



DALLAS ARBORETUM
AND BOTANICAL GARDEN

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**Holiday at the Arboretum Features New 50-Foot-Tall Dazzling Musical Tree That
Plays Merry Tunes**

*The Christmas Village, The Artistry of the Nativity and The 12 Days of Christmas
Complete the Holiday Experience*

DALLAS, Texas – Winter 2021 – Holiday at the Arboretum, presented by Reliant, has a new treasure that’s sure to get visitors in the holiday spirit: the Dazzling Musical Tree, a 50-foot-tall tree animated with more 42,000 lights and merry holiday tunes that play every half hour. The holiday festival, which opens November 10 and runs through December 31, also features The Christmas Village, DeGolyer House with The Artistry of the Nativity and The 12 Days of Christmas.

“The holidays just got bigger and brighter with the addition of a new grand feature—the 50-foot-tall Dazzling Music Tree—that’s sure to delight the young and young-at-heart,” said Dallas Arboretum board chairman Jim Ryan. “We invite locals to visit and to bring their out-of-town guests to be ‘wowed’ by the Dallas Arboretum this holiday season with special thanks to our presenting sponsor, Reliant.”

Holiday at the Arboretum opens November 9 with an official tree lighting for members-only from 6 to 9 p.m., led by the Marilyn and Ben Weber Family. Then, on Wednesday, November 10, Holiday at the Arboretum opens to the public during the day, and nights continue throughout the season with the return and further expansion of The Christmas Village. Also new this year, the garden has extended its evening hours on Fridays and Saturdays until 10 p.m.

“The holidays are our favorite time of year, and we want to share the joy of the season with the North Texas community by being part of the beautiful holiday display at the Dallas

Arboretum,” said Andrea Russell, vice president at Reliant. “We love to help light up the holidays at Reliant, and I encourage everyone to plan a visit to the Arboretum to enjoy a little holiday cheer with family and friends.”

The Christmas Village:

Inspired by European Christmas Markets, or Christkindlmarket, The Christmas Village is comprised of charming shops and façades representing a quaint European hamlet. The Christmas Village is wonderful during the day, but it’s magical at night with lighted trees, shop owners passing out samples and live entertainment. Each house is individually designed for the Dallas Arboretum, with the Christmas Village as an attraction for everyone. Santa Claus even has his own house and a sleigh for photo opportunities! Santa is in his house select nights in November, and then after Thanksgiving, he is present every night and Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The Marilyn and Ben Weber Family Christmas Pyramid, a 23-foot-tall German-built structure, is decorated with hand-carved elements, lighting and character movement on every level. The Weber Pyramid is the perfect complement to the Christmas Village and is the signature element in Pyramid Square along with an Edelweiss Haus serving food and drinks and a larger biergarten and performance area.

The Artistry of the Nativity:

Each day, and every Monday-Wednesday evening, beginning November 10, the community is invited to visit the historic DeGolyer House, elaborately decorated by renowned designer Michael Hamilton, with the return of the beloved theme, The Artistry of the Nativity. This collection features hundreds of crèches representing a variety of cultures from around the world. In addition to the Ray Harrington and the Joe Christian collections, which the Arboretum owns, the display also includes crèches from Tommy Bourgeois and Peter Hall. These objects are crafted beautifully from many materials including cork, glass, horns, seeds, cornhusks, porcelain, silver, wood and more.

The 12 Days of Christmas Gazebos:

After a visit to The Christmas Village, visitors are invited to stroll the garden, and continue to enjoy the 25-foot-tall Victorian-style gazebos that represent each of The 12 Days of Christmas with some updated characters. The gazebos come to life at night beginning November 9, except for Thanksgiving Day (closed) and December 24 (closes at 5 p.m.), December 25 (closed) and New Year’s Eve (closes at 5 p.m.). These glass gazebos resemble an oversize music box with mannequins and animals that move along with music and lighting.

A Million Lights in the Garden:

Holiday at the Arboretum features more than a million lights throughout the garden, trimming the historic homes and the 30-foot-tall spruce tree in the center of the garden. It’s the perfect place for getting into the holiday spirit.

Timed tickets, which range from \$10-\$25, are required for entry for the garden, so guests are encouraged to reserve preferred dates early. For more information, visit <https://www.dallasarboretum.org/events-activities/holiday-at-the-arboretum/>

In addition to Reliant as the presenting sponsor, other sponsors include Century Glass, Gray Reed, Move Star and Southwest Data Systems.

About the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden:

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 garden is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Festival daytime admission is \$17 for adults, \$14 for seniors 65 and older, and \$12 for children 2-12, and free for Arboretum members and children under two. On-site parking is \$15 or \$10, if purchased in advance online. Evening tickets range from \$10-\$25. *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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Holiday at the Arboretum Event Listing:

Check the website and social media for the most up-to-date listings.

Visits with Santa

November 9 • 6-8 p.m. (Members only)

November 10 & 17 • 6-9 p.m.

November 23 • 6-8 p.m.

November 24 • 12-3 p.m.

November 26-28 • 12-3 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

Monday-Friday

November 29-December 17 • 6-9 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday

December 4-23 • 12-3 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

December 24 • 12-3 p.m.

Santa is back in the garden in the perfect holiday setting – The Christmas Village. Share your Christmas wish with the jolly old man, and take a photo to commemorate the occasion. Keepsake family photos are available for a donation to the Volunteer Advisory Board during daytime Santa hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

Holiday Entertainment in The Christmas Village

Nothing says holiday like live music in the garden. Enjoy the live performances from local schools, churches and community groups as well as local professional performers in The Christmas Village. All performances are included with paid admission.

11/9 • 6-9 p.m. Caroling with Holiday Cheer

11/10 • 6-7 p.m. Gaston Middle School Dance Team

7-7:30 p.m. LHHS Wranglers

7:30-8 p.m. Mustang Stampede
11/11 • 6-9 p.m. Mountain Natives, alternative folk
11/12-18 • 6-9 p.m. Accordionist Paul Salvie
11/19 • 6-8 p.m. Window to the Wild walking bird show
11/20 • 6-9 p.m. Calvary Bible Church Choir
11/21 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. Window to the Wild Bird Show
11/23 • 6-7 p.m. Dallas Piano Academy
11/24 • 6-9 p.m. Kenny Haddox, acoustic pop
11/26 • 6-9 p.m. Carly Carroll, singing pianist
6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
11/27 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
11/28 • 6-9p.m. Carly Carroll, singing pianist
11/29-12/2 • 6-9 p.m. Mountain Natives, alternative folk
12/4 • 6-9 p.m. Accordionist Paul Salvie
6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
12/5 • 1-2 p.m. Dallas Tap Dazzlers
12/5-8 • 6-9 p.m. Accordionist Paul Salvie
12/9 • 6:30-9 p.m. Wylie High School Choir
12/10 • 6:30-7:15 p.m. and 8:15-9 p.m. Lakewood Presbyterian Varsity Victorian Chorus
12/11 • 12-12:30 p.m. Berkner Ramblers
6-9p.m. Accordionist Paul Salvie
6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
12/14 • 6-9 p.m. John Lefler, acoustic pop/folk
12/15 • 6-7 p.m. St. Philip & St. Augustine Catholic Academy Choir
7-8 p.m. Lavon Drive Baptist Church Choir
8-8:30 p.m. Coram Deo Academy Flower Mound Choir
12/16 • 6-9 p.m. Mesquite High School Choir
12/17 • 6-9 p.m. Mountain Natives, alternative folk
6:30-7:30 p.m. Dallas Tap Dazzlers
12/18 • 6-9 p.m. Caroling with Holiday Cheer
6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
12/19 • 6-9 p.m. St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
12/20 • 6-9 p.m. Carly Carroll, singing pianist
12/21 • 6-9 p.m. John Lefler, acoustic pop/folk
12/22 • 6-9 p.m. Corey Breedlove, jazzy acoustic pop
12/23 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando
12/26 • 6:30-8:30 p.m. Juggler DK Hernando

Weekend Entertainment at Jeanne's Pavilion

Select Dates • 12-2 p.m.

Guests are invited to the Shadow Garden at Jeanne's Pavilion for acoustic performances each weekend of Holiday at the Arboretum. Grab a lunch or bring a blanket for these intimate performances.

11/13 Mountain Natives, alternative folk
11/14 Cool Side of Easy, acoustic guitar

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11/28 Corey Breedlove, jazzy acoustic pop
12/4 New Song Music Academy (11am-2pm)
12/5 Arabesque Studio of the Dance
12/11 St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church Choir
12/11 Singing Girls of Texas (2-2:30 p.m.)
12/12 Corey Breedlove, jazzy acoustic pop
12/18 Calvary Bible Church Choir
12/19 Kenny Haddox, acoustic pop (11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)
Abiding Grace Choir (1-2 p.m.)
12/20 Christian Levens
12/21 WRUMC Choir
12/22 Lee Harbough
12/23 Carly Carroll, singing pianist
12/27 Christian Levens
12/28 Lee Harbough
12/29 Corey Breedlove, jazzy acoustic pop
12/31 Lee Harbough

Holiday Tea

Daily • 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.

11/8-12/31

Family and friends together are invited to create an annual tradition – holiday tea at the Restaurant DeGolyer, lavishly decorated for the season. Reservations required. Call 214-515-6511 to make reservations.

Holiday in the DeGolyer House

Daily • 10 a.m.-4 p.m. • Beginning 11/26

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings • 6-8:30 p.m. • Beginning 11/9

Included with admission

Visit the DeGolyer House to view its magnificent transformation into a stunning holiday home featuring The Artistry of the Nativity.

MEMBERS ONLY

Official Holiday at the Arboretum Opening Ceremony

11/9 • 6-9 p.m. • Tickets \$5

Celebrate the start of the holidays with the official Marilyn and Ben Weber Christmas Pyramid lighting ceremony. The Dallas Arboretum also lights all its holiday exhibits, including The 12 Days of Christmas gazebos, the tree on the Paseo and the NEW Dazzling Musical Tree. In addition, the DeGolyer House is open for tours of the stunning The Artistry of the Nativity. Santa Claus is also here from 6-8 p.m., and Holiday Cheer carolers stroll

through the garden to fill the evening with music. Gather in the center of the Christmas Village at 7 p.m. as garden representatives flip the giant switch to open Holiday at the Arboretum 2021.

Happening at A Tasteful Place

Seasonal Tastings

Daily • 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ruthie Pack Tasting Plaza

Try three different samples featuring a seasonal vegetable, fruit or herb growing in A Tasteful Place garden. Visit dallasarboretum.org/recipes for past and current recipes.

Cooking Demonstrations with Dallas College Cooks

Mondays • 11 a.m.

Free with paid admission

Visitors are invited to attend this popular demonstration cooking class taught by a chef instructor from the college's nationally recognized culinary school. Two recipes are demonstrated each month. Visit dallasarboretum.org/recipes

November Braised Leeks with Roasted Garlic; New Orleans Collard Greens

December Good Luck Braised Cabbage; Parsley, Celery and Mushroom Salad

Tasteful Tuesdays

Tuesdays • 11 a.m.

Join Dallas' floral and horticulture experts as they show you how to create tasteful centerpieces and seasonal arrangements for your family and guests to enjoy.

November 2 McShan Florist highlights the top fall flowers

November 16 Casa de Avella Floral Design crafts gorgeous autumn arrangements

November 30 Dr. Delphinium makes the perfect holiday arrangements for your December gatherings

December 2 Lil' Red Flower Truck, demonstrates their signature holiday arrangements

December 7 Uptown's chic new florist Token Flowers arranges tastefully modern holiday flowers

December 14 Bishop Art's Oasis Plants shows how to care for indoor plants during the winter season

December 21 Latina-owned Plant & Sip demonstrates winter succulent plant care

Daily Tastings Cooking Demo

Tuesdays • 1 p.m.

Resident Chef Isabel demonstrates how to prepare the week's featured recipes that are inspired by fresh, seasonal ingredients straight from A Tasteful Place's garden.

Chef-Tastic Cooking Series

11 a.m.-noon

See www.dallasarboretum.org for information on selected dates

See how pro chefs, seasoned bakers and rising Instagram stars perfect their recipes, and sample some fruits of their labor. The series features a demonstration from renowned chefs and bakers as they take center stage in A Tasteful Place kitchen.

November 4 Parisian street food expert Great Galettes makes savory crepes

November 5 Puerto Rican food truck El Chifrijo cooks food truck favorites

November 6 Kevin the Pie Dude prepares Sweet Potato Pie in his Signature Pie Series

November 11 Great Galettes is back and makes fruit crepes four ways

November 13 Rich in nostalgia, Granny's Scratch Kitchen bakes their favorite holiday cake

November 17 Community builder Soulgood prepares veggie fried rice

November 18 Great Galettes returns to create French galettes

November 26 Dallas Farmers Market favorite Krav's makes Ghanan pie dough balls

December 4 The Jelly Queens prepare their signature Cranberry Cake, perfect for dessert or a family breakfast treat

December 5 Healthy Holiday Sides with nutritionist and author, Cindy Kleckner, RD

December 9 Midnight Kreations cook delectable holiday treats

Leftover Lovers *NEW!*

12/1 and 12/29 • 11 a.m.

A Tasteful Place

Resident chef Lisa Roark creates hors d'oeuvres and new meals with holiday leftovers.

Learn how to create meals by adding just a few fresh ingredients from the farmers market.

December 1 Thanksgiving leftovers: Green bean casserole waffles topped with fried turkey and a cranberry drizzle

December 29 Christmas leftovers: Slow cooker turkey in adobo sauce with leftover veggie frittata

Learn to Grow Horticulture Presentations

Select Fridays • 11 a.m.

Enjoy special tips and presentations on winter gardening and harvesting, presented by the North Texas Master Gardeners and the Dallas Arboretum Horticulture staff.

November 5 Celebrate Arbor Day with discussions about Texas tree planting and care during the perfect time to plant trees in North Texas.

November 19 Container Gardening: many people don't have large gardens, but that shouldn't stop them from growing. Most people can grow almost anything in a container, adding color and texture to your outdoor space, no matter the size. Learn what to plant, how to plant, and how to keep containers thriving year-round.

December 10 Slow Food DFW Celebration with the Farmer Kim. Learn what it means to mindfully grow, prepare and enjoy a nourishing meal with family and friends.

December 17 Plant Propagation: Learn how to save money by growing plants, using seeds, cuttings and other methods of propagation.

Holiday Vendor Market

12/11 • 10am-3pm

Main Entry Plaza

Two dozen local vendors feature a delectable array of holiday treats and artisan gifts for purchase. Items include jewelry, ornaments, holiday treats and more.

Classes for Kids (With Them Bringing an Adult)

Healthy Holiday Desserts

With YeliBelly

11/7 • 1-3 p.m.

Adult Member + child \$79

Adult Nonmember + child \$89

Did you know Dallas' chocolatier Yeli is also a registered dietitian? She's here to teach children and their parents/caregivers/grandparents how to create healthy, kid-friendly desserts. This is a hands-on experience that includes treats to take home.

Kid's Holiday Apple Pie

With Kuluntu Bakery

11/13 • 1-3 p.m.

Adult Member + child \$59

Adult Nonmember + child \$69

Suitable for ages 8-12

Two time Best of Big D winner Stephanie with Kuluntu Bakery teaches children and their parents/caregivers/grandparents how to create apple pie made from phyllo dough instead of the traditional pie crust. It's a must see and eat!

Kids' Comfort Food

With Cajukiku

11/14 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Adult Member + child \$25

Adult Nonmember + child \$30

Suitable for ages 8-12

Chef Kuma, resident chef at The Village Dallas' Anise, teaches a healthy cooking class with a fancy grilled cheese and pumpkin tomato soup—perfect for the cold weather season.

Easy Holiday Bakes for Kids

With Chef Lisa Roark

12/18 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Adult Member + child \$55

Adult Nonmember + child \$65

Suitable for ages 6-12

Chef Lisa Roark teaches adults and their mini-bakers how to create delicious pastries to impress the family at the holiday table! Apple crumbles, mini pumpkin pies and cookie dough balls are sure to be the hits of the holiday dessert table this season.

Classes for Adults

Earthy & Whimsical Creations

11/6 • 1-3 p.m.

Members \$79/Nonmembers \$89

Melina Molina is back by popular demand with a make-and-take class featuring gorgeous succulent pumpkin terrariums. Melina gives all the tips and tricks for an autumn-themed living creation perfect for displaying.

Holiday Entertaining

With Chef Sharon Van Meter

11/14 • 1-3 p.m.

Members \$59/Nonmembers \$65

A graduate of Le Cordon Bleu in Paris, France, and an integral part of our Food & Wine Festival, Chef Sharon Van Meter brings more than 40 years of award-winning and acclaimed culinary experience to the garden for a one-of-a-kind hands-on class for the holidays. Chef Sharon guides participants in pairing perfect holiday wine and hors d'oeuvres for easy entertaining.

Thanksgiving Centerpiece Workshop With Token Flowers

11/20 • 2-4 p.m.

Members \$59/Nonmembers \$69

Uptown's contemporary florist Token Flowers teaches a hands-on Thanksgiving centerpiece-making class using mini gourds, seasonal flowers like mums and sunflowers and dried wheat with a saturated fall color palette! Participants can create a fabulous tablescape for Thanksgiving.

Couples Authentic Greek Cooking

11/21 • 1-3 p.m.

Members \$79 per couple

Nonmember \$89 per couple

Couples, learn how to create papoutsakia (stuffed eggplant with meat sauce topped with béchamel and parmesan), black eyed pea salad, and spanakopita from Greek Chef Dimitrios Vagenas. Enjoy your Greek feast, together and take recipes to recreate at home!

Seasonal Soup Pot

With Chef Mary Chamberlin & Chef Sharon Van Meter

11/27 • 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Members \$59 per person

Nonmembers \$65 per person

Legendary James Beard Foundation member Chef Mary Chamberlin joins the queen of the Dallas food scene Chef Sharon Van Meter for a homestyle hands-on class that fills your soul. Create seasonal soups with them as they share their food stories. This class warms the heart and feeds the soul. Participants take home new go-to recipes for winter family meals.

Couples Holiday Brunch Board

With Amor y Queso

12/1 • 10-11:30 a.m.

Members \$79 per couple

Nonmembers \$89 per couple

Each adult-only pair creates their own holiday-themed charcuterie board with premium ingredients. Amor y Queso provides hands-on tips and tricks and shares foodie details about the ingredients, while couples build their boards together. Plus, harvest ingredients from the A Tasteful Place garden to include.

Bar & Garden Holiday Wines & Recharge

12/12 • 1-3 p.m.

Members \$79 per couple

Nonmembers \$89 per couple

Julie Buckner Lane, founder of Bar and Garden Dallas, helps guests savor the holiday bustle. Enjoy a wine tasting and educational class sampling six varieties of seasonal wines, and make and take home a delicious and refreshing electrolyte drink to recharge during the season.

Perfect Holiday Dinner Rolls

With La Casita Bakeshop

12/19 • 1-3 p.m.

Members \$79 per couple

Nonmembers \$89 per couple

Best of Big D Bakery and “Wonderland of Sweets,” La Casita Bakeshop helps participants create the quintessential holiday baked goods for the dinner table—the perfect herb dinner rolls. Learn hands-on how to make rolls—perfect for all the holiday meals.