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December 28, 2023 - January 3, 2024



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Ring in the New Year with Fireworks Displays, Dance Parties and Champagne Toasts

Tu Fiesta Radio Presents New Year's Eve Eve with Elio Piedra at Tioga Town Center

Saturday, December 30, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Sparks in the Park New Year's Eve Celebration at Depot Park

Sunday, December 31, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Downtown Countdown at Bo Diddley Plaza

Sunday, December 31, 8 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.

Spark Wonder at the Cade

Sunday, December 31, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

New Year Party with Classic Rock from Crooked Counsel at One Love Cafe

Sunday, December 31, 6 p.m. - 12 a.m.

NYE Decades Dance Party at Vecinos

Sunday, December 31, 6 p.m.

2nd Annual New Year's Eve Dance Party with DJ A-Train at Heartwood Soundstage

Sunday, December 31, 7 p.m.

Party Like a Champion at Visors Rooftop

Sunday, December 31, 7 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Midtown Git Down New Year's Eve Country-Themed Bash at Social at Midtown

Sunday, December 31, 7 p.m.

New Year's Eve Party with Buffet, Open Bar and Live Piano at The Keys Grill and Piano Bar

Sunday, December 31, 7 p.m.

Pop Punk Emo Night New Year's Eve Party at High Dive

Sunday, December 31, 8 p.m.

Embers Wood Grill and Spark at Embers New Year Cocktail Bash

Sunday, December 31, 8 p.m.

New Year's Eve Studio 54 Dance Party at Baby J's

Sunday, December 31, 8 p.m.

NYE Celebration with DJ Rey Rey at Fluid Lounge

Sunday, December 31, 8 p.m.

New Year's Eve Ball with the Savants of Soul at The Wooly

Sunday, December 31, 8:30 p.m.

Electronic Music at Midnight Mass at Simons and Signal

Sunday, December 31, 9 p.m. – 2 a.m.

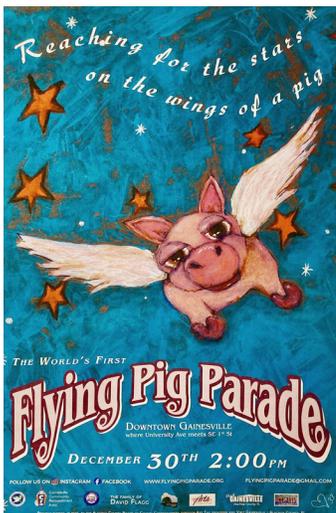
New Year's Eve Party at Local Provisions

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From the Co-Founder of Coconut Grove's King Mango Strut Comes Hogtown's First Flying Pig Parade – Head to Downtown Gainesville and Take Part in the Whimsey, Music and Laughter

Saturday, December 30, 2 p.m. | Downtown Gainesville

SE 1st Ave. and E University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601

Gainesville's streets will be filled with music, and laughter with the "World's First, More-Fun-Than-Staying-Home, Flying Pig Parade!" With a whimsical mission to "reach for the stars on the wings of a pig," The Flying Pig Parade features floats, bands and performers including Weeds of Eden and Star Center Theatre's Baton and Flag Corps. Gregg Jones serves as Master of Ceremonies and Paul Ortiz and Sheila Payne serve as the parade's Grand Marshals.

At 2 p.m. the parade will begin on SE 1 St and march south to the Hippodrome Theater. At the Hipp, the procession will take a few turns and eventually end up where it began.

After the parade, from 2:45 p.m. – 4 p.m., the party continues in Bo Diddley Plaza to celebrate Bo Diddley's 95th birthday with The Showtime Band.



Be Dazzled by 100,000 Lights at the Winter Wonderland Holiday Light Display Fridays and Saturdays through December 30 | North Central Florida YMCA

5201 NW 34th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32605

Walkthrough the mesmerizing display show by Twinkle Nights Holiday Lights and experience an illuminated wonderland. Activities include character meet and greets, ornament making, cookie decorating, letters to Santa, snowball throwing, photo ops and more. Learn more and get tickets online.



It's the Perfect Time of Year for a Guided Bird Walk on the Grounds of Historic Dudley Farm

Saturday, December 30, 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Dudley Farm Historic State Park

18730 W Newberry Rd., Newberry, FL 32669

Ted and Mary Ellen from the Alachua Audubon Society lead a bird walk through Dudley Farm Historic State Park. The tour is free with paid entry to the park.



Celebrate Kwanzaa with Local Events

Kwanzaa Celebration with Cultural Arts Coalition at Wilhelmina Johnson Center Sunday, December 31, 4 p.m.

Cultural Arts Coalition invites you to celebrate Kwanzaa for the 6th day: Kuumba/ Creativity. Enjoy music, dance, spoken word and Karamu (feast) with food.

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