

Holiday Charity Event Guide

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Looking to do something good to move you from Santa's naughty to nice list? Check out these holiday charity events in the Valley.

Visions of Sugar Plums



Come out to the Scottsdale Fairmont Princess Resort on Monday, Nov. 22, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event includes a lunch, silent and live auctions and a holiday fashion show presented by Scottsdale Fashion Square and the Kierland Commons. Plus, from home décor to gourmet food, you'll be sure to find great gifts to place under your tree. Tickets are \$75 and all proceeds will go to benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Scottsdale. www.fashionsquare.com/events.

The Nutcracker Party



Ballet Arizona Presents The Nutcracker Party on Dec. 5. The committee has worked hard all year to get everyone in the holiday mood. The holiday luncheon will feature a performance by dancers from Ballet Arizona and The School of Ballet Arizona as well as crafts for children provided by local arts and cultural nonprofit organizations. Victorian carolers will also be entertaining. The event will take place at the JW Marriott Resort & Spa in their Arizona Ballroom from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 in advance and all profits go towards supporting Ballet Arizona's education, outreach and performance programs. www.balletaz.org.

Candlelight Capers for Banner Health



Enjoy a night of holiday spirit and dancing at the 56th annual Candlelight Capers Ball will take place Saturday, Dec. 11 at the Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa. The event will feature a cocktail reception, a silent auction and dinner. This year, all proceeds will benefit the hospital's Heart Failure Program. This is the hospital's largest fundraiser of the year (last year's profits reached \$380,000). Tickets start at \$250. www.bannerhealth.com.

Alice Cooper's Christmas Pudding

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Stray away from holiday songs like “Jingle Bells” and “Silent Night” with Alice Cooper and Rob Zombie. The night of Music, Movement and Mayhem will take place Dec. 18 at the Comerica Theater. Proceeds from the ticket sales will go to benefiting Copper’s charity Solid Rock organization which enriches the lives of at risk Valley children and teens. Ticket prices vary and can be purchased on LiveNation. www.alicecoopersolidrock.com.