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<u>Winter Lights Kicks Off Friday, November 21</u> Festive Extravaganza Lights Up Winter's Darkest Days

SHELBURNE, Vt. (November 14, 2025)—Returning for its fifth season, Winter Lights at Shelburne Museum illuminates the dark days of winter with magic and wonder delighting visitors of all ages. Winter Lights opens on November 21 and runs through January 4, 2026, offering a festive experience that has become a holiday tradition.



Visitors are invited to bundle up and stroll the museum's grounds, where iconic landmarks are transformed into a glittering wonderland. Thousands of colorful lights adorn favorite stops along the way, including the historic 220-foot steamboat *Ticonderoga*, its companion 1871 Lighthouse, the fan favorite twinkling forest of Beach Woods, and the museum's gardens glowing with spritzers and baubles.

New for 2025, Winter Lights features reimagined displays throughout the grounds, a new interactive Illumination Station for children outside the Weathervane Cafe, and a charming model train in Diamond Barn. Whimsical weathervanes inspired by the museum's collection will be illuminated on the Round Barn.

On Saturday evenings, and on December 26, visitors will enjoy watching local performers animate the Museum's grounds with the mesmerizing flow artistry of Maiz on Fire Productions and the towering fantastical puppet creatures from Puppet Ruckus on the move throughout the grounds.

Tickets & Pricing:

- Online advance purchase: \$15 adults/ \$10 children ages 3-17 / Free for children under 3;
- At the door: \$20 adults/ \$12 children ages 3-17;
- Anytime VIP ticket: \$30 (Valid for one Walk-through night, no reservation required;)
- Drive-around evenings: \$65 per personal vehicle (Online advance purchase only.)

Purchase tickets in advance at www.shelburnemuseum.org/visit/winter-lights/



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Image credit: The 220-foot steamboat *Ticonderoga* is one of the iconic structures on Shelburne Museum's campus that glows during Winter Lights. Photography by Adam Silverman.

Hi-resolution images are available HERE.

About Shelburne Museum

Founded in 1947 by trailblazing folk art collector Electra Havemeyer Webb (1888- 1960), Shelburne Museum in Shelburne, Vermont, is the largest art and history museum in northern New England and Vermont's foremost public resource for visual art and material culture. The Museum's 45-acre campus is comprised of 39 buildings including the Pizzagalli Center for Art and Education and Webb Gallery featuring important American paintings by Andrew Wyeth, Winslow Homer, Anna Mary Robertson "Grandma" Moses, John Singleton Copley and many more. Construction is underway for the Perry Center for Native American Art, designed in partnership with Indigenous voices and devoted to the stewardship and exhibition of the Native American art in the museum's care, scheduled to open in 2027. For more information, please visit shelburnemuseum.org.

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