

Spirit of Christmas 2022 Program
December 10, 2022 New Castle Delaware 10AM to 5:00PM
To Benefit *Friendship House*

A Joint Program of the City of New Castle, the New Castle Presbyterian Church, the New Castle Historical Society, the New Castle Visitors' Bureau, the New Castle Court House, the Read House and Gardens, the New Castle Public Library, Immanuel Episcopal Church, New Castle Methodist Church, the Trustees of New Castle Common, and the New Castle Community Partnership.

MASKS ARE NOT REQUIRED EXCEPT AT PRIVATE HOUSES, BUT YOU MAY WANT TO BRING A MASK AND WEAR IT AT INDOOR EVENTS*

ALL EVENTS 10AM to 4PM (unless otherwise noted)

What's Open? No Admission charge during Spirit of Christmas!

New Castle Visitor Center at The Arsenal, The Green facing Market Street

New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware Street

Amstel House Museum, 4th and Delaware Street

The Old Library Museum, 40 East 3rd Street (10am-2pm)

Read House and Gardens (Delaware Historical Society), 42 The Strand

New Castle Presbyterian Church, 25 East 2nd Street (*between music performances*)

Immanuel Episcopal Church, The Green, will be open throughout day

New Castle United Methodist Church, 510 Delaware Street

Ongoing Special Events for the Day

Winter Festival and Vendors' Market, Book and Bake Sale, and Basket Raffle, New Castle Library (10-4), 424 Delaware Street. Up to 20 Vendors will be there. Free ornament and craft making

Kid's activity table to make Dala Horses (a Swedish type Christmas ornament), New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware Street

Soup/baked goods sale, 10-4 (or until sold out), Presbyterian CE Building, 25 East 2nd Street

Crafts/collectibles, 10-3 (or until sold out), Presbyterian CE Building, 25 East 2nd Street

Strolling Dickens characters in Victorian Dress

Santa Claus and Father Christmas will be seen around town. Father Christmas 11:30-1 at Presbyterian CE Building and 3-4:15 at The Arsenal

MUSIC:

10:00am Willow Tree and Friends New Castle Presbyterian Church 25 E. 2nd Street

Celtic music by: *Carolyn Hendrix, cello; Kathy Lloyd, viola; Larry Hamermesh, violin; Susan Ryan, flute; and Melissa Heieie, harp*

12:00pm Holiday Concert, Delaware Valley Classical School, The Arsenal, Market Street, Vocal Ensemble & Advanced Strings: *Hannah Berth, Director*

1:00pm Celebration Ringers, New Castle Presbyterian Church 25 E. 2nd Street

Bell choir: *Minerva Lermond, Director*

1:30pm Christmas Concert and Carol Sing, Westfield High School Alumni Chorale, New Castle United Methodist Church, 510 Delaware Street: *Bill Mathews, Director*

2:00pm Holiday Concert, Music School of Delaware, New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware Street

3:00pm New Ark Chorale, New Castle Presbyterian Church 25 E. 2nd Street

Dr. Michael Larkin, Music Director

Other Events

11:00am-3pm Booksigning with local author Dave Tabler for his new book *Delaware Before the Railroads: A Diamond Among the States*, **The Arsenal, Market Street**

11:30am *A Christmas Carol*, performed by *The Reedy Point Players*, **New Castle Court House Museum, 211 Delaware Street**

12:00pm Holiday Storytime for kids with local author *Keaira Faña-Ruiz*, **New Castle Public Library, 424 Delaware Street**

2:00pm *A Christmas Carol*, performed by *The Reedy Point Players*, **The Arsenal on The Green facing Market Street**

2:30-4:00pm Face Painting **New Castle Public Library, 424 Delaware Street**

4:15-5pm, Marketplace Bandstand:

Brief welcome wishes from Mayor Mike Quaranta, Senator Nicole Poore, and Rep. Franklin Cooke. Thank You's from Pastor Miriam Foltz of New Castle Presbyterian Church, Friendship House (Kim Eppehimer), and Valarie Leary from the New Castle Community Partnership. Music by the Delaware Valley Classical School and Lighting of the City Christmas Tree with Santa Claus.



Shops Open in Town (10AM to 4PM unless otherwise indicated)

New Castle Historical Society Gift Shop, in The Arsenal on The Green facing Market Street, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Read House Gift Shop, 42 The Strand

Mo'zArt Art Gallery. 1 E. 2nd Street

Landmark Antiques, 204C Delaware Street (down the alley)

Fresh Face Skin Care Products, 204A Delaware Street

Cobblestone Antiques 200 Delaware Street

Opera House Art and Antiques, 304-306 Delaware Street

Rodney Pratt Framing

Margo Johnson Fine Art, resident studio artist

Sami, jewelry design, antiques, steampunk

Steampunk Junction, steampunk art, furniture, lighting

Manor Antiques, period furniture and accessories

The Old Pacrats, period furniture, accessories, decoys

Bellefonte Antiques, painted furniture, fusion paint and designs

Snickers Ditch Trunk Company, antiques, primitives, trunks and repair

The Well-Appointed Home, antiques, primitives, art

Petra Antiques

Dragonfly DBK

Treasures & More, smalls, vintage glass and porcelain

Creatively by Design, custom design for window treatments and floors

Bridgewater Jewelers. 318 Delaware Street

All Good Things (candles and home furnishings), 414 Delaware Street

Restaurants/Food Open in Town

Jessop's Tavern, 114 Delaware St., traditional pub food

Nora Lees, 124 Delaware St., New Orleans Cajun

Wheely's Farmstand Food Cart, outside New Castle Weekly, 203 Delaware Street

The Mercury, 206 Delaware St., cafe and teahouse

Booth House Tavern and Brewpub, 222 Delaware Street

Zollies Jazz Cucina, 404 Delaware Street, Caribbean

Chilis Fried Chicken, 625 Delaware Street

Porto-Fino Pizza, 730 Ferry Cut-Off, pizza, subs, Italian

Zach's Grill, 739 Ferry Cut-Off, fast food

3 Countries Pizzeria, 202 E. 6th St., pizza, subs, salad

China East 726 Ferry Cut-Off, Chinese restaurant

And for the first time since COVID...

Private houses are open this year. The Private Houses ask you to wear a mask, so PLEASE bring a mask and wear it in the house.

18 East 4th Street – New Century Club (10am to 4pm)

416 Delaware Street – 1860s House (10am to 4pm)

123 W. 7th Street – Lesley Manor (10am to 3pm)

124 East 3rd Street (10am to 4pm)

59 The Strand (10am to 3pm)

33 East 6th Street (10am to 4pm)

GETTING AROUND TOWN:

Parking is available: 1) in the City lot off West 3rd Street, 2) the M&T Bank lot (ok to park in bank customer spaces) also off W. 3rd Street, 3) spaces at E. 2nd Street and Chestnut near the River, 4) the open lot off Chestnut Street and 4th Street, 5) the lot at W. 3rd and South St. in Battery Park, and 5) on the street in most places in the City OTHER than in front of Town Hall, on cobblestoned Market Street and in the blocked off area on 2nd Street for handicapped parking.

Restrooms are available at the New Castle Visitor Center at the Arsenal; at the Courthouse, in the Presbyterian CE Building 25 E. 2nd Street; at the Read House; at the New Castle Library; and the City restrooms down the brick path off of Delaware Street at 2nd Street.

We particularly want to thank the New Castle City Administration, the New Castle Police and the Municipal Services Commission for their help.

Since 1987, Friendship House has met individuals and families wherever they are in their journey. Staff help them experience the hope, empowerment, and self-sufficiency they deserve. People facing displacement who lack a supportive community often find themselves experiencing homelessness. Friendship House fills this need for these individuals and families during their transition and integration into a new community and home. Learn more about Friendship House:

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