FIRST NIGHT HARTFORD
DEC 31 2019

ALL DAY ADMISSION: $12 ADULTS | $3 YOUTH AGES 3-15 | FREE ADMISSION AGES 2 AND UNDER
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PROGRAM GUIDE | 2PM - MIDNIGHT

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THE RICHARD P. GARMAN FUND
at The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving
**ACTIVITIES**

- **Board Games**
- **Carousel Rides**
- **Crafts**
- **Ice Skating**
- **Kazoo Khorus**
- **Resolution Luminaries**
- **Self Portraits**

**FIRST NIGHT AT A GLANCE**

- **Board Games**
- **Ice Skating**
- **Kazoo Khorus**
- **Resolution Luminaries**
- **Self Portraits**

**ARTISTS**

- Paul Bisaccia - “Rhapsody in Blue - All Gershwin Concert”
- Beatles Forever - Beatles Tribute
- Boys From Wexford - Irish Folk
- Peter Greenfogel Quartet - Jazz
- John Hasselback III Quartet - Jazz
- Grayson Hugh - Blue Eyed Soul Legend with Polly Messer
- Chris Hurlbert - Magician
- Robert Lotreck Trio - Jazz
- Ellen Lovino - Singer/Songwriter
- Anne Marie Menta Duo - Singer/Songwriter
- Moto - Calypso/Reggae
- The O’Tones - Swing & Soul
- The Poduck Throwbacks - Folk Rock
- Rock Solid Alibi - Music of the 70’s - 90’s
- Sea Tea Improv - Improvisation
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**TRANSPORTATION**

- The Hartford Dash shuttle (FREE) normal route: service will be operating from 7PM to 11PM.
- For details about transit services available December 21st visit hartforddash.com and hartfordline.com, self-service stops have been posted.
- To talk to someone about all the options available to get to Hartford please call 877-CTRIDES (877-287-4337).

**STREET PARKING**

- Street parking everywhere else is free after 6pm.

**DOWNTOWN GARAGES**

- Special Flat Rates: $5 after 2PM.
- One Financial Plaza The Gold Building ($5 begins at 1PM)
- Morgan St garage 155 Morgan St ($5 after 2PM)
- The Matt garage 20 Church St. ($5 after 2PM mention first night parker to receive $5 rate)

**LODGING**

- **HILTON HARTFORD**
  - Rate: $119, plus tax, includes a 2% tax check in on 12/31, complimentary overnight parking and 2pm late checkout on 1/1
- **MARriott HARTFORD**
  - Rate: $130, plus tax, includes complimentary validation and 2pm late checkout on 1/1
- **GOODWIn HOTEL**
  - Rate: $149.00, plus tax, includes breakfast voucher and comp 1pm checkout. The rate is available online with code FNH2020 under "Corporate/Procurement Code".

**PEOPLE’S PROCESSION**

- **Resolution Luminaries**
  - Early 2pm - 10:30pm
- **Crafts**
  - Early 2pm - 5:30pm
- **Rides**
  - Early 2pm - 12am
- **Paul Bisaccia**
  - Early 2pm - 5:30pm
- **Podunk Throwback**
  - Early 2pm - 5:30pm
- **Crafts**
  - Early 2pm - 4pm
- **FACES OF CELEBRATION 2PM - 5:30PM**
- **Boys From Wexford**
  - Early 3pm - 5:30pm

**EVENTS**

### Resolution Luminaries 2pm - 10:30pm

- Crafts 2pm - 5:30pm
- Rides 2pm - 12am
- Paul Bisaccia
- Podunk Throwback
- Kazoo Khorus

### Crafts 2pm - 4pm

- Paul Bisaccia
- Kazoo Khorus
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### Open Skating 2pm - 12 am

### Crafts 2pm - 5:30pm

### Faces of Celebration 2pm - 5:30pm

### Boys from Wexford 3pm - 5:30pm

### Crafts 2pm - 5:30pm
Activities

HARTFORD COURANT: THE STORIES THAT SHAPED THE DECADE
The Stories that Shaped the Decade From the devastation of Sandy Hook to the dominance of UConn basketball, the Courant presents an exhibit featuring the stories that have shaped Connecticut from 2010 to 2020. Viewing and reception will be held at the Hartford Public Library’s Downtown branch from 2-4 PM.

THE KAZOO KHORUS
Come join our krazy Kazoo Khorus and take part in the 6:00 p.m. fireworks program. Kazoo experts John and Deanna Swanson will hold classes where you will learn how to play the kazoo (It’s really easy. Can you hum??) One of the songs you’ll learn is “Auld Lang Syne.” All members of the Kazoo Khorus will join together and perform this as part of the fireworks program.

Classes held at Christ Church Parish Hall at 2:00, 3:00, 4:00 and 5:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION LUMINARIES
Long a symbol of warmth and hospitality, a burning light shines to invite visitors to stay awhile. You’re invited to come and “stay awhile” while you write your New Year’s Resolution on a luminary bag and set it down with others creating a “community” of hope and light. Sponsored by American Waste.

Located on Burr Mall between the Wadsworth and City Hall

Butler McCook House
Join us at the Butler McCook House for our celebration of First Night Hartford 2020. Step into the warmth of this oldest of Hartford’s homes on Main Street as you participate in First Night activities and events. Tour the first floor of the historic Butler McCook House. Participate in family activities in the Main Street History Center, where we will make origami samurai helmets to don for the parade, along with Victorian paper craft snowflakes. Then place your wish for 2020 on our Wish Wall in the Aetna Gallery. Free with First Night wristband or regular admission applies.

Old State House
Celebrate First Night at Connecticut’s Old State House. Families can make crafts together, participate in a Scavenger Hunt and win prizes, meet four therapy dogs, including the famous Gismo (@GizmosFrens), play the Connecticut Trivia Challenge, and visit the brand new Museum Shop and Information Center. First Night is a great night to have fun exploring this beautiful 1796 National Landmark with friends and family!

Wadsworth Atheneum
Come join us at the Wadsworth Atheneum for an afternoon of art making! Learn how artists use shapes, colors and texture to give their work a mood (a feeling, like happy or silly). Then express your personality with a New Year’s Day party mask that lets everyone know how you’re feeling. Have fun wearing your festive mask around the city as you enjoy other First Night Hartford activities.

PEOPLE’S PROCESSION
Bring a noisemaker, wear a crazy hat or mask, carry your own banner and join in the People’s Procession and make it really your own. Led by the talented and energetic Hartford Hot Several, the procession starts on Main Street in front of Center Church and brings everyone to Bushnell Park and the early fireworks display. Sponsored by EZEvent.

Gather in front of the church starting at 5:30pm

FACES OF CELEBRATION (SELF PORTRAITS)
Everyone’s an artist! And, tonight we’re all celebrating! So, come on over to Painting With A Twist at 45 Pratt Street and draw your beautiful face in celebration! You can either take your self-portrait home with you, or leave it with us for our “Faces of Celebration” exhibit that will be in downtown Hartford for the month of January.

Portrait sessions will be on the hour and half hour from 2pm - 5:30pm space is limited, so come early.

FIRST NIGHT JAZZ CLUB
As a tribute Nat Reeves as this year’s honored artist, we’ve devoted a whole venue to jazz featuring some of the best jazz musicians around. Stop by anytime. You won’t be disappointed. Sponsored by The Richard P. Garmany Fund.

28 Trumbull st 4 - 5pm ; 6:30 - 7:30pm ; 8 - 9pm ; 9:30- 10:30pm
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