

APOLLO

The Apollo to Host Toy, Book, and Food Drive for Iris House During Family-Friendly Winter Wonderland Experience

**Saturday, December 10
2:00PM - 6:00PM**



WHAT:

In the spirit of giving, the Apollo is accepting the following items for a drive benefiting **Iris House**, a family centered organization providing support for underserved populations affected by HIV/AIDS, during the annual **Apollo Winter Wonderland** on **Saturday, December 10:**

- Toys- new and unwrapped
- Children's books (various ages)
- Food – sealed containers of olive oil, oatmeal, white rice, almonds, and canned salmon/tuna fish.

Donations will be accepted until 6PM.

Winter Wonderland will welcome audiences to enjoy free family-friendly holiday-themed activities including photos with Santa and amazing performances.

Holidays at the Apollo is sponsored by Coca-Cola. This event is a part of "The Next Movement," Apollo's Fall 2022.

WHERE: Under the Apollo Marquee (253 W 125th St, New York, NY 10027)

WHEN: Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 2PM-6PM EDT

TICKETS: Free event. For more information about Winter Wonderland and the full Holiday at the Apollo schedule visit, <https://www.apollotheater.org/holidays-2022/>

CALENDAR OF HOLIDAY AT THE APOLLO EVENTS

Coca-Cola Winter Wonderland

Saturday, December 10 | 2:00PM EST

Free

Under the twinkling lights of our famous marquee, the Apollo invites audiences to bring the family for holiday-themed activities including picture taking with Santa, a book and toy drive and amazing performances.

Amateur Night Holiday Special

Saturday, December 10 | 7:30PM EST

Tickets start at \$28

Celebrate the holidays with Apollo Amateur Night's Holiday Special. This family-friendly evening showcases talented alumni of the show's Apollo Stars of Tomorrow segment. Hosted by Christian Vance of Broadway's MJ the Musical.

Apollo Music Café: David Michael Wyatt

Saturday, December 15 | 10:00PM EST

Tickets start at \$26.50 (Plus \$10 food and beverage)

Amateur Night at the Apollo alum David Michael Wyatt delivers a rare, acoustic evening at the Apollo Music Café. Celebrate the end of the year with this unplugged performance of songs that lift the spirit, elevate the mind and soothe the soul.

Kwanzaa: Regeneration Celebration featuring Abdel R. Salaam's Forces of Nature Dance Theatre Company and Friends; Special Guest Artist Pauline Jean

Friday, December 30 | 7:30pm EST

Tickets start at \$25

The Apollo Theater celebrates its annual Kwanzaa Celebration featuring the renowned New York-based dance company Abdel Salaam's Forces of Nature Dance Theatre and guest performances. Since 2006, the Apollo has established an annual show to celebrate this holiday tradition on one day of the Kwanzaa holiday. The Apollo's celebration is a joyful evening of dance and music honoring the principles of Kwanzaa – Family, community, and culture.

ABOUT IRIS HOUSE

Iris House saves lives through comprehensive support, prevention and education services for women, families and underserved populations affected by HIV/AIDS and other health disparities in a safe, family-centered environment.

ABOUT THE APOLLO

The legendary Apollo Theater—the soul of American culture—plays a vital role in cultivating emerging artists and launching legends. Since its founding, the Apollo has served as a center of innovation and a creative catalyst for Harlem, the city of New York, and the world.

With music at its core, the Apollo’s programming extends to dance, theater, spoken word, and more. This includes the world premiere of the theatrical adaptation of Ta-Nehisi Coates’s *Between the World and Me* and the New York premiere of the opera *We Shall Not Be Moved*; special programs such as the blockbuster concert *Bruno Mars Live at the Apollo; 100: The Apollo Celebrates Ella*; and the annual *Africa Now! Festival*.

The non-profit Apollo Theater is a performing arts presenter, commissioner, and collaborator that also produces festivals, large-scale dance and musical works organized around a set of core initiatives that celebrate and extend the Apollo’s legacy through a contemporary lens, including the *Women of the World (WOW) Festival* as well as other multidisciplinary collaborations with partner organizations.

Since introducing the first Amateur Night contests in 1934, the Apollo has served as a testing ground for new artists working across a variety of art forms and has ushered in the emergence of many new musical genres—including jazz, swing, bebop, R&B, gospel, blues, soul, and hip-hop. Among the countless legendary performers who launched their careers at the Apollo are Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan, Billie Holiday, James Brown, Stevie Wonder, Gladys Knight, Luther Vandross, H.E.R., D’Angelo, Lauryn Hill, Machine Gun Kelly, and Miri Ben Ari; and the Apollo’s forward-looking artistic vision continues to build on this legacy. For more information about the Apollo, visit www.ApolloTheater.org.

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