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Choirs, Ballet, Hip Hop and Santa Featured at Twelfth Annual Galveston Holiday Lighting Celebration at Hotel Galvez & Spa

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Hotel Galvez & Spa®, A Wyndham Grand® Hotel is hosting its twelfth annual Galveston Holiday Lighting Celebration on Friday, Nov. 29 at 6:00 p.m. featuring performances from The Nutcracker, area choirs and dance groups and the Galveston Community Band. The Lighting Celebration is one of the more than 50 days of holiday fun in Galveston, the “Winter Wonder Island” of Texas. The Galveston Holiday Lighting Celebration is an annual, free family event and marks the start of the official holiday season in Galveston.

The Galveston Holiday Lighting Celebration begins with the arrival of Santa Claus by horse-drawn carriage, followed by the lighting of the hotel’s 35-foot Christmas tree with a countdown led by Santa Claus and Galveston’s Mayor Pro-Tem Craig Brown. [KHOU-TV’s Mia Gradney](#) will emcee the event.

Performance groups include the [Galveston Community Band](#) directed by Doyle Neuwiller, [Fanfare Lutheran Music Academy](#) Singers and Dancers led by Anita Donato, [Trinity School Choir](#) led by Laura Hyatt, The Burnet Royals directed by Stephanie Silva, and [DLS Dance Studio](#) under the direction of Tatiana Verega. The evening concludes with a performance by the [Galveston Ballet](#) under the direction of Janel Amsallem. [Dickens on The Strand’s](#) Queen Victoria and other special characters will also make appearances during the festivities. Additionally, children can have photos taken with Santa Claus in the hotel’s Music Hall. Souvenir photos with Santa by KC Photography will be available for purchase for \$15.

Throughout the evening’s festivities, Hotel Galvez staff collects monetary donations for the Salvation Army to help make the holidays brighter for all members of the community. The hotel’s The Night Before Christmas Gingerbread Village will be on display in the lobby.

“We are honored to host another Holiday Lighting Celebration for our guests and the local community,” says Complex General Manager Marty Miles. “Every year, this event gets bigger and it’s a fun way to celebrate the

beginning of the 2019 Christmas and holiday season.”

Hotel Galvez is also hosting Sunday Brunch with Santa on Dec. 1, Dec. 8, Dec. 15 and Dec. 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Guests are invited to take pictures with Santa and all will leave with a courtesy gift from Santa. For brunch reservations, call (409) 765-7721 or book via Open Table.

About Hotel Galvez & Spa®

Hotel Galvez & Spa®, A Wyndham Grand® Hotel, is the only historic beachfront hotel on the Texas Gulf Coast. This 224-room, century-old hotel offers 13,000 square feet of meeting space, a 9,763-square-foot spa, fitness center, full-service restaurant, lobby bar, pool with a swim-up bar and Hall of History. The hotel is rated four diamonds by AAA and is owned by the Cynthia and George Mitchell family as part of Mitchell Historic Properties. For reservations, call (409) 765-7721, or visit www.HotelGalvez.com.

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About Galveston Island

Galveston Island is a historic beach town located on the Gulf of Mexico just 50 miles from Houston. The island is best known as a vacation destination, offering 32 miles of beaches, a variety of family attractions, Texas’ premier cruise port and one of the largest and well-preserved concentrations of Victorian architecture in the country. For more information on Galveston Island visit www.galveston.com or call 1-888-GAL-ISLE.

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