

Dickens On Centre



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DECEMBER 11-14, 2025

A Victorian Holiday Christmas Market and Festival transforms historic Fernandina Beach into a Classic English Village.

JOIN US ON AMELIA ISLAND FOR THE 11TH ANNUAL DICKENS ON CENTRE HOLIDAY FESTIVAL!

Enjoy holiday and Victorian entertainment on two stages and roaming throughout streets of downtown Fernandina Beach. Families will enjoy a plethora of fun including a Kid Zone, visits with St. Nick, holiday shopping, food & drink, costumed characters, and plenty of holiday inspiration. Come Make Memories at Dickens on Centre.



Thursday, December 11 | 5 – 7pm

Bring something that twinkles, sparkles, or glows and put on your favorite Victorian or holiday attire as we kick off Dickens on Centre with the 6th Annual Dickens Illuminated Procession on Thursday, December 11th. Participation is free and open to all! Folks will begin gathering at 5pm on Centre Street between 2nd and Front Streets. At 6pm the Jacksonville Pipe & Drum corps will get the parade going! Parade-goers and their lanterns will enjoy a leisurely stroll starting at Front Street, turning up Ash Street into Fernandina's historic district, across 6th Street and turning down Centre Street to end just before the train tracks. Food trucks, music, and general holiday merriment will be happening throughout the event.

The Illuminated Procession will conclude at 6:45pm with an illuminated finale over the riverfront! Parade participants are encouraged to bring illuminated lanterns or something that shines, glows, or twinkles. *(Only battery-operated lights and lanterns will be permitted. No open flames or candles.)*

Come join the fun!



December 12 – 14

The ever-popular Enchanted Village is back for its 5th year at Dickens on Centre. Reserve your magical 75-minutes in one of ten festive domes, each decorated in a unique Holiday theme. The life-sized snow globes accommodate up to six people and include adult beverages, snack bites, and special add-ons like a mimosa, yogurt parfait, or charcuterie board. Kids options are also available.

This year's Enchanted Village is brought to you in partnership with *The Portly Gentleman Tavern* hosted by Disco Witch and The Classy Grape. Be sure to come early and enjoy the onsite tavern featuring a selection of red or white wine, mulled wine, beer and bubbly. Have a glass or purchase a bottle and hang out at *The Portly Gentleman Tavern*!

The Enchanted Village is presented by Snyder Air Conditioning, Plumbing & Electric.

YOUR SNOW GLOBE EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

- 75-minutes for up to 6 people in a private, holiday-themed and decorated snow globe
- Adult beverage choices including bottles of red or white wine, carafe of mulled wine, pitcher of beer, bottle of bubbly
- Choice of savory or sweet snack bites for 4-6 people
- Add-on mimosa, yogurt parfait, charcuterie boards for purchase; kid snack option also available for purchase
- Upgraded wine available for purchase

The Portly Gentleman Tavern

The Portly Gentleman Tavern brought to you by Disco Witch is open to the public. Grab a seat and enjoy a glass of wine, bubbly, or beer and plan on joining in on the Enchanted Village experience next year!



Saturday, December 13 | 8:30am

Hold on to your bonnets and top hats during the 8th annual, 1-mile fun run along the shore of Main Beach. Join us and the T-Rex troop on Saturday, December 13 at 8:30am at Sandbar Amelia Island, Main Beach. Production provided by Salty Sports Society and the McArthur Family YMCA. Enjoy complimentary cocoa and coffee at the Sandbar Amelia Island. Breakfast sandwiches will also be available for purchase. Prizes will be awarded.



**Register online at AmeliaIsland.com/DickensRun
\$30 per person includes race t-shirt for pre-registered runners.**



Saturday, December 13 | 6 – 9pm

Marley's Masquerade. Don't miss the exclusive Victorian costume party of the holiday season! This year's all new location, The Pavilion on N 2nd Street is the perfect backdrop for this 21+ VIP soiree complete with stilt walkers, jugglers, live music, dancing, and more! Costumes required, masks optional. Presented by Jacksonville International Airport.

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

- Heavy hors d'oeuvres from 6:30-7:30pm
- Hosted beer & wine bar
- Specialty entertainment including live music from Mama Blue, Kristin Sparrow Circus performers, and tarot card readings by Soulestial Sorcery
- Dickens After Dark souvenir photo booth
- After Hours Event at Ash Street Cigar Parlor



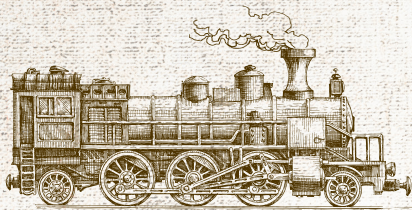
Tickets are Sold Out!



Fezziwig's Courtyard

Located near the Wharf Main Stage on the historic platform by the Welcome Center, Fernandina Beach's own Marlin & Barrel Distillery is offering beer, wine, and specialty holiday beverages at Fezziwig's Courtyard. Open to the public, Fezziwig's provides a great spot to enjoy the Wharf Main Stage entertainment while having a festive libation. Must be 21+ for alcoholic beverages (ID checked at the door). Non-alcoholic beverages will also be available. **Hours: Friday, 5-9pm, Saturday, 1-9pm; Sunday, 1-3pm.**

Fezziwig's is brought to you in partnership with Marling & Barrel Distillery and The Decantery.

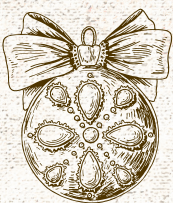


Festival Areas & Activities



Christmas Wish Tree

Visit the Christmas Wish Tree donated by RYAM in Pocket Park next to Amelia Island Coffee. Grab a wooden wish tag made by Paisley Grace Makery especially for Dickens on Centre. Write your Christmas wish and hang it on the tree. The Wish Tree will remain in Pocket Park throughout the holidays.



Wharf Main Stage on Centre Street

The Main Stage at Front and Centre Streets features holiday inspired entertainment from local and regional performers. Don't miss the Jason Woods stage productions of *The Legend of St. Nick*, *Alice in a Christmas Wonderland*, and *The Little Toy Shoppe*! Community favorites Crescendo Amelia and Yulee High School Jazz Band as well as the ever-popular King Guys Band will also be on the Main Stage for the festival.

3rd Street Stage

Located at the end of Oliver's Alley (South 3rd Street at Ash), the Secondary Street Stage will feature theatrical productions from the Amelia Community Theatre and Noise Complaint. You'll also see Kristen Sparrow Circus, and various community entertainment.

Peddler's Village, Artist Alley, Oliver's Alley, Cratchit's Corner & Oliver's Eats

Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Shop our local stores as well as our specialty vendors along Peddler's Village (Centre Street), Artist Alley (N 2nd Street), Oliver's Alley (South 3rd Street), and Cratchit's Corner. Plenty of unique, hand-crafted items to be found in our Victorian Village. You'll also find food vendors and food trucks at Oliver's Eats now located at the end of Artist Alley.

St. Nick's Workshop

Sponsored by Handi-House of Yulee, St. Nick is bringing his workshop all the way to Amelia Island and Dickens on Centre! Meet St. Nick and capture the moment. Boston Photography is on hand with photos for purchase. St. Nick's Workshop is guaranteed to put a smile on the faces of kids of all ages.

St. Nick Meet & Greet and Portrait Experience Days and Times: Friday, 6:30-9pm; Saturday, 11am-2pm and 3-6pm; Sunday, 11am-3pm. **Skip the line and reserve your space in advance by purchasing your tickets at AmeliaIsland.com/Dickens.**

Tiny Tim's Kid Zone

Located on N 3rd Street, Tiny Tim's Kid Zone provides entertainment for kids of all ages! Enjoy family friendly crafts and games or catch a holiday movie at the Old Vic Theatre. Write a letter to St. Nick and have some kid-sized fun at the Elves at Work tent and visit the specialty vendors geared towards our littlest Dickens on Centre attendees.

The Old Vic Theatre

Need a break? Grab a seat in our alley theater brought to you by AVL Productions. Holiday classics like *The Santa Clause*, *Elf*, *The Man Who Invented Christmas*, *Polar Express*, and *The Muppet Christmas Carol* will be playing throughout the festival. Grab some popcorn from The Coastal Farmhouse, a yummy brownie from Mimi's Gourmet Brownies or a holiday inspired Cotton Candy from Cloud Crunch (all Tiny Tim's vendors) and enjoy some down time at The Old Vic! **See [entertainment schedule](#) or [check on-line at AmeliaIsland.com/Movies](#) for showtimes.**

Victorian Evensong – St. Peter's Episcopal

On Friday, December 12 from 5-6pm St. Peter's Episcopal Church will be festively decorated, and the service will include Christmas carols and organ music from the days of Charles Dickens featuring the Chancel Choir, and children's choir. Free for all ages.

Sounds of the Season – Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival at the Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island.

Ready for more unforgettable holiday spirit? Grab a ticket to the Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival's Sounds of the Season featuring Time for Three. December 17 from 7-8:30pm at The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island. This unforgettable night under the stars promises to be a celebration of music, magic, and memories. **Tickets available at AICMF.org/event/TimeforThree.**



2025 Entertainment Schedule

Friday, December 12 | 5 – 9pm

5-9pm	Pocket Park.	Christmas Wish Tree
5-6pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Navy Band SW Wind Ensemble
5-5:45pm	3rd Street Stage	Silver String Artists Quartet
5-6pm	St. Peter’s Episcopal Church	Victorian Evensong featuring the Chancel Choir & Children’s Choir
5:45pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Opening Ceremony with Justin Taylor (<i>Elf</i>) & St. Nick; Reading of ‘ <i>Twas the Night Before Christmas</i> with Ron Kurtz
6-6:45pm	3rd Street Stage	Bean School of Dance
6:30-7:15pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestra Brass Quintet
6:30pm	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Santa Clause</i> (97 minutes)
6:30-9pm	St. Nick’s Workshop.	St. Nick Portraits - Boston Photography
6:30-7:30pm	Pocket Park.	Amy Vickery
7-7:30pm	3rd Street Stage	Yulee High School Jazz Band
7:30-9pm	Wharf Main Stage.	One Man Performance of <i>A Christmas Carol</i> by Jason Woods
8-9pm	Pocket Park.	Kristen Sparrow Circus - Aerialist
9pm		Finale - Lights over the Harbor

Saturday, December 13 | 10am – 9pm

8:30am	Main Beach	Run Like the Dickens
9-9:45am	4th Street Parking Lot	Parade of Paws staging, check-in, and registration
10am-9pm	Pocket Park.	Christmas Wish Tree
10am	Centre Street	Parade of Paws
10-10:30am	3rd Street Stage	Time Steppers
10-11am	Elves at Work Tent.	Storytime with Amelia Island Book Festival
10-10:45am	Pocket Park.	Amelia Music Studio - String Ensemble
10:15am.	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Muppet Christmas Carol</i> (85 minutes)
10:30-10:45am	Wharf Main Stage.	Parade of Paws Awards Ceremony
10:45-11am	Pocket Park.	Amelia Music Studio - Club Ukulele
10:45-11:15am	3rd Street Stage	Pam Bell - Handbells
11am-2pm	St. Nick’s Workshop.	St. Nick Portraits - Boston Photography
11am-6pm	Elves at Work Tent.	Steve the Magic Guy - Balloon Twisting
11-11:30am	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Little Toy Shoppe</i>
11am-2pm	Pocket Park.	Fernandina Beach High School & Middle School Bands
11:30am-12pm.	3rd Street Stage	Noise Complaint
11:45am-12:15pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>Alice in a Christmas Wonderland</i>
12pm	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Man Who Invented Christmas - The Charles Dickens Story</i> (104 minutes)
12:15-1pm.	3rd Street Stage	<i>Dickens of a Christmas</i> - ACT Performance
12:30-1pm.	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Legend of St. Nick</i>
1-3pm	Elves at Work Tent.	Storytime with Amelia Island Book Festival
1:15-1:45pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Little Toy Shoppe</i>
1:30-2pm.	3rd Street Stage	Ocean Way Dance
2-2:30pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>Alice in a Christmas Wonderland</i>
2pm	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>Polar Express</i> (100 minutes)
2:30-3:30pm	3rd Street Stage	Kristen Sparrow Circus - Magician
2:45-3:15pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Rhythm Theory Tap Ensemble
3-5:30pm	St. Nick’s Workshop.	St. Nick Portraits - Boston Photography
3:30-4pm.	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Legend of St. Nick</i>
3:45-4:15pm	3rd Street Stage	Island Tappers
4pm	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>Elf</i> (97 minutes)
4:15-4:45pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>Alice in a Christmas Wonderland</i>
4:20-4:40pm	3rd Street Stage	Kristen Sparrow Circus - Acrobatic Duo
5-5:30pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Blue Haven - Gospel Group
5-5:45pm	3rd Street Stage	Sandalwood High School Jazz Band
5:45-6:15pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Little Toy Shoppe</i>
6pm	3rd Street Stage	Reading of ‘ <i>Twas the Night Before Christmas</i> with Ron Kurtz
6-9pm	The Pavilion.	Dickens After Dark: Marley’s Masquerade (21+; ticketed event)
6pm	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Santa Clause</i> (97 minutes)
6:30-7pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Legend of St. Nick</i>
6:30-9pm	3rd Street Stage	Holiday Music
7:15pm.	Centre & 2nd Street.	Fusion Angel Wind Dance
7:45-9pm.	Wharf Main Stage.	King Guys Band
9pm		Finale - Lights over the Harbor

Sunday, December 14 | 10am – 3pm

10am-3pm	Festival Entrance	Christmas Wish Tree
10-10:30am	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Little Toy Shoppe</i>
10-10:30am	3rd Street Stage	Holiday Music
10am	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Santa Clause</i> (97 minutes)
10-11:30am	Pocket Park.	Fernandina Beach High School & Middle School Bands
10:30-10:45am	3rd Street Stage	RADettes & Fusion
10:45-11:15am	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Legend of St. Nick</i>
11-11:30am	3rd Street Stage	Jacksonville University Duet – Cello & Violin
11am-3pm	St. Nick’s Workshop.	St. Nick Portraits - Boston Photography
11am-3pm	Elves at Work Tent.	Steve the Magic Guy - Balloon Twisting
11:30am-12pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>Alice in a Christmas Wonderland</i>
11:45am.	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>Elf</i> (97 minutes)
12-12:45pm.	3rd Street Stage	Tapestries
12:15-12:45pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>The Legend of St. Nick</i>
1-3pm	Elves at Work Tent.	Storytime with Amelia Island Book Festival
1-1:30pm	Wharf Main Stage.	<i>Alice in a Christmas Wonderland</i>
1:30-2pm.	3rd Street Stage	Allegiance Youth Choir
1:30pm.	Old Vic Theatre.	<i>The Muppets Christmas Carol</i> (85 minutes)
2-2:15pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Reading of ‘ <i>Twas the Night Before Christmas</i> with Ron Kurtz
2:15-3pm	Wharf Main Stage.	Crescendo Amelia

St. Nick Portraits with Boston Photography

Friday, December 12 | 6:45-9pm
Saturday, December 13 | 11am-2pm & 3-5:30pm
Sunday, December 14 | 11am-3pm

Fezziwig's Courtyard

Friday, December 12 | 5-9pm
Saturday, December 13 | 1-9pm
Sunday, December 14 | 1-3pm

Dickens Express Free Trolley

Complimentary parking and trolleys will be available from the Nassau County School Board lot on Atlantic Avenue across from Central Park. Trolleys run on approximately 15-minute loop to 4th Street.

Thursday, December 11 | 5-8pm
Friday, December 12 | 5-10pm
Saturday, December 13 | 9:30am-10pm
Sunday, December 14 | 9:30am-4pm



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