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**Your BIG Holiday Adventure Starts in Dallas**  
*BIG D Holiday offerings provide magical moments for the whole family*

DALLAS – (Oct. 27, 2015) – Bigger, bolder, brighter. These words describe Dallas any time of year, but they're especially true during the holiday season. From magical musical performances to sparkling city lights, Dallas offers festive holiday fun for the whole family.

For the second year, the Dallas Convention & Visitors Bureau introduces **BIG D Holiday**, a partnership with arts institutions and area attractions to showcase a full array of enchanting events – both holiday activities and ground-breaking exhibits worth visiting any time of year – for locals and visitors to enjoy.

It's time to start planning your **BIG D Holiday** adventure! Visit [visitdallas.com/bigdholiday](http://visitdallas.com/bigdholiday) for more information. Activities include:

*October 31 – February 21*

**Creatures of Light: Nature's Bioluminescence, Perot Museum of Nature and Science**

*Creatures of Light* explores the magical world of "living light" – mesmerizing organisms with the ability to glow – from flickering fireflies and fluorescent mushrooms to sparkling deep-sea creatures. From dinosaurs to DNA, unwrap your holiday curiosity at the Perot Museum.



*November 8 – January 3*

**Holiday at the Arboretum, Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden**

Celebrate the most wonderful time of the year with the magnificent *12 Days of Christmas* outdoor exhibit – twelve 25-foot Victorian-style gazebos with charming costumed characters, music and more – and *The Artistry of the Nativity* at the historic DeGolyer House. And enjoy a stroll through the gardens on select evenings, aglow with half a million twinkling lights.

*November 9 – January 17*

**Portraits: History Lived, The Sixth Floor Museum**

The assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The chaotic aftermath. So many lives changed and forever immersed in the pages of history. *Portraits: History Lived* comprises current photographs of people who witnessed that fateful day and acknowledges the importance of their stories to our shared history.

*November 11 through the Holidays*

**Peter Pan 360, AT&T Performing Arts Center**

Experience Neverland in a whole new way with an innovative stage production of *Peter Pan 360* that combines intimate theater-in-the-round, overhead projection, actors in dazzling flying sequences and whimsical puppets, all bringing this classic tale to fantastical life.

*November 19-21*

**Chi Omega Christmas Market, Fair Park**

This unique luxury gift marketplace brings together 175 specialty vendors offering a wide variety of hard-to-find items including jewelry, home and holiday décor, chic women's fashions, toys and more.

November 19 – January 3

**A Season of Stories: Christmas at the White House 2003, George W. Bush Presidential Center**

Great stories have a way of bringing families together. *A Season of Stories* will offer visitors a glimpse into the magical White House celebrations of 2003, including a full-size reproduction of the official White House Christmas tree and delightful décor featuring beloved storybook characters.

November 20 – May 20

**Jackson Pollock: Blind Spots, Dallas Museum of Art**

This once-in-a-lifetime exhibition, only the third major U.S. museum exhibition to focus solely on the artist hailed as “the greatest painter this country has ever produced,” is the largest survey of Jackson Pollock’s black paintings ever assembled. Exclusively on view in Dallas, it includes works that have not been exhibited for more than 50 years from an understudied yet pivotal period in the artist’s career.

November 20 – December 20

**Miracle on 34th Street, Dallas Children’s Theater**

The Dallas Children’s Theater transforms this beloved story into a holiday delight for pint-sized theater enthusiasts. Hearts will melt as the nostalgic film classic comes to colorful life with holiday music, humor and merry elves.

November 21 – January 3

**The Trains at NorthPark, NorthPark Center**

The Trains at NorthPark benefiting the Ronald McDonald House of Dallas is the most elaborate miniature toy trains exhibit in Texas. More than 1,600 feet of track takes visitors on a journey across America, from New York City to the Golden Gate Bridge.

November 25 - December 26

**A Christmas Carol, Dallas Theater Center**

Dallas Theater Center’s hit production of the holiday classic *A Christmas Carol* returns to the Wylie Theatre. *A Christmas Carol* is a critically acclaimed, delightfully reimagined take on Dickens’ enduring classic. Join us as Scrooge returns to the Wylie Theatre, where the audience will be surrounded by magical ghosts flying above, scary ghosts bursting out of the floor and snow falling on everyone, bringing this timeless story to new life.

November 27 – December 23

**Christmas at the Anatole**

This holiday season the legendary Hilton Anatole Hotel will transform in to a winter wonderland complete with dazzling décor and festive programming. Featuring breakfast with Santa, face painting, Christmas-themed scavenger hunts and more, the Hilton Anatole is your home for the holidays.



November 27 – January 3

**Christmas at the Dallas Symphony**

The beloved holiday tradition returns! Christmas at the Dallas Symphony presents over 20 festive concerts from family favorite DSO Christmas Pops to the stunning acrobatics of *Cirque de la Symphonie*.

November 27 – December 23

**Not a Creature was Stirring, Dallas Children’s Theater**

Come along for an enchanting holiday fantasy hidden within the walls of a cozy farmhouse in this charming puppet show. Invite your children to journey with two adventurous mice as scurry to bring the spirit of the holidays home.

*November 27 – December 24*

**Visits and Portraits with Santa, NorthPark Center**

Capture memories of a lifetime with one-on-one visits and portraits with Santa Claus. Children feel right at home in Santa's cozy living room, complete with a fireplace and holiday tree. Take photos with your own camera or purchase professional portraits by Marc Robins Photography!

*November 28 – December 21*

**Holiday Cheer at Reunion Tower's GeO-Deck**

Santa, his elves and furry friends from the Dallas Zoo will spread holiday cheer from 470 feet in the air. Catch special sky-high appearances at the GeO-Deck as you enjoy the view from Dallas' most iconic structure. Experience breathtaking 360-degree panoramic views, high-definition zoom cameras, interactive touch screens, telescopes, photo ops and an indoor/outdoor observation deck that lets you see for miles in any direction.

*December 3*

**Holiday Tree Lighting Festival, Fair Park**

Experience the magic of the season with a traditional tree lighting ceremony and an evening of family-fun festivities, complete with strolling Victorian carolers, carriage rides and more than 1 million lights illuminating the 277-acre park.

*December 5*

**Reliant Lights Your Holidays, AT&T Performing Arts Center**

Bring the entire family for an evening of holiday magic at the AT&T Performing Arts Center. Enjoy thousands of dazzling lights, a holiday concert and fireworks spectacular and photos with Santa set in a winter wonderland, complete with real snow.



*December 16-27*

**Jersey Boys, AT&T Performing Arts Center**

This award-winning musical is the true story of how four blue-collar kids from Jersey became one of the greatest successes in pop music history. They wrote their own songs, invented their own sounds and sold 175 million records worldwide, including their hit songs "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," and "Oh What a Night."

*December 26*

**Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl, Fair Park**

Conference USA and Big 12 Conference teams face off in this exhilarating postseason gridiron match at the historic Cotton Bowl Stadium.

*January 1*

**Day 1 Dallas, Fair Park**

Ring in the New Year with a day of family fun! *Day 1 Dallas* takes over Fair Park with resolution-themed activities and vendors, performances by nationally known entertainers – including the talented Debby Ryan, star of Disney Channel's *Jesse* – and a spectacular fireworks show.

*Available All Season*

**Gift Tix, Dallas Theater Center**

Give the gift of live theater with Gift Tix. Gift Tix may be exchanged for any available weeknight or weekend seat for any Dallas Theater Center show this season. It's the easiest way in town to see live theater!

*All Season Long*

**Downtown Wanderland**

Downtown Dallas, Inc. invites visitors and locals to wander through bright and bustling Downtown Dallas and explore the city's great retail, restaurants and bars. Enjoy season-long programming featuring holiday pop-up shops, happy hours, photos with Santa, movie screenings and more.

*All Season Long*

**Spirit and Matter: Masterpieces from the Keir Collection of Islamic Art, Dallas Museum of Art**

This unprecedented exhibition, which critics have called "stunning," showcases more than 50 historically important masterworks from the Keir Collection of Islamic Art, one of the world's most significant and rarely exhibited private collections of Islamic art.

*Now – January 3*

**Treasures from the House of Alba: 500 Years of Art and Collecting, Meadows Museum**

For more than 500 years, the Alba family has formed part of the most important aristocratic lineages in Europe, amassing an unparalleled collection of art through the years. In this exhibit, the Meadows Museum presents some of the collection's finest works, many of which have never been seen outside of the family's private castles.

*Now – January 17*

**International Pop, Dallas Museum of Art**

Take a step back in time at the Dallas Museum of Art. Andy Warhol, David Hockney and Roy Lichtenstein are just a few of the artists included in this historical survey that chronicles the global emergence of Pop art from the mid-1950s to the early 1970s.

*Now – March 20*

**Alexander Gorlizki: Variable Dimensions, Crow Collection of Asian Art**

This rich kaleidoscopic experience features works of art as diverse as embroidered handkerchiefs and plant-like hand-mirrors alongside exquisitely crafted paintings with obsessive floral and geometric patterns.

**About Visit Dallas**

The Dallas Convention & Visitors Bureau's goal is to market Dallas as the ideal convention and visitor destination to the regional, national and international marketplace and to favorably impact the Dallas economy through meetings and tourism. The Dallas metro area is the leading business and financial center in the Southwest, offering visitors an unparalleled array of amenities and a central location with two major airports with more domestic nonstop flights than any other U.S. city. As the ninth-largest U.S. city, and part of the fourth-largest metropolitan area in the nation, the Dallas area is the top visitor destination in Texas. For more information, visit [visitdallas.com](http://visitdallas.com).

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