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## Ice Skating in Downtown Los Angeles

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Pershing Square in the heart of downtown Los Angeles has once again turned into a winter wonderland where skaters and spectators can gather to experience the city's largest outdoor ice rink.

The holiday ice rink at Pershing Square is open to the public and will remain in place through Jan. 12, 2025.

For 25 years, the seasonal ice rink has brought a little bit of winter to sunny Los Angeles, with more than 45,000 skaters and 221,000 spectators visiting the famed public park located between South Olive and Hill streets.

"The rink fosters community, while embracing winter fitness and fun," organizers said.

The event this year is sponsored by "Wicked," DTLA Alliance, KUSC, Metro and Metrolink. Proceeds from the weekslong event will benefit City of Los Angeles Department of Recreations and Parks.

The largest outdoor rink in the city at 7,200 square feet, the holiday ice rink promises to provide "professional-quality ice for skating and entertainment."

General admission, which includes skate rentals, is \$20. Skate "helpers" and storage lockers can be rented for additional fees.

Private parties are also available on select Mondays and Tuesdays, organizers said.

"Wicked"-themed skate nights will take place on Wednesdays, which will feature music from the show and giveaways; Thursday nights will feature music from local DJs; and Sundays will feature two sessions for skater to enjoy the "soothing sounds of classical music" provided by KUSC radio.

If skating is not your thing but still want to experience the novelty of winter sports in Southern California, the Hollywood Curling Club will host three one-hour curling lessons on Dec. 21, Dec. 28 and Jan. 4, 2025.

Willy Bietak, whose production company is organizing the holiday ice rink, said the event is an "absolute must" for Angelenos and residents who want to make the most out of a winter in Los Angeles.

For tickets and other information, **click here**.

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