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The Frick's "Home for the Holidays at Clayton" Returns November

Alongside the annual tour tradition, the Frick will host holiday programs and teas

PITTSBURGH – The Frick Pittsburgh is getting into the festive spirit with the return of its "Home for the Holidays at Clayton" tours along with a handful of other winter events, including a handbell concert, an ornament workshop, a Gilded Age holiday cookbook talk and more.

Also, for the first time, the Frick is hosting an evening where visitors are invited to tour Clayton's first floor at their own pace. Visitors will enjoy the house decorated for the holidays along with snacks and drinks to enjoy after the tour.

IMAGES:

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Holiday Events at the Frick

Home for the Holidays at Clayton

Nov. 20, 2026 - Jan. 3, 2027

Tours run Tuesdays through Sundays, 10:15 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh's favorite holiday tradition returns this November. Visitors are invited to take in the cheerful atmosphere of a home decked for the holiday season on a specialty tour of Clayton. Visitors will learn how the holidays were celebrated by different groups in Pittsburgh during the Gilded Age, including the Frick family and their staff, and enjoy festive conversations about the origins of seasonal traditions. Free for members; \$25 for non-members; \$18 for youth 17 and under. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Home-for-the-Holidays-at-Clayton.

Members of the Frick will get exclusive early access to the tours before the house opens to the general public. These tours will be on Nov. 14, 15, 17, 18, and 19. Members can find more details at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Member-Preview-Tours-Home-for-the-Holidays-at-Clayton.

Note: The Frick Pittsburgh is closed on Nov. 27; Dec. 24; Dec. 25; and Jan. 1.

Holiday Napkin Block Printing Workshop

Nov. 7 at 2 p.m.

Elevate your holiday table settings in this beginner-friendly workshop. Design and hand-print your own set of cloth napkins with hand-carved motifs and illustrations. Leave with a beautiful and functional set of napkins. \$45 for members, \$55 for non-members, \$40 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Holiday-Napkin-Block-Printing-Workshop.

Gilded Age Holiday Cooking Class

Nov. 14 at 2 p.m.

Come together this holiday season to learn about typical Gilded Age holiday treats that have stood the test of time. In this workshop, attendees will make, taste and take-home sugar plums, festive popcorn balls and chocolate wine. This workshop is ages 18+. *Please note: This workshop will include almonds. Please abstain from participation if you have a severe nut allergy.* \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members, \$20 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Gilded-Age-Holiday-Cooking-Class.

Woven Ornament Workshop

Nov. 21 at 1 p.m.

Students of all levels will use the basics of hand weaving to create two traditional Scandinavian ornaments: a star—made with your choice of red or blue hand-dyed reed—and a white snowflake. \$45 for members, \$55 for non-members, \$40 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Woven-Ornament-Workshop.

Gilded Age Holiday Cookbook Talk and Tasting

Nov. 29 at 2 p.m.

“The Gilded Age Christmas Cookbook” features the fascinating history behind each confection, its ingredients and baking methods. In this talk based on the book, author Becky Libourel Diamond will touch on holiday lore of the time, with backstories of now-ubiquitous Christmas customs such as Santa Claus, the Christmas tree and Christmas cards, interspersed with tales of Gilded Age Hanukkah and New Year’s celebrations, holiday debutante parties, teas, and grand balls. Participants will be able to get a true taste of the Gilded Age, including a tasting of holiday cookies from the era. \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members, \$15 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Gilded-Age-Holiday-Cookbook-Talk-and-Tasting.

Ring Pittsburgh: A Holiday Concert in Handbells

Dec. 6 at 2:30 p.m.

Blending the warmth of familiar holiday music with the unexpected versatility of handbells, Ring Pittsburgh brings this unique musical art form to life at the Frick in a lively concert that is sure to put you in the holiday spirit. \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, \$5 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at <https://www.thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Ring-Pittsburgh-A-Holiday-Concert-in-Handbells>.

Cocktails and Conversations: Decking Clayton's Halls

Dec. 9 at 6 p.m.

Join Collections & Exhibitions Assistant Bella Hanley to learn about building a tour from a wide-ranging collection, decorating a historic home to be both accurate and exciting and the props that make it all come to life. Attendees will enjoy seasonal cocktails and the opportunity to ask questions about how the Frick's annual Home for the Holidays at Clayton tour comes to life. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members, \$10 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at [thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Cocktails-and-Conversations-Decking-Claytons-Halls](https://www.thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-Cocktails-and-Conversations-Decking-Claytons-Halls).

O Holiday Night: Clayton Tour at Your Own Pace

Dec. 11 at 5:30 p.m.

See the magic of Clayton at night when the house is decorated for the holidays! Spend time in each room on the first floor as you tour at your own pace. Enjoy complimentary holiday snacks and drinks while admiring the outdoor lights on the Frick grounds, before and after your time in Clayton. Please note that only the first floor of Clayton will be open this evening. \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, \$10 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at <https://www.thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-O-Holiday-Night-Clayton-Tour-at-Your-Own-Pace>.

Caravaggio: Hell on Wheels and Heaven on Canvas

Dec. 13 at 2 p.m.

This lecture will examine Caravaggio's art in the context of his life, which is cut short by the artist's endless provocations. Without the brawls, the self-indulgence, the flights from prosecution, all of which lead inexorably to his death at thirty-seven, how many more masterpieces could he have left to posterity? Or was his personality and his artistic production so thoroughly intertwined that one was impossible without the other? This question, of course, is unanswerable, but Dr. Kahren Jones Arbitman's lecture will tell the story and attendees can draw conclusions. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members, \$10 for college students with ID. Tickets are available at <https://www.thefrickpittsburgh.org/Event-O-Holiday-Night-Clayton-Tour-at-Your-Own-Pace>.

Holiday Teas

Nov. 24, Nov. 25, Dec. 10, Dec. 17, Dec. 22 & Dec. 23

Each date has reserved seatings at 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

Visitors are invited to get in the holiday spirit with a cozy tea at The Café at The Frick. Enjoy holiday favorites and tastes of the season as we welcome the winter weather. Registration for upcoming High Tea dates is not yet open. Additional details, including registration information, will be announced soon. Once registration opens, visitors can reserve their spots through advance phone calls to The Grable Visitor Center. \$65 per person + tax and 20% gratuity.

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About The Frick Pittsburgh

Since 1990, The Frick Pittsburgh has welcomed visitors to its 10-acre cultural campus in the heart of Pittsburgh's East End. Gifted to the people of Pittsburgh by Helen Clay Frick, daughter of noted industrialist and art collector Henry Clay Frick, the campus is home to Clayton, the family's Gilded Age mansion, now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The *Gilded, Not Golden* tour of Clayton was honored with a 2024 Leadership in History Award from the American Association for State and Local History.

The campus also includes The Frick Art Museum, the Car and Carriage Museum, a greenhouse, gardens, and welcoming café. Through its permanent collections, traveling exhibitions, historic tours, and public programs, the Frick invites all visitors to experience history and art, reframed for today. Discover more about The Frick Pittsburgh at TheFrickPittsburgh.org.

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