



2024 MONTAGUE HOLIDAY EVENT CALENDAR
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Saturday, November 23

Little Drummer Craft Fair, 9-3:30pm
Franklin County Technical, 82 Industrial Blvd.
Juried artists/ craftspeople. Free!

Saturday, November 23

Make a Fairy House
Carnegie Library, 201 Avenue A, 1-3pm
For ages 3-16, accompanied by an adult. Children and teens are invited to build a fairy house using natural and recycled materials. Sponsored by the Montague Public Libraries. Free!

Thursday, November 28

Community Thanksgiving Meal, 10am-Noon
Montague Elks, 1 Elk Way, Turners Falls
Open to the public. Upstairs. Free.

Friday, November 29

Record Store Day
Music Connection, 187 Avenue A, opens at 8am
Music by Michael Nix & Charlie Apicella at noon
Breakdown Records, 59 Avenue A: Buy one, get one FREE through December 1.



SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY
November 30
Make a BIG impact!
Money spent here STAYS here!

MONTAGUE REPORTER
WRAPPING PAPER FUNDRAISER
\$5 each or 5 for \$20. Full color designs by 7 local artists printed on newsprint.
On sale in shops and the office, 177 Avenue A

Sunday, December 1

Holiday Bizarre at Middle of Somewhere
41 K Street, Turners Falls, 10am-4pm
A unique mix of high-quality local goods and products from artisans across MA and South VT.

Friday, December 6

FIRST FRIDAY TURNERS FALLS
Shops Open Late! Sales & Restaurant Specials!
Crafting for Families! Discovery Center 4-6pm
Hummus Tasting at Avenue A Market
Harvey's open meals, snacks, cocktails 4-9pm
Gumball Machine Takeover: Sadie's Bikes, 5-8
COMEDY: Pioner Valley Brewery, 7:30 pm \$25
DJ Overtime: Music Connection. MUCH MORE!

December 6-7

Eggtooth Productions Presents:
Home for the Hologays
Shea Theater, 7:30pm, \$20
Back by 'popular' demand! Your favorite Drag Family is back with their glittery riff on The Christmas Carol!

Friday, December 6

Winter Pops Concert
Turners Falls High School Auditorium
6:30pm, Winter themed music. Free!

Saturday, December 7

St. Nicholas Bazaar
Our Lady-Czestochowa Church
84 K St, Turners Falls, 9am-2pm
Raffle, baked goods, pierogis!

Saturday December 7

4D1G Ministries Christmas Carol Concert
Ja Duke Theater, Industrial Blvd, 6pm, FREE!
Hymns, Gospel and traditional songs.

Saturday, December 7

Montague Grange Celebration
Food, Farms and Factories Series Closing Event!
Common Hall, 34 Main St, 6-10pm. FREE
Potluck Dinner, "History of Grange"
Talk and Contra Dance. Music: All Over the Map.
Calling: Steve Howland. Friendly for newcomers.

GIFT DRIVE *Salvation Army Tree Angels*
Greenfield Coop Bank, 176 Avenue A
Bring an Unwrapped Gift to the Turners Falls Branch by December 13

Sunday, December 8

Montague Community Band Holiday Concert
Turners Falls High School, 2pm, \$10
Directed by Alyssa Comeau, TFHS music director

Sunday, December 8

Solstice with Lui Collins and Anand Nayak
Montague Common Hall 3-5pm, \$25/\$15
Old favorites with vocal harmonies. Guitar, and tenor ukulele...maybe even a little banjo!

December 13-15

Ja Duke Holiday Spectacular
Industrial Blvd., \$12-\$15
This festive student production is the perfect way to get in the holiday spirit. Friday 6pm, Saturday 2pm & 6pm, Sunday 2pm

Friday, December 13

MEGA HOLIDAY RAFFLE
Montague Elks, 1 Elks Way, Great Hall
Gift baskets, holiday décor, sports memorabilia, children's gifts, electronics, etc. Tickets sold from 5:30-7:30pm. Drawing starts at 7:45pm. You do not have to be present to win!

Friday, December 13

It's a Wonderful Night in Turners Falls
Shopping until 8pm and a visit from Santa!
Make a Winter Bird Feeder, Discovery Ctr. 4-8pm
Discovery Center Gift shop is OPEN
SANTA ARRIVES at Spinner Park, 6:30pm
Welcome Yule at The Shea 7:30pm, \$12-15
Classic Film Screening at Great Falls Harvest 5-9pm

Friday, December 13

OPEN HOUSE
Hire Hand Signs, 34 Third St.
4-8pm



December 13-15

Welcome Yule: Midwinter Celebration

The Shea Theater, \$12-\$15

English, Scottish & Celtic traditions associated with Yule and Imbolc as well as the Scottish New Year, Hogmanay. Music, dance, songs and stories to drive the dark away. Friday & Sat. 7:30pm. Sunday 2pm
www.welcomeyule.org

Saturday, December 14

Millers Falls Magic!

Downtown Millers Falls, 1-9pm

Make a Wreath at the library \$10, 1:30-3:30pm

Sip & Shop **Pop Up Craft Fair:** Element Brewery

Santa a Chaos Corner 1-3pm with Admission.

Live Music at Millers Pub, North Village

Smokehouse, Element. DETAILS: facebook

Sunday, December 15

Fourth Annual Yule Bazaar

Sage Green Botanicals, 50 Third St, 10-4pm

A wide range of nature inspired artists, herbalists, & crafts. Music and herbal inspired food and drinks.

Thursday, December 19

The Shea Presents:

Stephen Kellogg with The Moonrise Cartel

Shea Theater, \$30-\$40, 8pm

For more than two decades, this wordsmith, TEDx speaker, stand-up comic, author and troubadour has delighted audiences around the world with a mix of music and storytelling. The Moonrise Cartel is an Americana folk/ classic rock/ gospel band.

Friday, December 20

Far Out: Life On & After the Commune

Shea Theater, 7:30pm, \$16

85-minute documentary. Q & A with film makers

December 20-22

Beauty & The Beast

Ja Duke Theater, \$12-\$15

This timeless story unfolds with mesmerizing performances, beautiful costumes, and unforgettable music. All ages. Friday 7pm
Saturday 2pm & 7pm, Sunday 2pm

Saturday, December 21

Gingerbread Houses

Great Falls Discovery Center, 1-3pm. FREE!

Build an easy gingerbread house using graham crackers and an assortment of candy. Ages 3-16.

Saturday, December 21

Five Village SANTA Tour sponsored by Montague Center Fire Department. Santa arrives:

1:30pm: Montague Center Common

2pm: Lake Pleasant, Rutters Park

2:30pm: Millers Falls, across from Carroll's

3pm: Unity Park, **3:30pm:** Montague City

3:45pm: Turners Falls Fire Dept.

4pm: Return to Montague Center



Saturday, December 21

Solstice Walk- *Celebrate the Change of Seasons*

Meet at the Discovery Center 3-4:30pm

The walk is about 3 miles on a paved surface.

Ages 8+ Inclement weather or icy trails cancels.

Saturday, December 21

Holiday Candle Craft Workshop

Element Brewery, Millers Falls, 6:30-8:30pm \$39

Register: www.facebook.com/elementbrewing

Saturday, December 21

QUIET RIOT

The Shea Theater, 8pm, \$59-\$99

Quiet Riot is a rock & roll phenomenon. Famously described as the first heavy metal band to top the pop chart at #1 on Billboard magazine, the Los Angeles quartet became an overnight sensation thanks to their monster 1983 smash album Metal Health. Don't Miss this legendary band!

AFTER PARTY

Sunday, December 22

Jeff Belanger's THE FRIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Shea Theater, 7:30pm, \$20

Based on his "Creepy Christmas" PBS special, Jeff will take you on a multi-media journey of this haunting holiday! The author of over a dozen books, he is also the Emmy-nominated host, writer, and producer of the PBS series New England Legends.

GIFT DRIVE *Spread the Cheer*

Greenfield Savings Bank, 282 Avenue A

Toys for Tots: New Unwrapped Toys, all ages.

Mitten Tree: New hats and gloves, all sizes.

Pioneer Valley Brewery 151 Third Street

11/23: Turn it Lose, 7pm

11/29: Audio Bomb, 7pm

11/30: Holly Mae, 7pm

12/6: Comedy, 7:30pm

12/7: 4th Anniversary Party with Rock 201, 7pm

12/13: MoMo Trio, 7pm

12/20: Open mic night, 7pm

12/21: Ugly Sweater Party with HyFy 7pm

12/26: Trivia night, 6:30pm

12/28: Garrett Grant, 7pm

THE RENDEZVOUS 78 Third Street

11/24: Kath Bloom, Spectre Folk, J Burkett, Anna-Claire Simpson, 8pm

11/28: Nerd Night Board Games, 8pm

11/29: Bluegrass & Beyond Session, 9:30pm

12/2 Open Mic, 8:30pm

12/4: Half Shaved Jazz, 8pm

12/5: Vinyl Night w/ Breakdown Records, 9pm

12/6: Drew Paton, 6:30pm

12/7: Sam Mulligan, Whyte Lipstick, 9:30pm

12/8: Karaoke w/ Buckingham Rabbits, 9pm

12/11: Falltown String Band, 8pm

12/12: Nerd Night Board Games, 8pm

12/16: Open Mic, 8:30pm

12/18: Wes Brown w/Andrew Wilcox (keys), 8pm

12/21: Hard Rock/ DJMetal Drift

12/22: Josh Brrr and friends, 9:30pm

12/26: Nerd Night Board Games

12/31: Early KIDS NEW YEARS EVE

Wednesday, January 1

First Hike

Meet at the Great Falls Discovery Center, 1-3pm
Gentle Route. Dress in layers and wear winter boots.
For ages 8 and up. Dogs on leash are welcome.



