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# CITY OF PALMDALE

## *MEDIA ALERT*

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### ***Photo/Interview/Story Opportunities*** **City of Palmdale Hosted Events & Programs for December**

WHAT: Programs and events hosted by the City of Palmdale

WHEN: December 2017

WHERE: Various locations

INFO: For media inquiries or passes, contact Communications Manager John Mlynar at 661/267-5112 or by email: [jmlynar@cityofpalmdale.org](mailto:jmlynar@cityofpalmdale.org) Note: dates and times are subject to change. **Listings of the numerous** sports, aquatics, health & fitness, education, after school programs, and active seniors programs in December may be found in Palmdale Magazine, available online at [www.CityofPalmdale.org/Residents/Palmdale-Magazine](http://www.CityofPalmdale.org/Residents/Palmdale-Magazine).

### **SCHEDULE:**

***Friday, December 1 – Bilingual Storytime***, Palmdale City Library, 10 am. Stories and songs in English and Spanish with Miss Maria. All ages.

***Saturday, December 2 – Santa’s Wonderland***, Palmdale Playhouse, 10 am to 2 pm. Delight in the magic of the season at the Palmdale Playhouse! Santa Claus parks his sleigh in the lobby to take holiday wishes and a picture to remember with young and old alike. Relax and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

***Saturday, December 2 – Dog Walker Watch***, Yellen Dog Park, 5100 E. Avenue S, 8 – 10 am. Join public safety staff and law enforcement for coffee, donuts and dog treats and get information on how to report suspicious activity, graffiti and other issues you may see while out walking your pet. Free raffle for the first 20 residents to arrive.

***Saturday, December 2 – Singalong with Santa***, Palmdale Playhouse, 6 pm. Santa’s elves will help kids handcraft a special keepsake ornament to take home and hang on the tree and help them write a letter to Santa. Attendees will then join elf hosts Figgy & Sugar Plum, Santa and The Sunday Night Singers for an interactive singalong in the theatre. Tickets are \$6.

***Sunday, December 3*** – Palmdale Junior Ballet and Theater Dance present **The Magical Toyshop & Step into Christmas**, Palmdale Playhouse, 2 and 7 pm. The Magical Toyshop is a merry one-act ballet that tells the story of a family that stumbles upon a toyshop with toys and dolls — country maids, tin soldiers, clowns, cancan dancers, queens and Cossacks. The

magic begins when the toys come to life! Palmdale Theatre Dance will Step Into Christmas to “Silent Night,” “Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer,” and “Winter Wonderland.” Tickets are \$12 for adults, and \$10 for students, seniors, military and children 12 and under.

**Monday, December 4 – PATH Assistance**, Palmdale City Library, 1-3 pm. PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) will provide referral services to those who need it.

**Tuesday, December 5 – Palmdale City Council Meeting**, Palmdale Council Chamber, 38330 Sierra Hwy. Suite B, 7 pm.

**Tuesday, December 5 - Housing Rights Legal Clinic with Neighborhood Legal Services**, 9 am – 12 pm at SAVES, 1002 E Ave Q-12. The NLS team provides free assistance to individuals and families dealing with fair housing, unsafe conditions, mobile home residency law, loan modification, fraud, consumer debt, Section 8 legal problems and landlord/ tenant problems. Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-800-433-6251 to make an appointment or speak with an in-take advocate.

**Tuesday, December 5 – Santa’s Wonderland**, Palmdale Playhouse, 3 to 8 pm. Delight in the magic of the season at the Palmdale Playhouse! Santa Claus parks his sleigh in the lobby to take holiday wishes and a picture to remember with young and old alike. Relax and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

**Tuesday, December 5 – Preschool Storytime**, Palmdale City Library, 1-2 pm. The Library’s famous preschool storytime sessions with Miss Shay, now in a weekly afternoon session. Ages 3-5.

**Wednesday, December 6 – Legacy Commons Advisory Board Meeting**, 9:15 am, Legacy Commons for Active Seniors.

**Wednesday, December 6 – Baby & Toddler Storytime**, Palmdale City Library, 9:15 and 10:15 am. The Library’s storytime sessions for Palmdale’s youngest residents with Miss Shay, now with two sessions each Wednesday. Ages 6-36 months.

**Wednesday, December 6 – Friends of the Library Meeting**, Chimbole Cultural Center, 4 pm. The monthly meeting of the Friends of the Palmdale City Library, an organization devoted to helping support the Library.

**Thursday, December 7 – Coffee with a Cop** – TBD, 9:30-10:30 am.

**Thursday, December 7 - SAVES “Non-Express Registration.”** SAVES will take sign-ups from 9 am – 4 pm for Christmas baskets and toys. This is for Palmdale residents who are not yet signed-up as clients or current SAVES clients who have not yet signed up for a Christmas basket.

**Thursday, December 7 – Santa’s Wonderland**, Palmdale Playhouse, 10 am to 2 pm. Delight in the magic of the season at the Palmdale Playhouse! Santa Claus parks his sleigh in the lobby to take holiday wishes and a picture to remember with young and old alike. Relax and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

**Friday, December 8 – Bilingual Storytime**, Palmdale City Library, 10 am. Stories and songs in English and Spanish with Miss Maria. All ages.

**Friday, December 8 — Shrek the Musical Casting Call**, Palmdale Playhouse, 5 pm. All roles available. Ages 13 and up. Info: [www.palmdaleplayhouse.com](http://www.palmdaleplayhouse.com) or call 661/267-5684.

**Saturday, December 9 — Shrek the Musical Casting Call**, Palmdale Playhouse, 9 am. All roles available. Ages 13 and up. Info: [www.palmdaleplayhouse.com](http://www.palmdaleplayhouse.com) or call 661/267-5684.

**Saturday, December 9 – William “Pete” Knight Christmas Parade**, West Ave. P-8 off of 25<sup>th</sup> St. West, 10 am. This annual event features marching bands, sports teams, local businesses and Santa Claus! This year’s Grand Marshall will be Congressman Steve Knight. [www.palmdalechamber.org](http://www.palmdalechamber.org) or 661/273-3232.

**Saturday, December 9 – “Snow Daze,”** Christ Church of the Valley, 2714 E. Ave. R, 11 am – 4 pm. Free. Featuring Santa Claus, snow, bouncers, petting zoo and music by DJ Bandit.

**Saturday, December 9 – Fake Radio’s “It’s a Wonderful Life,”** Palmdale Playhouse, 8 pm. Relive the story of George Bailey who never got the chance to fulfill his dream of exploring the world and building skyscrapers. While his friends and family have left town or become successful, he soldiered on at home, running his father’s building and loan business successfully, much to the chagrin of the town’s richest man. When a financial emergency threatens George and the entire town, he contemplates a bitter end until an unlikely friend teaches him an important lesson. Tickets are \$15 general admission.

**Monday, December 11 – Storycrafter’s Club**, Palmdale City Library, 4-5 pm. A special craft and story club for ages 5-9 with a new theme each month.

**Tuesday, December 12 – Coffee and Coloring for Adults**, Palmdale City Library, 10 am. We provide the coffee and coloring supplies, you provide the conversation and creativity.

**Tuesday, December 12 – Santa’s Wonderland**, Palmdale Playhouse, 3 to 8 pm. Delight in the magic of the season at the Palmdale Playhouse! Santa Claus parks his sleigh in the lobby to take holiday wishes and a picture to remember with young and old alike. Relax and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

**Tuesday, December 12 – ThinkShop**, Palmdale City Library, 5-6:30 pm. A STEM-based program exploring the way the world works for ages 5-10.

**Thursday, December 14 – Spin a Yarn**, Palmdale City Library, 5:30-7 pm. Crochet and knit enthusiasts are welcome to gather and swap techniques and patterns. Adults only.

**Thursday, December 14 – Santa’s Wonderland**, Palmdale Playhouse, 10 am to 2 pm. Delight in the magic of the season at the Palmdale Playhouse! Santa Claus parks his sleigh in the lobby to take holiday wishes and a picture to remember with young and old alike. Relax and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

**Thursday, December 14 – Palmdale Planning Commission Meeting**, Palmdale Council Chamber, 38330 Sierra Hwy. Suite B, 7 pm.

**Thursday, December 14** – West Coast Classical Beginning Strings, Beginning Band and Jazz Combo present a **Holiday Celebration**, Palmdale Playhouse, 7:30 pm. This joyous family-friendly program will be filled with holiday music favorites with a jazzy Christmas sound. Tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$7 for seniors and children 12 and under.

**Friday, December 15** – West Coast Classical Flute Choir, Saxophone Choir, Wind Ensemble and String Orchestra present **Making Spirits Bright**, Palmdale Playhouse, 7:30 pm. This concert of holiday tunes will delight the audience with “An American Christmas” featuring jazzy toy soldiers, rockin’ merry gents, and much more. Deliciously sinister music from *The Nightmare Before Christmas* by composer Danny Elfman will also be featured. A unique offering for the season, the music will also include “Overture,” “Christmas Eve Montage,” and “Sally’s Song.” Tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$10 for seniors and children 12 and under.

**Saturday, December 16** – West Coast Classical Flute Choir, Saxophone Choir, Wind Ensemble and String Orchestra present **Sounds of the Holidays**, Palmdale Playhouse, 7:30 pm. A concert full of holiday spirit as they perform favorite classics with a featured piece, “Harp Concerto” by George Frideric Handel. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$10 for seniors and children 12 and under.

**Saturday, December 16 – American Classic Christmas**, 6 – 9 pm, Poncitlán Square. Free. Featuring the Coca-Cola Café with refreshments and a visit from Coke’s polar bear, the reading of “The Night Before Christmas” by Mayor Jim Ledford, community caroling, The Tehachapi Mountain Pipes and Drums band, musicians and vocalists performing Christmas music, and a visit from Old St. Nick.

**Saturday, December 16 through Sunday, December 17 – USA Preps Softball**, Best of the West Softball Complex, 9 am-5 pm.

**Monday, December 18 – PATH Assistance**, Palmdale City Library, 1-3 pm. PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) will provide referral services to those who need it.

**Monday, December 18 – Young Americans**, Palmdale City Library, 4:30 pm. A discussion group for ages 13-19. Want to talk about what’s going on in the world? Want to know how you can take a role in society? Want to be smart enough to face the world on its terms? Get answers at the Library.

**Tuesday, December 19 - Housing Rights Legal Clinic with Neighborhood Legal Services**, 9 am – 12 pm at SAVES, 1002 E Ave Q-12. The NLS team provides free assistance to individuals and families dealing with fair housing, unsafe conditions, mobile home residency law, loan modification, fraud, consumer debt, Section 8 legal problems and landlord/ tenant problems. Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-800-433-6251 to make an appointment or speak with an in-take advocate.

**Tuesday, December 19 – African-American Authors Book Club**, Palmdale City Library, 6:45 pm. All adults welcome. Discussion of a new title by African-American authors each month.

**Tuesday, December 19 – Books and Barks**, Palmdale City Library, 3:30-5 pm. Build your kids' reading skills by letting them read to friendly, non-judgmental dogs in one of our most popular events.

**Wednesday, December 20 – Holiday Party**, Palmdale City Library, 1 to 5 pm. Cookies, Christmas music, crafts, and Santa at our annual Holiday Party for all ages.

**Wednesday, December 20 – Mystery Book Club**, Chimbole Cultural Center, 7 pm. A new mystery title to discuss each month.

**Thursday, December 21 – Fair Housing Rights Walk-in Clinic**, SAVES, 1-4 pm.  
Opportunity for residents to ask questions about fair housing, late fees, rent increases, therapy animals, repairs and more. Info: 800/477-5977.

**Thursday, December 21 – Free Yoga**, Palmdale City Library, 1 pm. Presented by “The Yoga Roots.” Registration is required. Register by calling 267-5600.

**Friday, December 22 – Lights on for Life**, Citywide. Drivers are encouraged to drive with their headlights on in honor of those who have been injured or killed by drunk drivers.

### **ONGOING:**

**Recruiting Now – Girl Scouts**, City of Palmdale Neighborhood Houses. The Girl Scouts are now meeting once a week at three of the City’s Neighborhood Houses: Yucca NH, 503 E. Avenue Q3, 267-5052; Tumbleweed NH, 1129 E. Avenue R4, 267-5901; and Manzanita NH, 38627 32nd St. East, 267-5911. Call your local Neighborhood House for day and time.

### **FACILITY LOCATIONS:**

#### **Best of the West Softball Complex**

2723 Rancho Vista Drive  
Palmdale, CA 93551

**Chimbole Cultural Center** 38350 Sierra Highway Palmdale, CA 93550 661/267-5656  
Monday 12-6 pm Tuesday 12-6 pm Wednesday 8 am-10 pm Thursday 8 am-6 pm  
Friday 12-6 pm Saturday and Sunday by reservation only.

#### **Courson Park**

38226 10th St. East  
Palmdale, CA 93550

#### **Domenic Massari Park**

37716 55th St. East  
Palmdale, CA 93552

#### **DryTown Water Park**

3850 Ave. S Palmdale, CA 93552  
[www.DryTownWaterPark.com](http://www.DryTownWaterPark.com)  
661/267-6161

#### **Marie Kerr Park Recreation Center**

2723 Rancho Vista Blvd.  
Palmdale, CA 93551

#### **Palmdale Amphitheater**

2723 Rancho Vista Boulevard

Palmdale, California 93551  
www.PalmdaleAmphitheater.com

**Palmdale City Library**

700 East Palmdale Blvd.  
Palmdale, CA 93550  
661/267-5600 • 661/267-5277 (24/7 Renewal Line)  
Monday-Thursday, 10 am-8 pm  
Friday-Saturday, 10 am-5 pm  
Sunday 1-5 pm

**Palmdale City Council Chamber**

38300 Sierra Highway, Suite B  
Palmdale, CA 93550

**Palmdale Oasis Recreation Center**

3850 Ave. S  
Palmdale, CA 93552

**Palmdale Transportation Center**

39000 Clock Tower Plaza Drive  
Palmdale, CA 93550  
661/267-5300  
**Hours of Operation:** Monday-Friday, 3 am-12 am (midnight)  
Saturday-Sunday, 6 am-10:30 pm

**Legacy Commons for Active Seniors**

930 East Avenue Q-9  
Palmdale, CA 93550 661/267-5904  
Monday-Thursday 8 am-4:30 pm  
Friday 8 am-12 pm

**Palmdale Playhouse**

38334 10th Street East  
Palmdale, CA 93550  
661/267-5684  
Tickets for Palmdale Playhouse events December may be purchased online at [www.PalmdalePlayhouse.com](http://www.PalmdalePlayhouse.com), or at the box office beginning two hours before each show, 38334 10th St. East. For more information, please call 661/267-5684.

**Yellen Dog Park**

5100 East Ave. S  
Palmdale, CA 92552  
661/267-5611

**Yucca Neighborhood House**

503 East Avenue Q-3  
Palmdale, CA 93550

