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## ON THE COVER

"Mickey's Holiday Dream" by Mike Peraza. Mike is an award-winning designer with over 30 years experience creating for Walt Disney Studios, Warner Brothers, Lucasfilm and more. His paintings and prints hang in collections around the world. In fact, you can see one of his largest: a mural for Under the Sea—Journey of The Little Mermaid, here in New Fantasyland®.

## Mickey monitor

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## A Very Merry Tradition

### Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party returns!

The sights, sounds and tastes of this magical holiday season will be in full swing on select nights between November 9 and December 21, as Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party returns to Magic Kingdom® Park.

"The beautiful part of the holidays are all our traditions," said Event Manager Sara King. "And this party has become our Guests' traditional way of kicking the season off."

Obviously, Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party is a must-see holiday experience for families. With a unique Christmas parade, special

fireworks, complimentary cookies and cocoa, holiday shows, Disney Characters everywhere you look, special holiday "snow" and almost every Magic Kingdom attraction, this event holds a special place in many a Passholder's heart.

#### A Parade Favorite

Sara has been a Walt Disney World® Cast Member for 23 years now, and she's spent about a third of her career overseeing this magical event. For her, Mickey's Once Upon a Christmastime Parade is an especially cherished part of the evening. "I love what we do with

the princesses in the parade," said Sara. "With the horse-driven carriages and their Christmas costumes, it's really a lovely moment."

Also for Sara, part of the fun is the opportunity she gets to attend the event and sneak a peek at the results of her team's work. "You always see the kids watching in amazement and pure wonder. That's really the reason we all work here."

#### Party with Your Disney Pals

Like any good party, this one comes complete with a roster of holiday hosts to help you have a great time. Only in this case, those hosts are some of the Disney Characters! The Celebrate the Season show on the castle forecourt features a slew of favorite music and characters—including Santa Goofy and Mickey himself.

Sara suggests checking out the character dance parties, as well. "If you're at the event and it's a little chilly, it's the best place to go and get warm. Parents can sit and rest while kids have fun. They'll all be out dancing with the characters!"

#### Fireworks—and More—Light Up the Sky

Exclusive to Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party is the fireworks extravaganza, Holiday Wishes: Celebrate the Spirit of the Season, a unique nighttime spectacular featuring 180-degree fireworks.

"It's definitely a wow," said Sara. "A lot of our first-time Guests to the party have never had an experience where they are circled by fireworks like that."

One more "wow" moment comes with the Castle Dreamlights show as thousands and thousands of tiny lights transform Cinderella Castle into a glittering wonder. "It's timed to take place as our day Guests' finale and the launch of holiday tradition." "We have a moment with the Fairy Godmother who speaks to the kids and, 'Bibbidi Bobbidi Boo', the Guests are part of the lighting. It's definitely a must-see."

Entertainment offerings subject to change without notice. Admission to this event requires a separately priced ticket. Ticket valid only during specific event hours and subject to availability.

## Special Passholder Savings!

Here's a great way to take in the magic just for Passholders!

Save \$10 off the regular Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party ticket price when you purchase in advance for **November 9, 12, 15, 25, 27 and 29** and **December 2, 4, 6 and 11**.

Go to [disneyworld.com/passholder](https://disneyworld.com/passholder) to purchase your specially discounted advance-purchase tickets for **\$54.95** plus tax (**\$49.95** plus tax for ages 3–9).

Proof of valid Passholder ID required. Offer is valid for Passholder plus three (3) Guests. Guests must accompany Passholder.



# Candlelight Processional

With the procession of new celebrity narrators and our favorite classic carols just days away, we were so inspired by the upcoming Candlelight Processional we wrote a special poem just for our Passholders.



## Night of the Candlelight

'Twas the night of the Processional  
And all through **Epcot**<sup>®</sup>  
Passholders were stirring  
To find the best spot

A group wearing Mickey ears  
Just in time for the show  
Had dinner in France  
So were escorted front row

The conductor tapped the podium  
With his tiny baton  
And the audience knew in a moment  
The concert was on

The choir lit their candles  
And sang with great glee  
As they formed in the shape  
Of a great Christmas tree

When all of a sudden  
Who should emerge from stage right?  
A celebrity narrator  
A new star for each night!

Now Whoopi! Now Geena!  
Now Marlee! Now Gary!  
On Blair! On Trace!  
On Neil Patrick Harris!

They regaled the theater  
Thirty-eight nights in a row  
With the story of Christmas  
Before a tree, all aglow

When the last candle faded  
There came a standing ovation  
Then a familiar twinkle  
To the audience's elation

Proclaimed a pixie voice  
From above all the cheers  
'A magical Christmas to all!  
See you at **Epcot**<sup>®</sup> next year!

## Candlelight Processional

America Gardens Theatre

5, 6:45 and 8:15 p.m.

Celebrate the holiday season with your favorite celebrity narrators—accompanied by a 50-piece orchestra and a candlelight choir singing classic Christmas songs.

**Geena Davis**

Nov. 23–25

**Neil Patrick Harris**

Nov. 26–29

**Whoopi Goldberg**

Nov. 30–Dec. 1

**Andy Garcia**

Dec. 2–4

**Blair Underwood**

Dec. 5–7

**James Denton**

Dec. 8–9

**Jodi Benson**

Dec. 10–13

**To be announced**

Dec. 14–16

**To be announced**

Dec. 17–19

**Trace Adkins**

Dec. 20–22

**Gary Sinise**

Dec. 23–25

**Amy Grant**

Dec. 26–28

**Marlee Matlin/Jack Jason**

Dec. 29–30

## Candlelight Dining Package

For the most magical night out, book a Candlelight Dining Package—which includes lunch or dinner at an **Epcot**<sup>®</sup> restaurant, a guaranteed seating for the Processional and pre-arranged fireworks viewing.

For more event details and to book your reservation, call **407-WDW-DINE (939-3463)**.

Narrators, entertainment and events are subject to change without notice.

# Holiday Magic In Every Corner

We're unwrapping more holiday experiences at all four Theme Parks and the **Downtown Disney®** area, too! Here are a few highlights, but be sure to visit [disneyworld.com/holidays](http://disneyworld.com/holidays) for even more Yuletide cheer.



## Five million reasons to visit

Head over to Disney's Hollywood Studios® November 9 through January 6 for The Osborne Family Spectacle of Dancing Lights. Witness over five million multicolored, dazzling bulbs. The display was originally created by Arkansas businessman Jennings Osborne for his own home. When the display started to exceed two million lights, it was shipped to Walt Disney World® Resort in 1995.

One fun tradition is to see who in the family can find the most Hidden Mickeys! (Hint: There are A LOT!)



## The creatures will be stirring!

Year after year, Passholders come back to join in the jumpin', jivin' joy of Mickey's Jingle Jungle Parade at Disney's Animal Kingdom® Theme Park. And this year, you'll be able to take part in the festive fun again, November 9, 2012, through January 2, 2013. Mickey and his pals party it up to favorite holiday music. Their safari vehicles are decorated for the season, and even their safari costumes are themed to—you guessed it—the holidays.



## Shopper's delight

Swing into the holidays in style at the Downtown Disney® area with Festival of the Seasons! Santa will be there in his chalet (now more beautiful than ever!) from November 16 to December 24. And Santa Goofy joins us December 25 through 27. There's more entertainment with toy soldiers, still walkers throughout—plus the popular living statues in the Pleasure Island area, including amazing Bronze Angel.

Both day and night, the whole place is alive with music from live bands, a capella groups and a live DJ. You'll also love the Hannukah storyteller joining us December 8–16. Not to mention the chance to get the most out of your Passholder discount at the shops.



**Very  
Pinterest-ing!**

You can discover more Yuletide magic and inspiration on our new Pinterest board for the Walt Disney World® holidays! For those who haven't been swept up in the craze, Pinterest is a social photo sharing site that allows people to connect with each other through the things they find interesting. To get started, just search for the official Walt Disney World Profile—launching in November!

# Our Holiday Shopping Guide

Start crossing off your holiday gift lists. Because with all the **Walt Disney World®** gifts that are available this holiday season, you're sure to find something for all the special people in your life. Just remember to use your Passholder discount while you're at it. After all, it's the season for giving—and saving!



## Disney Christmas Train

This new 30-piece train set comes complete with track and a handy remote control. It even plays Christmas songs! Look for it at Once Upon A Toy at Downtown Disney®.



## Holiday Vinylmation Figures

Santa Mickey gets the Vinylmation™ treatment. Or choose this new two-piece set featuring Wayne and Lanny from the popular Disney holiday special, "Prep and Landing." Stop by The Art of Disney or D Street at Downtown Disney to get yours.



## Holiday Disney Parks Cookbook

This fun new cookbook features favorite holiday-themed recipes found throughout Disney Parks. Pick up your copy at Mickey's Pantry at Downtown Disney and other locations.



## Disney Gift Cards—A gift of magic.

Now Disney Gift Cards come with a gift of their own. For a limited time, get an exclusive holiday pin with the purchase of a \$75 Disney Gift Card while supplies last. Or select from other unique holiday designs that allow you to load the amount you want—as little as \$5. Use them to pay for just about anything at the Walt Disney World Resort—including merchandise, food, Theme Park tickets, parking and even hotel accommodations.

Buy them online at [DisneyGiftCard.com](http://DisneyGiftCard.com) or at select locations throughout the Walt Disney World Resort.



## Ear Hat Ornaments

These delightful ornaments add a touch of Disney whimsy to your Christmas tree. Pick them up at Disney's Days of Christmas.



## Passholder Exclusive Ornament

This limited-edition ornament was created especially for our Passholders to commemorate Holidays Around the World. Purchase yours at Heritage Manor in American Adventure at Epcot®.



## Holiday Nutcrackers

Mickey lends his famous face to this delightful holiday tradition. Get yours at the World of Disney store or Disney's Days of Christmas at Downtown Disney.



## D-Tech Holiday Castle Cases

Enjoy fun limited-edition iPhone covers inspired by the Cinderella Castle Dreamlights and Santa Mickey. Get yours at MouseGear or the World of Disney® store at Downtown Disney.



## Holiday Ear Hat

It's the Happiest Headgear on Earth—now with a dash of holiday magic. Some even light up! Look for yours at the World of Disney store at Downtown Disney and other great locations.



## Holiday Duffy

This 9-inch holiday Duffy is brand-new to our collection. Pick him up at Disney Traders at Epcot® or other great locations.

# Joy, good tidings, extra-wide smiles.

It's holiday season time. So why not use your Passholder benefits to make the season even brighter for family and friends—or to give yourself a little treat? Here are some gift-giving ideas we're sure you'll love.



## Exotic Driving Experience

Rev your engine at the Walt Disney World® SPEEDWAY and get a bonus for being an Annual Passholder. Receive a complimentary upgrade after getting behind the wheel of an exotic, high-octane Ferrari, Lamborghini, Audi or Porsche. Book yourself a 6-lap Exotic Driving Experience thrill ride, and a FREE 2-lap upgrade (retail value up to \$130, based on car chosen) is yours! Or better yet, book the experience for your favorite race car-driver-at-heart!

Offer ends January 31, 2013. Call 1-855-822-0149 for information or reservations.



## Sammy Duvall's Watersports Centre

Give the gift that's sure to make a splash! Sammy Duvall's Watersports Centre, located at Disney's Contemporary Resort Marina, offers the ultimate in water sports fun: parasailing, water skiing, wakeboarding, tubing and personal watercraft rentals. For a limited time, Annual Passholders can get a FREE parasail photo package. That's in addition to the 10% off all activities you already receive!

But hurry; this offer won't last long. Call 407-939-0754 or visit [sammyduvall.com](http://sammyduvall.com) to make this holiday season a "watershed" event. FREE parasail photo package offer valid 11/1–12/31/12.



## Swing into big savings

Adults save over 50% on golf, junior golfers save even more.

Right now, Annual Passholders can enjoy 50% off Adult Guest rates at any of the four Walt Disney World® Golf Courses. Got a son or daughter with friends who love the game? Bring them along! Junior golfers play for HALF the Adult rates.

To book your tee time at this great rate, call the Disney Golf Master Starter at 407-WDW-GOLF (939-4653). Or to find out more, visit [disneyworld.com/passholder](http://disneyworld.com/passholder) and click "offers".

# A Fairy Tale Debut

The newest phase of New Fantasyland® opens!

For Passholders who have counted down the days to the opening of the Enchanted Forest phase of New Fantasyland, we only have two words: It's here! While the Grand Opening of Enchanted Forest is slated for December 6, we can tell you that beginning on November 19, Passholders and other Guests will have a chance to experience attractions, dining and more. Here's a little preview of all that awaits.





ENCHANTED TALES WITH BELLE



STORYBOOK CIRCUS



UNDER THE SEA~  
JOURNEY OF THE LITTLE MERMAID



BELLE'S VILLAGE

Welcome to New Fantasyland®—the largest expansion in Magic Kingdom® history! In this enchanted realm, you'll experience Disney storytelling like never before as you enjoy amazing new attractions and interact with characters in ways you never dreamed possible.

There's a brand-new way to become part of Ariel's world! Enter Prince Eric's stunning castle, board a giant clamshell and experience the amazing attraction that is Under the Sea~Journey of The Little Mermaid! During this musical adventure, you'll discover a world teeming with color and characters, while enjoying high-energy songs and incredible effects that take you inside scenes from the animated classic. The adventures you'll find in here are absolutely incredible!

Inside Beast's Castle at the Be Our Guest Restaurant, you'll be able to feast in one of three incredible dining rooms: the elegant Ballroom with domed ceiling and ever-snowing landscape views; the mysterious West Wing, complete with the enchanted rose in its jar; and the Rose Gallery, featuring a statue of Belle and the Beast twirling like a music box.

Then, take a trip through the world of **Beauty and the Beast** during the captivating, new Enchanted Tales with Belle storytelling experience! It begins in Maurice's workshop, where an enchanted mirror becomes your doorway to an unforgettable storybook adventure. After stepping through the mirror, you'll find that you've been transported to Beast's magnificent library, where Belle and Lumière invite you to become part of a lively retelling of the "tale as old as time."

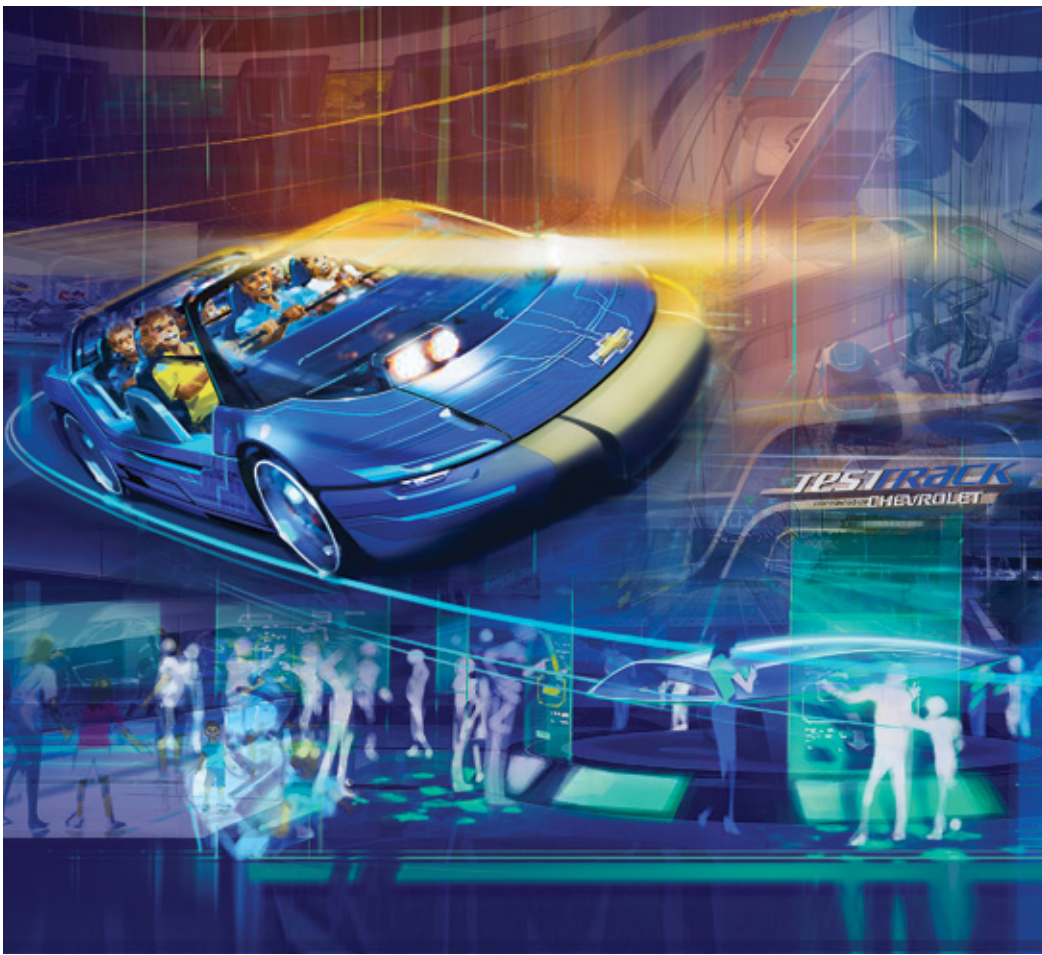


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## It's time to test out the reengineered Test Track.

After months of working on the latest, souped-up model, we're proud to say **Test Track**® Presented by Chevrolet® will be revving back up for its Epcot® grand reopening on December 6!

The experience is bound to floor you. You'll feel like you're part of a Chevrolet® design studio as you become an automotive engineer, create your own virtual custom concept vehicle and put your design through its paces (at speeds of up to 65 mph) on the exciting hills, hairpin turns and straightaways of the **Test Track** circuit.

But your adventure won't end there. Because after your "test drive" is over—and throughout your ride—you can see how well your car performed and then race it over changing terrain and extreme conditions on a digital driving table, then produce and share a TV commercial starring your "dream ride," plus choose a backdrop scene and immerse yourself in a Chevrolet® showroom—complete with shiny new cars on display.

So come buckle up for a thrill aboard **Test Track**—an exhilarating driving experience that you design.

Disney  
**WRECK-IT  
RALPH**



## Meet the Wreck-It Ralph stars in person!

This November, meet two new characters from Walt Disney Animation Studios' **Wreck-It Ralph** at Disney's Hollywood Studios®!

"The fun starts even before you actually meet them," said **Shawn Slater, Communications Manager**, Walt Disney Entertainment. "Once you enter The Magic of Disney Animation attraction, you're going to see some of the artwork and models that helped create the new animated feature film. You'll pass through an

area inspired by 'Game Central Station' and get glimpses into the different worlds in the movie."

Once you arrive at the finish line of Sugar Rush—the candy-coated cart-racing game world—you can meet Wreck-It Ralph and Vanellope von Schweetz live in person! Don't miss this opportunity, and mark your calendar for the day **Wreck-It Ralph** crashes into a theater near you: November 2!



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# WALT DISNEY WORLD

The number of rooms available at this rate is limited. Length-of-stay requirements may apply. Additional per-adult charges apply if more than two adults per room at Disney Value, Moderate and Deluxe Resorts. No group rates or other discounts apply. Advance reservations required. Passholder must present his or her valid adult Pass at check-in. Excludes suites and **Disney's Art of Animation** Resort.

# PASSHOLDER Calendar



## MICKEY'S VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Magic Kingdom® Park

Select Nights Nov. 9–Dec. 21

Partygoers embrace the joys of the season—fireworks, sipping cocoa, catching a “snowflake” and enjoying a merry parade and more.

Passholders save \$10 on advance purchase for select nights.



## HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD

Epcot®

November 23–December 30

### Candlelight Processional International Storytellers

Enjoy La Befana, Father Christmas and other holiday folk-sharing traditions and tales from around the globe.

**IllumiNations: Reflections of Earth**  
See a holiday version of the all-time classic nighttime extravaganza.



## CASTLE DREAMLIGHTS

Magic Kingdom Park

November 9–January 8

Cinderella Castle shimmers with lights brought to beaming brightness during a ceremonial show performed at dusk.



## EPCOT® INTERNATIONAL FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

Epcot®

Now through November 12, 2012

LAST CHANCE! Don't miss your last week to sample tastes from more than 25 international marketplaces. [epcotfoodfestival.com](http://epcotfoodfestival.com)



## FESTIVAL OF THE SEASONS

Downtown Disney area

November 16–December 27

Meet Santa Claus at his whimsical holiday chalet and do some holiday shopping.



## SPLITSVILLE OPENING

Downtown Disney area

December

Enjoy bowling, food and fun for the whole family at the newest Downtown Disney hot spot! [disneyworld.com/Splitsville](http://disneyworld.com/Splitsville)



## FESTIVAL OF THE MASTERS

Downtown Disney® area

November 9–11

Nearly 150 award-winning artists who turn clay, wood, metals, oils, watercolors, jewelry, glass, wood, painting, photography and more into creations that treat the eye. Presented by Michaels®

Learn more at: [DisneyFestivalOfTheMasters.com](http://DisneyFestivalOfTheMasters.com)



## THE OSBORNE FAMILY SPECTACLE OF DANCING LIGHTS

Disney's Hollywood Studios®

November 9–January 6

A megawatt spectacle for the eyes with dancing lights, colorful wreaths, twirling carousels, flying angels, amazing effects and music.



## JINGLE JUNGLE PARADE

Disney's Animal Kingdom® Theme Park

November 9–January 2

King Louie and Baloo lead a rousing musical cavalcade—safari style—through the Park.

## Openings!

### NEW FANTASYLAND®

Opens November 19

### TEST TRACK® PRESENTED BY CHEVROLET®

Opens late fall

### WRECK-IT RALPH MEET 'N' GREET

Opens November 2012

## Passholder Benefits Spotlight

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Downtown Disney is now on Twitter!

Be the first to know about news at Downtown Disney area! It's the perfect way to keep up on all that's going on:

- Offers on merchandise and entertainment
- Special events like Car Masters Weekend in June and St. Patrick's Day
- Limited-time appearances like the Phineas and Ferb virtual character experience open through Dec 1
- New retailers
- Restaurant specials and promotions
- Artist signings at galleries
- Tips and trivia

## More Online

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