

What's Happening in Albuquerque

(<http://www.itsatrip.org/events>)

Historic Old Town Tours

Date & Time: Tuesdays-Sundays through mid-December, 11:00am.

Location: Albuquerque Museum of Art & History (<http://www.cabq.gov/museum>)

Address: 2000 Mountain Rd NW

Admission: \$4 adults, \$2 seniors, \$1 kids

Phone: (505) 243-7255

Museum docents give guided walks through historic Old Town.

Ghost Tour of Old Town Albuquerque (<http://www.toursofoldtown.com/ghosttour.php>)

Date & Time: Ongoing through 2010, 8:00PM

Location: Old Town, Plaza Don Luis

Address: 303 Romero Street NW, N120

Admission: \$20

Phone: (505) 246-TOUR (505)-246-8687

Legends, folklore, ghost stories and history come to life as you depart on an intriguing excursion through 300 years of haunted history. Old Town was founded in 1706, and for more than three centuries people have lived and died around the Old Town Plaza.



Four Centuries: A History of Albuquerque

Date & Time: Tuesday-Sunday, through 2010, 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: The Albuquerque Museum of Art and History (<http://www.cabq.gov/museum>)

Address: 2000 Mountain Road NW

Admission: \$4 adults, \$2 seniors, \$1 kids, under 3 free

Phone: (505) 243-7255

A permanent exhibition of local history depicting four hundred years of the history of Albuquerque and the Rio Grande Valley region. Look over early maps, arms and armor and weaving. Learn about trade routes, colonial life and statehood era relics.

Saints of the Pueblos Exhibit

Date & Time: Ongoing, 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: Indian Pueblo Cultural Center (<http://www.indianpueblo.org/>)

Address: 2401 12th St NW

Admission: \$6 adults, \$5.50 seniors, \$1 students

Phone: (505) 843-7270

An exhibition of wooden retablos depicting the patron saints of each of the 19 Pueblos. The exhibit includes the patron saints of four "lost" Pueblos.



Inspired Excellence (<http://www.nuclearmuseum.org>)

Date: Ongoing through 2010

Address: 601 Eubank Blvd SE

Admission: Adults \$8, Seniors & Children \$7

Location: The National Museum of Nuclear Science & History

Phone: (505) 245-2137

This special exhibition will explore the life and world-changing scientific discoveries of two remarkable women: Marie Curie-Sklodowska and Lise Meitner. The exhibition will deepen a visitor's knowledge of the trials and tribulations that faced both and to showcase the spirit and contributions of each. These women endured incredible challenges during the Victorian era when women were not welcome in the field of scientific discovery. Despite a lack of financial support, unsophisticated academic facilities, and little recognition of their endeavors, they persevered and triumphed.

Dawn of the Dinosaurs: New Mexico's Triassic

Date & Time: Ongoing through 2010, 9:00am-5:00pm

Location: New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science

(<http://www.nmnaturalhistory.org/>)

Address: 1801 Mountain Road NW

Admission: \$7 adult, \$6 senior, \$4 kids

Phone: (505) 841-2800

The only Triassic Exhibit Hall in North America is dedicated to the plants and animals of the Triassic Period in New Mexico and the world.



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Old Town Holiday Stroll

Date & Time: December 6, 2010, 2:00pm-9:00pm

Location: Old Town

Address: 404 San Felipe NW

Admission: Free

Description: Live entertainment, dancers, family activities, Santa Clause on hand and the lighting of the giant Christmas tree at Plaza Don Luis. Rapid Ride buses will run until 11pm, routes are 766 (red line) and 790 (blue line). Visitors are encouraged to park at the Transit Center and take Rapid Ride to Old Town, or to catch Rapid Ride anywhere along the route.

2010 Annual River of Lights (<http://www.cabq.gov/biopark/garden/lights.html>)

Date & Time: November 28-December 30, 6:00pm-9:00pm

Location: Rio Grande Botanic Garden

Address: 2601 Central Ave NW

Admission: \$7 adults, \$3 seniors & kids

Phone: (505) 764-6200

Description: Visitors of all ages can enjoy the dazzling displays of animals, fantastical creatures and much more as they stroll throughout New Mexico's largest walk-through light show. The event is closed December 24th & 25th.



Church of Beethoven: Chamber Music Concert (<http://www.churchofbeethoven.com>)

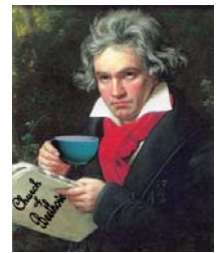
Date & Time: Sundays, 10:30am

Location: The Kosmos

Address: 1715 Fifth Street NW

Admission: \$15 adult, \$10 student, \$5 kids

Description: Weekly chamber music and spoken word performances by professional musicians and poets. Concise and varied programs washed down with great espresso drinks.



What's Happening in Santa Fe

(<http://www.santafeartsandculture.org/calendar>)

Santa Fe Artist Market

Dates & Times: December 4, 2010 8:00am–2:00pm
December 7, 2010 8:00am–1:00pm

Location: Across from the Farmers Market
Address: 1606 Paseo De Peralta
Phone: (505) 989-1199

Building an Art Community: Santa Fe's Early Anglo Artists

Date & Time: December 9, 2010, Noon-12:45pm
Location: New Mexico History Museum, Meem Community Room
Address: 110 Washington Ave.
Admission: Event Free (normal museum admission: \$9 out-of-state visitors, \$6 New Mexico residents, free for children under 17)
Phone: (505) 476-5200

How did a sleepy Western town blossom into an art colony? Author Stacia Lewandowski shares her research into the early artists of Santa Fe in "Building an Art Community: Santa Fe's Early Anglo Artists."



Afternoon Tea, Coffee, and Sherry

Date & Time: December 10, 2010, 3:00pm-5:00pm
Location: Hotel St. Francis (<http://www.hotelstfrancis.com>)
Address: 210 Don Gaspar Ave.
Phone: (800) 529-5700, (505) 983-5700

Hotel St. Francis reinvents the Afternoon Tea experience by introducing the new Reposo, Afternoon Tea, Coffee, and Sherry experience. Delight yourself with Blossoming Teas, which are artisan hand-tied balls of tea placed in glass teapots, that unfurl during steeping to form an elegant flower in the tea.

Christmas at the Palace

Date & Time: December 10, 2010, 5:00pm-8:00pm
Location: New Mexico History Museum, Palace of the Governors
(<http://www.palaceofthegovernors.org/index.php#>)

Address: Use 105 W. Palace Ave entrance for event
Admission: Event Free

Santa Fe's beloved Christmas at the Palace brings the community together for a 26th-anniversary evening of hot cider, live music, entertainment -- and the fabled visit of Mr. and Mrs. Claus -- in the fabled magic of the Palace of the Governors. A free, family event.

NOTE: The History Museum and Palace will close at 3:00pm to prepare for this event, and remain closed during the event.



Santa Fe Women's Ensemble, A Christmas Offering ~2010 (<http://www.sfwe.org/>)

Dates & Time: December 11-12, 2010, 7:30pm
Location: Loretto Chapel (<http://www.lorettochapel.com/>)
Address: 207 Old Santa Fe Trail

The Santa Fe Women's Ensemble celebrates their 30th consecutive season with the 2010 Christmas Offering concerts. The Ensemble will sing music inspired by the season including many commissioned works from seasons past. The program will also feature a world premiere by internationally known composer Stephen Paulus, who will be present for the opening concert on Saturday, December 11th.

Phone: (505) 954-4922

Las Posadas

Date & Time: December 12, 2010, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Location: Santa Fe Plaza

The annual candle-lit procession of Las Posadas travels around the Santa Fe Plaza and concludes in the Palace Courtyard. This version of an old Hispanic tradition recreates Mary and Joseph's search for a place to give birth to the Baby Jesus – and throws in a few devils for good measure. Stay for carols in the Palace Courtyard, along with cookies and refreshments.



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What's Happening at the Pueblos in New Mexico

Pojoaque Pueblo Feast Day (<http://www.indianpueblo.org/19pueblos/pojoaque.html>)

Date: December 10, 2010

Location: Pojoaque Pueblo (@35.883504,-106.009634)

Directions (~78.mi /1hr 23min):

Take I-25 North (~58mi);

Take exit 282-282A-282B for US-84 North/St Francis Dr toward US-285 North/Santa Fe Plaza (0.9mi);

Merge onto US-285 North/US-84 West/South St. Francis Dr. (18.1mi);

Turn right at Viarrial St. (0.3mi);

Turn left at Duran St./Valle Duran (0.2mi)

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day-Social dances. **No photography, no cell phones, no sketching.**

Santa Clara Pueblo Feast Day (<http://www.indianpueblo.org/19pueblos/santaclara.html>)

Date: December 11-12, 2010

Phone: 505-753-7330

Location: Santa Clara Pueblo (@35.965555,-106.088705)

Directions (~69mi/1hr 39min)

Take I-25 North (~58mi);

Take exit 282-282A-282B for US-84 North/St Francis Dr toward US-285 North/Santa Fe Plaza (0.9mi);

Merge onto US-285 North/US-84 West/South St. Francis Dr. (27.3mi);

Turn left at Co Rd 102 (0.4mi)

Continue onto Santa Clara Bridge Rd (0.5mi);

Turn left at NM-30 (1.4mi...there should be a sign on the highway to the feast);

(Continuing to the Pueblo)

Turn left at Gutierrez Dr (131ft);

Keep right at the fork (0.2mi);

Turn left toward Indian Service Route 613/Tambay St (0.1mi);

Turn right at Indian Service Route 613/Tambay St.

Nuestra Senora de la Guadalupe Feast Day-Social dances. **No photography, no cell phones, no sketching.**

What's Happening Elsewhere in New Mexico

Luminaria Tour

Date & Time: December 11, 2010, 5:00pm-9:00pm

Location: Fort Selden State Monument, Radium Springs (<http://www.nmmonuments.org/inst.php?inst=10>)

Admission: \$3. Children 16 and under are admitted free.

Enjoy living history military re-enactors, 1000 luminarias, free cookies, and beverages.

Phone: (575) 526-8911

Christmas at Kuaua

Date & Time: December 11, 2010. 5:30pm-8:30pm

Location: Coronado State Monument, Bernalillo (<http://www.nmmonuments.org/inst.php?inst=4>)

Admission: \$3. Children 16 and under are admitted free. A combination ticket, good for admission to both Coronado and Jémez State Monuments is available for \$5.

Get into the holiday spirit with an evening of holiday fun. The grounds of Coronado State Monument will be decorated with luminarias and Christmas lights. Activities start at 5:30 PM with Santa's Workshop: children will be assisted in making a Christmas tree ornament. At 6:30 PM, there will be music, traditional Pueblo dancing, and Native American storytelling.

Enjoy a bonfire, biscochitos, and hot apple cider.

Phone: (505) 867-5351

Light Among the Ruins: Christmas Celebration

Date & Time: December 11, 2010, 5:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Jemez State Monument, Jemez Springs (<http://www.nmmonuments.org/inst.php?inst=6>)

Admission: \$3. Children 16 and under are admitted free. A combination ticket, good for admission to both Jémez and Coronado State Monuments is available for \$5.

The ruins of San Jose de los Jemez Mission Church and Gisewa Pueblo will be decorated with traditional farolitos. The evening's program includes traditional Native American flute music, Jemez Pueblo dancers, and refreshments. Admission is free and open to the public.

Phone: (575) 829-3530