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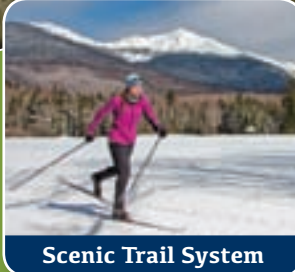
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# The Childrens Museum Jingle Bell Express tickets on sale

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire offers a unique way to meet Santa this coming holiday season. The museum's Jingle Bell Express, running December 7 & 14, starts with families meeting at the museum and climbing aboard a C&J Bus Lines double decker bus, decked out in twinkly lights, decorations and playing holiday music and videos for a short ride to the Cochecho Country Club. At the Club, Santa's elves welcome families inside for a special storytime, refreshments, and holiday crafts. Then the jolly man himself makes a big entrance to greet all the kids and take photos. Digital photos will be taken, and kids go home with a keepsake gift. Then it's back to the museum for hands-on fun in the exhibits.

This year's Jingle Bell Express trips, sponsored by First Seacoast Bank, are scheduled for Saturdays, December 7 & 14 with four trips offered each day starting at 10:30am, noon, 1:30pm and 3pm.

"The entire trip takes about 1.25 hours," shared head Elf and CMNH Education Director Xanthi Gray. "And then families are invited to play in the museum as much as they want." Families are welcome to wear



holiday pajamas. The story read at the Cochecho Country Club will be the classic holiday family favorite "The Polar Express."

Member tickets are \$24 per person and non-member tickets are \$27 per person. Children under age two are free, but must sit on a grown-up's lap during the journey. Tickets are available for purchase online to the public on Monday, October 14.

New this year is a special Sensory Friendly trip on Saturday, December 7 at 1:30pm. This will be a less crowded trip and include things like a shorter storytime, quiet peaceful holiday music playing on the bus without any videos, gluten free snacks, quiet areas and stress toys. Families will also have the option of taking a family

photo near a Christmas tree, the fireplace, a Santa doll, or live Santa. The museum will also be developing a social story to help parents and children prepare for what they will experience on the trip. The social story will be available in advance on the museum's website and at the event itself.

To register for the Jingle Bell Express, please visit [www.childrens-museum.org](http://www.childrens-museum.org) or call the museum during their regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30am-4pm.

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## "The Nutcracker" returns to the CCA on December 7 and 8

"The Nutcracker" returns to the Capitol Center for the Arts (CCA) in Downtown Concord, NH on December 7 and 8. Follow young Clara and her Nutcracker on their journey through the snow as Tchaikovsky's cherished score is played by the Southern New Hampshire Symphony and danced by students and alumni of the Eastern Ballet Institute of Concord.



Tickets for the December 7 and 8 Nutcracker performances start at just \$18. They may be ordered by calling the Capitol Center for the Arts at (603) 225-1111

or online at [ccanh.com](http://ccanh.com). Tickets may also be obtained at the Center's recently-relocated box office at 16 South Main St., Concord, NH, which is open Monday - Friday from 12pm to 6pm.

## Sit, stay, laugh! Pope Memorial SPCA to host comedy fund raiser

Comedy for a cause is on tap as the Pope Memorial SPCA hosts "Sit, stay, laugh" next month at the Grappone Conference Center. "We're excited to announce our annual comedy benefit event," said Phil Vecchione, Board Member-Pope Memorial SPCA and Event Chair. "Participants can enjoy a fun night out while supporting pet health and welfare in the greater Capital Region."

Friday, November 8th, Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Ave, Concord, NH. Doors open at 7:00 pm/Show starts at 8:00 pm

Featured: comedians include Kendra Cunningham, Carolyn Plummer, and Paul D'Angelo. Advance tickets are \$50, after November 1st: \$60 and include show and snacks. Reserved tables also available and there will be a cash bar. Rumford Stone is serving as the event sponsor.

"We excited to bring these terrific performers to Concord," Vecchione said. "It will be a great event with 100 percent of all proceeds directly supporting our cause." To purchase tickets, please visit [www.popememorialsPCA.org](http://www.popememorialsPCA.org).

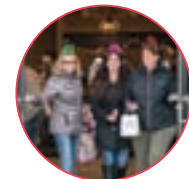
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## Bach's Lunch Season begins with Irish & Celtic Stories and Songs

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**Thursday, November 7, 12:10pm, Bach's Lunch Lecture: Irish Songs of Emigration.** Speaker: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki. Over the last few centuries, millions



of Irish people have had to leave their homeland, and their stories live on in powerful songs. Fiddler/singer Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki will explore several of these pieces, while explaining the historical context out of which they came.



Some date back to the potato famine, others were written more recently, but all deal with the timeless themes of homesickness, heartache and loss experienced by immigrants everywhere.

**Thursday, November 14, 12:10pm.**

**Bach's Lunch Concert: Transatlantic Celtic Tunes.** Artists: Liz Faiella, David Surette, and Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki. Irish and Scottish immigrants brought the music of the Celtic nations across the ocean, and wove their songs and tunes into the fabric of New England's folk music and dance culture. Join Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki, fiddle, guitar, & vocals, Liz Faiella, fiddle & vocals, and David Surette, mandolin, guitar, & vocals for an hour of Celtic traditional music, as it is expressed both "back home" across the Atlantic and here in the Americas. Bach's Lunch programs are free and open to the public, and take place from 12:10 to 12:50pm on the first and second Thursdays of each month, November through June, in the Music School's Recital Hall, 23 Wall Street, downtown Concord. The Bach's Lunch Series is sponsored by The Timothy and Abigail B. Walker Lecture Fund. For more information,



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## Calendar of Events

■ NOV. 11TH

### FALL FAMILY FARM DAY

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buffet lunch. Reservations are required.

NOV 16TH

### ■ HARVEST DINNER

267 Springfield Rd., Charlestown, NH. Phone: 603-826-5700. The Fort at No. 4's annual Harvest Dinner is both a year-end celebration as well as a fundraising activity for the museum. This year's activities will begin at 5:30 pm with a small reception in our Parker House followed by family-style dinner service at 6:30 pm. Dinner guests will dine by candle light, and be warmed by

the fires in our Great Hall and Hastings House. The proceeds from tonight's dinner help support the Fort's ongoing educational programming. Dinner Reservations on a first come, first served basis.

NOV 30TH

### ■ SPIRIT OF THE HOLIDAYS

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