

Important Information about the IECRM Parade Party Event, Parking, Street Closures, and more!

LOCATION:

2nd Floor Centennial Ballroom

Hyatt Regency at the Convention Center

650 15th St, Denver, CO 80202, between 14th and 15th Streets, between Champa and Welton.

(Note: there are 3 Hyatts in Downtown Denver. This is the Hyatt Regency at the Convention Center, NOT the Grand Hyatt or the Hyatt House)

DATE and TIME:

Friday, November 30, 2018

5:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Due to street closures downtown, **you must arrive no later than 6:30 pm. Streets will not re-open until 10:00 pm. You will be unable to exit the parking garage until 10:00 pm.** Please plan your evening accordingly. Please prepare for very slow traffic throughout downtown and crowded public transportation.

Recommended Directions:

Come downtown via Speer or I-25 to Colfax, left on Welton Street (one-way). Proceed on Welton for 2 blocks.

For valet parking: enter on 15th or if the street is closed, enter on Welton Street, on the left, immediately after self-parking signs.

For self-parking: turn left into the Hyatt Regency parking garage just after 14th.

PARKING:

Arrive NO LATER than 6:30 pm as the streets in downtown Denver will be closing for the parade and you will not be able to access the Hyatt Regency.

If you are parking at the Hyatt Regency:

If you pre-paid for valet or self-park, you will receive your voucher through a separate email one week before the event. **Please PRINT YOUR VOUCHER to show when you arrive** at the parking garage or valet.

If you did not pre-pay for valet or self-park, you may park at the Hyatt Regency on a space-available basis. Hyatt Regency parking is first-come, first-served.

Parking fees (or your pre-paid parking voucher) are collected as you exit the facility at the end of the night.

BRING:

- Your pre-paid parking voucher
- Cash or credit card for the cash bars
- Cash or credit card for IECRM stocking stuffers -- ornaments, beanies, socks and more!

- Patience for driving through downtown
- Your Holiday spirit!

SCHEDULE:

5:00 pm: Registration

Please check in with IECRM staff to get your nametag, party lights, and a special keepsake gift (one per family; additional gifts available for \$10 each).

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm: Take photographs with the Ice Castle Float's "Apprince & Apprincess"

Our very own apprentices will be riding on the float as the Prince and Princess of the Ice Castle!

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Dinner stations and cash bar open

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm: Activities open

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm: Hot cocoa, coffee and cash bar open in front of viewing windows

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm: Live telecast of the 44th Annual 9NEWS Parade of Lights

We'll be showing the live broadcast before the parade passes by the Hyatt Regency.

8:30 pm - 9:30 pm: The Parade of Lights passes by the Hyatt Regency.

Guests are welcome to watch from the 2nd story at the Hyatt, move down to the 1st floor, or grab their hot chocolate to head outside to join the crowd!

8:45 pm: Get ready to see the IECRM Sparkling Ice Castle float make its appearance!

9:30 pm: Parade concludes

10:00 pm: Streets re-open and guests may exit parking garage or valet

Our bar will be open as well as the hotel lounge while you are waiting for streets to re-open. Relax and mingle with friends and colleagues!

THE PARTY MENU:

MAC 'N CHEESE STATION

Freshly Made Creamy Macaroni and Cheese Station with Assorted Toppings

APPLE FENNEL GLAZED TURKEY BREAST CARVING STATION

with Arugula Salad, Walnut and Dried Cranberries with Mustard Vinaigrette, Cranberry Thyme Stuffing, House Made Cranberry Relish and Pan Gravy, and Harvest Seeded Twist Rolls

CARAWAY SEED AND GARLIC CRUSTED PORK LOIN with Brown Sugar Mustard

with Roasted Root Vegetable Salad with Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Smashed Yukon Potatoes

DESSERT: Assorted cookies, hot cocoa, and freshly brewed coffee.

ATTIRE:

Business casual -- so feel free to dress down/up or wear your ugly Christmas sweater!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITES:

Movies: Relax and watch *Frozen* or *Polar Express*.

Games: Play Big Checkers and Cornhole.

Arts and Crafts: Create a Snowflake, color the Sparkling Ice Castle, and make a Holiday Paper Chain.

Face Painting: Have your face decorated with pretty paints and glitter to be transformed for the evening!

HOTEL STAYS:

The Hyatt Regency is offering a special discount to IECRM Holiday Party guests for \$105.00 for the night. There are still rooms available. [Click here for information.](#)

WALK IN THE PARADE!

Ever wanted to be in a parade? Sign up now for one or both nights! The walkers will be dressed in lighted electricians' safety vests, hard hats, and other accessories and will wave to and interact with parade spectators along the 2.2 mile route in downtown Denver.

Details:

FRIDAY, NOV. 30 and/or SATURDAY, DEC. 1.

Participants minimum age: 14. The parade route is 2.2 miles from step off to disband.

Timing: Typical time commitment is 3-4 hours (1 hour for staging, 2.5 hours of walking 2.2 miles).

Staging info, waiver, uniform info, and arrival times will be emailed. For Friday night, walkers must report to the "staging area" at 6:30 pm. Saturday night, walkers must report to the staging area at 4:30 pm.