



December @ KidsPlay

Special events you won't want to miss!

Winter Break: World Celebrations

Tuesday, December 26 through Sunday, December 31

Celebrations around the world have things in common.

Each day this week we will explore one special part of how people around the world celebrate. The week culminates with our annual New Year's Eve Countdown to Noon!



Tuesday - Celebrating with gifts

Giving is sharing a bit of ourselves with others to let them know we care. Learn how people celebrate giving with stories about gifts. Use your creativity to make a unique gift to bring home!

Wednesday - Celebrating with light

Many traditions use light in their celebrations and light helps to brighten the shortest days of the year. We will experiment with the concepts of light and shadow. Through STEM exploration with shadows in a special new exhibit and analyzing color with our Light Lab, we will investigate the fundamental elements of light.



Thursday - Celebrating with food

Food is an integral part of celebrations around the world. Food is important as we travel the world through stories about rice, corn, bread, and beans. Have a favorite family recipe? Bring the recipe to share! Let's create a KidsPlay Cookbook!

Friday - Celebrating with games

Fun is universal! We will be exploring games used for celebrations around the world. Make a game to take home.



Saturday - Celebrating with music

Let our ears be our guide as we travel around the globe! Make your own instrument, then hop on stage, grab the microphone, and show us how it sounds.

Nutcracker Maker Space Challenge

Saturday, December 9 @ 11 am

Join us for a special Nutcracker **Step into a Story with Humphry** followed by the Nutcracker Maker Space Challenge.

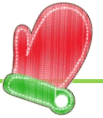


Sunday, December 10 @ 11 am

Nutcracker Maker Space Challenge. What can you make?

Author Study: Jan Brett

This month come and explore Jan Brett's fun, colorful, and detailed stories of both animal and human culture ranging from Scandinavian to African! Share stories with your favorite child, guided by the rich, intricate border illustrations on almost every page.



What is an artist?

Thursday, December 7 @ 10:30

Join us as we welcome special guest, Judith McElhone, Executive Director from Five Points Gallery. We are connecting with Five Points Gallery and with The Launch Pad to provide children and caregivers the chance to be artists! Judy will share her knowledge, fun, and enthusiasm while exploring line and color. Also, learn more about Five Points Gallery...right around the corner from KidsPlay!

Make it, Take it, Gingerbread House!

Friday, December 15 @ 4, 5, or 6 pm
The Museum is Open for Play until 7 pm!



Enjoy a creative, hands-on holiday tradition at KidsPlay! Our team will guide your family as you build and decorate your own unique Gingerbread House to take home. Please register for your preferred time. Admission plus \$3.00 material fee.



Count Down to Noon

Sunday, December 31, 10 am to 2 pm
Balloons Drop @ Noon!

Our annual Countdown to Noon Balloon Drop has become one of KidsPlay's favorite events of the year! Join us for activities, crafts, and noise makers for your kids to welcome in 2018, without the late night. **Balloons Drop at noon!**

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