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Heart of the Holidays - Ice Carving Demonstration Saturday, December 18, 2 - 4 PM



Join us Saturday, December
18 from 2 - 4 PM at Port
Clinton Square for the last

Heart of the Holidays event: an ice carving demonstration from World Class Ice Sculpture and caroling throughout the Central Business District! Enjoy free Mexican hot chocolate and cookies from Highland Park's new **Sugarcoated Bakery**. Arrive early to purchase tamales from Tamales Express, and choose from a festive selection of beers and cider for purchase from [Ravinia Brewing Company](#), as well as fresh popcorn and other treats from the [Ravinia Farmers Market](#). Then finish up your holiday shopping at the [unique shops and restaurants](#) of the Central Business District.



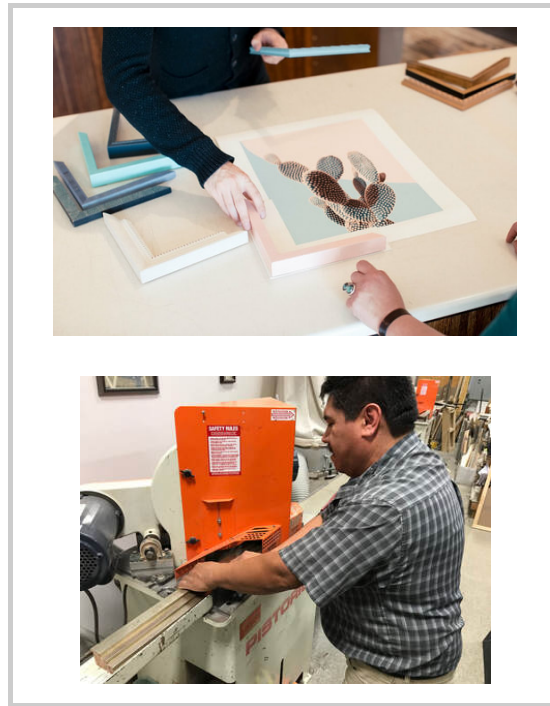
The Heart of the Holidays events are sponsored by the City of Highland Park and [Ravinia Festival](#), with the support of [First Bank of Highland Park](#) and [Highland Park Bank & Trust](#).

Business of the Week: The Custom Framer



[The Custom Framer](#) is a family business started by Don Glassner and his son Cole in 2013 as an offshoot from their production framing business Art and Company. They sought to combine the purchasing power of a large company with the service and attention to customers' needs that a small business can provide. The staff at The Custom Framer are all experts in their field. The consultants strictly work with customers choosing the best designs. The

framers exclusively frame, taking note of all the specific details that make your art truly special. The choppers and joiners are focused on making perfect frames.



[The Custom Framer](http://thecustomframerhighlandpark.com) - 1436 Old Skokie Road
847.432.4630 / thecustomframerhighlandpark.com

Live Music at Norton's

DECEMBER 2021

JANUARY 2022

MUSIC SCHEDULE

LIVE AT

NORTON'S

Sat. 12/11

Tony Ocean

Tony Ocean's upbeat style embodies a time to enjoy the music.

ENJOY THE MUSIC OF
FRANK, DEAN, SAMMY, TONY,
TOM JONES & RAT PACK FAVORITES
THE 2ND SET TONY MORPHS INTO A
FABULOUS DANCE BAND!

Sat. 12/18 **WESTEND40- THE BAND**

West End 40 is a unique blend of R&B, Jazz, Gospel, Top 40 & Original Music. We pride ourselves on our diversity of styles, providing energized entertainment for a highly diverse, selective crowd of music lovers from all walks of life. We not only provide a great music experience, but we also provide a full-scale performance art at its best.

Sat. 01/08 **MITCH THE LIP & Side Hustle**

Put New Orleans funk, British Ska/Reggae, Motown and Bad Company in a blender and come out with Mitch The Lip & Side Hustle. Mitch's vocals sound like Paul Rodgers meets Maceo Parker and he comes out swinging with his new Side Hustle project. They will lay down a big phat funky groove that will get you moving in your seat and on the dance floor. "The majority of songs people will know and sing along with.

Mitch The Lip & Side Hustle is:

Mitch The Lip – Vocals, Trumpet, Guitar, John Griffin – Guitar, Vocals,
Ira Sussman – Bass, Tom Trinka – Keys, Sax, Vocals,
Robb Calabro – Sax, Vocals, Marc Gratama - Drums

If it grooves you, we'll move you! We'll funk up your free time.

Sat. 01/22 **CLASS OF '68**

CLASSIC ROCK FAVORITES OF THE: BRITISH INVASION
AMERICAN '60S GROUPS. THE GOLDEN AGE OF THE TOP 40!

Stage Clothes and Vintage Instruments!

"...Class of 68 blows the doors off of all the other cover bands.
They have a better look and so much more genuine energy..."

www.nortons-restaurant.com

Follow the City's Enjoy Highland Park campaign
at enjoyhighlandpark.com

The City of Highland Park's social
media campaign,

#EnjoyHighlandPark, highlights the unique shopping and dining, exceptional natural spaces, and vibrant arts and entertainment offerings you can't find anywhere but Highland Park. Learn more at our new website

enjoyhighlandpark.com. The City

will continue to add content on an ongoing basis - check back frequently!

ENJOY
highland park

Help spread the word, and be sure to follow [@enjoyhighlandpark](https://www.instagram.com/enjoyhighlandpark) on Instagram and [@EnjoyHighlandPark](https://www.facebook.com/EnjoyHighlandPark) on Facebook.

Explore. Experience. Enjoy Highland Park: enjoyhighlandpark.com.

SCORE Mentoring at the Highland Park Public Library & Free Webinars

SCORE offers in-person or virtual sessions using phone, email, or video

All sessions are free and confidential. SCORE mentors are successful business professionals, some retired, some working, from all industries and experiences.



Visit northchicago.score.org and register to "Find a Mentor". You will be asked to provide the nature of your business interest. Please include whether you prefer in-person or virtual mentoring (phone, email, video) and note, the **Highland Park Public Library** even if you prefer a virtual session.

Upcoming SCORE Webinars

Highland Park Career Exploration Program

Interested in sharing your profession with a high school student exploring their career options? The Highland Park Career Exploration program (HPCE) provides students with the opportunity to gain valuable insights into a potential career path and goals. Students are matched and meet with professionals to discuss career aspirations, work initiatives, and other professional inquiries.

**Learn more about
HPCE.**

FAQ on Face Covering and Vaccination Requirements

On August 26, 2021, the Governor signed [Executive Order 21-20](#) which requires all individuals over the age of 2 and who can medically tolerate a face covering to wear a face-covering when in indoor public places. The Executive Order also requires health care workers, school personnel, higher education personnel and students, and employees and contractors of state-owned or operated congregate facilities to be fully vaccinated, as described in the Order.

Please place this [Face Mask Required Sign](#) in your place of business to remind customers to wear a face covering.

[Face Covering FAQs](#)

Get Hired Illinois

The State of Illinois has launched [Get Hired Illinois](#) to connect job seekers with employers and training opportunities as well as employers who are looking to fill open positions with available workers. Visit [GetHired \(illinois.gov\)](#) for more information.

ILLINOIS.gov

Financial Aid for Retailers and Restaurants Grant Program

The City of Highland Park has a matching grant program to assist restaurants and retailers with operational costs incurred to provide a safe environment for customers and staff in compliance with state and federal public health guidelines for the coronavirus pandemic. The program will accept applications from qualifying restaurants and retailers located and operating within a commercial building in Highland Park with a net worth of less than \$2 million and generating less than an average of \$200,000 in profit per year for two years after taxes. Qualifying restaurants and retailers may apply for reimbursement of up to 50% of eligible expenses related to COVID-19 public health mitigations, to a maximum of \$10,000 for restaurants and \$5,000 for retailers, for costs incurred between August 15, 2020, and December 31, 2021, or until funds are depleted. [More information is available here.](#)



Additional Resources

[Available Commercial Space](#)

[Business Directory](#)

[Establishing Your Business](#)

[Chamber Of Commerce](#)

[SCORE](#)

[U.S. Small Business Administration](#)

[Job Center of Lake County -
Business Services](#)

[Illinois Department of Commerce &
Economic Opportunity](#)

[Lake County Health Department](#)

[NorthShore University
HealthSystem](#)

[Illinois Department of Public Health](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention](#)

For general business inquiries, contact the City's Business Development Manager Carolyn Hersch at chersch@cityhpil.com.

For more information on the City's response to COVID-19, contact the City's Communications Manager Amanda Civitello at acivitello@cityhpil.com.

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