–6 PM | www.smartsartschool.org

- Teaching artists and staff art demonstrations
- Hands-on arts activities for children of all ages
- SMARTS Store with swag, holiday cards, and gift items
- Light refreshments and the "World's Largest Bowl of Candy"



Arts & Culture

Memories of Christmas Past

📍 Arms Family Museum | 648 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, OH | Nov. 15th-Dec. 31st | www.mahoninghistory.org

- Nov. 15–Dec. 31 (Tuesdays through Sundays) | 12 PM–4 PM
- Twilight Thursdays | Dec. 4th, 11th, & 18th | 12 PM–7 PM
- Dec. 29th | Finale of this year's exhibit

Miracle on Easy Street

📍 Powers Auditorium | 260 W. Federal St. | Dec. 19th, 20th, & 21st | <https://devorpac.org/events/easy-street-productions-presents-miracle-on-easy-street-2025/>

- Dec. 19th & 20th | 7:30 PM
- Dec. 21st | 2:30 PM

Stambaugh Auditorium

📍 1000 5th Ave | Dec. 4th, 5th, & 7th | <https://www.stambaughauditorium.com/events/>

- Dec. 4th | 6:30 PM Doors | 7:30 PM Show | Coasters, Drifters, Platters | Bar & Concessions
- Dec. 5th | 6 PM Doors | 7 PM Show | Christmas in the Air | Bar & Concessions
- Dec. 7th | 3:30 PM Doors | 4 PM Concert | YSU Youth Orchestra

The Nutcracker

📍 Ballet Western Reserve | Dec. 6th & 7th | Powers Auditorium, 260 W. Federal St. | www.balletwesternreserve.org

- Dec. 6th | 7 PM
- Dec. 7th | 2:30 PM

Winter Celebration Festival of Trees

📍 Fellows Riverside Gardens | 10230 McKinley Ave | Dec. 5th-Jan. 3rd | www.millcreekmetroparks.org

- Dec. 5th–Jan. 3rd | Tues.–Sun. | 10 AM–5 PM
- Dec. 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 26th, 27th | 5 PM–7 PM | *Winter Nights Light Displays*
- Dec. 19th & 20th | 10 AM–7 PM | *Festive Finds Weekend*



Restaurant, Bars & Business Features

Avalon

- 📍 The Avalon | 17 W. Federal St. | Dec. 5th | 11 AM–1 AM | www.avalondowntown.com
 - Specials: Hot Chocolate, Pizza Slices, Peppermint Twist, Italian Mule

Blue Heron

- 📍 Blue Heron | 26 N. Phelps St., 1 Floor | Dec. 5th | 4-9PM | Facebook/Instagram
 - Antiques, vintage treasures, handcrafted gifts, and original art by local creators
 - Festive finds with complimentary gift wrapping & cozy treats

DOPE

- 📍 Dope Cider House and Winery | 460 E. Federal St. | Dec. 5th | www.dopethebrand.com
 - \$10 Flights

Downtown Draught House

- 📍 Draught House | 219 W Federal St. | Dec. 5th | 5PM -Close | Facebook/Instagram
 - 5-9PM | Free Coffee
 - Drink Specials | \$2.00 select Drafts | \$2.50 domestic can | \$3.00 aluminum | 16oz bottle domestic

Flights for Lights

- 📍 Noble Creature Wild Ale & Lagers | 126 E. Rayen | Dec. 5 | 5-8PM | www.noblecreaturebeer.com
 - \$8 flights of any 4 beers when you mention light-up night at the bar

Imbibe Martini Bar

- 📍 Imbibe Martini Bar | 124 W. Federal | Dec. 5 | Opens Early at 7PM | www.imbibemartinibar.com
 - \$2 well drinks & \$2 domestic bottles until 9 PM | \$2 Labatt all night

Light Up Night at Casa

- 📍 Casa di Canzonetta | 44 Federal Plaza East, Suite #2 | Dec. 5 — 4 PM–Closing | <https://www.casadicanzonetta.com/>
 - Purchase a hand crafted “ Hot Chocolate” and receive a commerce coffee mug

Miracle on Federal

- 📍 The Federal | 110 W. Federal St. | <https://www.knoxbldg.com/the-federal>
 - December | Tuesdays–Sundays | 4 PM–Close | Christmas Pop-up | Reservations on Website
 - Dec 5th | 3-11PM | Hot Cocoa & Cookies Stand on the Patio

Ryes Craft Beer & Whiskey

- 📍 Ryes Craft Beer & Whiskey | 124 W. Federal, 2nd Floor | Dec. 5th | Opens Early at 7PM | www.ryesthebar.com
 - \$2 well drinks & \$15 White Claw buckets (5) until 9 PM | \$2.50 Rolling Rock & \$3 tequila drinks all night.

The Mocha House

- 📍 The Mocha House | 120 E. Boardman St. | Dec. 5th | 7 AM–8 PM | www.mochahouse.com/youngstown/
 - One free Christmas tree sugar cookie with a purchase of a flavored hot chocolate

The Octave Live Music Cafe

- 📍 The Octave Live Music Cafe | 34 N. Phelps St. | Dec. 5th | 4PM-Close | Facebook/Instagram
 - Hot Cocoa, light bites, and favorite drinks (to-go cups for the DORA district)
 - Artificial Tree Donation Drive- decorated Christmas trees displayed in newly remodeled space. Trees will be donated to local families.

The Social

- 📍 The Social | 112 W. Commerce St. | Dec. 5th | 10PM-2:30AM | Facebook/Instagram
 - Spanish Night: \$25 Corona Buckets | \$4 Margaritas



Restaurant, Bars & Business Features Continued

The Varsity Club

- 📍 The Varsity Club | 132 W. Commerce St. | Dec. 5th | 5-10PM | www.thevarsityclubyoungstown.com
 - Featuring: Build Your Own Hot Chocolate

V2 Wine Bar & Trattoria by Vernon

- 📍 V2 | 34 W. Federal St. #13B | Dec. 5th | Open till 12AM | <https://westthirtyfour.com/>
 - Featuring: Holiday Drink Specials

West 34

- 📍 West 34 | 100 W. Federal St. | Dec. 5th | Open till 2 AM | <https://www.v2byvernon.com/>
 - Featuring: Holiday Drink Specials

Yonder Brunch & Vibes

- 📍 Yonder Brunch & Vibes | 112 W. Commerce | Dec. 5th | Open till 4PM | <https://yonderbrunchandvibes.com/>

Yosteria

- 📍 Yosteria | 252 Valley St. | Dec. 5th | 4-10PM | www.yosteria.com
 - \$10 Pizzas

YSU Student Activities & Penguin Productions Presents All Request Sing-A-Long with Drew & Kin

- 📍 Penguin City Brewing | 460 East Federal St. | Dec. 5th | 7:30–10:30 PM | www.penguincity.beer/
 - All Request Sing-A-Long | All Ages

📍 Downtown Locations for Annual Commemorative Mugs

- Dec. 5 — Drink specials and 3rd annual commemorative mug sponsored by PLATT Insurance
- Commemorative Holiday Mug Locations: Casa di Canzonetta, DoubleTree by Hilton, Draught House, The Federal, The Mocha House, Penguin City, Yosteria

Street Food on Parade Night Available From

- 📍 Various Downtown Locations
 - DiRusso's Sausage — NW Central Square
 - Tra's Gourmet Sandwiches — NW Central Square
 - Ohio BBQ Co. — NW Central Square
 - The Octave Live Music Café — Grab and Go: Hot Cocoa, light bites, and favorite drinks (to-go cups for the DORA district)
 - The Federal — Hot Cocoa & Cookies Stand
 - Youngstown Flea — Baked treats
 - 717 Credit Union - Hot Cocoa Truck — SE Central Square
 - Aisle One Mobile Market — SE Central Square



Parking

- Green → Free
- Yellow → \$3–\$7
- Orange → \$10–\$15
- Gray → N/A / Unknown
- Blue → ADA Accessible spots

Parking Area	Location	Price	Payment Method	Hours Available	ADA Spots	Notes / Security
Commerce (Behind Acme / Blue Heron / Downtown Circle)	109 W. Commerce St.	Free	N/A	24/7	0	No attendant
20 Federal (near Yonder)	112 W. Commerce St.	Free	N/A	24/7	6	No attendant
Fifth Ave. Lot	36 Fifth Avenue	Free	N/A	24/7	1	No attendant
Emily Alley Lot / AMP	Emily Alley	Free	N/A	Until 4:00 PM	4	No attendant
Commerce Building Lot	201 E. Commerce	Free	N/A	Until 5:00 PM	4	Possible attendant
Mahoning Children Services Lot	222 W. Federal St.	Free	N/A	Until 5:00 PM	6	None
YBI Lot	230 Market Court	Free	N/A	Until 5:00 PM	2	No attendant
MVHS / Youngstown Cityscape	250 E. Federal St.	Free	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 attendant
Vindicator & Front Street Lot – ABM	200 W. Front Street	\$3	QR / Pay Kiosk	All day	8	Parking enforcement on patrol
Next to Media Plaza – ABM	203 W. Boardman St.	\$3	QR Code	All day	3	Parking enforcement on patrol
Garage above Thrift – A1 Parking	25 W. Boardman St.	\$5	Cash Only	From 4:30 PM	N/A	1 attendant



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Coyne Front Street – ABM	11 W. Front Street	\$5	Cash / QR / Pay Kiosk	All day	2	Parking enforcement on patrol
Wick Deck – YSU	461 Wick Ave	\$5	Cash Only	All day	34	1 attendant; *Shuttle Available- See Below
Behind Avalon – ABM	24 W. Boardman St.	\$7	QR / Pay Kiosk	All day	3	Parking enforcement on patrol
Behind Tyler History – ABM	316 W. Boardman St.	\$10	QR / Pay Kiosk	All day	4	Parking enforcement on patrol
Masters Lot – ABM	311 W. Federal (East of Tyler Bldg)	\$10	QR Code	All day	2	Parking enforcement on patrol
Federal Lot – 8796 – ABM	335 W. Federal (West of Tyler Bldg)	\$10	QR Code	All day	3	Parking enforcement on patrol
Double Tree Lot	44 E. Federal St.	\$15	Cash Only	From 3:00 PM	2	1 attendant / 1 traffic director
Champion Garage	16 N. Champion St.	\$15	Cash Only	From 3:00 PM	2	1 attendant / 1 traffic director
Water Lot / Kress Lot	26 S. Phelps St.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Use of 3 EV chargers only

Light Up Night Downtown Youngstown – Parking & Shuttle Information

Wick Deck Parking

- **Location:** Enter at **Wick Avenue** entrance
- **Fee:** \$5 (cash only) for non-YSU permit holders
- **Hours:** 5:00 PM – 11:00 PM
- **Shuttle Pick-up/Drop-off:** From **Wick Ave. at YSU Wick Deck** to downtown at **W. Commerce & Hazel**

Penguin City Shuttles

- **Route:** Normal campus pick-up → **Penguin City** (6:00 PM – 11:00 PM)
After 11:00 PM: Switch to normal downtown route

Regular Late-Night Shuttles

- **Hours:** Until 2:30 AM | **Service:** Normal campus late-night routes

