SHELBURNE MUSEUM

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Winter Lights at Shelburne Museum Illuminates Starting on November 27

SHELBURNE, Vt. (October 29, 2026)—Shelburne Museum's popular holiday light spectacular, Winter Lights, returns on November 27 for its sixth season. This year, the museum campus will be aglow in a dazzling visual display of lights accompanied throughout by musical selections and mesmerizing art installations. Once again, thanks to a partnership with the town of Shelburne, the historic village of Shelburne and local businesses will be bedecked in lights as well, creating a holiday village vibe and offering a welcoming gateway to the event.

Winter Lights Walk-through experience runs through January 3, 2027. A special bonus week of Drive-around nights has been added from January 4 through January 9.

Visitors are invited to bundle up and stroll the museum's grounds, where iconic and historic 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 twinkling forest of Beach Woods, and magical Bostwick Garden. New this year, featured artist Calvin Laituri has created a menagerie of woodland animals that will be illuminated in Beach Woods. Laituri's intricately detailed illustrations of deer, fox, bear, raccoon, bobcat, catamount, squirrel, skunk, and more are sure to make eyes go wide when they are sequentially illuminated deep in the pine forest of Beach Woods. Also new this year are special movie screenings of seasonal favorite films in the Pizzagalli Center for Art and Education.

Popular entertainment acts are back for 2026. On select evenings, entertainment enriches the experience with the mesmerizing Maiz on Fire performers working magic with light, life-size interactive street puppets from Puppet Ruckus, and an acapella singing jam with groups from Middlebury College. Check the website for details.

Entertainment Schedule:

- **Sunday, November 29, Puppet Ruckus,** whimsical woodland puppets wander the grounds greeting visitors with song and wonder.
- **Thursday, December 3**, **Jazz Lounge,** drop in and take in the musical stylings of the Randall Pierce Jazz Trio.
- **Sunday, December 6, Middlebury Acapella Jam**, stop in and listen to the vibrant sounds of Middlebury College acapella groups.

- **Thursday, December 10**, **Classical Concert,** join us for a moving and melodious seated classical concert.
- **Sunday, December 20, Maiz on Fire**, witness the lights come alive with Maiz and friends and their LED light flow performance.
- **Saturday, January 2**, **Movie Night: Perfect Date**, join us for a cozy afternoon movie, then take in the lights post-show.
- **Sunday, January 3**, **Movie Night: Family Fun,** bring the family for some afternoon movie fun, then enjoy the lights together.

Tickets & Pricing:

- Online advance purchase: $20 adults / $10 children ages 3–17 / Free for children under 3;
- At the door: $25 adults / $12 children ages 3–17;
- Anytime VIP ticket: $35 (Valid for one Walk-through night, no reservation required;)
- Drive-around evenings: $65 per personal vehicle (Online advance purchase only.)
- Randall Pierce Jazz Trio, December 3, is free for members with Winter Lights ticket purchase and $5 for non-members with Winter Lights ticket purchase.
- Classical Concert, December 10, is $10 with purchase of Winter Lights ticket.
- Movie Night: Perfect Date, January 2, is $5 for non-members with Winter Lights ticket purchase.
- Movie Night: Family Fun, January 3, is $5 for non-members with Winter Lights ticket purchase.

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

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Image credit: Shelburne Museum campus illuminated during Winter Lights 2025.

High-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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