## **EVENT SCHEDULE /** See Map for Locations

10:00 am - Willow Tree & Friends / Presbyterian Church G

11:30 am - Reedy Point Players / Bandshell D

12:00 pm - Delaware Vox Valles from Delaware Valley Classical School / Court House B

12:30 pm - Jim Slagle / Bandshell D

1:00 pm - Celebration Ringers / Presbyterian Church G

1:30 pm - Westfield Chorale / Methodist Church

2:00 pm - Reedy Point Players / Bandshell D

3:00 pm - Music School of Delaware Suzuki Academy / Arsenal

3:00 pm - New Ark Chorale / Presbyterian Church G

3:00 pm - Jim Slagle / Bandshell D

4:00 pm - Caroling & Tree Lighting Ceremony / Bandshell D

## **SANTA SCHEDULE /** See Map for Locations

Christmas gift-givers from New Castle's founding communities the Dutch, the Swedes and the British – are in town today. Visit each of our historical "Santas", put a letter to the North Pole in **Santa's Mailboxes**, make an ornament for the **Children's Tree**, hang a Wish for the World on the **Wishing Tree** and learn more about Santa's stories at the **Art of Gifting**.

**St. Nicholas** is our inspirational 6th century Saint of Giving. His tradition was shared by Catholic and Episcopal faiths of our Dutch founders, then later from Italy and the British Isles.

Jultomte arrives with his julbock, or Christmas goat, as part of Sweden's Christmas Advent festival. He wishes "God Jul" to all!

**Father Christmas** is the spirit of Victorian tradition and a character in the beloved Dickens story *A Christmas Carol*.

**Santa Claus** as translated by the Dutch: Sinter Klaas, arrives south by sleigh and reindeer to travel the world at Christmas.

The four Santas will be visiting our different Santa Stations throughout the day. Here's a schedule (see Map for locations):

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TIME	JULTOMTE	ST. NICHOLAS	FATHER CHRISTMAS	SINTER KLAAS
10-11	Strolling	The Window M	Read House <b>H</b>	Town Hall C
11-12		The Window M	Read House <b>H</b>	Town Hall <b>C</b>
12-1	The Window M			Town Hall C
1-2	The Window M	Strolling	Town Hall C	
2-3	Town Hall C	Read House <b>H</b>	Town Hall C	The Window M
3-4	Strolling	Read House <b>H</b>	The Window M	Town Hall C

After the **Tree Lighting Ceremony** at 5:00 pm, Mayor **Valarie Leary** and the **Goodwill Fire Company** will give Santa a ride out of town on his way home!

Talented performers from all over Delaware have come together to make Spirt of Christmas a special day. The festival wraps up with caroling and a dramatic Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Bandshell D, hosted by town and state dignitaries.

We're honored to have the following speakers at our Tree Lighting Ceremony:

Valarie Leary, Mayor

Suzanne Souder, President of City Council
Melissa Minor-Brown, State Representative
Nicole Poore, State Senator
Kim Eppehimer, Executive Director, Friendship House

## **ALSO**

Want to take home a delightful Christmas candle? **Cabernet Candles K** will be having a **Candlemaking**Workshop, 12 to 6 PM.

Interested in history? Check out our famous **museums**, decorated for Christmas:

Amstel House U; Dutch House V; Court House B; Visitors Center E; Civil War Museum W; Read House & Gardens H.

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It's an all-day festival of exciting activities for all ages.
Scheduled events include musical and theatrical performances, markets, house tours, Santa visits and a tree lighting ceremony Throughout the day, you can also:

BROWSE for crafts and gifts, art and antiques, soups and baked goods and beverages, burgers and barbecue, coffee and cuisine. MAKE wishes and gifts and ornaments and put them on the Trees. TOUR beautiful historical homes. ENJOY strolling performers. ADMIRE the decorated windows on Delaware Street. VISIT four historical Santas at our Santa stations, including Santa's Sleigh. Locations include:

Outdoor Artisan Market / The Green A
Winter Market / Public Library J

Gifts, Soups & Baked Goods / Presbyterian Church G

Wishing Tree / Town Hall C

Children's Tree / The Green A

Santa's Sleigh / Town Hall C

Art of Gifting: Santa Stories / The Window M

Candlemaking Workshop / Cabernet Candles K

**Strolling performers:** Tom Freebery (Harmonica); Delaware Vox Valles (Caroling)

Santa Stations / See Santa Schedule

Historical House Tours / 10am to 4pm

Food Trucks / Wharf N

Restaurants / Jessop's, Nora Lee's, Mercury, Oaxaca, Zollie's, Taqueria El Centenario

See SCHEDULEs for times and MAP for all locations

