

## 3RD ANNUAL SAVANNAH REINDEER RUN 8K

**WHEN:** Back for its third year, the Reindeer Run raises funds for the Rape Crisis Center. One out of three women will be a victim of sexual violence within her lifetime. The Rape Crisis Center provides crisis intervention for children and adult victims, and your donation will help to support these programs and create a safer community. The race begins at 9 a.m. at the Savannah International Trade and Convention Center on Hutchinson Island. For more information, visit [fleetfeetsavannah.com/reindeer-run](http://fleetfeetsavannah.com/reindeer-run).

stream during this festive boat launch on Tybee Island. Enjoy a hot dog and chilli as the teams prepare for the 7 p.m. launch at The Crab Shack. Participation is free with a food donation for America's Second Harvest. **TYBEE-FORTHEHOLIDAYS.COM**

### PEARL HARBOR MEMORIAL CEREMONY

This memorial service, held at the Rotunda of the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum, is at 2 p.m. and is hosted by The Savannah Council of the Navy League and the Fleet Reserve Association J.J. Burke Branch 215. It is open to the public and marks the 71st Anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor. **MIGHTYEIGHTH.ORG, 912.748.8888**

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 - MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

### HOLIDAY GOSPEL DINNER CRUISE

Enjoy live Christmas Gospel music along with a Southern buffet during this two-hour cruise for the family. Boarding begins at 6 p.m., departs at 7 p.m. and returns at 9 p.m. Cost is \$42.94 for adults, \$24.95 for children ages 3 to 12. **SAVANNAHRIVERBOAT.COM**

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

### LIGHTS ON FOR TYBEE CELEBRATION

Tybee's annual tree lighting celebration on the Strand is from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Get in the holiday spirit and enjoy the shops and restaurants of downtown Tybee. **TYBEEFORTHEHOLIDAYS.COM**

### CITY MARKET'S HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Explore the beauty of holiday decorations, including hundreds of lights and over 500 luminaria in the courtyard from 6 to 9 p.m. Enjoy Christmas carolers, visit with Father Christmas and sample holiday treats in the shops. Bring an unwrapped toy to drop off in the Holiday Hope collection box. **SAVANNAHCITYMARKET.COM/EVENTS**

### CHRIS YOUNG CONCERT

Country crooner Chris Young visits the Savannah Civic Center on his tour. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. and will feature favorites like "Man I Want to Be" and "Gettin' You Home." **SAVANNAHCIVIC.COM**

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 - SATURDAY, MARCH 30 2012

### OFFERING OF THE ANGELS: PAINTINGS AND TAPESTRIES FROM UFFIZI

Immerse yourself in paintings and tapestries by some of the greatest artists of the Renaissance, Mannerist and Baroque periods of Italian art. As part of a four-venue United States tour, the artwork is on loan to the Jepson Center for the permanent collection of Uffizi Gallery in Florence. **TELFAR.ORG/UPCOMING-EXHIBITIONS**

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

### TYBEE ISLAND CHRISTMAS PARADE

Share the joy of the holiday season as participants parade from 14th Street to the Tybee Island Gym during the annual Christmas Parade. Grab a seat before the parade begins at 1 p.m.

### JANE COSLICK HOLIDAY COTTAGE TOUR

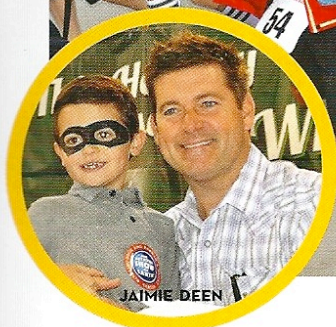
Celebrate the holidays and help support the Savannah Humane Society's low-cost spay and neuter clinic at the first annual Jane Coslick Holiday Cottage Tour on Tybee Island. The tour, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., will feature adorable island cottages restored by renowned interior designer Jane Coslick with scrumptious homemade holiday treats along the way. Tickets are \$30 and all proceeds benefit the Humane Society. **FOR TICKET INFO CALL 912.484.7355 OR 912.695.0724.**

### CITY MARKET'S CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS CELEBRATION

Bring the family to City Market from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for fun-filled activities, including cookie decorating, making ornaments to take home, face painting, a petting zoo, photos with Father Christmas in the Carriage Tours of Savannah Cinderella carriage, and a choir performance. Please bring an unwrapped toy to drop off in the Holiday Hope collection box. **SAVANNAHCITYMARKET.COM/EVENTS**

### SAVANNAH SANTA TRAIN

The Georgia State Railroad Museum hosts the only local event inspired by the magic of the Polar Express from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pajama-clad guests are



# Event Calendar

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### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

#### DISNEY ON ICE WORLD OF FANTASY

Watch your favorite characters come to life in a land of fantasy on ice at the Civic Center Saturday and Sunday during one of five show times. **TICKETS START AT \$15. SAVANNAHCIVIC.COM**

#### CHRISTMAS ON THE RIVER AND LIGHTED PARADE

Cultivate your Christmas cheer by enjoying live holiday entertainment, regional arts and crafts and first Saturday festivities on River Street. Ol' St. Nick will make an appearance at 5:30 p.m. during the lighted parade which takes place on River, Bay, Abercorn and Broughton Streets. Free and open to the public 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. **RIVERSTREETSAVANNAH.COM/EVENTS**

#### HOLIDAY FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Celebrate the spirit of the season when James Island County Park comes alive with illumination at Charleston's most beloved nighttime event, the Holiday Festival of Lights. Continuing through December 31, 2012, admission is \$12 per vehicle Sunday through Thursday, \$15 Friday and Saturday. **CCPRC.COM**

#### FIRST FRIDAY FOR FOLK MUSIC

Enjoy a family friendly evening of folk music featuring V-The Gypsy Cowbelle

and Alice and Albert Williams. The event will be at Stewart Hall at First Presbyterian Church from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. A \$2 donation is suggested. **SAVANNAHFOLK.ORG**

#### THE CHRISTMAS TRADITION

Sing in the holiday season with a live band at the Historic Savannah Theatre during a fun filled two-hour musical performance. The lighting, costume changes and high energy dance routines from an award-winning cast will keep you smiling. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$17 for children on select days and times. **SAVANNAHTHEATRE.COM**

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

#### CHRISTMAS 1885 WITH THE GORDONS

Enjoy the holiday spirit of Christmas past at the Juliette Gordon Low Birthplace. Learn about Victorian era holiday customs, including the settings on the Christmas dinner table, stockings hanging in Mama's bedroom and a vintage "Game of Merry Christmas." \$8 FOR ADULTS, \$7 FOR CHILDREN. **JULIETTEGORDONLOWBIRTHPLACE.ORG**

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

#### FLOATING CHRISTMAS PARADE

Watch Christmas lights float down





## SAVANNAH RAILS TO TRAILS 50K, 25K AND 5K JANUARY 12, 6 A.M.

The first ultra-marathon in Savannah is set to take off on the grounds of Historic Fort Pulaski and McQueen's Island's Rails to Trails. There is a race for everyone—if an ultra-marathon is not your cup of tea, try the 5K or 25K. The race raises funds and awareness for the severely eroded conditions on parts of the Rails to Trails path so that it can be properly restored and maintained. Join Run 4 a Reason, Lowcountry Ultras and Fleet Feet Savannah to help save our Rails to Trails at this epic inaugural event. [lowcountryultras.com](http://lowcountryultras.com)

invited to ride the museum's #30 steam engine, meet Santa, participate in holiday crafts and much more. A viewing of The Polar Express at the Savannah History Museum is also offered at 9:30 a.m., noon and 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person, \$10 for adult museum members. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.** [CHSGEORGIA.ORG/RAILROAD-MUSEUM](http://CHSGEORGIA.ORG/RAILROAD-MUSEUM), [CHILDRENSEVENTS@CHSGEORGIA.ORG](mailto:CHILDRENSEVENTS@CHSGEORGIA.ORG)

### HELP PORTRAIT

Come to the Savannah Civic Center and join a global movement of photographers as they donate their time, gear and expertise for a good cause. Help Portrait provides self-portraits to those in need, including the homeless, the elderly and underprivileged families. [HELP-PORTRAIT.COM](http://HELP-PORTRAIT.COM), [SAVANNAHHELP-PORTRAIT@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SAVANNAHHELP-PORTRAIT@GMAIL.COM)

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9

#### 4TH ANNUAL HALO CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

An evening of entertainment by Halo talent begins at 7 p.m. at the Hilton Desoto. Join the talent agency as they sing and dance to holiday tunes and perform monologues and skits. Two fashion shows will also be featured. Tickets are available online. [HALOTAL-ENTS.SAVANNAH.COM](http://HALOTAL-ENTS.SAVANNAH.COM), 912.349.2444

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14 - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

#### CANDLELANTERN TOURS

Commemorate the Confederate Nog Party of 1861 with a nighttime tour by candlelight at Fort Pulaski. Hot cider, cookies, music, caroling and weapons firings enhance this festive occasion, which requires advance reservations. Cost is \$5 for adults, free for children 15 and under. [NPS.GOV/FOPU](http://NPS.GOV/FOPU)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

#### 7TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING TROLLEY

Spread joy through singing with the Tybee community aboard an island trolley. Sponsored by Marlin Monroe's, the caroling tour begins at the restaurant at 5 p.m. Tickets are required to board the trolley. [TYBEEFORTHEHOLIDAYS.COM](http://TYBEEFORTHEHOLIDAYS.COM)

#### LUMINARY NIGHT WITH SANTA

Enjoy the holidays at Skidaway Island State Park. From 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., take photos with Santa, enjoy a luminary trail and take a hayride around the park. Sip on hot chocolate while decorating cookies and making holiday crafts. The cost is \$2 - \$5 for photos and hayrides, and \$5 for parking. [GASTATEPARKS.ORG/SKIDAWAYISLAND](http://GASTATEPARKS.ORG/SKIDAWAYISLAND)



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### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

#### GEORGIA STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM'S STEAM DAYS

The Georgia State Railroad Museum is bringing back its steam engine to power its passenger car. Learn more about the Central of Georgia Railroad. Rides depart at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. [CHSGEORGIA.COM](http://CHSGEORGIA.COM)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29 - MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

#### ALIVE IN SAVANNAH NEW YEAR'S EVE EVENT

Activities include a 5K/10K run, an extreme fitness challenge, kid's carnival and fireworks. Proceeds benefit the Coastal Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Savannah Harbor Foundation. [ALIVEINSAVANNAH.COM](http://ALIVEINSAVANNAH.COM)

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

#### TYBEE ISLAND NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS

As the clock strikes midnight, ring in the New Year with a bang! Enjoy the show launched from the Tybee Pier. [TYBEEVISIT.COM](http://TYBEEVISIT.COM)

#### CITY MARKET'S NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

Ring in the New Year at City Market. Join the outdoor street party and listen to live music starting at 9 p.m. [SAVANNAHCITYMARKET.COM/EVENTS](http://SAVANNAHCITYMARKET.COM/EVENTS)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

#### POLAR PLUNGE

Take a dive in the Atlantic at noon on New Year's day to raise money for the Tybee Post Theater and attempt to set the Guinness World Record for the most people wearing swim caps at one time. [TYBEETyme.COM](http://TYBEETyme.COM)

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

#### STATE BALLET THEATRE OF RUSSIA'S CINDERELLA

Enjoy this fairy tale told through ballet at the Civic Center. The show starts at 3 p.m. [SAVANNAHCIVIC.COM](http://SAVANNAHCIVIC.COM)

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

#### LAWRENCE OF ARABIA BY SCAD CINEMA CIRCLE

This epic film follows the adventures of British officer T.E. Lawrence in the Middle East. Tickets are \$8 and the film begins at 7 p.m. at the Lucas Theatre. [SAVANNAHBOXOFFICE.COM](http://SAVANNAHBOXOFFICE.COM)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

#### AMERICAN TRADITIONS COMPETITION

The singing competition brings world-famous vocalists to Savannah. The event will take place in the Lucas Theatre and the Lutheran Church of the Ascension. Tickets start at \$36. [AMERICANTRADITIONSCOMPETITION.COM](http://AMERICANTRADITIONSCOMPETITION.COM)