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**Holiday at the Arboretum Features New Magical Christmas Village, The 12 Days of Christmas and DeGolyer House Exhibition**

***Dallas Arboretum Offers “Christmas in July” Event, \$5 Discount Tickets for Members and Encourages Others to Join***

**DALLAS, Texas, July 15, 2019** –On November 29 to December 31, the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden debuts a brand new Christmas Village as part of Holiday at the Arboretum. To celebrate “Christmas in July,” the Arboretum is also offering special pricing for members who purchase tickets for Holiday at the Arboretum from July 15 to August 14. The garden encourages others to join as members to take advantage of this offer and be the first to see the new Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village in Pecan Grove, opening November 29. The Christmas Village, which is part of Holiday at the Arboretum, presented by Reliant, complements The 12 Days of Christmas exhibit featuring the 25-foot-tall Victorian-style gazebos that come to life, depicting scenes from the traditional carol.

To celebrate, the Dallas Arboretum invites family and friends to attend “Christmas in July” in the garden on July 25, featuring Santa Claus from the North Pole. Other activities:

- Take photos with Santa
- Watch *Home Alone* in Rosine Hall
- Enjoy a special performance from Christmas carolers
- Eat frozen treats from Pop Star and Botolino Gelato.

To see a full schedule of activities for the “Christmas in July” event, visit [www.dallasarboretum.org/events-activities/summer-at-the-arboretum](http://www.dallasarboretum.org/events-activities/summer-at-the-arboretum).

A limited number of tickets are on sale for members for The 12 Days of Christmas at Night beginning **July 15 through August 14**. These \$5 tickets are good for any Wednesday or Thursday evenings for the dates of **November 13 to December 29 (excluding November 27, December 18 & December 19)**. Members can purchase tickets [here](#). Beginning on **August 15**, nonmembers can purchase \$10 tickets for The 12 Days of Christmas at Night that are good for any Wednesday or Thursday evenings for the dates of **November 13 to December 29**

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Dallas Arboretum Board Chairman Alan Walne, said, “The Dallas Arboretum has become known for holiday fun and its spectacular exhibits, including The 12 Days of Christmas. The Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village will be a wonderful addition to our holiday experience. If you’ve wanted to join the Arboretum, now’s your time to do it so that you don’t miss out.”

**Key dates:**

**November 9-December 31:** The 12 Days of Christmas (daytime)

**November 12:** Tree Lighting Ceremony to open The 12 Days of Christmas at Night

**November 13-December 29:** The 12 Days of Christmas at Night

**November 29-December 31:** The Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village in Pecan Grove

**November 29-December 31:** DeGolyer House Holiday Exhibition

On **September 15**, members can purchase \$5 Tree Lighting ceremony tickets good for November 12 when the Arboretum officially opens The 12 Days at Night.

To learn more about becoming a member of the Dallas Arboretum, visit <https://www.dallasarboretum.org/support/membership/>.

**The Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village:**

Inspired by the European Christmas Markets, or Christkindlmarkt, The Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village is comprised of charming shops and façades that represent a quaint European hamlet. The village houses vary in size, and the heights range between 16 and 19 feet. Each house is themed and large enough so that several children and adults can enter at a time and experience that particular business. The interior walls of each house feature illustrations and embellishments appropriate for that business. For example, the bakery walls show baked goods and a wood burning stove, and the music shop features paintings of shelves filled with instruments.

During the day, children can learn, have fun and explore these houses at their own pace. At night, the Christmas Village is lit by a holiday glow of lights, which are in addition to the half-million lights decorating the Arboretum. During the weekends and evenings, there are also volunteers dressed as the shopkeeper in each store, many of whom will pass out a sample of their wares, such as a piece of candy at the candy shop.

For Holiday at the Arboretum images and renderings of the Pauline and Austin Neuhoff Family Christmas Village, click [here](#).

A few holiday themed activities include the following:

- Santa visits every Wednesday night and Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. (through December 22). Keepsake Santa photos are provided by the Dallas Arboretum’s Volunteer Advisory Board, noon to 4 p.m., and donations are appreciated.
- Local choirs:
  - White Rock United Church, **December 5 and 8 at 7 p.m.**
  - Mesquite Children’s Chorus, **December 13 at 7 p.m.**
  - Lakewood Victorian Chorus, **December 14 at 7 p.m.**

**About the Dallas Arboretum:**

The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Gardens is located on the southeastern shore of White Rock Lake at 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218. The Dallas Arboretum is also the home of the internationally acclaimed Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. The Arboretum is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. On-site parking is \$15 or \$9, if purchased in advance online. *The Dallas Morning News* is the principal partner of the Dallas Arboretum. The Arboretum is supported, in part, by funds from the Dallas Park and Recreation Department. WFAA is an official media sponsor for the Dallas Arboretum.

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