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WaterFire Announces Snow Plan for Second Day of Christmas Fires
Saturday, December 14, 2013

Providence, RI: WaterFire Providence, the award-winning sculpture by artist Barnaby Evans, is very excited for the this weekend's two day very special Christmas WaterFire.

Friday, December 13, 2013, festivities will continue as planned; however, due to potential severe winter weather Saturday afternoon and evening, WaterFire, in cooperation with the City of Providence, will be monitoring weather conditions out of concern for public safety. WaterFire hopes that it will be able to light the fires for both Friday and Saturday as planned but, if necessary, a cancellation announcement will be made before 12:00PM on Saturday, December 14. Please visit the WaterFire website (<http://waterfire.org>), Facebook (<http://facebook.com/waterfireprovidence>) or Twitter (<http://twitter.com/waterfireprov>) for updates.

Tonight's festivities will continue as planned and include many magical activities for all to enjoy:

Santa's Village at the North Pole in Union Plaza:

- Stroll WaterFire's Arts Festival Plaza and the WaterFire Merchandise store from 5:00-9:00pm on Friday and let us help you with your holiday shopping! Located in the Union Station tunnel, visit local artisans from [Wrist Candy Creations](#), [Black Sheep Designs](#), [K&T Jewelry & Accessories](#), [Riker Art Glass](#), [Bryce Studio](#), [ClayFlora Inc](#), [Swirls Jewelry](#), [Liquor Wicks](#), Sterling Freshwater Pearl & Semi-Precious Stone Jewelry and [Banana Threads](#) to share their handcrafted wares and help you along with your Christmas shopping.
- **Bring new, unwrapped toys to help the Providence Rescue Mission!** WaterFire is asking for you to join us in helping the Providence Rescue Mission provide gifts for the less fortunate children of our community. Bring your unwrapped toys and put them under the WaterFire Christmas Tree from 5:00-9:00pm.
- Stop in for some hot chocolate from the Providence Rescue Mission and learn about all of the wonderful services they provide to our community from 5:00-8:00pm.
- Musical performances will start at the North Pole at 5:30pm.

- **Santa Claus is coming to town!** Visit Santa at the North Pole from 5:00-8:00pm.

Visit Santa's Workshop on the Basin Stage will open at 5:00pm. Families are invited to join the WaterFire elves on the Waterplace Basin Stage to write letters to Santa, make ornaments and celebrate the season. Musical performances on the basin stage will begin at 5:30 PM.

WaterFire's hand picked soundtrack will also be playing throughout the event but WaterFire hopes that you will enjoy the live musical and choral groups including Barrington High School Choir; [Sultan's of Sax](#), an eight piece saxophone ensemble; [Providence Gay Men's Choir](#); No Strings Attached, a six piece brass ensemble from URI; caroling groups and, at 7:00PM, an audience sing along.

The Festival of Trees will be shining with Christmas spirit throughout the evening. Trees have been sponsored and decorated by businesses in our community and will be donated to local families after the event. A very special thank you to the students from over 25 RI schools that have also crafted and sent in decorations to deck other trees in the basin.

Please stay tuned for more news about weather conditions and how they will affect Saturday's programming.

WaterFire Providence is an independent, non-profit arts organization whose mission is to inspire Providence and its visitors by revitalizing the urban experience, fostering community engagement and creatively transforming the city by presenting WaterFire for all to enjoy. For more information or to donate, visit: waterfire.org or facebook.com/waterfireprovidence

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