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December 7-13, 2023



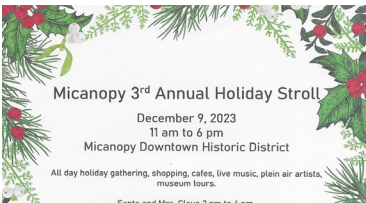
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Feel the Thrill of a Fairy Tale Come to Life with the Elegant Choreography, Elaborate Costumes and Magical Staging of Danscompany's Cinderella Friday, December 8, 7 p.m., Saturday, December 9, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. | UF Phillips Center

3201 Hull Rd., Gainesville, FL 32611

The Fairy Godmother transforms the Phillips Center main stage for a full-length ballet performance of Cinderella. Behold the splendor of elaborate costumes and dancing. Children under 10 get in free with the donation of a new toy or book. Sponsored in part by Visit Gainesville, Alachua County



Experience the Magic and Charm of the Holidays at the Micanopy 3rd Annual Holiday Stroll

Saturday, December 9, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Micanopy Downtown Historic District 207 NE 1st St., Micanopy, FL 32667

The oldest inland town in Florida lights up for the annual holiday event. Browse art galleries, boutiques and antique shops. Enjoy live music by Gumbo Limbo and Martin Family Band. Tour the Micanopy Historical Society Museum. Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. and view the tree lighting ceremony at 5 p.m. Sponsored in part by Visit Gainesville, Alachua County



Add Festive Colors to Your Landscape at the 7th Annual UF Environmental Horticulture Club Poinsettia Sale

Thursday, December 7 by appointment, Friday, December 8, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fifield Hall Greenhouse | 2475 Memorial Rd., Gainesville, FL 32611

UF's Environmental Horticulture Club presents the annual sale with over 4,000 plants. Select from over 40 varieties, including traditional Infinity Red, White Star, and Candy Cinnamon, with novelties like Winter Rose and Orange Glow.



Relish a Unique Farm Dining Experience with Solstice at Swallowtail and Chef Justin Langer Saturday, December 9, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. | Swallowtail Farm

7301 SE 92nd Terr., Gainesville, FL 32641

Dining experiences at Swallowtail Farm include alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, one-hour farm tour with founder Noah Shitama and live music.



Travel to a 1940s Radio Studio for Holiday Harmonies X - A Staged Radio Play Saturday, December 9, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. | First United Methodist Church

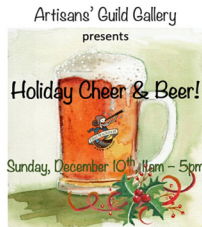
419 NE 1st St., Gainesville, FL 32601

The 10th holiday concert features the combined voices of Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus and Barbergators Chorus. Enjoy the sounds of a live broadcast with plenty of barbershop harmony from studio choruses and quartets and a bonus episode of "Bart Holiday, Private Eye." Donations for this show benefit the Harmony Bridge Scholarship for veterans at Santa Fe College.



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Browse the Outdoor Artist Market for Festive Shopping at Holiday Cheer and Beer Sunday, December 10, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Artisans' Guild Gallery 224 NW 2nd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601

The annual holiday market features local artist booths outside, handmade ornaments on the porch and unique gifts inside the gallery. Enjoy live music, vegan fusion food by Radha's Kitchen and craft beer from First Magnitude Brewing Company.



Warm Up to Bossa Nova and Jazz with Natalie Rella at Jazz on the Green Saturday, December 9, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. | Celebration Pointe 4949 Celebration Pointe Ave., Gainesville, FL 32608

Spread a blanket or pull up a chair and enjoy jazz under the setting sun. Stroll through festive light displays and enjoy food, drinks and sweet treats from nearby restaurants.



Discover America's Early History at the Book Discussion of La Florida: Catholics, Conquistadors, and Other American Origin Stories Sunday, December 10, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Matheson History Museum 513 E University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601

The Matheson History Museum hosts author and historian Dr. Kevin Kokomoor to discuss his book followed by a Q&A and book signing. La Florida explores a Spanish thread to early American history that is unfamiliar or even unknown to most Americans. Focusing on America's Spanish heritage, this collection of stories complicates and sometimes challenges how Americans view their past.



Tour the Historic Home of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings at the Festive Annual Holiday Party Saturday, December 9, 5 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. | Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Historic State Park | 18700 S CR 325, Cross Creek, FL 32640

Visit the homestead of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings. This year's holiday event features refreshments, live music and walkthroughs of the preserved farmhouse.



Enlighten Hanukkah with the ShabbaTones Chorus Wednesday, December 13, 7:15 p.m. | Congregation B'nai Israel 3830 NW 16th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32605

The ShabbaTones Chorus and Jacksonville Jewish Center Singes present choral songs to Enlighten Hanukkah with Maestro Will Kesling and Hazzan Jesse Holzer. Enjoy toe-tapping Hannukah choral songs, modern arrangements, 18th century, jazz, yiddish, Ashkenazi, and Sephardic with guitar, cello, clarinet and more.

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