



ARTS DISTRICT
LIBERTY STATION



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SKATE, CREATE, CELEBRATE & BUY LOCAL ART
“Holiday Gifts with a Creative Twist” Supports Local Artists
#SaluteTheSeason

San Diego – October 30, 2018 - Each year, ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station invites the community to ***Salute the Season*** with a full event calendar during the holidays. Starting in November, there will be events happening throughout the art-filled campus through the end of December.

“The holidays come to life in creative ways at ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station,” said Executive Director Alan Ziter. “This has become the place to SKATE, CREATE and CELEBRATE and we’ve planned a wide range of activities, celebrations, shopping, dining...and skating to ensure festive holidays and memories for all!”

Rady Children's Ice Rink at Liberty Station, benefiting Rady Children’s Hospital, returns for another season of holiday fun starting November 17 through January 6. Last year, over 33,000 skaters took to the ice for the annual holiday skating treat. As an added bonus, **Café Mingei** will be open for skaters to enjoy coffee, tea and treats. The café, located in the Dick Laub NTC Command Center opposite the newly opened Shop Mingei, will serve hot and iced espresso drinks made with coffee from local roaster West Bean, plus a selection of vibrant teas, gourmet hot chocolate and other refreshing beverages.

Salute the Season Celebration with Santa and Friends is an opportunity to create new family holiday memories and take pictures with Santa! In addition to a visit from Saint Nick, the Celebration will feature live entertainment including bands and carolers for all to enjoy! Every Saturday in December through 12/22.

And don’t miss a chance to take your photo by our giant holiday tree, a gift to the Navy in 1929! A feature this year will be the official lighting of the 90 ft. Norfolk Pine on **November 30**.

An exciting addition to this year’s holiday offerings is ***Intersections*** - a one-of-a-kind journey into the history, tradition, and beauty of the ARTS DISTRICT. Presented by local dance company transcenDANCE, performers will take audiences on a journey, incorporating the natural



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landscapes and dynamic architectural offerings of the ARTS DISTRICT through site-specific dance. Meeting locations and performance routes will vary, giving audiences a choose-your-own-adventure experience. Spectators can meet the group at the beginning of the experience and travel along for a 60-minute dance performance. Enjoy as others discover the event along the way and follow with mid-performance. Spontaneity and chance are hallmarks of this transcenDANCE residency, funded by the NTC Foundation.

Two performances will coincide with popular **Friday Night Liberty**, November 2 and December 7, San Diego's biggest monthly art walk. For exact meeting times and locations, visit tDarts.org/events/

Another Salute the Season highlight will be a new temporary holiday art installation. This is the fourth year that a local artist will be featured. The piece entitled "Toying with Light," by San Diego artist Nico Meyer, will be unveiled on November 30 as part of the tree lighting festivities. Meyer has been producing art and fabricating metal and wood sculptures for over 10 years. This ever changing light sculpture is the latest project from the NTC Foundation's Art in Public Places Committee.

"Nico Meyer's interactive sculpture caught our attention due to its scale and intriguing lighting. We are looking forward to the surprise, awe and wonder it will bring," said Vicki Reed, Committee Chair.

After a festive skate, shoppers are encouraged to wander through 16 historic buildings and visit the over 80 artists, galleries and museums to shop for **Holiday Gifts with a Creative Twist**. Locally-made unique works of art, handmade jewelry and furniture make great gifts that are unique, creative and support our arts and culture community.

Visit ARTSDISTRICTLibertyStation.com for a complete calendar of holiday activities and gift ideas.

2018 SALUTE THE SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

RADY CHILDREN'S ICE RINK AT LIBERTY STATION | OPENING November 17-January 6

Rady Children's Ice Rink, benefiting Rady Children's Hospital, is at home in the historic heart of Liberty Station. Enjoy festive outdoor skating every day from 10 AM-10 PM. Tickets may be purchased in person at the rink. Visit <https://www.radyfoundation.org/icerink>.

SHOP ARTISTS WITH A CREATIVE TWIST | November 17 & 18, 11- 6 PM

Open studios at participating resident artists studios, museums and galleries.

Shop art and art classes as gifts for the holidays directly from Resident Artists. This event offers both Self Guided and Guided Studio Tours. Many artists will be holding raffles and live painting demos during this inaugural SHOP ARTISTS event! Explore the exciting talent right here in



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Liberty Station, learn some new things and buy some unique holiday gifts.

ShopArtistswithaCreativeTwist.weebly.com/

LIBERTY STATION TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY | Wednesday, November 30, 6:00 PM

Watch as the spirit of the season lights up Liberty Station. Marvel as the 90 ft. Norfolk Pine is transformed with thousands of twinkling lights and colorful ornaments. Be sure to get a first peak at artist Nico Meyer's "Toying with Light" holiday light art installation and experience a sense of discovery as the patterns change. Grab a seat on the lawn or spend the evening rocking around the tree with live music, enjoy refreshments and merry decorations throughout Liberty Station.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIBERTY | November 2 and December 7, 5:00 - 9:00 PM

Experience all the ARTS DISTRICT has to offer is by attending a **FREE Friday Night Liberty** art walk - San Diego's biggest FREE monthly art event! Meet working artists, enjoy dance, theatre and music performances, visit museums and galleries and explore the growing District decorated in its holiday finest. Sip and stroll while you shop for holiday gifts with a creative twist, enjoy lively entertainment and new culinary and creative experiences. Stop by Dick Laub NTC Command Center, 2640 Historic Decatur Road, and pick up a monthly program. Monthly highlights at ARTSDISTRICTLibertyStation.com

Salute the Season Celebration with Santa and Friends | Saturdays in December | North Promenade, 5:00-8:00 PM

Celebrate the holidays and take pictures with Santa! In addition to a visit from Saint Nick, the Salute the Season Celebration with Santa and Friends will provide live entertainment including bands and carolers for all to enjoy! Join the fun by the seasonally decorated tree on the North Promenade near Stone Brewing.

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION AND MENORAH LIGHTING | Central Promenade (by THE LOT) | December 3, 5:00-6:00 PM

The Liberty Station Hanukkah Celebration and Menorah Lighting will take place in the Central Promenade next to the Rady Children's Ice Rink. Rabbis from Chabad Downtown and Chabad of Pacific Beach will be in attendance. Live entertainment will take the stage for all to enjoy. Enjoy a night of skating after the lighting. 2620 Truxtun Rd.

INTERSECTIONS PRESENTED BY transcENDANCE

transcENDANCE invites audiences on a journey called *Intersections*, a site-specific moving performance that celebrates San Diego's unique history across ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station.

Location starting points and times:

November 2, 6:30 PM, by Pinot's Palette, 2820 Roosevelt Rd.

November 18, 1:00 PM, by Moment Cycle, 2816 Historic Decatur Rd.

December 2, 1:15 PM, Luce Court & Legacy Plaza, 2641 Truxtun Rd.

December 7, 6:30 PM, by Moment Cycle, 2816 Historic Decatur Rd.

December 15, 6:00 PM, by Moniker General & Fire Ring, 2860 Sims Rd.



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FREE DAY OF DANCE | DOROTHEA LAUB DANCE PLACE | December 26, 9:30 AM - 6:30 PM

A tradition continues. San Diego Dance Connect, Malashock Dance, San Diego Ballet and San Diego Dance Theater will come together to offer a **Free Day of Dance at Dorothea Laub Dance Place**. The schedule will include a diverse variety of movement classes and community members of all experience levels are invited to participate. More info at www.SanDiegoDanceConnect.org

*The **NTC Foundation** was established in 2000 as a 501 c 3 nonprofit foundation to enrich the lives of San Diegans by renovating 26 historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center to create, facilitate and operate a broad-based complex focused on experiencing the arts, culture, and creativity that are the hallmark of the San Diego region. The NTC Foundation has oversight over 26 buildings in the ARTS DISTRICT. NTCFoundation.org*

***ARTS DISTRICT Liberty Station** is San Diego's largest Arts & Cultural District located in historic buildings at the former Naval Training Center at Liberty Station near Downtown on San Diego Bay. With 100 park-like acres the ARTS DISTRICT is home to nearly 120 museums and galleries, artist studios, dance companies, educational groups, multidisciplinary arts, fine dining, creative retail and other organizations that showcase San Diego's creative community and provide innovative experiences for the public. The District also features venues for indoor or outdoor events, festivals, seminars, retreats and meetings. ARTSDISTRICTLibertyStation.com*

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