



Oregon Symphony
CARLOS PALMAR, MUSIC DIRECTOR

GOSPEL CHRISTMAS

Friday, December 12 | 7:30 pm
Saturday, December 13 | 7:30 pm
Sunday, December 14 | 4 pm

Charles Floyd, conductor Gary Hemenway, music director
Northwest Community Gospel Choir

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Wreaths Support Parks Programs

Another long-standing Portland tradition is coming back for the holidays. Portland Parks and Recreation will offer hundreds of gorgeous wreaths for sale with proceeds going to support some of the parks' most popular youth programming, specifically the Summer Nature Day Camp, and the Children's Nature Classes. Profits from the wreath sales ensure that children who could not afford to attend these park programs can afford tuition.

The locations and hours of the wreath sales vary: Mt Tabor Yard, 6437 S.E. Division St., everyday through Dec. 15, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Portland Building Customer Service Center, 1120 S.W. Fifth Ave., Monday through Friday, through Dec. 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Hoyt Arboretum Visitor's Center, 4000 S.W. Fairview Blvd., Monday through Saturday, through Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Bureau of Planning & Sustainability, 1900 S.W. Fourth Ave., Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Wastewater Treatment Plant Administration



Holiday wreaths bring smiles to participants of a Portland Parks and Recreation wreath-making class from last year.

Building, 5001 N. Columbia Blvd., Thursday, Dec. 4 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Southwest Community Center, 6820 S.W. 45th Ave., Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Sellwood Community Center Holiday Bazaar, 1436 S.E. Spokane St., Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and the Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 N.E. Knott St., Friday, Dec. 12 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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The mugs come out for Portland's Holiday Ale Festival, taking place Wednesday, Dec. 3 through Sunday, Dec. 7 at Pioneer Courthouse Square.

Holiday Ale Festival

One of the finest gatherings of winter beers will mark the 19th annual Holiday Ale Festival, taking place Wednesday, Dec. 3 through Sunday, Dec. 7 at Pioneer Courthouse Square, downtown.

The popular event will feature 53 big, bold ales, plus another two dozen rare, vintage and specialty beers that will be tapped at various times throughout the event. The purchase of an entry package is required.

The Holiday Ale Festival is for ages 21 and over. Attendees stay warm and dry under clear-topped tents that cover the venue. In addition to beer tasting, the festival also features meet the brewer events, a root beer garden, food vendors, beer pairings with cheese, event merchandise and a coat and bag check that raises funds for the Children's Cancer Association.

For more information, visit holidayale.com.