

time out

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Puppeteer Rose Knapp demonstrates one of the gifts available at the Armadillo Christmas Bazaar.

Staff Photo by Bob Daemmrich

Armadillo bazaar set for sales, concerts

The 8th annual Armadillo Christmas Bazaar opens at 11 a.m. today and will continue from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily through Christmas Eve. The bazaar is located in Cherry Creek Plaza on the southwest corner of Stassney Lane and Manchaca Road.

This seasonal favorite will offer pleasant Christmas shopping in a festival atmosphere with live entertainment, food and beverages.

Live entertainment will be at 8 nightly, as well as Robert Shaw on the piano Monday through Friday from 5 to 7 p.m.

Entertainment schedule is:

Today — Kimmie Rhodes and Jackalope Brothers

Sunday — Steve Fromholz

Monday — Uncle Walter Hyatt

Tuesday — The Vanguards

Wednesday — Townes Van Zandt

Thursday — Elliott Leonard

Friday, Dec. 17 — Grimalkin

Dec. 18 — Lucinda

Dec. 19, 23 — Jim Schulman

Dec. 20 — Butch Hancock

Dec. 21 — Almost Brothers

Dec. 22 — Dogs At Play

Dec. 23 — Jimmie Gilmore

Admission is \$1.50 (\$1 weekdays before 7 p.m.), children 12 and younger admitted free.



Staff Photo by Ralph Barrera

Courtney Tucker, 14, helps Ryan Gothard, 5, at an ice show rehearsal. At left is Blythe Weber, 10.

Ice show offers winter wonder

Whether you're a transplanted snow bunny or you just love the thought of a white Christmas, the fifth annual Christmas ice show might fulfill your winter wishes with a Christmas fantasy on ice. "Discover the Spirit of Christmas," will be

performed at 7:30 p.m. Sunday and 6:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday on the rink at Northcross Mall.

Four-time gold medalist Josh Roberts of Houston will be guest skater in an amateur show that promises all

the color and flash of a professional show.

"This is probably a more thorough show than 'Icecapades,'" said Megan Goodman, publicity chairman for the show.

Main events



Take five

Dave Brubeck, jazz pianist extraordinaire, once played for kings and presidents. Now he performs a large-scale religious piece called La Fiesta de la Posada in an Austin church Sunday and Monday.

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Does Bonnie Raitt?

Bonnie Raitt performs the blues Saturday and Sunday nights at the Austin Opera House. Tickets are on sale at Hastings, Inner Sanctum, Waterloo and the Opera House.

Parade of tradition

Re-creation of holy search to light up San Antonio

By NAT HENDERSON
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Las Posadas, a candlelight procession symbolizing the holy family's search for an inn, will wind among the luminarias along the Paseo del Rio Sunday as San Antonio continues a Christmas tradition that began at the Spanish missions more than 250 years ago.

The downtown San Antonio River Walk will sparkle with more than 50,000 lights in the trees each night through early January. The Fiesta de las Luminarias tonight, Sunday and Dec. 16-18 adds even more glitter to the River Walk as 4,500 luminarias line the banks, bridges and windowsills of shops, cafes, bars and hotels. Luminarias are brown paper bags weighted by sand with candles inside.

The highlight of the Festival of Lights is Las Posadas. The procession, led by children dressed as the holy family, angels and shepherds, leaves the Mansion del Rio Hotel at 6 p.m. Sunday. The children sing carols in Spanish as they go from door to door. Mariachi bands and choirs furnish other music.



Children dress as the holy family, shepherds and angels for the procession down the River Walk.

Spectators are given candles and song sheets. The crowd falls in behind the holy family and follows it to the Arneson River Theater, where El Misterio, or the infant Jesus, will be placed in a creche. The children then will sing a request for a pinata, and a party will begin in Plaza Juarez in La Villita.