

| TO:    | MAYOR A. NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL                          |  |  |
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| FROM:  | D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES, EXT. 4352  |  |  |
| NOTED: | D. MCALPINE, GENERAL MANAGER OF COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES |  |  |
|        | M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER                          |  |  |
| RE:    | DECEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR IN RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES      |  |  |
| DATE:  | NOVEMBER 20, 2024  |  |  |

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide members of Council with an update concerning key programming, rental, and special event activities taking place during the month of December. The calendar attached as Appendix 'A' represents a summary of the larger planned events throughout our many recreation and cultural venues next month.

The City of Barrie Recreation and Culture Team continues to provide the community with a wide range of events and activities throughout the month of December. From festive celebrations, sports and theatre, there are plenty of opportunities for residents and visitors of Barrie to engage, connect and participate throughout our facilities all month long.

There are several opportunities to experience a variety of shows including the Holiday Pantomime at Five Points Theatre presented by Onstage Performance Group, running December 2<sup>nd</sup> to8<sup>th</sup>. Georgian Theatre will showcase the Soul of Motown Christmas Special December 21<sup>st</sup>.

There are also a variety of events that will be taking place in December at the arenas. Sadlon Arena will host two annual hockey tournaments in partnership with the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic and Simcoe District School Boards. The Monsignor Clair Cup will take place on December 4<sup>th</sup>, and the Kempenfelt Cup will take place on December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Honda will be hosting their Christmas party over multiple days at Sadlon Arena, December 6<sup>th</sup>to 8<sup>th</sup>.

The 55+ Community has plenty of activities to become involved in throughout December, including the Holiday Cheer Sing-Along with Don McNair on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and a Festive Dinner and Dance on December 17<sup>th</sup> both taking place at the Parkview Centre.

Other events at City facilities throughout Barrie, include the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Spice Holiday Market and One-ofa-Kind Hand Made Market on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, and the Rubiks Cube Tournament on December 17<sup>th</sup> both being held at the General John Hayter South Shore Community Centre.

The Year 2024 comes to an exciting end with one of Barrie's largest and most vibrant events, the Downtown Countdown. This event is hosted by the City of Barrie, taking place December 31<sup>st</sup> at City Hall and on Collier and Mulcaster Streets. More information on the Downtown Countdown events and entertainment will be available in early December



## APPENDIX "A"

| MONTH of DECEMBER              |                     |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| DATE                           | LOCATION            | ACTIVITY or EVENT  |  |
| AT THE THEATRE                 |                     |  |  |
| December 2-8                   | Five Points Theatre | "Holiday Pantomime" presented by Onstage Performance<br>Group              |  |
| December 4                     | Georgian Theatre    | "The Barra MacNeils" presented by Shantero Productions                     |  |
| December 7                     | Georgian Theatre    | "Enchanted Wonders" presented by Enchanted Wonders<br>Magic                |  |
| December 9                     | Georgian Theatre    | "Christmas with the Ennis Sisters" presented by The Ennis<br>Sisters       |  |
| December 11-13                 | Five Points Theatre | "Legacy Acrobatics Christmas Show" presented by Beach<br>Towel Productions |  |
| December 14                    | Georgian Theatre    | "Elite Danceworks Holiday Dance Recital" presented by Elite<br>Danceworks  |  |
| December 15                    | Georgian Theatre    | "Kreative's Winter Whirl" presented by Kreative Dance                      |  |
| December 15                    | Five Points Theatre | "Holiday Recitals" presented by Modern Music Studio                        |  |
| December 19                    | Georgian Theatre    | "Holiday Dance Recital" presented by Studio House Barrie                   |  |
| December 20                    | Five Points Theatre | "Holiday Paint Night"  |  |
| December 21                    | Georgian Theatre    | "Soul of Motown Christmas Special" presented by Beaches<br>Jazz Festival   |  |
| December 21                    | Five Points Theatre | "Holiday Dance Recital" presented by Titanium Dance                        |  |
| ARENA EVENTS                   |                     |  |  |
| December 4                     | Sadlon Arena        | Monsignor Clair Cup - SMCDSB High School Event                             |  |
| December 5, 14,<br>19, 28 & 31 | Sadlon Arena        | Barrie Colts Home Games  |  |
| December 6-8                   | Sadlon Arena        | Honda Christmas Party  |  |
| December 17                    | Sadlon Arena        | Kempenfelt Cup - SOUTH SCDSB High School Event                             |  |
| December 18                    | Sadlon Arena        | Kempenfelt Cup - SCDSB High School Event                                   |  |



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MONTH of DECEMBER LOCATION ACTIVITY or EVENT DATE **SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS** Gen. John Hayter 11th Annual Spice Holiday Market & One of a Kind Hand Made December 6 & 7 Southshore CC Market Gen. John Hayter December 28 Rubiks Cube Tournament Southshore CC December 23, 27 East Bayfield CC Winter Break Camp & 30 City Hall, Collier & December 31 Downtown Countdown presented by the City of Barrie Mulcaster St IN THE POOL November 29-East Bayfield CC Trojan Cup Swim Meet hosted by the Barrie Trojan Swim Club December 1 55+ ACTIVITIES December 2 Parkview Centre Holiday Pop-Up Craft Sale 55+ Holiday Cheer Sing-a-Long with Don McNair December 2 Parkview Centre Allandale 55+ Centre December 4 55+ Holiday Movie December 17 Parkview Centre 55+ Festive Dinner and Dance