

Vintage Christmas – Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Saturday December 1 – Sunday December 2



Its authenticity is the foundation for the claim that the Vintage Christmas in Portsmouth holiday celebration, echoed by Travel + Leisure magazine, makes Portsmouth ‘the Christmas capital of North America. Experience this magical event in the heart of downtown Portsmouth. Excitement builds as the community counts down to the lighting of the Portsmouth Christmas tree and the festive fun continues with a dazzling illuminated holiday parade down Islington Street and through Market Square. In the spirit of a truly Vintage Christmas, Strawberry Banke Museum welcomes visitors to travel through 300+ years of daily life in the waterfront neighborhood of Puddle Dock. Along candlelit dirt lanes, visitors will walk through a historic portrayal of winter –and, where historically appropriate, the holidays of Christmas and Hannukah – among the glowing historic homes and costumed role players. The magical experience will be accompanied by a full program of musical performances and theatricals. Visitors stroll from house to historic house, greeted by costumed role players and performers who recreate the traditions of times past, rediscovering the joys of simpler times. Mrs. Shapiro prepares a Hanukah celebration her 1919 Russian Jewish kitchen. Mrs. Goodwin, her family and servants prepare a Victorian Christmas. Father Christmas, the night watchman, “Mayor Frank Jones” and other role-players make their rounds along the dirt lanes; and the Abbotts await news of their soldier fighting in Europe in the Second World War. Carolers, chestnuts and holiday crafts bring all the sounds, scents and moments for family ‘stopfulness’ to this event that is a cherished New Hampshire tradition. ~Complimentary refreshments and hot apple cider are offered at the Cider Shed. Traditional hearth-cooking demonstrations, crafts demonstrations, and winter projects for kids provide interactive fun for multiple generations. We will dine in Portsmouth and will overnight at the Microtel Inn & suites just nearby in York. Enjoy breakfast at the hotel on Sunday before departing for the Stonewall Kitchen Store. Before heading home we will have a shopping spree at the Kittery Trading Post. We will then take a break and have lunch on our own to get re-energized for more shopping. It will be a festive, fun filled trip overflowing with sparkling lighted trees, decorated wreathes, and holiday memories.

COST: \$ 220.00 Deluxe motor coach transportation, snacks, prizes, overnight accommodations, Vintage Christmas activities, Admission ticket to Strawberry Banke Museum, dinner and breakfast, a visit to Stonewall Kitchen, shopping at Kittery Trading Post, all taxes and gratuities

Provide the name(s) and signature(s) of participant(s). **Notice:** By signing this form, you agree to the terms of payment AND you attest that you have read, understand, and agree to the following **WARREN PARKS & RECREATION RELEASE STATEMENT:** The Town of Warren (the “Town”) expressly disclaims for itself and for its officers, commissioners, employees and agents, all liability for any loss or damage to property or bodily injury or death arising from the related to the undersigned’s participation in the Town sponsored activity specified herein and the undersigned hereby knowingly, intentionally and expressly: (1) Assumes the risk for any such loss, damage, bodily injury or death; (2) Releases the Town and its officers, commissioners, employees and agents from all liability for any such loss, damage, body injury, or death; and (3) Waives any claim or cause of action which the undersigned may have against the Town or its officers, commissioners, employees and agents for any such loss, damage, bodily injury or death. Furthermore, if I, the participant, cannot be reached, I give my permission to the physician selected by the Recreation Department or program supervisor to hospitalize, acquire prompt treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for myself.

NAME 1: _____ SIGNATURE 1: _____

NAME 2: _____ SIGNATURE 2: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

NO. OF TIX: _____ @ \$ 220.00 PER PERSON = TOTAL COST \$ _____

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