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THE PENNSYLVANIA CHRISTMAS + GIFT SHOW

Will delight visitors to the PA Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg
Wednesday, Dec. 3 through Sunday, Dec. 7

One of the largest Christmas shows in the U.S. is a beloved Pennsylvania tradition

HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA (SEPTEMBER 30, 2025): Visitors to the annual [Pennsylvania Christmas + Gift Show](#) will experience more special features than ever in the show's 42-year history when it returns to the PA Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg from Wednesday, December 3 to Sunday, December 7.

The five-day show is one of the largest holiday shows in the U.S., hosting more than 525 specialty vendors selling all kinds of gifts, holiday decor, apparel, jewelry, toys, gourmet food and more, all on one floor. Inspiring holiday decor and displays, themed nights, celebrity guests and special events make the **Pennsylvania Christmas + Gift Show** an annual holiday tradition and must-attend event for more than 30,000 shoppers each year.

“Attendees appreciate the convenient, in-person holiday shopping experience to check off many gift list items in a way that’s more local, personal and tactical,” said Show Manager Jenna Naffin. “Because they’re also interested in genuine connections and community, we’re providing more locally-made and handcrafted items, and special events and opportunities for gathering with friends and family.” Special features such as the **Maker’s Market**, and events such as **Girls Night Out**, **Country Christmas Night** and **Friends & Family Day**, provide unique (and often discounted) occasions to shop, dance, and celebrate the season together.

New this year

- **FREE PARKING AFTER 3. P.M.!** Visitors can take advantage of several hours of free parking each day of the show, and stay longer to shop, dine and celebrate
- **Beauty On Budget Sale** - A women’s clothing, handbags, shoes and accessories shopping extravaganza! Enjoy 90% off retail on thousands of designer, brand-name and vintage pieces at this exciting new shopping area in the Equine Arena
- **Christmas Music Bingo** - Get into the holiday spirit, sing along to your favorite holiday hits, and win festive prizes in the Equine Arena, Fri. Dec. 5 (4 p.m.-7 p.m.) and Sat. Dec. 6 (4 p.m.-7 p.m.)
- **Macaroni KID Jingle Bell Family Fun Zone** - A magical new space just for kids in the Equine Arena. Created in partnership with Macaroni KID, it features a rotating lineup of hands-on activities such as face painting, balloon creations, LEGO play station, and holiday crafts. Expect some extra activities and fun on **Friends & Family Day** Sunday, December 7!
- **Santa’s Village** - Kids will love frolicking in playhouses provided by Fontana Outdoors, located right next to Santaland in North Hall

Special events and admission discounts

- **Girls Night Out** on Friday, Dec. 5 (4 p.m.-7 p.m.) - Party with your gal pals and get half price admission (\$5) and discounted signature cocktails, DIY workshops, music, games and door prizes
- **Country Christmas Night** on Saturday, Dec. 6 (4 p.m.-7 p.m.) - Bring your boots and get half-price admission (\$5), with country-themed giveaways, country line dancing for all ages and levels with instruction by Dancin’ with Brittanie at the Entertainment Stage in North Hall
- **Friends & Family Day** on Sunday, Dec. 7 (1 p.m. to 5 p.m.) - Two-for-one priced adult admission after 1 p.m., and free face painting, stories with Santa, live entertainment and more (admission is always free for children under age 12)

- **Hero Day** on Sunday, Dec. 7 - Free individual admission for active military personnel, veterans, police, firefighters and first responders, nurses, doctors, and teachers (with ID) all day
- **\$5 admission** every day after 4 p.m. (at box office only)

Special features

- **Karolyn Grimes**, the actress and author beloved for her role as Zuzu Bailey in the classic 1946 holiday film *It's A Wonderful Life*, meets visitors, signs autographs and showcases her themed cookbook, Christmas bells and ornaments during all 5 days and hours of the show in the Equine Arena
- **Maker's Market** area in North Hall showcases unique and locally-made, handcrafted items produced by crafters and artisans
- **Pop-Up Caroling** of classic carols and holiday favorites sung by Central PA Womyn's Chorus in the Cameron Street Lobby on Saturday, Dec. 6 (9 a.m.-11 a.m.)
- **Deck the Paws** doggie fashion show features adorable, adoptable dogs from Canine Rescue of Central PA strutting the Entertainment Stage (North Hall) in their finest howl-iday gear on Saturday, Dec. 6 (10 a.m.)
- **Merry Money** - Visitors can enter to win \$25 in Merry Money each hour, to use at any of the show's vendors, and a grand prize drawing each day at 3 p.m. for \$100 in Merry Money

Family favorites

- **Santaland** - Santaland in North Hall is where to get free photos with Santa in his sleigh! (Weds.-Sat. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.).
- **Christmas LEGO Village** - Jaw-dropping display in Equine Arena of hundreds of moving LEGO constructions that's more than 600 square feet in size
- **165-foot Model Train Display** - Captivating North Hall exhibit featuring replica Pennsylvania landmarks and 3 to 5 sets of trains running at any time
- **Christmas Tree Lane** - Vote for your favorite vendor-decorated tree in the GIANT Exhibition Hall entrance for a chance to win a 4-pack of tickets to the 2026 show
- **Entertainment Stage** - Come to North Hall to sit and enjoy a variety of festive dance performances, heavenly vocals and more (click [here](#) for schedule)
- **Winter Wonderland** - Enjoy the festive display and aroma of fresh cut Christmas trees located along the lower spine / connecting corridor

Shopper conveniences

- **Ship From the Show** provides package shipping directly from the US Post Office station in GIANT Exhibition Hall

- **Shop and Drop** coats and packages check, located in GIANT Exhibition Hall
- **Two Shopper Relaxation Lounges** in GIANT Exhibition Hall and Equine Arena, plus additional concession and Equine Arena stadium seating
- **Signature holiday cocktails** (available at concessions) and **Christmas Dinner Banquet Buffet** (located upstairs)



Karolyn Grimes (It's a Wonderful Life), Macaroni KID Family Fun Zone, Stories with Santa (Dec. 7)

SHOW DATES & HOURS:

Wednesday, Dec. 3: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Thursday, Dec. 4: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Friday, Dec. 5: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Saturday, Dec. 6: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Sunday, Dec. 7: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

LOCATION: PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center, 2300 N. Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 (Use Parking Gate J to access the Cameron Street entrance)

ADMISSION: Tickets can be purchased in advance [online](#) or at the box office:

- \$12 Adults (age 12+) at box office; \$10 when purchasing online by Dec. 2
- \$10 Seniors (age 62+) at box office; \$8 when purchasing online by Dec. 2
- Free for children under age 12 (when accompanied by paying adult)
- \$8 individual tickets for groups of 20 or more (purchased in advance online)
- \$5 admission after 4 p.m. (only available at the box office)
- Second-day tickets can be purchased for \$5 at the box office before exiting

PARKING:

- New this year: Parking is free after 3 p.m.!
- Visitors can print this [discount coupon](#) to bring to save \$2 on parking
- Regular parking fee is \$10 per vehicle (cashless only)

Learn more at www.pachristmasshow.com, and follow the PA Christmas + Gift Show on facebook.com/pachristmasshow and instagram.com/pachristmasshow



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