



Holidays Around the World

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Every year for the past 75 years, the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago has displayed a special holiday exhibit from November 15 to January 6, called Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light. This exhibit features a 45-foot (four stories) Grand Tree that extends from floor to dome, covered in 30,000 lights. It is surrounded by more than 50 12-foot trees that represent holiday traditions across the globe. The First Christmas Exhibit: Christmas Around the World began in 1942 during World War II. It started out as only one tree decorated newly each night to represent twelve different countries. It was originally a tribute to the Allied Forces who were fighting in the war. It has evolved over the years to show global cultures from upwards of fifty areas people generally don't know a lot about concerning culture, such



as Czech Republic, the Philippines, Lebanon, and Croatia. They're decorated by volunteers from the Chicago area's ethnic community. Holidays Around the World: Holidays of Light was added in 1994 to inform people of world holidays, including Hanukkah, Diwali, Chinese New Year, Ramadan, Kwanzaa, and St. Lucia Day. It's grouped in with the Christmas Around the World exhibit on the main floor.

In addition to the trees and cultural displays, the Museum of Science and Industry plays a mix of holiday music throughout the exhibit, and fake snow falls every half hour. Live performances from the different cultures represented in the exhibit are able to be viewed on the weekend, consisting of vocal and dance presentations. For children, Santa visits over the duration of this exhibit on Yesterday's Main Street. Holiday gifts and unique ornaments may be purchased in the Holiday Shop. Christmas Podcast: On the Museum of Science and Industry's website, a "Trees and Traditions" podcast is available to listen to in



Outside of the Science and Industry Museum in Chicago, Illinois.

case people can't come physically to the exhibit. It contains stories of how people around the world celebrate the holiday season.

Museum Information: The Museum of Science and Industry is open every day from 9:30-4:00, with extended hours to 5:30 on specific days, except for Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, when they're closed. It is located on 5700 S. Lake Shore Drive in Chicago, Illinois. The two exhibits are included in museum entry. Tickets for adults are \$21.95, \$12.95 for children (3-11), and free for members, but there are discounts if the tickets are bought online.



One of the trees in the Museum of Science and Industry.

Turkey Trot



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The city of Chicago, Illinois celebrates many different holidays in many different ways. These include the St. Patrick's Day parade with the dying of the Chicago River, Christmas decorations, most notably the Macy's decorations, and fireworks on the Fourth of July. One of these celebrations include the Turkey Trot to observe Thanksgiving. November 22nd will mark the Turkey Trot's 41st anniversary. The Turkey Trot is a 5k/8k around the city with a tailgate afterwards, and tailgate includes games such as cornhole, football toss, and turkey bowling. The race also hosts fun games to participate in during the race, including a challenge to bring together your family and friends in a group registration. Groups of 10 or more will be rewarded. A group registration includes a team name, a Flock Captain, and entry to win a \$50 Jewel gift certificate. Participants are also encouraged, although not required, to dress up in a Thanksgiving-themed costume in order to make the overall experience more enjoyable. Races are open to all age groups. There is even a youth 5k for those under 17 years of age. Children between the ages of two and twelve are also able to participate in the Plymouth

Rock Ramble. Upon registration, each child will receive a t-shirt as well as a Plymouth Rock Ramble finisher medal. Strollers and wheelchairs are also permitted.

The Turkey Trot is presented by Byline Bank. The purpose of the race is to support the Greater Chicago Food Depository who works to ensure that no Chicagoan goes hungry during this holiday centered around a feast. There are a total of 15 age group categories, ranging from over 80 to under 14. Last year, the race travelled along Cannon Drive near Lincoln Park. This course is not expected to change, however, it may change under direction of the City of Chicago.

Everyone is welcome to come out and participate in this tradition. For more information, please visit their website: <https://www.turkey-trotchicago.com/>



Poster made for the 2017 Turkey Trot.

NATIVE AMERICAN MONTH



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This month is Native-American month, a time for honoring the Native-Americans in America. While the entire month of November is solely dedicated to this, that was not always the case. At the turn of the 20th century, many Natives started proposing an idea for a day to honor their culture. In 1914, a man named Red Fox James, who was a member of the Blackfoot tribe, rode horseback from state to state in order to gain support for what he called a day of tribute. One year later, Dr. Arthur C. Parker, a member of the Seneca tribe, convinced the Boy Scouts of America to devote a day to recognize their native members. This led to the state of New York being the first state to declare a specific holiday honoring Native-Americans, Indian Day, in 1916. Many states soon followed suit, and President George Bush expanded the holiday to the entire month of November in 1990. How Can We Celebrate?

From the first to the 15th of November, the American Indian Center, located at 3041 W Ainslie St. in Chicago, will be holding contemporary moccasinating workshops where participants can learn how to make the traditional Native-American shoes. They will also be holding the Sioux chef's indigenous kitchen on November 12th where each attendee will learn how to make traditional Sioux dishes. The event will be hosted by Sean Sherman from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Participants will be cooking recipes from his new cookbook, The Sioux Chef's Indigenous Kitchen. The Chicago Public Library is also holding a film screening of The Return of the Navajo Boy, a documentary directed by Jeff Spitz. It will be held November fourth at the Lozano branch of the Library.

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Native American Heritage Month logo.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WORLD WAR I



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On November 11th, 1918, World War One officially ended. The conflict between the major world powers lasted around four years, and involved many countries that would go on and participate in World War Two. The United States, France, Russia, Germany, and Great Britain are some of the most notable countries involved in the war. November 11th, 2018, marks the one-hundred year anniversary of Armistice Day, the name given to the day that the Central Powers and the Allied Powers, reached an agreement and signed a peace treaty ending the war. This year, many festivals and celebrations are being organized all over the world to honor the end of the war.

French President, Emmanuel Macron, invited all world leaders to celebrate Armistice Day in Paris. Vladimir Putin, president of Russia, is one of the leaders planning to participate in the Armistice celebrations. He plans to attend festivals located by the Champs-Elysees in Paris, and later meet with Macron. Press Secretary, Sarah Sanders, also revealed that President Donald Trump plans to at-

attend the celebrations in Paris. Throughout the world, many celebrations are being planned to remember the soldiers who died in the war and the peace that was finally obtained once the treaty was signed. New Zealand is a country that suffered greatly from their involvement in the war. The country, which had almost 10% of their population of a million fighting in the war, had the greatest ratio of citizens fighting to the total population. Because of the war's impact, the government has organized plans to celebrate those who fought in the war and those who lost their lives fighting. In Wellington, the capital city of New Zealand, a 100-gun salute on the waterfront will occur to mark the one-hundred year anniversary. The New Zealand government will follow this with a National Service held near a memorial for the war. The service will be livestreamed and followed by a sunset ceremony, which also will be livestreamed. The Ministry for Culture and Heritage in New Zealand released a full list of the celebrations occurring around the country.

The United States doesn't celebrate Armistice day, but instead made the day a holiday to honor all veterans.

Many places in the United States are holding celebrations or special offers for veterans on November 11th. One offer for veterans, related to World War One, is free admission into the National Museum of World War One from November 9-11th. The Museum, located in Kansas City, Missouri, will also hold special exhibits for the Armistices' centennial.



World War 1 badge from the 75th Anniversary of the end of the war.