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## Ring in 2013 at Navy Pier with Events for All Ages!

*Two Fireworks Shows, Free Entertainment at Winter  
WonderFest, Two NYE Galas, and Much More!*

**CHICAGO** - Ring in the New Year with fun, excitement, entertainment, two fireworks shows at more all here at Navy Pier!

First, families can ring in the New Year early by going to **Winter WonderFest at Navy Pier presented by Bank of America** before catching a special **family fireworks show at 7 p.m.!** Bring the little ones to see great entertainment inside Winter WonderFest on the Winter WonderStage! Dance troupe **N4C ENFORCE CREW** will entertain guests from 4 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Then, **Your Villain My Hero** will take the stage from 5 p.m. until Winter WonderFest closes for New Year's Eve at 6:30 p.m. Earlier in the day, kids can join **Chicago Children's Museum** for its annual **Noon Year's Eve** festivities! Party favors, confetti and a special kid-hosted countdown will be on hand beginning at 10 a.m.

**Chicago Shakespeare Theater** is also joining in on the fun with a special New Year's Eve performance of **The School for Lies** at 8 p.m. Audience members can enjoy the 7 p.m. fireworks before the show and a

free glass of champagne during intermission! Visit [www.chicagoshakes.com](http://www.chicagoshakes.com) for tickets and more information.

But that's not all! Navy Pier will be hosting two of the biggest and best New Year's Eve Parties in Chicago! Nearly 3,000 people will be ringing in the New Year in style at the **Resolution Ball in Navy Pier's Grand Ballroom!** Every ticket to this black-tie affair includes five hours of premium open bar, buffet stations, live DJ, special champagne toast at midnight and access to the Lakeview Terrace to watch the fireworks! There are also VIP tickets available with reserved seating on the terrace. Tickets start at \$115 for general admission. Visit [ChiTownEvents.com](http://ChiTownEvents.com) for more information or to purchase tickets.

Also at Navy Pier is the always wildly popular **Crystal Gardens New Year's Eve Party!** From 9 p.m. – 2 a.m. Navy Pier's Crystal Gardens New Year's Eve Party will have it all beginning with DJ Jordan V & DJ J-Donn spinning all the best mainstream music, premium open bar, Phil Stefani Signature hors d'oeuvres, champagne toast at midnight, private terrace to watch the New Year's fireworks, party favors, after-party wristbands and even a red carpet step and repeat photo opportunity. To purchase tickets visit: [www.crystalgardensnye.com](http://www.crystalgardensnye.com). For VIP tickets, table reservations and more information call 312-560-4422 or email [crystalgardensnye@gmail.com](mailto:crystalgardensnye@gmail.com).

Navy Pier's boats and restaurants will also host one-of-a-kind New Year's celebrations:

### **Mystic Blue**

8:30 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Price: \$149.90 plus taxes and fees

Includes: Hors d'oeuvres, dinner, champagne toast, premium open bar, DJ

Call 877-299-7783 for tickets.

### **Spirit of Chicago**

8:30 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Price: \$159.90 plus taxes and fees

Includes: Dinner buffet, champagne toast, premium open bar, DJ and dancing

Call 866-273-2469 for tickets.

### **Odyssey**

8:30 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Price: \$219.90 plus taxes and fees

Includes: Plated dinner, passed hors d'oeuvres, champagne toast, premium open bar and live entertainment

Call 866.305.2469 for tickets.

Other Cruises:

### **Spirit of Chicago – Family lunch cruise**

11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Price: \$42.90 for adults, \$25.95 for children not including taxes and fees

Includes: A countdown at noon, buffet dining, party hats and noise makers

Call 866-273-2469 for reservations.

### **Shoreline Sightseeing Cruises**

Choose from a variety of New Year's Eve Fireworks cruises including the guided family architecture fireworks cruise, the New Year's Eve family lake fireworks cruise or the New Year's Eve midnight fireworks cruise. Visit [www.shorelinesightseeing.com](http://www.shorelinesightseeing.com) for more information.

Restaurants at Navy Pier:

### **Riva Crab House**

December 31: 11am-close

January 1: 11am-close

Ring in the New Year in style as you enjoy the best restaurant view of the fireworks as well as chef specials and a champagne toast at midnight. Guests who purchase a glass or bottle of champagne will receive a special commemorative champagne flute (while supplies last).

### **Harry Caray's Tavern**

Celebrate New Year's Eve dockside at Harry Caray's Tavern at Navy Pier before or after you watch the spectacular fireworks display. With two fireworks shows at 7 pm and midnight, Harry Caray's creates a great destination to spend New Year's Eve with your family.

Finally, be sure to witness the stunning **Navy Pier Midnight Fireworks**! Chicago's only lakefront fireworks show is sure to dazzle all of Navy Pier's guests! For more information regarding all Navy Pier New Year's Eve activities please visit [navypier.com](http://navypier.com).

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Located on Lake Michigan, just east of Chicago's downtown, Navy Pier® ([www.navypier.com](http://www.navypier.com)) is the top-visited tourist and leisure destination in the Midwest, welcoming more than eight million visitors annually for entertainment, family attractions, cultural and educational events, as well as business meetings and tradeshow. Originally opened in 1916 as a shipping and recreation facility, it is now one of the country's most unique recreation and exposition facilities, showcasing more than 50 acres of parks, gardens, restaurants, shops, attractions, sightseeing and dining cruise boats, and more. Navy Pier is accessible by car, CTA Bus, taxi, bike or on foot.