Dickens Festivals 2026 Planner: Dates and Hours

Cow Palace, Galveston, Franklin and Holly, with local start times

DATE (ET)	ET	CT	MT	PT	EVENT	GOING?
Sat., Nov. 21	**1 p.m.**	noon	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	**Great Dickens Christmas Fair, Daly City** Opening day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. PT	
Fri., Nov. 27	**6 p.m.**	5 p.m.	4 p.m.	3 p.m.	**Holly Dickens Festival, Michigan** Kickoff parade and tree lighting	
Sat., Nov. 28	**11 a.m.**	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	8 a.m.	**Holly Dickens Festival, Michigan** 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, free	
Sat., Nov. 28	**1 p.m.**	noon	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	**Great Dickens Christmas Fair, Daly City** sign language day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. PT	
Sun., Nov. 29	**noon**	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	**Holly Dickens Festival, Michigan** 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. ET, free	
Fri., Dec. 4	**6 p.m.**	5 p.m.	4 p.m.	3 p.m.	**Dickens on The Strand, Galveston** Fezziwig's Friday, free, 5-9 p.m. CT	
Sat., Dec. 5	**11 a.m.**	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	8 a.m.	**Dickens on The Strand, Galveston** 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. CT, paid	
Sat., Dec. 5	**11 a.m.**	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	8 a.m.	**Holly Dickens Festival, Michigan** 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET, free	
Sun., Dec. 6	**noon**	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	**Holly Dickens Festival, Michigan** 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. ET, free	
Sun., Dec. 6	**1 p.m.**	noon	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	**Dickens on The Strand, Galveston** 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. CT, paid	
Sat., Dec. 12	**11 a.m.**	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	8 a.m.	**Dickens of a Christmas, Franklin** Saturday opens 10 a.m. CT	
Sat., Dec. 12	**1 p.m.**	noon	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	**Great Dickens Christmas Fair, Daly City** sign language day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. PT	
Sun., Dec. 13	**noon**	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	**Dickens of a Christmas, Franklin** Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT	
Sun., Dec. 20	**1 p.m.**	noon	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	**Great Dickens Christmas Fair, Daly City** Last day, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. PT	

Eastern Time (ET), Central Time (CT), Mountain Time (MT, Denver; most of Arizona keeps standard time), Pacific Time (PT). Times are converted from the start time the source gives.

Not yet confirmed

Other Cow Palace days: The fair lists a range, so Nov. 22, 27, 29, Dec. 5-6, 13 and 19 follow from it; see the story

Holly Dec. 12-13 and Franklin admission: Holly's third weekend is in the story; Franklin's pages list no price

Source: Dickens Fair (Cow Palace), Galveston Historical Foundation, Heritage Foundation of Williamson County and Holly Dickens Festival, 2026. Check each site before you go.