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It's been 20 years since the BusinessFirst! for a Greater Dayton Region organization brought us all together to build a strong regional economy. Our jurisdictions and resource partners have collectively made this region a better place for our businesses to operate and that deserves some recognition!



Friday, Dec. 10

3:30 p.m.

**Little York Tavern &
Pizza**

Join us to celebrate 20 years of
working together to build the Dayton
Region.

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CHAMBER PLUS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



AES Ohio is the principal subsidiary of DPL Inc. (DPL), a regional energy provider and an AES company. AES Ohio, a regulated electric utility, provides service to over 527,000 customers in West Central Ohio. During its long history, AES Ohio has served its customers with the lowest rates in Ohio among investor-owned utilities. Learn more about how AES Ohio is accelerating the future of energy.

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Ahmic Aerospace LLC is a research and development company specializing in high-performance aerospace instrumentation and measurement techniques. Ahmic develops novel tools to characterize and understand complex flow phenomena. Our research portfolio targets hypersonic aerothermodynamics, high-speed propulsion systems, and advanced materials testing.

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Incenta Rewards is a local service provider for employee and customer loyalty reward & gift programs. Looking for employee or client Holiday gifts and struggling with supply chain issues? Check out Dayton's All-New TUMI Corporate B2B Showroom with gifts from \$25 - \$2,500. This showroom is located at Incenta's corporate headquarters. Schedule your private shopping experience today

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Want to be featured in the Member Spotlight? [Click here](#) to learn about Chamber Plus.

FEATURED EVENTS



Leadership Dayton Alumni Happy Hour

Thursday, Dec 9, 2021
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

We're adding quarterly, casual, happy hours open to all alumni! Join us at Clothes that Work this December for a fun and easy gathering...maybe even get some of your holiday shopping done!

[Register Now](#)

December Breakfast Briefing

Friday, Dec 10, 2021
8:00 am - 9:15 am

The Dayton Metro Library is in the second year of its five year strategic plan to "Inform, Inspire and Empower the community." Jeffrey Trzeciak, Executive Director, will present a business update on the library's future.

[Register Now](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [2021 Workplace Diversity & Inclusion Forum \(12/7/2021\)](#)
- [Leadership Dayton Alumni Happy Hour - December 2021 \(12/9/2021\)](#)
- [Breakfast Briefing December 2021 \(12/10/2021\)](#)
- [Generation Dayton Holiday Party - December 2021 \(12/15/2021\)](#)
- [HYBRID: Safety Breakfast with the Experts December 2021 \(12/16/2021\)](#)
- [Government Affairs Breakfast - January 2022 \(1/11/2022\)](#)

BUSINESS RESOURCE NEWS

Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Business Program

Unleash the big power of small business! The Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program will return to Sinclair Community College in 2022. The program provides business education, wrap-around support services, and



pathways to capital for growth-oriented entrepreneurs. It's offered at NO COST to the business owner. Read more about the criteria for the program in the Member News section of your Member Hub.

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State of Ohio Launches New Round of Training Grant Program



Ohio has opened another application period for the Individual Microcredential Assistance Program (IMAP). This is the 2nd round of the initiative, which helps those who are low income, partially unemployed, or totally unemployed participate in a training program and receive a technology-focused credential free of cost.

[Learn More](#)

Employees with childcare needs?



Lack of access to quality, affordable childcare has kept some parents out of the workforce. If your employees need help with childcare solutions, we've compiled a list of free or subsidized resources available in the region.

[Childcare Resource Guide](#)

CHAMBER NEWS

2021 Workplace Diversity & Inclusion Forum

Registration Ends Monday, December 6 at Noon!

The Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce and the Minority Business Partnership in conjunction with key partners, Premier Health and NCCJ of Greater Dayton, are thrilled to announce the 2021 Workplace Diversity & Inclusion Forum - the only regional event focused on BOTH workforce and supplier diversity and inclusion.



The event will feature a variety of educational panels and workshops, culminating in a keynote lunch with Erica Shaw, Director, Customizations Operations and North American Market Operations Product Supply Equality & Inclusion Leader for Procter & Gamble and Erin Swim, H.R Director for Procter & Gamble, Dayton.

[Register Now](#)

Generation Dayton: Featured Professional



This month's Generation Dayton Featured Professional is Halee Mollette, Campaign Development Manager at Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Halee has used her involvement in GenD to meet key leaders and fellow young professionals.

[Read More](#)

Layer up and Support Your Chamber!

It's the perfect time of year to add a layer to your wardrobe - but why not show your support for your chamber of commerce at the same time? Shop chamber merch and show your support for any chamber program, including Leadership Dayton, Safety Council, Empower, and Generation Dayton!



[Shop](#)

Advertising Opportunities Now Available for Chamber's Talent Attraction Project - Livability



We're now entering our 2nd year of the Livability project in partnership with the Dayton Development Coalition and Livability Media - using smart content creation strategies to better attract talent to the Dayton area. Advertising opportunities are available in print, online, and more.

[Request Info](#)

Update your Member Information

Now's the time to update your account information with the chamber. Log in to your Member Hub account to update your subscriptions and preferences.

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HOT DEALS

- [Free Malicious Activity Evaluation](#)
- [Free Site Surveys and Estimates for Card Access and Security Cameras](#)
- [Free Leadership Development Workshop](#)
- [Commercial Real Estate PROMO RATE](#)
- [Investment Real Estate PROMO RATE](#)
- [Business Term & Equipment Loans](#)
- [American Airlines Promotion](#)
- [15% Off Exterior Restoration for DACC Members, 20% if bundle 3 or more services!](#)
- [Griffin Academy offers last chance to purchase 64,000 sq. ft office building/2.7 acre parking lot in Salem Peace Corridor](#)
- [Discounted Pricing on Compensation Software](#)
- [Breakfast & Lunch at the Engineers Club of Dayton](#)

- [15% Chamber discount on AIRPORT PARKING at Park-N-Go](#)

[Log in to your Member Hub](#) for more details on **Hot Deals, Member News** and **Members' Events**.

Don't have an account yet? [Click here](#) to create one.

MEMBER SAVINGS



Healthcare rules and regulations are changing rapidly, and so are the costs associated with providing healthcare as an employer. Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce members could see significant savings on healthcare coverage as well as dental, vision, disability, and life insurance, just for being a chamber member.

[Learn More](#)

NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS - NOVEMBER

- [Emergency Medicine Specialists, Inc.](#)
- [Dayton Eye Surgery Center, LLC](#)
- [Fabrication Unlimited LLC](#)
- [Apostolic Lighthouse Church](#)
- [T and T Consulting Services, Inc](#)
- [National Management Association](#)
- [AARIS Investments LLP](#)
- [Entegrity Consulting Group](#)
- [Horizon Health Network](#)
- [Castle Power Wash](#)
- [The Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South Austin Landing](#)
- [The G.F. Bailey Company, LLC](#)
- [Qbase Holdings, LLC](#)
- [Harlan Miller & Associates](#)
- [L & H Party Rental](#)
- [Dayton Leadership Academies](#)
- [Tesa, Inc.](#)

- [Miami Valley Veterans Museum](#)

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MENTORING WORKS

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Small Business Newsletter DECEMBER 2021



Chuck Anderson
Chapter Chair

The Dayton Chapter of SCORE was founded in 1970 as a nonprofit volunteer organization to assist the Small Business Administration (SBA) in helping grass roots profit and nonprofit businesses to start and grow in the Miami Valley area.

Happy Holidays to all of you! Many of you will be enjoying celebrations and thinking about what next year will bring. Your SCORE team has been looking forward as well.

We are committed to serve our community through providing the best advice and counsel to all who seek help with their business. If this is the year you feel it is time to give back, please consider joining our team.

If this is the year to re-energize your business, we stand ready to support you with the best mentoring. Know that we are thinking of all of you and wishing you only the best of times for next year. We are grateful for all the support our community has provided us this year.

Our team is committed to do even more next year with new training opportunities, new partnerships, and the best mentoring service to our community.

Be sure to check our [WEBSITE LINK!](#)

Dayton SCORE's Nonprofit Workshop Series Fall 2021

These workshops will be presented in person by our local team of experts in subject areas specific to nonprofit organizations. The workshops are interactive and there will be time for questions during and after the presentations. The workshops will cover two related topics, with one session 10am till noon, and the second session 1 till 3pm. Lunch will be provided for attendees of either or both sessions. Please indicate on your registration form if you will be joining us for lunch/networking.

You do not have to attend both sessions, but if you want to attend both, please register for both so we can get an accurate count. Afternoon attendees are welcome to arrive at noon for lunch prior to that session if they have requested lunch.

- **Nonprofit Google Ad Grants - (Friday December 10th - 10 AM to Noon) - Presidential Banquet Center [REGISTER](#)**
 - How to obtain and manage a \$10,000 Google Ad Words Grant to increase donations and supporters.
- **Nonprofit Cyber Security - (Friday December 10th - 1 PM to 3) - Presidential Banquet Center [REGISTER](#)**
 - Protecting your Nonprofit from both known and unknown threats is critically important. Learn how to make cost-effective informed decisions when dealing with the risks. A common sense guide to Cyber Security. How to protect and recover from an attack without breaking the bank.

Success Story - Shari Brindley "Sharing Stitches"



Sharing Stitches is a longarm quilting machine business and it is expanding.

I'm moving from a home-based business to a brick and mortar building in addition to taking on a partner.

I contacted SCORE when I realized I needed to know the best processes to make my dream a reality. I have read

business books, watched YouTube and done research but needed guidance from an actual person who knows what he/she is doing. Someone who would have a two way conversation and pin point my personal needs.

Charles Anderson is that person. He has guided me though every step of the transition. From choosing the right building for my business to marketing my business. Every meeting I have had with him I discover new ways to improve my current position along with how to get to my target goals. I'm so inspired after every meeting that I share my discoveries with several of my clients. Because of SCORE I have increased my client base.

A HUGE thank you to Charles and others from SCORE helping the small business world.

Shari Brindley
[WEBSITE LINK](#)

Supply Chain Disruptions: What Small Business Owners Need to Know



While you can't fix the broken supply chain, you'll need to steer your business through the crisis and be able to explain delays to your customers when necessary. To do so, it's important to understand what's behind the supply chain disruptions.

[READ MORE](#)



10 Online Business Ideas You Can Start With No Money

Find an online business idea that you can launch without start-up funds. [Read more.](#)



7 Key Pieces of Data to Track as a One-Person Marketing Department

One way to increase efficiency is to stop tracking data that isn't helping you make strategic choices. Make the most of your marketing by tracking these key metrics. [Read more.](#)

SMALL BUSINESS WEBINARS



Win Customers With Your Website

December 2 | 1 PM ET

Learn the critical role your website plays in your online marketing strategy and how to get everything working together to achieve your goals.

[REGISTER](#)

What's Next for Small Businesses as Covid Capital Relief Funds Wind Down?

December 7 | 1 PM ET

This webinar will cover information you need to know about the Small Business Administration's Economic Injury Disaster Relief program and other resources.

[REGISTER](#)



Conversion-Boosting Strategies: Simple Changes that Can Help Grow Online Sales

December 9 | 1 PM ET

Common reasons customers abandon carts and simple, strategic changes you can make – including user experience tips, returns solutions and more.



REGISTER

The New Must Have Marketing Strategy For 2022

December 14 | 1 PM ET

2022 will bring in some fundamental changes to the way we market our products and services, requiring us to adjust strategies, campaigns, and budget.

REGISTER



Google My Business for Home-Based Business Owners - Get Found Without Using Your Home Address

December 16 | 1 PM ET

This session is tailored to the unique needs of entrepreneurs who do not have a storefront but want to capitalize on the benefits of Google search.

REGISTER

Critical Questions & Information Needed to Do Proper Business Planning

December 28 | 1 PM ET

Starting a business is a tough decision and needs proper planning. We'll cover the essentials of creating a business plan through a simple step-by-step process.



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“Be sure to secure a business mentor and become best friends with your business plan.”

Mentoring Works! Small business owners who receive three or more hours of mentoring report higher revenues and increased growth.

FIND MY MENTOR

SCORE is a nonprofit association dedicated to helping small businesses get off the ground, grow and achieve their goals through education and mentorship. We have been doing this for more than 50 years.

Because our work is supported by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and thanks to our network of 10,000+ volunteers, we are able to deliver our services at no charge or at a very low cost. [Find out more about our mission, vision and values.](#)



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December 3-9, 2021



Featured

Holiday Festival



December 3 - First Friday Holiday Edition

Various locations throughout downtown Dayton; 5-10 p.m.

It's beginning to look a lot like the holidays in downtown Dayton! Local businesses are decking their halls in anticipation of another fun and festive holiday season. This December 3 First Friday offers plenty of opportunities to "shop small" and support local businesses. With such a large variety of locally owned places to dine, shop, and engage in fun activities downtown, the perfect gifts for friends and family can be found in downtown Dayton. Visitors can enjoy live holiday entertainment and also stop by the Oregon District from 6 to 8 p.m. for "Selfies with Santa." First Friday is also the start of this year's Whimsical Windows contest. Visit the [event page](#) for more details. Free. 224-1518.



December 7-9 - Holly Days at The Dayton Arcade

Dayton Arcade, 35 W. Fourth St.; 3-8 p.m.
After almost a 30-year hiatus, Holly Days is back! This year's event will feature a local artisan gift market, live holiday entertainment, food and drink, and festive surprises in the Rotunda. Enjoy a Holly Bar in The Tank (6-8 p.m.), a Brixilated Community Lego Build, The Contemporary's Holiday Gift Gallery, and much more. Holly Days will be free and open to the public, and is a family-friendly event.

This Weekend at the Dayton Holiday Festival

[Dayton Holiday Festival](#); locations and times listed below.

The Dayton Holiday Festival fun continues through December with Family Fun Days presented by AES Ohio and other fun holiday activities! At 11 a.m. on Saturday, don't miss the first holiday film in the **Family Movie Series at The Neon**. Dec. 4th's film is *The Polar Express*. Stop by the Oregon District Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. and RiverScape MetroPark Saturday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for **Selfies with Santa**. RiverScape will also have a **Holiday Mini Market** and **ice skating**. While you're downtown, don't forget to visit ongoing Dayton Holiday Festival activities including **Downtown Jingle Lights**, the **Rike's Holiday Windows** at the Schuster Center, and **Virginia Kettering's Holiday Train Display** at Stratacache Tower, plus the **Whimsical Windows** and **Elf on a Shelf Hunt** throughout downtown. For more information, please call 224-1518.





Submit your events for inclusion in this e-newsletter and our online calendar!

If you are holding an event downtown that is open to the public, be sure to submit it to us for consideration to be included not only in these weekly emails, but also in our online calendar of downtown events! We're happy to help you promote it.

You can submit your event via our website with the simple online form [here](#).

DOWNTOWN EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Thru December 4 - Rike's Holiday Windows Spectacular

[PNC Arts Annex](#), corner of Second and Ludlow streets; every Tuesday 6-8 p.m., ever Saturday 1-3 p.m.

This original show is a celebration of the iconic Rike's Department Store Holiday Windows. Favorite windows will come to life as students learn amazing music, witty dialogue, and unique holiday traditions. Participants will then perform the show in the PNC Arts Annex Theatre. Previous theatre experience is not necessary to participate, but all participants must commit to the class (rehearsal) schedule. The final week is a tech week for the production and more class days will be added for that week. Class costs \$150 per student. [More info](#).

Thru December 5 - A Charlie Brown Christmas

[Blair Hall Theatre](#), 444 W. Third St.; call for times.

The holiday TV special comes to life when Charlie Brown tries to convince his friends that there's no magic left in a Christmas that's too commercial. Call for cost. 512-2341.

Thru December 11 - Exhibit: Small But Mighty

[The 48 High Street Gallery](#), 48 High St., Call for times.

Small but Mighty is a small works exhibition open to Dayton Society of Artists members. Work will be 12"x12"x 12" or smaller and priced at no more than \$400. More info at [daytondsa.org](#).

Thru December 19 - Who's Holiday

[The Loft Theatre](#), 126 N. Main St.; call for times.

This special holiday show is a wildly funny and heartfelt adults-only comedy that tells the story of Cindy Lou Who as she recalls that Christmas Eve she first met the Grinch and the twisted turn of events her life has now taken. Rated R for adult language and sexual innuendo. This show is for ages 18 and up. 228-3630 or [daytonlive.org](#).

Thru December 23 - Holiday Gift Gallery

[The Contemporary Dayton](#), 25 W. Fourth St.; Weds-Fri 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat-Sun 11 a.m.-4 p.m., closed Mon-Tues.

The Co's popular fine art and fine craft giftable gallery is back, featuring ornaments, jewelry,

December 3 - The Hip Hop Nutcracker

[Victoria Theatre](#), 138 N. Main St.; 8 p.m.

A holiday mash-up for the whole family, directed and choreographed by Jennifer Weber, *THE HIP HOP NUTCRACKER* is a contemporary dance spectacle set to Tchaikovsky's timeless music. A unique and joyful event, this production is performed by a supercharged cast of a dozen all-star dancers, a DJ, a violinist, and MC Kurtis Blow, one of hip hop's founding fathers, who opens the show with a short set. Through this re-mixed and re-imagined version of the classic, the dynamic performers of *THE HIP HOP NUTCRACKER* take us on a journey that celebrates love, community and the magic of the holiday season. 228-3630 or [daytonlive.org](#).

December 3 & 4 - Holiday Pops

[Dayton Performing Arts Alliance](#); [Schuster Performing Arts Center](#), Second & Main sts.; call for times.

The Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra invites you to a joyful celebration of the holiday season! Taking center stage with the DPO is professional singer and knockout performer Shayna Steele, who visits Dayton from the Big Apple to jazz up the holidays in the Gem City with favorite festive carols and dazzling holiday classics. 228-3630 or [daytonlive.org](#).

December 3, 4, 11, & 18 - Selfies with Santa

[Dayton Holiday Festival](#);

See times and locations below.

Santa is on the move! Catch him outside with his sleigh at various locations throughout downtown and snap a photo with the big man in red. December 3 (First Friday): 6-8 p.m. Oregon District, Trolley Stop plaza. December 4: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. RiverScape MetroPark. December 11: 12-3 p.m. & 6-8 p.m. Oregon District, Trolley Stop plaza. December 18: 12-3 p.m. & 6-8 p.m. Outside the Schuster Center on Main Street. Free. 224-1518.

December 4, 11, & 18 - MetroParks Ice Rink Holiday Mini-Market

[Riverscape MetroPark](#),

111 E. Monument Ave.; Children: 4-8 p.m.

Visit the MetroParks Ice Rink this holiday season to shop great local gifts from our Second Street Market Vendors. The Holiday Mini Market will feature a rotating selection of vendors for the first three weekends in December in the Kettering Health Comfort Tent. Stay and skate and also sample delicious local food that will be sold at the RiverScape Cafe from our Second Street Market food vendors. Available while supplies last. Follow the RiverScape and Second Street Market Facebook pages for more information. Weather Dependent. All ages. Free admission.

December 5 - "Introducing..." Workshop

Online; 10 a.m.

The Dayton Society of Artists presents online workshops from its "Introducing..." series. Dec. 5 will feature Esther Kadash & Lorie Groll and fused glass. [daytondsa.org](#). 228-4532.

December 5 - Doll High Tea

[The Dayton Woman's Club](#), 225 N. Ludlow St.; 2-4 p.m.

Calling all doll lovers young and old! Moms, aunts, grandmas are invited to bring their favorite little girl and her favorite doll to enjoy an afternoon of food and fun at our Annual Doll High Tea. Enjoy our historic Victorian mansion decorated for the holiday season. Sweet confections, tea sandwiches, and a variety of teas will be served on our shining silver. Participate in the girls and dolls parade and take photos by our Victorian Christmas tree. Reservations are required for this event. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 3-12. Of course, dolls may attend the tea for free. Please call 937-228-1124 and leave a message.

December 5 - DPYO Winter Concert

[Dayton Performing Arts Alliance](#); [Schuster Performing Arts Center](#), Second & Main sts.; 3 p.m.

Founded in 1937 by Paul Katz, the Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra brings together the greater Dayton area's most gifted young orchestral musicians, providing the opportunity to study and perform a broad range of orchestral repertoire. The DPYO is committed to inspiring an overall cultural awareness and appreciation

ceramics, glass, photography and prints, cards, and art-to-wear by Dayton and Ohio craftspeople and creatives. Proceeds benefit artists and The Co's exhibition and education programs. "Beer & Peanuts" closing party Dec. 23, 6-8 p.m. More info at thecontemporarydayton.org.

Thru December 30 - A Carillon Christmas

[Carillon Historic Park](#),

1000 Carillon Blvd.; 5-9 p.m.

See Carillon Historical Park's 65-acre campus transformed into a winter wonderland of sparkle, magic, and holiday cheer! Featuring the Carillon Tree of Light, Santa Claus, Candy Cane Slopes, Deeds Carillon Christmas Concerts, and much more. \$12 per adult, \$10 per senior, \$8 per child, children under 3 and Dayton History members free. [More info](#).

Thru December 31 - Rikes Holiday Windows

[Dayton Holiday Festival](#);

[Schuster Performing Arts Center](#),

Second & Main sts.; visit [website](#) for times.

Experience a reimagining of the Rike's department store holiday window displays that once stood at this busy downtown corner - but now all indoors and cozy warm. The windows were completely redesigned for the 2019 season and haven't been seen since. (Not accessible during private events. Call 228-7591 to confirm hours.) [More info](#).

Thru December 31 - Link Winter Warriors

Link stations throughout downtown Dayton.

Sign up for Winter Warriors 2021! This year's competition will start on December 1 and go until December 31! Stay active all December by taking Link trips! The person with the most trips in December will win a new bike from New Belgium Brewery! We will also be giving away other prizes all month long. You can't win if you don't sign up, so [sign up today!](#)

Thru January 1 - Downtown Jingle Lights

[Dayton Holiday Festival](#);

Main Street between Monument & Fifth,

Third Street between St. Clair & Wilkinson

Monument Avenue from Patterson to Main;

evenings from 5 p.m. to midnight.

Experience an interactive, drive-thru light show, choreographed to the beat of your favorite holiday tunes! This free event is sponsored by the Downtown Dayton Partnership and

December 3-9 - This Week at the DAI

[Dayton Art Institute](#),

456 Belmonte Park North; call for times.

This week, check out a variety of great art exhibits at the Dayton Art Institute, including "Norman Rockwell: Stories of Emotion," "Ralston Crawford: Air & Space & War," "Photography through Time," "Beyond the Woodblock," "Formless Form V," and "Spotlight on Africa: Gifts from Dianne Komminsk." Sunday brings the next Skinner Pipe Organ performance. On Thursday, children and caregivers can enjoy the popular preschool program, PNC Tiny Thursdays online from home. Thursday also brings the next edition of the Bob Ross Auto Group Jazz & Beyond series. More info at daytonartinstitute.org.

December 3, 9, 10, 16 & 17 - Noontime Entertainment

[Dayton Holiday Festival](#);

Stratcache Tower, Second & Main sts., and 130 W. Second St.; noon.

Downtown's buildings ring with the sound of music during the holiday season. Groups from throughout the Miami Valley perform a mix of holiday selections during the Dayton Holiday Festival's Noontime Entertainment Program. Starting at 12 noon, performing groups will present their holiday selections as lunchtime entertainment in selected building lobbies. Take a break from your chaotic schedule to get in the holiday spirit and enjoy the carols and instrumental sounds. Each musical group has a unique way to bring in the holiday season and entertain you with an upbeat performance you're sure to love. Free. 224-1518.

December 3-19 - The Road to Mecca

[Dayton Theatre Guild](#),

430 Wayne Ave.; call for times

Helen Martins is a South African woman living in a Christian community. She realizes she is getting older, and her neighbors expect her to move into a nursing home. Pastor Byleveld comes to her house to collect

of music in its members and audiences, strengthening our region's existing school music programs, and helping stimulate interest in the development of school orchestral programs where none exist.

December 5 & 12 - Learn to Skate

[Riverscape MetroPark](#),

111 E. Monument Ave.; Children: 11-11:30 a.m.; Teens: 11:40 a.m.-12:10 p.m.; Adults: 12:20-12:50 p.m.

Adults, teens, and children, learn how to ice skate this winter! This three-week session will teach the basics of skating so that you can get out there and skate on your own. Fee includes use of skates. \$50. [Find more info here](#).

December 5 & 12 - Half Priced Hot Chocolate

[Winans Chocolates + Coffees](#),

221 N. Patterson Blvd.; call for times.

Winans will offer half-priced hot chocolate during RiverScape's Learn to Skate courses. 732-1001.

December 6 & 8 - Mayhem & Mystery Dinner Theatre: Seasons Salutations

[Spaghetti Warehouse](#), 36 W. Fifth St.; 7 p.m.

Join Mayhem & Mystery for dinner and a show. Dinner includes salad, bread, select entrees, beverage, and dessert. Tickets are \$39.95; tax and gratuity are not included. Call 937-461-3913 to make reservations.

December 7 - Live Comedy Standup Open Mic

[Yellow Cab Tavern](#), 700 E. Fourth St., 7:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday at 7:30 you can attend or perform at a live comedy standup open mic at Yellow Cab Tavern. Free entry. Comics sign up at 7pm with comics taking the stage at 7:30pm.

December 7 - Joy to the World! A Christmas Celebration from the University of Dayton

[Dayton Masonic Center](#),

525 W. Riverview Ave.; 7:30 p.m.

More than 150 UD students from the Department of Music and across the university will perform a variety of holiday music, from classical and jazz to African choral music and

iHeartRADIO with support from Five Rivers MetroParks. Tune your radio to **97.1 FM** as you drive the route. Enjoy different Jingle Lights music on different days of the week (see webpage for schedule). More info, including a map of the route, [here](#).

Thru January 1 - RTA Holiday Bus

Bus routes, including Downtown Dayton routes and stops.

Santa's sleigh is at the RTA! The Greater Dayton RTA's holiday bus features Santa and his elves, who are RTA drivers helping spread good cheer by getting people to jobs this holiday season. The holiday bus will run along Dayton routes through Jan. 1 and features holiday music as well as free holiday masks and some surprise visits by the big man himself. For more info on the bus, or to join Santa's team at the RTA, visit www.iriderta.org.

Thru January 2 - Virginia Kettering's Holiday Train Display

Dayton Holiday Festival; Stratacache Tower lobby at the corner of Second & Main sts.

Visitors of all ages can view this beloved, one-of-a-kind model train display that was given to the community by Mrs. Virginia Kettering. Use the Second Street building entrance to view inside the lobby Mon-Sat, or view through the windows from outside anytime. 224-1518.

Thru January 16 - Exhibitions at The Co

The Contemporary Dayton,

25 W. Fourth St.; call for times.

The Contemporary Dayton presents its next set of exhibitions in the new galleries at the Dayton Arcade. Samuel Levi Jones' *The Empire Is Falling* features paintings comprised of rended book covers which investigate omissions and falsehoods embedded within the volumes. Willis "Bing" Davis' *Kneel* explores protests and civil rights through "kneelers." *The Boat People* from Tuan Andrew Nguyen follows a group of children who collect stories of a world they never knew. [More info](#).

Thru February 27 - Ice Skating

Riverscape MetroPark,

111 E. Monument Ave.; call for times.

Sheltered under the covered pavilion, the MetroParks Ice Rink sets the scene as a perfect winter wonderland in downtown Dayton.

the papers approving her move, but Helen refuses to sign. Her friend, Elsa comes to visit from Cape Town, hoping to help settle the situation, and Helen's neighbors are concerned about the odd sculptures Helen is creating in her yard.

December 3-30 - Whimsical Windows Contest & Elf Hunt

Dayton Holiday Festival; Several businesses throughout downtown.

This annual contest shows off the creativity of downtown Dayton's collection of small businesses as they decorate their storefront windows for the holidays in their own unique ways.

[Find participating businesses on the map here](#). Enjoy shopping, dining, and exploring downtown in this festive atmosphere! **Vote for your favorite window display online at Dayton.com, Dec. 3 thru 30** (voting link will be posted at downtowndayton.org). Find the elf hidden in each Whimsical Window and snap a pic for a chance to win \$100 in Downtown Dollars! [Details here](#).

December 4 - Dayton Greek Festival Holiday Market

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 500 Belmonte Park North; 10 a.m.-6 p.m

The Greek Fest is selling delicious Greek pastries, frozen Greek goods, imported grocery items and unique boutique options. Pre-order, Pre-pay and Pick-up on December 4, 2021 right before Christmas to ease your shopping/cooking needs. Order now at www.daytongreekfestival.com

December 4 - Family Movie Series: The Polar Express

Dayton Holiday Festival; The Neon, 130 E. Fifth St.; 11 a.m.

Bring the family to The Neon for fun, festive holiday films. Enjoy the following movies during this year's series: Dec. 4 - *The Polar Express*; Dec. 11 - *A Christmas Story*; Dec. 18 - *Jingle Jangle*. Titles subject to change. Free for kids 12 and younger, \$2 for

musical theater. The audience will be invited to sing along with old favorites and a new Christmas song, composed and arranged for the combined ensembles by UD students. Free and family friendly. [More info](#)

December 7-9 - This Week at Flyboys

Flyboys Deli, 219 N. Patterson Blvd., times listed below.

Play euchre every Tuesday at Flyboys! 6-9 p.m. Discounts on food and beverages! Want to test your knowledge? Flyboys has trivia every Wednesday night from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Prizes given out to those who win! Aces Club is a weekly beer event where Flyboys dons a new beer every Thursday. After you have been there five times you get your name on the board - after 41 trips to Flyboys on Thursdays you can earn your very own flying vehicle that hangs above our bar. You sign it, they hang it!

December 8 - Trivia with a Twist

Lock 27, 329 E. First St.; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Enjoy Trivia with a Twist in the Lock 27 Downtown Dayton Brewpub. Every Wednesday this summer except for Wednesdays that the Dragons have a home game! facebook.com/Lock27Brewing. Free.

December 8-11 - Improv at Black Box

Black Box Improv, 518 E. Third St; 8-10 p.m.

Did you know there was improv comedy done right here in downtown Dayton? If not, you do now! The Black Box Improv Theater is Dayton's best place to go for long form improv! We have shows every Weds-Sat! Wednesdays \$5, Thursdays \$10, Fridays & Saturdays \$15. For tickets to our shows please go to: daytonblackboximprov.com. Or you can pay at the door! **Proof of vaccinations required upon entry for all patrons and performers. Masks will also be required while inside the theater.**

December 9 - Christmas Concert

Chaminade Julianne Catholic High School, 505 S. Ludlow St.; 7 p.m.

Sounds of the Season will feature sacred and secular songs performed by the CJ concert choir, concert band, liturgical choir, percussion ensemble, string ensemble and a cappella groups. Free.

Patrons may skate daily, including all holidays. While the rink is open, you can enjoy delicious treats from the concession area, including a cup of hot chocolate. Take advantage of fun skating activities, such as lessons, themed skating nights and more. Visit metroparks.org/ice-rink to learn more, find daily open hours, and see a schedule of events. Admission: \$6 daily, ice skate rental: \$2 daily. Ages 3 and under are free with a paying adult. 278-2607.

Thru February 28 - Polar Bear Express

Routes throughout downtown; Call for dates, times, and cost.

Book a ride aboard the abominably decorated Pedal Wagon for a two-hour adventure through the festive streets of Dayton at a discounted rate. Reservations required. pedalwagon.com.

December 3 - DIY Holiday Decor: Upcycled Ice Skate Door Hanger

[2nd Street Market](http://2ndstreetmarket.com), 600 E. Second St.; 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Create a festive, one of a kind holiday door decoration or centerpiece with upcycled skates from the MetroParks Ice Rink. In collaboration with a Second Street Market Vendor, Consider the Lilies, participants will use local greenery and festive treatments to create a one-of-a-kind treasure. Materials are included. As a thank you for attending this class you will also receive free admission to the ice rink and a free skate rental (\$8 value). (Please note, bring clippers if you have them.) All ages. \$25.

adults. *Masks Required for all film screenings. Proof of COVID-19 vaccination or a negative test from the last 72 hours required for everyone 12 and older. Please stay tuned to neonmovies.com for the latest health protocols. Titles subject to change - call theater for confirmation.* 222-7469.

December 4 - Whiskey Rebellion Day

[Warped Wing Brewing Company](http://WarpedWingBrewingCompany.com), 26 Wyandot St.; starts at 11 a.m.

Join Warped Wing for the launch of Whiskey Rebellion Stout aged in Bourbon Barrels. Whiskey Rebellion and all three variants will be on tap upon opening. Bottle sales this year will be in-person only. Variant bottles are Taproom exclusive and will not be distributed. Regular WREB bottles will be available to purchase on our website for shipping throughout Ohio the week following the launch.

December 4 - DGMC Presents "Naughty & Nice"

[Westminster Presbyterian Church](http://WestminsterPresbyterianChurch.com), 125 N. Wilkinson St.; 2 & 6 p.m.

The Dayton Gay Men's Chorus is returning to live performances with it's annual holiday concert at Westminster Presbyterian Church. There will be two performances: 2 & 6 PM to allow for social distancing, and masks are required. Tickets are available at www.daytongaymenschorus.org or at the door. 937-530-0642. \$20.

December 4 - 15th Annual Toys for Tots Holiday Pub Crawl

Various locations in the Oregon District; 4 p.m.

The 15th annual Toys for Tots Holiday Pub Crawl in the Oregon District kicks off at 4pm on Sat, Dec 4th. Bring sure to bring your ID, this event is 21 and up. Dress like Santa, one of his elves, or your favorite Christmas Character! Visit the participating bars and get your card stamped to qualify for prizes! 11 participating spots this year

December 9-19 - Friend Art

[PNC Arts Annex](http://PNCArtsAnnex.com), corner of Second and Ludlow streets; call for times.

The Nerve presents "Friend Art." Molly and Kevin are engaged. They have "normal" jobs. Kevin and Nate have known each other since they were kids. Nate used to be famous once. He just broke up with Lil, who does performance art, and she used to work with Molly, who wanted to be an actress a long time ago. These relationships come to a head when Kevin decides he no longer wants the regular life he convinced Molly to live with him. Friend Art asks how late is too late to give up on your dreams, when are you really a grown-up, and what the hell are you supposed to say when walking out of a friend's truly terrible performance? Runtime: 1 hour and 30 minutes. Rated R.

December 9-19 - Season's Greetings

[PNC Arts Annex](http://PNCArtsAnnex.com), corner of Second and Ludlow streets; call for times.

SEASON'S GREETINGS is a live musical cabaret starring Gina Handy (Magnolia Theatre Company, Short North Stage) and Philip Drennen (Dare 2 Defy, *Vegas! The Show*). Accompanied by Deron Bell and his merry melody makers, this unique holiday experience showcases two extraordinary voices with local ties as they offer up some of the season's classics in a fun and casual way. Relax and laugh with family and friends, grab a special holiday cocktail at the bar, and even send your special musical "wish list" to Santa! Songs featured include a swingin' "I'll Be Home For Christmas," a funky "Jingle Bells," and a soulful "O' Holy Night." You also won't want to miss out on the traditional sing-a-long to close out the evening! Tickets can be purchased at daytonlive.org/seasons-greetings.

and you'll need to visit at least 8 of them to be eligible for door prizes!

December 4 - Valorant Tournament

[Connect e-Sports](#), 212 Wayne Ave.; 6 p.m.

Register for the Valorant Tournament on Saturday, December 4th. \$15 registration fee / person. Register as a free agent or team of 5. Online or in-person game play. \$300 first place prize! 70% of the prize pool pot to 2nd, 30% to 3rd.

December 4 & 5 - SDDT 28th Annual Nutcracker

[Dayton Masonic Center](#), 525 W. Riverview Ave.; Sat. 7 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m.

South Dayton Dance Theatre presents the classic holiday ballet. \$15-35. Free parking. More info: 435-5052 or sddt.org.

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EACC NEWSBRIEF: NOVEMBER 30, 2021



Friends,

Before our *Beaujolais Nouveau Premiere* on November 18, the EACC elected our 2022 Board of Directors at our Annual General Meeting. Our thanks and congratulations to those stepping up to this important task. Read more in EACC News below.

Congratulations also go to VonLehman CPAs & Advisors on the announcement of its new joint venture with Rödl & Partner -- get the details [here](#).

Young Professionals won't want to miss our final Executive Insights event of 2021 with Jean-François Flechet, Founder and 'Chief Waffle Officer' of Taste of Belgium. Only a few seats are left, so register today!

Finally, please plan to join us at Hofbräuhaus Newport this Thursday for our *Stammtisch* networking event!

FEATURED EVENT:



Thursday,
December 2

Stammtisch - EACC Networking

Join us at Hofbräuhaus Newport for business networking among current and prospective EACC members, as well as Ausirian-Swiss-German Committee members.

Stammtisch networking events are held on the first Thursday of every month.

REGISTER NOW

UPCOMING EACC EVENTS



**Monday,
December 6**

Transatlantic Collaboration on EV Batteries and their Role in the Green Energy Transition - EACC New York Webinar



**Tuesday,
December 7**

EACC Young Professionals Executive Insights Series: Jean-François Flechet, Owner & Founder, Taste of Belgium



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EACC NEWS



EACC BEHIND THE SCENES: 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTED AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The General Membership of the EACC of Greater Cincinnati held its annual meeting on Thursday, November 18. In addition to a brief (and positive) financial report from our Board Treasurer and comments from our Board President reviewing some highlights from 2021 (and looking forward to an even more eventful 2022), the primary purpose of the event was to elect your new EACC Board of Directors for 2022. Follow the link below to learn more.

[LEARN MORE](#)



UPCOMING PARTNER EVENTS

December 9

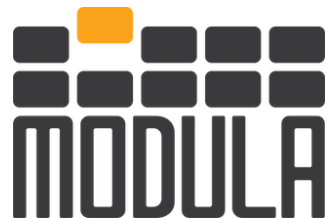
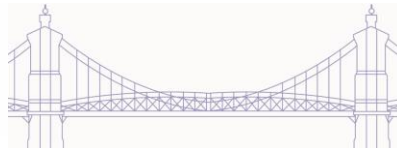
[Barnes Dennig - The Rapidly Changing Landscape of Multinational Tax - Virtual Event](#)

All the best!

Todd Schwartz

Executive Director, European American Chamber of Commerce

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