



Boston

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Our Companion from Lake Wobegon

Gold-throated

ZooLights makes the holidays sparklé.

Twinkle, Twinkle

Greater Boston lights up to fete the holidays

In support of Rudolph and the gang of reindeer, the animals at the Stone Zoo are getting into the spirit of the season with a family favorite, ZooLights. From Thanksgiving through Jan. 11, the zoo is festooned with thousands of twinkling lights lining the paths around the park and exhibits. In addition to the jaguars,

flamingos, eagles and snow leopards living in the park, St. Nick (and a reindeer or two from his sleigh team) will be there, along with a fairy tale castle filled with theme characters and a carousel.zoonewengland.org

In the city, some 20,000 people gather on Dec. 1 for the 70th Boston Common Holiday tree lighting ceremony—the lights stay lit through Jan. 1. On the waterfront, the switch is flipped Dec. 22 for the Bright Lights for Winter Nights light displays at the Rose Kennedy Greenway parks, running through March 20, 2012. And at the Old North Church, the Christmas Manger and Tree Lighting Service is Dec 19.

master storyteller Garrison Keillor takes the stage at Symphony Hall for an afternoon performance, Nov. 13. Multicharacter, multilayered stories of small-town living from his Minnesota homeland weave politics (national, local and marital), history and humor with an easygoing cadence, which has led some to refer

THEATRE DISTRICT

Moby Dick Nov. 7-12

ne Date

It's the Boston première of Conor Lovett's captivating reading of Herman Melville's classic epic tale of Captain Ahab's obsession with the mythic white whale. artsemerson.org

SEAPORT

30th Boston Globe Ski & **Snowboard Expo**

Nov. 10-13

All the latest in gear and fashion at the World Trade Center. Highlights include interactive exhibits and discounts on winter vacation packages. bewisports.com/ expos/boston

SEAPORT

The Untitled Still Life Collection

Nov. 18-20

The Institute of Contemporary Art hosts the world première of the collaboration between choreographer Trajal Harrell and sculptor Sarah Sze. 617-478-3100; icaboston.org

FENWAY

Holiday Pops

Dec. 7-24

Conductor Keith Lockhart leads the beloved Boston Pops (as well as a surprise celebrity or two) for its 37th year of holiday concerts at Symphony Hall. 617-266-1492; bostonpops.org

CAMBRIDGE

41st Christmas Revels

to Keillor as the

Mark Twain of

our generation.

celebrityseries.org.

Dec. 16-29

If Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa aren't enough, partake in a celebration of the winter solstice, including international singing, dancing and storytelling troupes. 617-496-2222; revels.org

