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SHEDD AQUARIUM'S MUST-SEE SEASONAL SPECTACLE RETURNS, A HOLIDAY FANTASEA

Beginning Nov. 25, Annual Aquatic Show Comes Home for the Holidays with a Splash

CHICAGO – 'Tis the season to see Shedd for a lot of holiday reasons! [Shedd Aquarium](http://www.sheddaquarium.org)'s family-favorite festive show, [*A Holiday Fantasea*](#), is back! Marking the start of the holiday season at the aquarium, the multi-species show begins today, Nov. 25 through Jan. 2, 2012. *A Holiday Fantasea* is generously presented by Toyota, powered by ComEd, and supported by Macy's.

A Holiday Fantasea features Pacific white-sided dolphins, beluga whales, penguins and a California sea lion showing off their beauty and natural behaviors, accompanied by multicultural holiday music and festive backgrounds from around the world. The Abbott Oceanarium transforms into a wintry wonderland of water wonders with snow-capped trees, rocks and twinkling lights, setting the stage for special visits from holiday characters – including Santa Claus!



“*A Holiday Fantasea* was specifically designed to share the spirit of the holiday season with all of the guests that enter our doors at Shedd Aquarium,” said Ted Beattie, Shedd President and CEO. “We hope that *A Holiday Fantasea* will become a tradition for all families during this very special time of year, and we welcome all those coming home for the holidays into our home at the aquarium.”

In addition to the seasonal show, festive [holiday happenings](#) at Shedd include the brand-new Jingle Bell Rockin' Evenings beginning Dec. 19 and returning favorites – Holiday Breakfasts and the *Polar Express* 4-D feature.

From now until Dec. 19, Shedd is open 9 a.m. – 5p.m. during the week and 9 a.m. – 6p.m. on weekends. Shedd will be closed on Dec. 25. For more information, please call 312-939-2438 or visit www.sheddaquarium.org. For group sales information, please call 312-692-3333. Advance tickets on sale through Ticketmaster at 800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com.

EDITOR'S NOTE: High resolution images and video are available at: <https://backup.filesanywhere.com/fs/v.aspx?v=8b726789616370789fa1>, password: holiday.

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