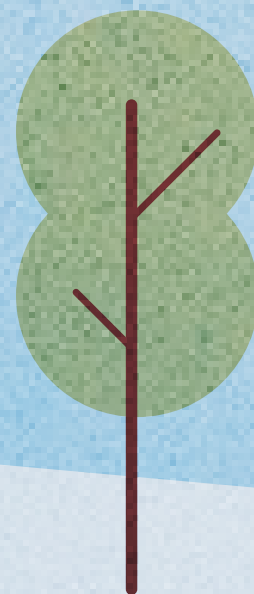


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Stay tuned for our Winter Break recommendations!



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Here's a sneak peek

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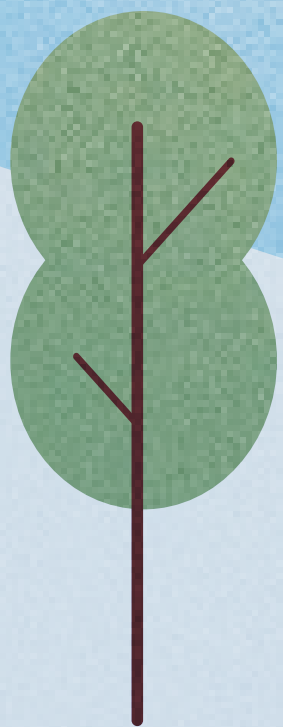
Festive Recipes

At-Home Activities

Festive TV Shows/Movies

Different Celebrations

And so much more!!



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Different Cultural Celebrations in December


December is an important time for many! With that, we would like to honor and recognize different cultural and religious celebrations happening in the month of December.






Hanukkah

Late November to December | Jewish Festival of Lights commemorating the rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. Celebrated with lighting the menorah, playing dreidel, and eating foods like latkes.



Christmas

December 25th | Christian holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. Observances include church services, gift-giving, and festive decorations such as Christmas trees and lights.



Bodhi Day

December 8th | Buddhist holiday marking the day Siddhartha Gautama achieved enlightenment under the Bodhi tree, becoming the Buddha.



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Yule

December 21 - January 1 | Pagan celebration marking the winter solstice, often associated with feasting, gift-giving, and honoring the rebirth of the sun.

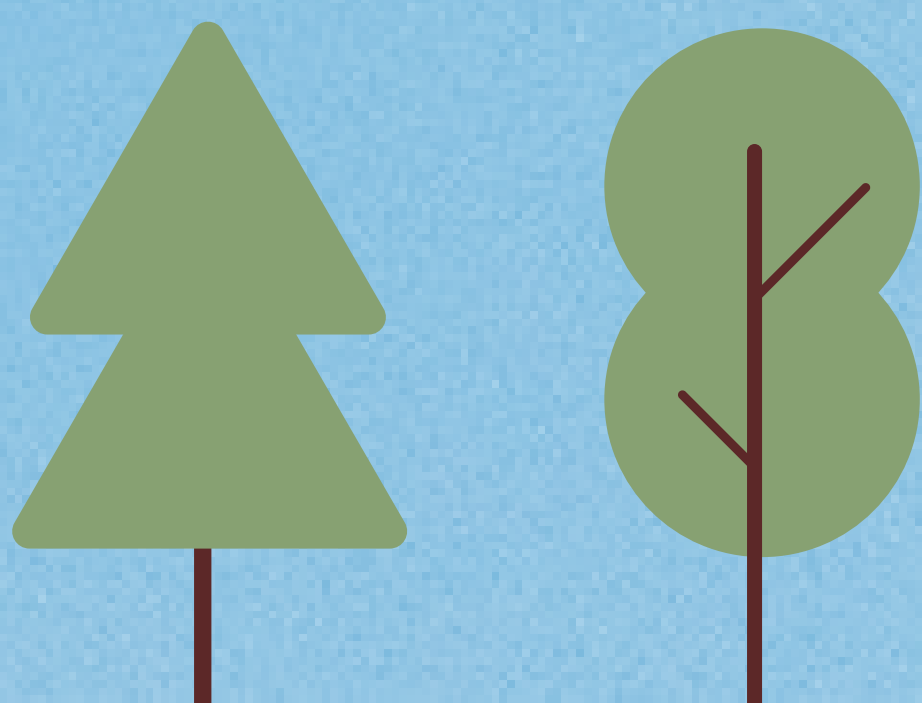
Las Posadas

December 16 - 24 | Mexican tradition commemorating Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem, featuring processions, songs, and feasts.



Kwanzaa

December 26 - January 1 | African-American cultural holiday celebrating heritage, unity, and community. It involves lighting candles on a kinara, storytelling, and sharing feasts.



Holiday Kickoff

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December Nights
@ Balboa Park
Friday, Dec. 6 - Sat, Dec. 7



Little Italy Tree Lighting &
Christmas Village
Friday, Dec. 6 | 4 - 8 PM



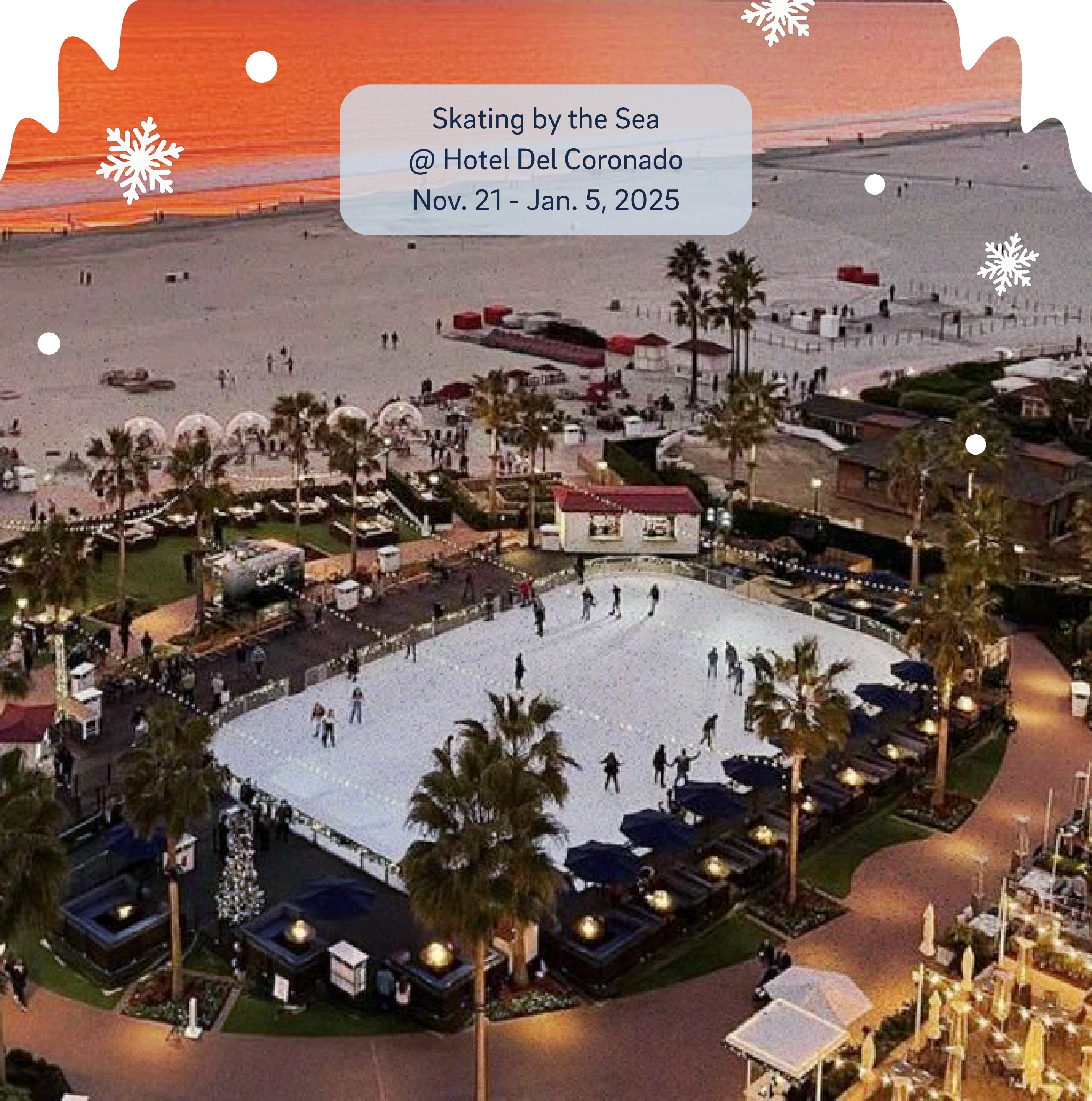
La Jolla Christmas Parade &
Holiday Festival @ Girard Ave
Sunday, Dec. 8 | 1:30 PM



Ice Skating

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Skating by the Sea
@ Hotel Del Coronado
Nov. 21 - Jan. 5, 2025

Rady Children's Ice Rink
@ Liberty Station
Nov. 21 - Jan. 5, 2025



UTC Ice
@ Westfield Mall UTC
All year round



Winter Wonderland

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Carlsbad Legoland
Nov. 23 - Jan. 5, 2025



San Diego Belmont Park
Nov. 16 - Jan. 5, 2025



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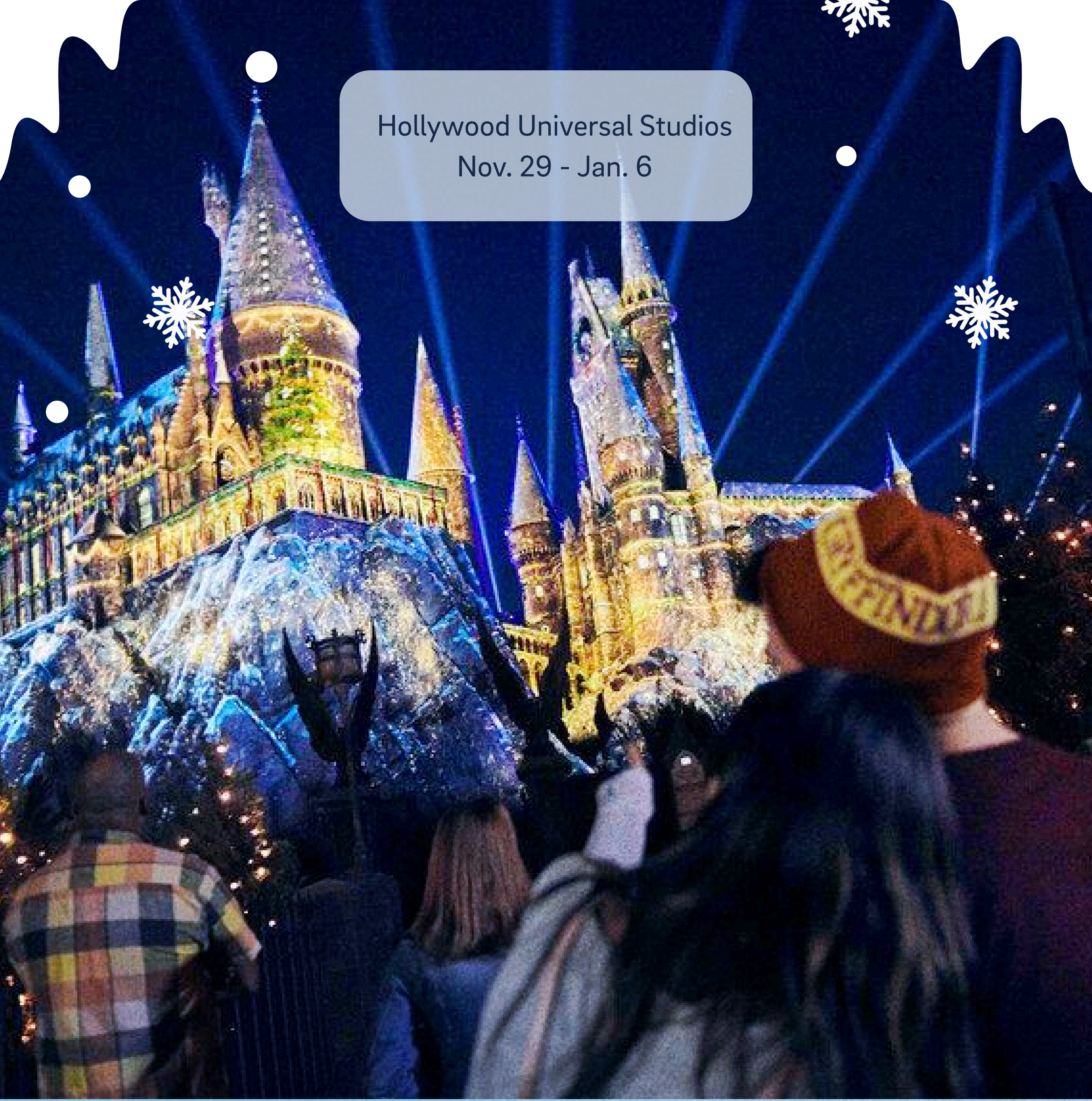


San Diego SeaWorld
Nov. 15 - Jan. 5

Anaheim Disneyland
Nov. 15 - Jan. 6



Hollywood Universal Studios
Nov. 29 - Jan. 6




Holiday Lights

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Hammock Family
Feeling Cheng




Candy Cane Lane @ Hickory
Street, Poway (Free)
Dec. 1 - Dec. 31

Christmas Card Lane @
9198 Oviedo Street (Free)
Dec. 1 - Dec. 31



Old Town Trolley's Holiday
Sights Tour (Tickets Required)
Nov. 30 - Dec. 30




A photograph of a light tunnel at night. The tunnel is formed by a series of metal trusses supported by a central structure, with numerous strings of warm white lights hanging from them. The lights are arranged in a way that creates a perspective effect, drawing the eye towards the center of the tunnel. In the foreground, several people are visible, some taking photos with their smartphones. The overall atmosphere is festive and magical. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent grey box in the upper center of the image.

Lightscape @ SD Botanical
Garden (Tickets Required)
Nov. 15 - Jan. 5

Jingle Belle Cruise

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Jingle Belle Cruise @ Mission
Bay (Tickets Required)
Dec. 20 - Dec. 24

Part of the proceeds go towards Mama's Kitchen, a nonprofit that provides meals to individuals who are vulnerable to malnutrition from critical illness.

Snapdragon Bowl Bash.

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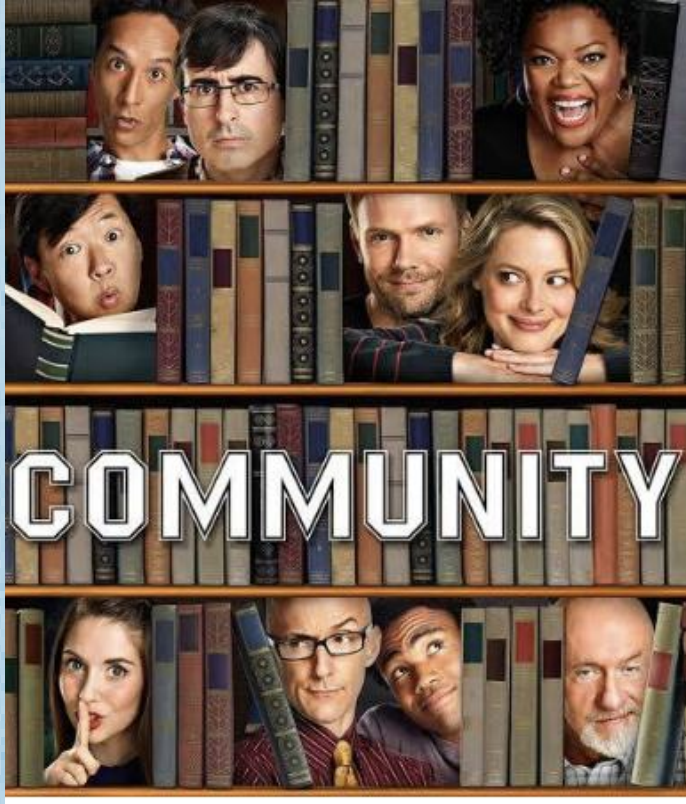


Holiday Bowl Bash @
Gaslamp Quarter (Free)
Dec. 26, 2024

Looking for festive TV shows to watch for the holidays?

We've got a list of them for you! Tap to see our top recommendations.





Community

- Season 1 ep 12 - Comparative Religion
- Season 2 ep 11 - Abed's Uncontrollable Christmas
- Season 3 ep 10 - Regional Holiday Music



Parks and Recreation

- Season 2 ep 12 - Christmas Scandal
- Season 4 ep 10 - Citizen Knope
- Season 5 ep 9 - Ron and Diane



The Office

- Season 2 ep 10 - Christmas Party
- Season 3 ep 10 & 11 - A Benihana Christmas
- Season 5 ep 11 - Moroccan Christmas
- Season 3 ep 13 - Secret Santa
- Season 7 ep 11 & 12 - Classy Christmas
- Season 8 ep 10 - Christmas Wishes
- Season 9 ep 9 - Dwight Christmas



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Friends

- **Season 1 ep 10** - The One with the Monkey
- **Season 2 ep 9** - The One with Phoebe's Dad
- **Season 3 ep 10** - The One Where Rachel Quits
- **Season 4 ep 10** - The One with the Girl from Poughkeepsie
- **Season 5 ep 10** - The One with the Inappropriate Sister
- **Season 5 ep 11** - The One with All the Resolutions
- **Season 6 ep 10** - The One with the Routine
- **Season 7 ep 9** - The One with All the Candy
- **Season 7 ep 10** - The One with the Holiday Armadillo
- **Season 8 ep 10** - The One with Monica's Boots
- **Season 8 ep 11** - The One with the Creepy Holiday Card
- **Season 9 ep 10** - The One with Christmas in Tulsa



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Looking to try some festive recipes during Winter Break?

We've got a list of them for you! See our top recommendations.



- **Sugar Cookies**
- **Peppermint Bark**
- **Santa Hat Brownies**
- **Snickerdoodle Cookies**



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