

Kids *Go Gaga* for the 20th Anniversary of Winter's Eve at Lincoln Square-The Lady Gaga for Kids, Twinkle, to star at Kids Central at New York's Largest Holiday Festival

FREE Children's Entertainment Galore Including Broadway Under The Stars, Jack Frost, Ice Sculpting,
Holiday Crafts, PBS Characters and More!
Monday, December 2, 2019, 5:30PM – 9:00PM
Throughout Lincoln Square, from Time Warner Center to 70th Street



From Left to right: Ronnie Spector; Twinkle; Arts and Crafts at Winter's Eve 2018

New York, NY— November 4, 2019 – Today, Winter's Eve at Lincoln Square, New York's largest holiday festival produced by the Lincoln Square Business Improvement District (BID) with presenting sponsor Related, released its family-friendly lineup of children's entertainment and activities for its milestone 20th annual festival. The holiday celebration is set for Monday, December 2nd, from 5:30PM – 9:00PM and is **free to attend** and open to all.

Kicking off the holiday festivities will be **Ronnie Spector and The Ronettes**, who will headline the main stage at Dante Park (Broadway and 63rd Street) and help light up the Upper West Side. **Ronnie Spector** is the legendary embodiment of the heart, soul, and passion of female rock and roll. Born and raised in Spanish Harlem, she formed The Ronettes while she was still a teenager and released her first record in 1961. She went on to record genre-defining classics such as the Grammy Award-winning "Walking in the Rain," "Do I Love You," "Baby I Love You," "The Best Part of Breaking Up," "I Can Hear Music," and of course, the international number one smash hit "Be My Baby."

After the tree lighting, parents, families and visitors can take their children to enjoy a number of musicians, buskers, and holiday activities, including the children's artist <u>Twinkle</u>, whose high energy pop vocals, spirit and resemblance to Lady Gaga make her the perfect headliner for Kids Central.

Family friendly programming at the 20th annual Winter's Eve at Lincoln Square includes:

Winter's Eve's Kids Central - Raymour & Flanigan (1961 Broadway at 66th Street - Second Floor)

- Headlining Kids Central this year is <u>Twinkle</u> the bilingual pop artist for kids, Twinkle will bring her colorful, high energy pop concert fusing education, language, arts and pop culture to Winter's Eve.
- Arts & Crafts There will be face painting, coloring, arts and crafts provided by <u>The New Victory Theater</u> and <u>The</u>
 West Side Y.

- Character Meet and Greet Join THIRTEEN for family activities and photos with your favorite PBS characters.
- Complimentary sweet treats from Magnolia Bakery will be available at Kids Central (while they last).

Time Warner Center (10 Columbus Circle, Second Floor)

- JACK FROST: The Original Freezemeister is live on stage at 6:00PM, bringing a snowstorm of comedy and skills from "The World's Fastest Holiday Medley" to an enchanting game of "Freeze". The frozen follies don't stop there there's music, magic, audience participation, and circus skills.
- Broadway Under The Stars with performances from Broadway's Beetlejuice, Mean Girls and Tootsie.
- Kids can create holiday cards from DOROT.
- Holiday classics will be performed by Winter's Eve favorite, the LaGuardia High School Show Choir.

<u>Film at Lincoln Center</u> (Elinor Bunin Munroe Film Center Amphitheater, 144 West 65th Street between Broadway & Amsterdam)

- Free 6:30PM screening of a family holiday classic.
- Complimentary popcorn will be offered to all attendees.

Frey Plaza (between 60th Street and 61st Street) & (Calabrese and Keegan Plaza, Beneath the Globe at 60th Street)

- High-energy multicultural dance troupes, including Chinese Exquisite Art Assembly, Fusha Dance Company and
 Fuákata's Rueda de Casino will perform in partnership with <u>Dance Parade</u> and thanks in part to support from
 Council Member Helen Rosenthal.
- Watch out for Andrea Beeman "The Enchantress of Bioluminosity."

Calabrese Plaza (Just north of Columbus Circle at Broadway & 60th Street)

New York Choy Lay Fut Lion Dance Team.

TD Bank (1873 Broadway at 62nd Street)

• Children and their parents can get creative as they customize their very own holiday crafts at the TD Decorating Station. The craft activity is always a popular Winter's Eve tradition.

TD Bank (1995 Broadway at 68th Street)

• Student's from the <u>Kaufman Music Center's Special Music School</u>, the only K-12 public school for musically gifted children, will present a variety of instrumental combinations and musical styles in the festive foyer of the bank.

TD Ameritrade (1881 Broadway at 62nd Street)

Features performances from West Side Y Kids' Company.

The Church of St Paul the Apostle (Columbus Avenue and 60th Street)

- "Broadway Sings" featuring Tony Award Winner Tony Yazbeck and the St Paul Young Adult Choir and Ensemble under the Direction of Joey Chancey.
- Throughout the evening, The Church will host cookie decorating, caroling and live music as well as a free screening of the classic holiday film, The Little Drummer Boy, and a visit by St. Nicholas.

All Around Lincoln Square

Winter's Eve features more than 20 free, world-class musical performances, processional groups, dancing, strolling circus performers, face-painting, stilt-walkers and other street festivities that will line Broadway and fill the shops of this dynamic, cultural neighborhood from Columbus Circle to 70th St. Children and their parents will love **Alice Farley Street Theater**, **Giant Frost Puppets from the Processional Arts Workshop**, LED stiltwalkers and magical butterflies. Plus, amazing ice sculpting by <u>Okamoto Ice Studio</u> in front of The Shops at Columbus Circle and the American Folk Art Museum on Columbus Avenue and 66th Street. There will be plenty of great food for the younger foodies at the popular **Outdoor Food Tastings**. For more information and the latest updates, visit www.winterseve.nyc.

About the Lincoln Square BID:

The Lincoln Square BID is a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization whose mission is to make Lincoln Square cleaner, safer, and more beautiful, and to undertake various improvement projects. Efforts are focused on supplemental sanitation and security services; the beautification of public spaces, malls, and parks; and the promotion and marketing of the area's diverse business and cultural offerings. The Lincoln Square BID acts as a catalyst working with business, community and City partners to promote positive change in Lincoln Square. The BID's programs and initiatives, including Winter's Eve at Lincoln Square – New York's largest holiday festival, are designed to foster tourism, and to showcase the rich and varied resources of this vibrant Upper West Side neighborhood. For more information, please call (212) 581-3774 or visit www.lincolnsquarebid.org.

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