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# Create new holiday traditions at Newfields this season

Winterlights, Monster Drawing Rally, The Polar Express, evergreen kissing ball workshops

**INDIANAPOLIS**, Nov. 13, 2017—Celebrate the holidays and create new memories with family and friends at Newfields this season.

Stroll *Winterlights* at Newfields from Nov. 19 through Jan. 7 and explore The Garden as never before, amid the glow of 1.2 million multi-colored lights. Marvel at the choreographed lights as they dance in front of the historic Lilly House mansion and discover garden pathways, nestled amongst trees glowing with color. Listen to your favorite seasonal songs among dazzling lights. Indulge in a warm cup of hot chocolate or apple cider, with spiked options available for adults, and a special Newfields holiday beer from Indiana's own Taxman Brewing Company. Socialize with friends and family as you warm your hands by the fire and make your own s'mores. Don't miss the beautifully decorated Lilly House, filled with sparkling décor and colorful floral displays.

Along with *Winterlights*, enjoy other seasonal celebrations at Newfields this winter, such as a holiday-themed Family Day and Cereal Cinema screening of *The Polar Express* on Dec. 2. The popular Monster Drawing Rally returns for another year in a new location at Sun King Brewing. Grab a pint and watch local artists create original works of art, available for only \$35.

The full seasonal lineup includes:

EXHIBITION: City as Canvas: New York City Graffiti from the 70s & 80s \*

Open now-Jan. 28, 2018

Allen Whitehill Clowes Special Exhibition Gallery

Included with general admission and free for members

Step onto the streets of New York City and experience one of the greatest collections of early graffiti art in *City as Canvas*. Traveling to the IMA galleries from the Museum of the City of New York, *City as Canvas* features more than 100 works from the Martin Wong Collection and chronicles the origins of graffiti and its evolution from a creative outlet. The exhibition includes intricate drawings, colorful works on canvas and photographs of graffiti writing that have long since been erased. *City as Canvas* is supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts. This exhibition is part of the IMA's ARTx series, made possible by a gift from the Efroymson Family Fund. Developed in collaboration with the Museum of the City of New York.

**EXHIBITION:** Portraits of Our City

Open now-July 29, 2018

Damon C. and Kay D. Davis Lab

Included with general admission and free for members

What can a photographic portrait tell us about a person? What can you learn from someone by asking them a single question? What can the dreams of a city's residents tell us about the city? *Portraits of Our City* discusses these questions with an exhibition featuring 450 black and white photographs of local residents and invites the community to discover human connections through people and place.

### **EVENT: Yoga at Newfields**

Nov. 11 & 18 / 10-11 a.m. Dec. 2, 9 & 16 / 10-11 a.m. \$12 Members / \$15 Public

Start your weekend relaxing with yoga on the beautiful Newfields campus. The hour-long vinyasa session, offered by registered yoga instructors from Indianapolis, will let you stretch your limbs and realign mind, body, and spirit while surrounded by inspiring art and nature.

#### **WORKSHOP: Evergreen Wreath Making**

Nov. 18 / 10 a.m.-noon Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse

\$55 Members / \$75 Public / Advanced registration required and all supplies will be provided
Using a mix of fresh, fragrant greens, make your own evergreen wreath in this get-your-hands dirty workshop with Greenhouse manager Sue Nord Peiffer. These lush wreaths will last the entire holiday season.

# TALK: Members-Only Talk: Tascha Horowitz, Assistant Director of Photography

Nov. 19 / 2 p.m.

Free / Members only

Once a month, our members have the unique opportunity to go behind the scenes with our in-house experts. This Sunday, join Tascha Horowitz and senior photographer Eric Lubrick as they explain their inspiration behind the photography exhibition *Portraits of Our City*. Take part in a conversation on what a portrait can reveal about a person's life as well as their hopes and memories.

#### **EXHIBITION:** Winterlights

Nov. 19-Jan. 4

\$15 Members online / \$20 Public online / \$20 Members onsite / \$25 Public onsite

Explore The Garden at Newfields as never before with 1.2 million multi-colored lights and 80 foot trees wrapped to the ends of each tiny branch. Breathe in the crisp, winter air filled with the scent of evergreens and campfires. Marvel at the choreographed Landscape of Light on the Lilly House lawn and stroll garden pathways, nestled amongst trees glowing with color. Listen to your favorite seasonal songs as lights dance to the music. Indulge in a warm cup of hot chocolate or apple cider, with spiked options available for adults and a special Newfields holiday beer from Indiana's own Taxman Brewing Company. Socialize with friends and family as you warm your hands by the fire and make your own s'mores sold by local girl scouts. Don't miss special appearances from Santa at *Winterlights* on Tuesdays in December (until Christmas).

## FILM: Cereal Cinema: The Polar Express \*

Dec. 2 / 10 a.m.

The Toby

\$6 for ages 6 & over

Cereal Cinemas combine two of the best things about Saturday mornings, cereal and a classic movie. Celebrate the season at Newfields by taking a ride on The Polar Express and discover the meaning of Christmas all over again. Cereal buffet included with tickets. Coffee for tired parents will be available.

#### **EVENT: Family Day: MadelN \***

Dec. 2 / 11 a.m.

Pulliam Family Great Hall

Included with general admission and free for members

After Cereal Cinema, celebrate the season with the friends and family at a special holiday themed Family Day. Bring the whole gang to partake in classic gift making activities, holiday story time, seasonal workshops, art making activities, live music and much more.

# **EVENT: Holiday Hullabaloo**

Dec. 7

Museum & Garden Shop

Before or after you see *Winterlights*, find the perfect gift for the holidays at the return of our annual holiday shopping extravaganza. Members save 20 percent at the Museum and Garden Shop all day long. Continue your holiday shopping with a purchase of cozy scarves, one-of-a-kind jewelry, seasonal plants and flowers, elegant home décor and hand-blown glass ornaments. Complimentary gift wrapping is available during this joyful shopping experience.

#### **WORKSHOP: Evergreen Kissing Ball**

Dec. 9 / 10-11:30 a.m. Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse

\$25 Members / \$35 Public / Advanced registration required, all supplies provided

Bring a little romance to your holidays. Traditionally hung in a doorway, a kissing ball bestows good wishes on those who pass by. Create your own festive, fragrant kissing ball of fresh evergreen sprigs.

## **WORKSHOP: Mobile Studio for Adults: From Sketchbook to Canvas**

Dec. 9 / 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

\$25 Members / \$35 Public / Advanced registration required

Visit the special exhibition, *City as Canvas: New York City Graffiti from the 70s & 80s* and learn how graffiti writers began with a simple drawing and transformed it into a larger work of art. Then, work with expert teaching artist Paula Scott-Frantz to create a work on canvas using stencils and graphic markers. All materials included. This program is eligible for 2 Professional Growth Plan points.

# **WORKSHOP: Mobile Studio for Kids 8-12: Boxcar Building**

Dec. 9 / 2-4 p.m.

\$25 Members / \$35 Public / Advanced registration required

Travel back in time to the 1970s in New York City by visiting the special exhibition, *City as Canvas: New York City Graffiti from the 70s & 80s.* See how graffiti writers created a visual display on trains. Build a miniature boxcar alongside expert teaching artist Paula Scott-Frantz. Add your own graffiti writing as an extra element. All materials included.

#### **EVENT: Monster Drawing Rally \***

Dec. 10 / 1-5:30 p.m.

Sun King Brewing, 135 North College Avenue

Free

Newfields is partnering with Sun King Brewing to bring you Monster Drawing Rally, an art-making spectacle featuring more than 30 local artists. These artists work in three, one-hour rounds at 1:30, 2:30, and 3:30 pm to produce as many drawings as possible in their allotted time. Each completed drawing is available for sale as soon as it hits the wall (first come-first served) for a flat price of \$35. The drawings make a great holiday gift. All proceeds support ARTx programming.

#### **EVENT: Cheers! Art & Beer Tour with Indy Brew Bus**

Dec. 14 / 5:45-8:45 p.m.

\$40

This tour looks at the libations featured in art from our collection. Begin your tour by enjoying a taste of Sun King Brewery's best seasonal beers. Then, experience the Museum like never before and learn behind the scenes stories of libations through the ages. After, hop on Indy Brew Bus to sample more of Indy's best breweries.

For more information regarding upcoming exhibitions and events at Newfields, please visit <a href="https://www.discovernewfields.org">www.discovernewfields.org</a>.

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#### **About Newfields**

Newfields offers dynamic experiences with art and nature for guests of all ages. The 152-acre cultural campus features art galleries, lush gardens, a historic mansion, performance spaces, a nature preserve and sculpture park. From inspiring exhibitions in the Indianapolis Museum of Art Galleries, to concerts in The Toby, to a stroll through The Garden with a glass of cheer, guests are invited to interact with art and nature in exciting new ways. Newfields is home to the Indianapolis Museum of Art, among the ten largest and oldest general art museums in the nation; the Lilly House, a National Historic Landmark; The Garden, featuring 40 acres of contemporary and historic gardens, a working greenhouse and an orchard; and The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park: 100 Acres, one of the largest art and nature parks in the country. The Newfields campus extends outside of Indianapolis with Miller House and Garden in Columbus, Ind.—one of the nation's most highly regarded examples of mid-century Modernist architecture. For more information visit <a href="https://www.discovernewfields.org">www.discovernewfields.org</a>.

## **About the Efroymson Family Fund**

The Efroymson Family Fund, a donor-advised fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, continues a long legacy of charitable commitment by the Efroymson family in central Indiana. The Efroymson Family Fund was established in 1998 by Dan and Lori Efroymson to promote the viability of communities and to date has awarded more than \$100 million in grants in central Indiana and beyond. For more information about the Efroymson Family Fund, visit <a href="https://www.efroymsonfamilyfund.org">www.efroymsonfamilyfund.org</a>.

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