

Top Things to Do Thanksgiving Weekend in The Hamptons

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Thanksgiving Weekend is always a fun one in The Hamptons. There plenty of festive ways to celebrate the start of the holidays. Making our list for the top choices for events on the East End, consider an architecturally-focused house tour, shopping for pottery made by local artists, an old-fashioned barn dance along with art-related events. Scroll along to see the possibilities for things to do this weekend through November 25, 2018 in The Hamptons.

East Hampton Historical Cocktail Party & House Tour

The East Hampton Historical Society presents its “Opening Night Cocktails” at the Maidstone Club on **Friday, November 23, 2018, from 6 to 8 p.m.** The “House Tour” will be held on **Saturday, November 24, 2018, from 1 to 4:30 p.m.**

The East Hampton Historical Society will showcase examples of historical and modern architecture in the Hamptons. This year’s tour will consist of five unique houses and proceeds will benefit the East Hampton Historical Society. A kick-off Cocktail Party at the at the historical [Maidstone Club](#) will welcome in this year’s House Tour, now in its 34th year.

Tickets start at \$200 and include one ticket to the Cocktail Party and one ticket to the House Tour. Tickets for the tour can be picked up and purchased at Clinton Academy from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, November 23, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2018. The Maidstone Club is located at 50 Old Beach Ln, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.easthamptonhistory.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.



Maidstone Club. Courtesy of East Hampton Historical Society.

LongHouse Holiday Afternoon

LongHouse Reserve presents its "Holiday Afternoon" on **Saturday, November 24, 2018, from 2 to 4 p.m.**

Rediscover the gardens at this special time of year, toast the holiday season and attach a wish to the Yoko Ono "Wish Tree." Jump start your holiday shopping at INstore to make the season a creative one.

Tickets are \$15 and members are complimentary. RSVP: events@longhouse.org or call (631) 329-3568. LongHouse Reserve is located at 133 Hands Creek Rd, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.longhouse.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

Clay Art Guild's Holiday Sale

Looking for gifts? Check out the handmade pottery at the annual Holiday Gift Show.

Clay Art Guild presents its "Holiday Sale" on Saturdays and Sundays, from **November 23 through December 16, 2018. The Sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** at The Bridgehampton Historical Society Archives, just outside of Bridgehampton's Main Street.

Bridgehampton Historical Society Archives is located at 2539-a Montauk Hwy, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. www.hamptonsclayart.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

Harvest Barn Dance with Chart Guthrie & the Dance All Night Band

The Southampton Arts Center presents the “Harvest Barn Dance with Chart Guthrie and the Dance All Night Band” on **Saturday, November 24, 2018, from 6 to 8 p.m.**

A [Contra Dance](#) (aka Barn Dance) is a folk dance made up of long lines of couples. It has mixed origins from English country dance, Scottish country dance, and French dance styles in the 17th century. Sometimes described as New England folk dance or Appalachian folk dance, contra dances can be found around the world, but are most common in the United States. This dance is open to all ages and skill levels. The event will consist of a number of individual dances led by the caller, Chart Guthrie, who will teach the group the dance just before the music begins.

[Tickets](#) are \$15 and for \$10 for Friends of SAC. Free for Children 12 & Under. Southampton Arts Center is located at 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton, NY 11968. www.southamptonartscenter.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.



Barn Dance. Courtesy of The Southampton Arts Center.

Center Stage Opens its Season with “Meet Me in St. Louis”

Southampton Cultural Center Center Stage presents “Meet Me in St. Louis – A Live Radio Play” on **Friday, November 23, Sunday, November 25 and through December 9, 2018.**

Opening the season and kicking off the holidays is the Long Island premiere of Joe Landry’s radio

version of “Meet Me in St. Louis.” Michael Disher directs, Alyssa Kelly choreographs, and Amanda Jones musically directs. The classic score includes “The Boy Next Door,” “The Trolley Song” and “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas.”

General admission [tickets](#) are \$25. Southampton Cultural Center is located at 25 Pond Ln, Southampton, NY 11968. www.scc-arts.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

Madoo Gallery Opening Reception

The Madoo Conservancy presents “Not Nature,” a group exhibition featuring contemporary Hamptons artists [Laurie Lambrecht](#), [Steve Miller](#), and [Darius Yektai](#). The opening cocktail reception will be held on **Saturday, November 24, 2018, from 5 to 7 p.m.** The exhibition will be on view on Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. through December 22, 2018.

Each artist featured in “[Not Nature](#)” reveals their own profound connection to our environment, as land, sea, and air are absorbed through the senses and materialized as their art form. While nature remains the source and essence of their work, each artist has taken departures from naturalistic representation.

The Madoo Conservancy is located at 618 Sagg Main St, Sagaponack, NY 11962. www.madoo.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

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