

This week at the First Peak

December 4-10, 2024 (Wed-Tue)

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20 E. Mills St., Columbus, NC 28722

Welcome! Enjoy this week's happenings– including **holiday events**. Our small town main streets of Historic Saluda, Tryon & Columbus are open! Please support our local businesses and attractions, and plan a visit soon.

Reoccurring events

Historic Tryon Movie Theatre • Tryon • “Conclave” shows Wed-Sat at 7pm and Thu & Sun at 2:30pm starring Ralph Fiennes and Stanley Tucci. 45 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-6811. Tickets at www.tryontheatre.com

★ **Tour of Historical Sites • Green Creek** • Wed at 1pm & Sat at 10am. Guided van tour of historical African American sites throughout Polk County, including a visit to Tryon Int'l Equestrian Center. Advance tickets required. Purchase online, \$30. 31 Amos Miller Lane, Rutherfordton, NC. 203-767-9264. www.pearidgepartnership.org

Handcrafted Holiday Market at Tryon Arts & Crafts School • Tryon • Through Dec 19. Purchase items from local artists. Mon-Fri 9am-4pm & Sat 9am-1pm. 373 Harmon Field Rd., Tryon, NC. www.tryonartsandcrafts.org

Live Music and Tastings at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • Free Music: 2pm. Sat, Beau Beaumont, Sun, Dan Lane. **Tastings:** Wed 12-5pm, Fri-Sun 12-6pm. Relish Grill open Thu 12-5:30pm, Fri-Sun 12-6:30pm. 2275 Whiteside Rd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-894-0154. www.parkerbinnsvineyard.com

Holiday Tree Walk Fundraiser at Mountain Brook Vineyards • Green Creek • Wed-Sun 12-6pm. See decorated trees in the Experience Center & vote for your favorite with a \$1 donation. 731 Phillips Dairy Rd, Tryon. 828-722-1037. www.mountainbrookvineyards.com

❄️ **Shadrack's Christmas Light Show at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring** • Nightly through Jan 5, 6-10pm. Enjoy this enormous drive-thru light show animated to music. Purchase tickets online or at the gate, starting at \$35 a car load, can upgrade. The event entrance is 3580 Pea Ridge Rd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-863-1000. www.resort.tryon.com

❄️ **Carriage Ride Through Shadrack's Christmas Light Show at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring** • Fri-Sun, through Dec 22, 6-10pm. Enjoy the drive-thru light show animated to music by horse drawn carriage. Tickets must be purchased in advance, \$60 per person. The entrance is at 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. www.resort.tryon.com

Ice Skating at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • Fri-Sun, various times, through Jan 1. Bring the whole family ice skating and enjoy the holiday atmosphere. Advance reservation suggested, purchase online, \$20 per person, includes skates. 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-863-1000. www.resort.tryon.com

Winterfest Village at Tryon International Equestrian Ctr. • Mill Spring • Fri-Sun through Dec 23, 5-9pm. Enjoy photo ops, music, strolling characters, meet and greet Santa, the Whos from Whoville, bounce house, & more. Tickets are \$14/children and \$18/adult. Purchase online or at the gate. Parking fee is \$10 per vehicle. See venue info above.

Live Music at Green River Eddy's Tap Room • Saluda • Free music, 7pm. Fri, Seth & Sara; Sat, Sketoos Ghost Band. 435 Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-848-4060. www.saludaoutfitters.com

Charles Dickens' Dinner at The Orchard Inn • Saluda • Thu-Sun through Dec 22, 6:30pm. 4-course dinner with readings from “A Christmas Carol.” Reservations required, \$100. 100 Orchard Inn Lane, Saluda, NC. orchardinn.com

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Wednesday December 4 (more Wednesday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)


Music at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross • Tryon • Free, 12pm. “All About Bells” an Advent concert series featuring Jane Patterson and Brennan Szafron. 150 Melrose Ave., Tryon, NC. 828-859-9741. holycrosstryon.org 


Free Live Music at Iron Key Brewing Co. • Columbus • Wed, Flight Night 4-9pm, free music at 6pm by Raphael Graves. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-802-1045. www.ironkeybrewing.com 

“Disco in December” at The Fitzgerald • Tryon • 6pm. Dress in disco fashion, listen to the Masci Family Band and learn the hustle. Tickets \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. 69 Pacolet St., Tryon, NC. www.mascifamilypopups.com 

Thursday, December 5 (more Thursday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)


Tales of Tryon at Holy Cross Parish Hall • Tryon • Free, 4pm. Author Drew Hines discusses his book “Hidden History of the Dark Corner”. 150 Melrose Ave. Tryon, NC. 828-440-1116. www.tryonhistorymuseum.org 

Paint and Sip at Back Alley Barn • Saluda • 6pm. Paint “Candy the Reindeer” on canvas with assistance from a local artist. Advance reservation required, \$35. Text 828-674-8964 to register. 30 E. Main St., Saluda, NC. 

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 7:30pm. Music by Cary Fridley and Bayla Davis. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$10. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Friday, December 6 (more Friday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)



Tryon Christmas Stroll • Tryon • 5-8pm. Stroll along the charming downtown streets, explore local shops or enjoy a meal at one of the many restaurants. Downtown, Tryon, NC. 828-817-5523. www.downtowntryon.org 


Saturday, December 7 (more Saturday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)


Breakfast with Santa at Stearns Gym • Columbus • 9am-12pm. Kid-friendly breakfast, Christmas crafts, games, and meet Santa! Tickets are \$10 per child at the door. 105 N. Peak St., Columbus, NC. 828-722-5111. spartanburgymca.org

Breakfast with Santa at Tryon Resort • Mill Spring • 9am-1pm. Kid-friendly breakfast buffet with Santa! Advance tickets required, \$16/child, \$30/adult, children under 4/free. www.resort.tryon.com See venue info page 1.

Columbus Winter Market at Iron Key Brewing • Columbus • 10am-1pm. Buy local produce, homemade goods, crafts and more. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-894-2281. www.polkcountyfarms.org 


German Style Christkindlmarkt at The Congregational Church • Tryon • 1-6pm. Shop at this outdoor German-style Christmas market featuring local artisans & crafters, live music, Haus Heidelberg food truck, drinks, kids’ area, Santa Claus, and more. 210 Melrose Ave., Tryon, NC. 828-859-9414. www.ucctryon.org 

27th Annual Tuba Christmas Concert at Polk Co. High School • Columbus • Free, 1:30pm. Enjoy holiday classics arranged for tuba and baritone horns plus carol singing. 1681 NC 108, Columbus, NC. 828-894-2324 

Christmas Parade • Columbus • 4:30pm. Enjoy the annual Christmas parade through Downtown Columbus 




Christmas at Stearns Park • Columbus • 5pm. Meet Santa & Mrs. Claus, take pictures, listen to story time, enjoy free holiday activities, and the lighting of the community Christmas tree. 828-894-8236. www.columbusnc.com 

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 8pm. Music by Underhill Rose. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$15. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Sunday, December 8 (more Sunday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Paint and Sip at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • 12pm. Paint “Merry Grinchmas” on canvas with assistance from a local artist. Advance reservation required, \$35. Text 828-674-8964 to register. See venue info Pg. 1

Panel Discussion at Upstairs Artspace • Tryon • Free, 2:30pm. Dale McEntire, William Price, Michael Sherrill, & Kate Breckheimer discusses “Art and Environmental Activism.” 49 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. www.upstairsartspace.org 

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