



SINTERKLAAS!

An Old Dutch Tradition in Rhinebeck

Sinterklaas Arrives November 28, 4:00 pm

SINTERKLAAS ARRIVES BY BOAT! First appearance of the Grumpuses, the Illuminated Book, and a special Gingerbread House by Diana Gang! ★ The Procession goes from the Rhinecliff Dock to the Center of Rhinecliff ending at The Rhinecliff Hotel ★ Reception at The Rhinecliff starts at 4:00 pm. Cash Bar. ★ **ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE PROCESSION!** (12 minute walk!) and a Reception in The Rhinecliff which will feature ★ a performance of a classic St. George & the Dragon play ★ the Rhinebeck Choral Club ★ Bill & Livia Vanaver ★ Copoeira ★ Dancing, Singing, Music ★ and more!

Sinterklaas Celebration December 5, All Day

★ **ASTOR HOME: ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR**, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
★ **AT THE BEEKMAN ARMS GIANT COOKIE TREE** by Jessica Bard. *Don't Miss it!* **THE ILLUMINATED BOOK** by Nadine Robbins, Grace Gunning, and Molly Ahearn with help from James Gurney, Richard Prouse and Andy Neal

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

★ Fire Jugglers ★ Abbots Bromley Horn Dance by the Pokingbrook Morris Team ★ Bond Street Theatre Coalition Stilt Band ★ Big Nazo ★ Sword Fights ★ The Bard Shape Note Singers ★ Mystic Minstrels ★ The Pamelech Klezmer Orkester ★ Cast of the Christmas Carol ★ The Raya Brass Band ★ Our Own GRUMPUSES!

HOT MEALS! ★ Lunch at The Reformed Church and the Church of the Messiah from Noon to 8:00 pm ★ Spaghetti Dinner at the Church of the Messiah by the Whale Watch from 5:00 pm–8:00 pm ★ **SINTERKLAAS Traditional Letter Chocolates** at SAMUEL'S
★ **COOKIES AND MUSIC** at GIGI TRATTORIA ★ Hot Chocolate & STAR Cookies & MUSIC at the STARR Restaurant

★ **STARS & RAFFLE TEES** for Sale at WINTER SUN & SUMMER MOON and throughout the Village

THE DAY'S EVENTS

10:30 am ★ **BEAR BEAUTY CONTEST** Dress up your favorite bear up in anything you wish and bring it to SAMUEL'S to meet other bears and maybe to win a prize. All children and adults are invited to submit entries! Many categories! \$25 Grand Prize and a special guest appearance on stage for the winning bear at the Starlight Pageant.

11:00 am ★ **BRUNCH WITH THE GENERAL** at the DAR HOUSE, 77 Livingston St. Revolutionary War re-enactor Gary Petagine will depict General George Montgomery and tell first-hand stories from his life.

11:30 am ★ **BEEKMAN ARMS** ★ **OPENING: WORDS BEFORE ALL ELSE** by Roland Mousa, Native American Blessing, Drumming and Song—*followed immediately by*— ★ **STORY TELLING** by famed storyteller Jonathan Kruk. Hear the legend of St. Nicholas and Dutch New York. —*followed immediately by*— A special performance of ★ **ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGON**

11:00 am–4:00 pm ★ **CROWNS AND BRANCHES WORKSHOP** REFORMED CHURCH • All Children are encouraged to make a Crown and decorate a Branch to wear and carry in the Parade. • Visit the WISH LADY before you leave! • Parents can purchase their STAR to participate in the evening's Pageant • Be sure to grab a flag for the Parade & adults place a promise in the Peace Dove!

12:30 pm, 2:00 pm, and 4:00 pm ★ **FESTIVAL OF LIGHT: A HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR** CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH presented by the Vanaver Caravan & the Arm of the Sea Theater • Three Shows—each 1/2 hour long • Featuring Giant Puppets! A Holiday story of a Young Girl's Journey throughout the World searching for the Light. Music and Dances from Holland, Sweden (Santa Lucia with REAL candle crowns!), Israel, Mexico, Ireland and more!

12:30–4:30 pm in TOWN HALL for Adults & Children

12:30 pm ★ **GRUMPUS MAGIC** by Andy Weintraub

1:00 pm ★ Pamelech Klezmer Orkester

1:30 pm ★ Tara Sommerville Sugar Plum Fairy

2:00 pm ★ St. George and the Dragon

2:30 pm ★ Mariachi Enfante

3:00 pm ★ Mid-Hudson Mexican Folkloric Group

3:30 pm ★ Solas an Lae: An Irish Sugar Plum and more!

1:00–3:00 pm ★ **SINTER CIRKUS and VARIETY SHOW!** at UPSTATE FILMS • Presented by the Bindlestiff Family Cirkus!
• Serpentessa Dancing with LIVE SNAKES! • New Act Every Half Hour!

1:30–3:30 pm ★ **MUSICALE!** (more for adults!) REFORMED CHURCH SANCTUARY (across from The Beek)
★ Woodstock Renaissance ★ Bard Shape Note Singers ★ Pamelech Klezmer Orkester ★ River Jazz

2:00 pm ★ **Special Guest Performance: PETER YARROW of Peter, Paul and Mary** will present a short concert and sign his NEW children's book DAY IS DONE. OBLONG BOOKS, Montgomery Row

5:00 pm ★ **LIVING NATIVITY** DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH on Rte. 9 across from the Beekman Arms.
All are invited for Hot Chocolate and Cookies

CHILDREN'S STARLIGHT PARADE & PAGEANT

Bring your Crowns & Branches, STARS & Flags!

5:30 pm **Be in Place for the START OF THE PARADE!!** • Best View to see the Parade is at the Havdalah (see below!)
• Parade begins on West Market St. and will proceed through the Village & continue to the Municipal Lot for the Pageant

5:45 pm ★ **HAVDALAH CIRCLE** • In the Dapson/Chesney Funeral Home Parking Lot • Led by the Northern Dutchess Hebrew School and Temple Emmanuel

6:00 pm ★ **CHILDREN'S STARLIGHT PARADE** • All are invited to Join In after the Parade passes by!
• An Historic Recreation of an Old Dutch Parade with Sinterklaas on His Horse, Snow Geese, The Seven Sisters, Giant Figures, Music, the Hudson River, Stilt Walkers, Dancers and All the Children and Townsfolk.

6:30 pm ★ **GRAND FINALE PAGEANT AND STAR CEREMONY** ON STAGE in the Municipal Parking Lot immediately following the Parade. Featuring: ★ the Dancing Bears ★ Fire Juggling ★ the Abbots Bromley Horn Dance ★ The WILD WOMEN
★ the Wildman ★ The GRUMPUS Dance ★ the 4 Seasons ★ On the Lam Band ★ the Half Moon & Henry Hudson
★ Creatures from the Woods ★ & More!!

7:30 pm ★ **FAMILY HOEDOWN** TOWN HALL for families with John Kirk & Trish Miller

8:00 pm ★ **THE CHRISTMAS CAROL** at the CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS (Dec. 5 & 6 and Dec. 18, 19 & 20)

9:00–11:00 pm ★ **DANCE for Adults** at THE BEEKMAN ARMS featuring the fabulous ON THE LAM BAND **LIVE** from NYC

Bring your voices to
sing & a bell to ring

Some jewels for the crown
of kings & queens,

STAR lanterns to guide
your sight,

As the parade winds & spirals into
the night.

And pray, don't forget,

If for the poor you can spare,

Something hearty to eat & new
things to wear.

Food and new clothes donations should be brought to the Reformed Church to be distributed by the Dutchess County Clergy Association

This is a day when children are transformed
into Kings and Queens and honored as the
bringers of the light at the darkest time of year.

In an all day bustling community workshop
in the center of town, children will make their
own Royal Crowns and Scepters they will
carry in the Children's Starlight Parade. Adults
will carry Illuminated Stars that will play an
important role at a Special Moment in the
Grand Pageant following the Parade



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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