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Madison St Medians
Beacon Park
Paradise Valley Park and Plaza
(In honor of Beatrice Buck)
Broadway St Medians
Washington Blvd Promenade
Gratiot Ave Medians
General Thaddeus Kosciuszko Plaza
Third St Medians
Capitol Park
Monroe St Medians
Campus Martius Park
Cadillac Square
Beaubien St Medians
Woodward Esplanade
Randolph St Medians
Jefferson Ave Medians
Gateway to Freedom International Memorial
Fox Theatre
Comerica Park
Ford Field
Hollywood Casino
Huntington Place
Spirit Plaza
Hart Plaza
GMRENCEN
Detroit Riverwalk
M-10
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WINTER IN THE PARKS 2026

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Your guide to hundreds of experiences in the Downtown Detroit Parks

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EXPLORE DOWNTOWN DETROIT PARKS

YOUR HOLIDAY STARTS HERE!

CONTACT US

Downtown Detroit is the region's ultimate holiday destination, glowing with millions of lights and festive activities for all ages. Winter in the Parks presented by Bank of America, brings the season to life with shopping, dining, and endless holiday cheer. Glide across The Rink at Campus Martius Park presented by Lexus—ranked the No.1 Ice Skating Rink in the U.S.

Warm up with seasonal drinks at CHALET 313, and explore artisan goods at the Downtown Detroit Markets in Cadillac Square.

From magical displays to memorable moments with family and friends, Downtown is the place to celebrate the season.

The award-winning urban parks of Downtown Detroit are managed by the Downtown Detroit Partnership (DDP), a nonprofit stewarding world-class public spaces in collaboration with the City of Detroit and the Downtown Detroit Business Improvement Zone (BIZ), with generous support from partners.

BEACON PARK

CADILLAC SQUARE

CAPITOL PARK

WOODWARD ESPLANADE

GRAND CIRCUS PARK

PARADISE VALLEY PARK AND PLAZA

THE RINK AT CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

PRESENTED BY LEXUS

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#1 BEST ICE SKATING RINK IN THE US

PUBLIC SQUARE IN THE US 2023, 2024, 2025

The official start to the holiday season kicks off with a star-studded line up and over a million glittering holiday lights.

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK • NOVEMBER 20 • 4 PM – 9 PM

WDIV CHANNEL 4 LIVE BROADCAST • 7 PM – 9 PM

LOCAL 4 Expect More.

PERFORMANCES BY:

JUST JAYNE

Just Jayne is a Nashville-based country-pop trio featuring singer-songwriters Taylor Edwards, Jillian Steele and Rachel Wiggins. Formed after the artists met as songwriting students at Belmont University, the group pairs three-part harmonies with relatable storytelling and feel-good hooks.

SOULIDIFIED

Soulidified is a four-member pop and R&B vocal group featuring Landon Boyce, Malik Heard, Shade Jenifer and Bradley Rittmann. Formed on Netflix's *Building the Band*, the group earned a third-place finish and has built a following through tight harmonies and confident performances.

MADISON CHOCK AND EVAN BATES

Madison Chock and Evan Bates are the most decorated American ice dance team in history. The four-time Olympians are two-time Olympic Team Event gold medalists (2026, 2022) and 2026 Olympic silver medalists in ice dance. They are three-time consecutive World Champions (2023–2025) and record-breaking seven-time U.S. Champions (2022–2026, 2020, 2015). Together, they have built an extraordinary 15-year legacy at the pinnacle of ice dance, cementing their place among the most accomplished teams in the sport.

Photo credit: U.S. Figure Skating

PERFORMANCES BY METRO DETROIT FIGURE SKATERS

- Figure Skating in Detroit
- Onyx Theatre Troupe
- Arctic Figure Skating Club
- Dream Detroit Skating Academy
- New Edge Figure Skating Club
- Motown Ice Theatre
- Elijah Wilkins and Charlie Roost
- Figure Skating Club of Birmingham
- Livonia Figure Skating Club
- St. Clair Shores Figure Skating Club
- Detroit Figure Skating Club

URBAN ART ORCHESTRA

The Urban Art Orchestra, led by De'Sean Jones, blends classical, jazz, R&B, and hip-hop, creating electrifying performances that celebrate Detroit's vibrant musical legacy.

FEATURED DETROIT PERFORMERS:

- Urban Art Orchestra
- Broadway in Detroit
  The Great Gatsby
- *Dr. Seuss' How The Grinch Stole Christmas! The Musical*
- Detroit Public Theatre
- Detroit Opera
- Hitsville Next
- Chiara Clayton

THE RINK
AT CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

presented by:

LEXUS

Located in the heart of Downtown Detroit, The Rink at Campus Martius Park presented by Lexus was voted the No. 1 Best Ice Skating Rink in the U.S. for three consecutive years. Glide across the ice with stunning views of the historic Detroit skyline and enjoy an unforgettable winter experience. A favorite for families and Detroiters alike, the Rink creates magical holiday memories, with a dedicated team ensuring every visit is seamless and memorable.

The Rink at Campus Martius Park has hosted the world's best Olympic athletes from gold-medalists Nathan Chen, Meryl Davis and Charlie White and U.S. champions Ashley Wagner, Jeremy Abbott, Karen Chen, Madison Chock and Evan Bates. It also serves as a base for dozens of mission-driven community events and campaigns, including the Scott Hamilton CARES Foundation, Make-A-Wish, Salvation Army and more.

PURCHASE TICKETS HERE

RINK OPENING WEEKEND CELEBRATION

Glide into the spirit of the season with a weekend of frosty skate parties at The Rink at Campus Martius Park with DJ Invisible, fun giveaways and more!

PRESENTED BY:

LEXUS

UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER PARTY

Saturday • November 21 • 6 PM - 11 PM

Don your favorite Ugly Holiday Sweater and get ready to join us for a night of festive fun under Detroit's Christmas Tree. Prizes will be given for the best ugly sweater.

PRESENTED BY:

MICHIGAN LOTTERY

SANTA SKATE PARTY

Sunday • November 22 • 12 PM - 4 PM

Bring your holiday spirit to our Santa Skate Party! Families can enjoy a festive afternoon on the ice with Santa, holiday music, sweet treats and plenty of seasonal fun. Lace up your skates, snap a photo with Santa, and celebrate the season with friends and family downtown.

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2026 - 2027 RINK HOURS

OPEN DAILY INCLUDING HOLIDAYS

November 21 - January 3
Sun – Thu: 11 AM – 10 PM
Friday + Saturday: 11 AM – Midnight

Holiday Hours
Christmas Day: 12 PM – 10 PM
New Year's Eve: 11 AM – 10 PM

January 4 - March 7
Mon, Wed, Thu: 11 AM – 9 PM
Tuesday: 11 AM – 6 PM
Friday + Saturday: 11 AM – 11 PM
Sunday: 12 PM – 8 PM

FOR QUESTIONS OR GROUP RATES CALL 313.963.9393.

SCAN FOR TICKETS

ADMISSION

Adult: $14.00
Child (12 and under): $10.00
Senior (59 and older): $10.00
Military / First Responder: $10.00
SKATE RENTAL: $5.00
SKATE SHARPENING: $8.00

RINK SPECIALS

November 21 - March 4

Cardholder Discount:

Present your BANK OF AMERICA credit or debit card to the rink staff to receive a $2.00 discount off regular admission.

Starts January 4
FREE Skate Rental

50% Off City of Detroit Resident Discount *(with ID proof)*

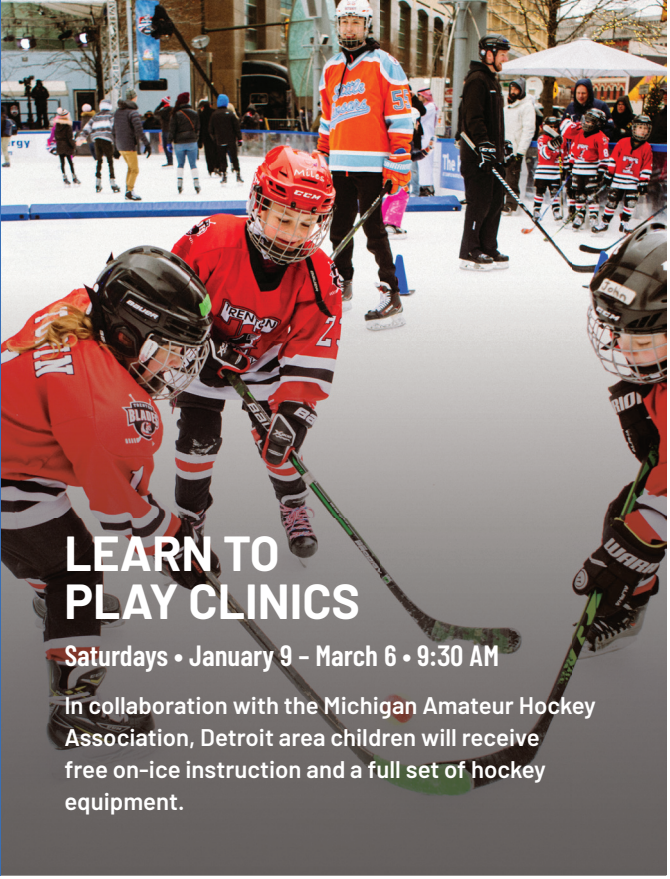
BROOMBALL

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Tuesdays beginning January 5

Broomball transforms the ice into action-packed fun, where friends face off in this lively, winter tradition downtown.

JOIN THE FUN



LEARN TO PLAY CLINICS

Saturdays • January 9 – March 6 • 9:30 AM

In collaboration with the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association, Detroit area children will receive free on-ice instruction and a full set of hockey equipment.

SWEETHEART SKATE

Saturday • February 13 • 6 PM - 9 PM

Presented by:
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Celebrate the season of love with a special evening in the heart of Downtown Detroit. Gather with your sweetheart, bestie, or favorite crew to enjoy festive music, twinkling lights and plenty of opportunities to make memories together. Whether you're celebrating romance or friendship, it's the perfect way to share a little extra love this winter.

SK8 TO ELIMIN8 CANCER

Thursday • February 11 • 6 PM - 8 PM

The Sk8 to Elimin8 Cancer Ice Show returns to Campus Martius Park for the 9th consecutive year. This show features world class and local skaters in an effort to raise funds on behalf of the Scott Hamilton CARES Foundation, which aims to Turn Cancer Upside Down™.

SHOP LOCAL, SHOP DETROIT

Downtown Detroit comes alive during the holiday season, offering festive shopping, unique gifts, and plenty of local finds. From one-of-a-kind boutiques to beloved Detroit brands, there's something for everyone on your list. Make a day of it, explore downtown, discover something special, and experience the magic of the season in the heart of the city.

DOWNTOWN DETROIT MARKETS

CADILLAC SQUARE

Cadillac Square is your holiday shopping destination, featuring curated Detroit vendors with unique gifts — from apparel and jewelry to home décor, toys, pet goods, and treats. Discover one-of-a-kind finds in this festive outdoor marketplace. The Downtown Detroit Markets are funded by the Gilbert Family Foundation and managed by the Downtown Detroit Partnership with support from Bedrock, TechTown, and Ask Jennyfer.

THE SHOP AT CAMPUS MARTIUS

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

The Shop at Campus Martius is a holiday shopping destination in the heart of Downtown Detroit, featuring Detroit-inspired merchandise, locally designed apparel, gifts, and exclusive collaborations celebrating the city, its parks, and public spaces. Find something special for everyone on your list while supporting Downtown Detroit Parks, programming, operations, and year-round activation.

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DOWNTOWN DETROIT SMALL BUSINESSES

Small businesses are the heartbeat of the city. Downtown Detroit offers endless ways to shop, dine, and discover, with over 300 small businesses creating a vibrant mix of local experiences.

Scan the QR code to view our Downtown Detroit business directory and start discovering it all.

SHOP SMALL + SCAN HERE

EAT, DRINK & BE MERRY

Downtown Detroit's delicious dining scene is full of an incredible selection of options. From fast casual to award-winning fine dining experiences to everything in between, there's something for everyone.

CHALET 313

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

STYLED AND FURNISHED BY: GW GARDNER WHITE

CHALET 313, Campus Martius Park's stunning two-story heated lounge returns as Detroit's ultimate holiday retreat. With cozy seating, a lively bar, and 360-degree views of the ice rink, Detroit's Christmas Tree and dazzling skyline, this glass-enclosed space is perfect for sipping seasonal drinks, warming up, and enjoying the holiday magic with family and friends in the heart of downtown.

This unique space made possible through generous funding from William Davidson Foundation, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, Downtown Development Authority, and Detroit Grand Prix.

CADILLAC LODGE

CADILLAC SQUARE

This warm and cozy gathering space offers an assortment of beverages, toasty treats, board games and more for everyone to enjoy. Stop by when shopping at the neighboring Downtown Detroit Markets. For more information, visit CadillacLodge.com.

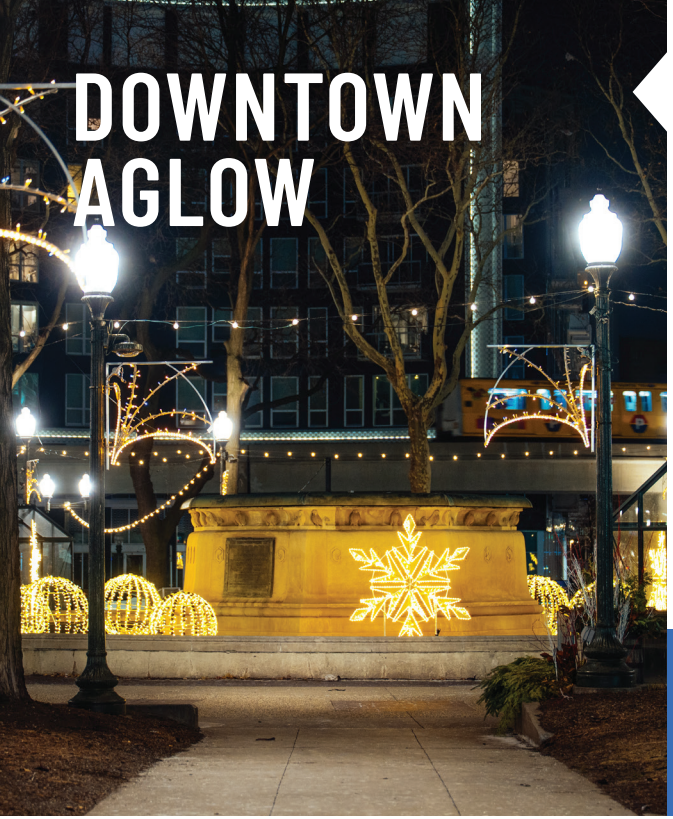
SCAN FOR HOLIDAY HOURS

LUMEN DETROIT

BEACON PARK

Savor modern cuisine and craft cocktails in a stylish setting. Take in sweeping views of Downtown Detroit and Beacon Park, aglow with thousands of holiday lights and festive décor. Whether you're dining in Lumen's contemporary dining room or enjoying a heated, private outdoor chalet on the patio, it's a holiday experience like no other.

FOR RESERVATIONS



DOWNTOWN AGLOW

EXPLORE DOWNTOWN'S INCREDIBLE HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Friday • November 20 – Monday • January 18

Downtown Detroit will shine brighter than ever this holiday season with Downtown Aglow, a dazzling citywide lighting experience illuminating the heart of the city. Visitors can explore a festive trail of lights across Campus Martius Park, Capitol Park, Cadillac Square, Beacon Park, Grand Circus Park, Paradise Valley Park & Plaza, Gratiot/Randolph Plaza, Jefferson Avenue, and Washington Boulevard, each transformed with its own unique holiday display.

Post your photos on social media with:

#DowntownDetroit #DetroitAglow
#DowntownDET

LIGHT UP BEACON PARK HOLIDAY SEASON KICKOFF 2026

BEACON PARK

Saturday • November 21 • 6 PM - 10 PM

Kick off the holiday season at Light Up Beacon Park, featuring festive entertainment, photo opportunities and fun for the whole family. Get a front-row view of the lighting of our 20-foot holiday tree and enjoy an evening of holiday cheer downtown Detroit.

For more information, visit DTEBeaconPark.com

BEACON PARK DESIGN HAUS

BEACON PARK

Select Dates • November 21 - November 29

Escape the cold inside Beacon Park's heated, interactive space, where art, music, fitness and culture create a warm, engaging winter experience for everyone.

For more information, visit DTEBeaconPark.com.

GOLDEN HOLIDAY DESIGN HAUS

BEACON PARK

Saturday • November 21 - Monday • January 18
6 AM - 9 PM

Step into a winter wonderland at Beacon Park where you'll see themed displays, 125,000 glowing LED lights, festive photo vignettes and more! Capture special memories, enjoy seasonal parkside dining and indulge in the magic of downtown Detroit during the holiday season.

For more information, visit DTEBeaconPark.com

MENORAH IN THE D

Sunday • December 6

Come celebrate the Festival of Lights on Sunday, December 6. The menorah will stand tall in Cadillac Square throughout Hanukkah.

HOLIDAYS AT NICK GILBERT WAY

Open Daily
Thursday • November 12 – Sunday • January 3

Bedrock and Decked Out Detroit bring the magic of the holiday season to downtown with festive shopping, local markets, family-friendly experiences, free trolley rides, live entertainment, seasonal treats and photo-worthy moments

MOTOR CITY KWANZAA CELEBRATION AND KINARA LIGHTING

Saturday • December 26

In partnership with Alkebu-lan Village, Councilman Scott Benson and the City of Detroit, the Downtown Detroit Partnership is proud to host the Motor City Kwanzaa Kinara. The 30-foot-tall monument brings a celebration of African American life, community and culture to the heart of Detroit.

throughout the city. Discover unique gifts, meet Santa, explore imaginative holiday windows, enjoy special events and make new traditions at destinations from Woodward Avenue to Book Tower and Nick Gilbert Way.

DECKED OUT DETROIT X BEDROCK

WINTER TRIVIA

CHALET 313

Open Daily 6 PM - 8 PM
Fridays • January 15 – March 5

Gather your crew, tackle questions across a mix of fun topics, and compete for tickets to Detroit Autoshow and Detroit's hottest upcoming events. Whether you're a trivia pro or just here for the fun, grab your team and see how much you really know!

SANTA PAWS

PRESENTED BY FIFTH THIRD

CAPITOL PARK

Saturday • December 12 • 12 PM - 2 PM

Bring your four-legged friends for a festive day at the dog park! Enjoy a special meet and greet with Santa, snap a holiday photo with your pup, and soak up the seasonal fun. It's the perfect opportunity for dogs and their humans to celebrate together.

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PARK RENTALS

Looking for an unconventional convention space?

The Downtown Detroit Parks offer world-class venues, each with its own unique amenities and character for a wide array of events. These include private and corporate events, brand activations, film and video shoots, and wedding ceremonies.

NEED HELP WITH THE DETAILS?

Our experienced rental team also offers event planning and coordinating of logistical and operational services. Contact us to help you plan a one-of-a-kind and unforgettable event.

MAKE A GIFT OF SUPPORT

While DDP works closely with the City of Detroit, our parks and public spaces are not funded by city tax dollars. Every detail you enjoy—from the energy of Campus Martius Park to the beauty of Capitol Park, and the programming that brings people together year-round—**is made possible by the generosity of corporate partners, grants, and people like you.**

Make a gift of support today!

PLAN YOUR VISIT

PARKS HOURS

Open daily 6 AM - 10 PM unless otherwise noted and for special events. Areas of the parks may be closed occasionally for maintenance or private events.

ACCESSIBLE ACCOMMODATIONS

DDP strives to increase independence, opportunities, community participation, safety and wellness for persons with disabilities in Downtown, and to ensure inclusion, representation, and equity for persons with disabilities as it relates to employment, programs, and services.

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Convenient and affordable parking options are available steps away from the Downtown Detroit Parks. Public transit is also a great way to navigate the city, including DDOT, SMART, FAST, The People Mover, and Q-LINE.

For locations, hours, pricing and to book your space in advance, scan below.

TRANSIT INFO:

PARKING INFO:

DOWNTOWN DETROIT BIZ AMBASSADORS

The Downtown Detroit BIZ Ambassadors are dedicated professionals committed to maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming Downtown for all. Easily recognizable in their distinct yellow uniforms, BIZ Ambassadors are Downtown Detroit's concierge. Ask them for help or for tips on how to make the most of your experience in Downtown Parks and throughout the city.

Ambassador Hot Line: 313.963.2225

LOST AND FOUND

To inquire about lost or found items in the park, visit **DowntownDetroit.org.**

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Please contact DDP Parks at 313.566.8250 or visit DowntownDetroit.org.

FREE AND FUN FOR ALL

Downtown Detroit Parks offer public programming that is free and open to all. Each year, the DDP produces, hosts and co-presents more than 1,200+ events across 18 parks and public spaces.

SCAN HERE FOR A FULL LINEUP OF FREE ACTIVITIES.

DON'T MISS THE FUN! SCAN TO JOIN OUR NEWSLETTER.

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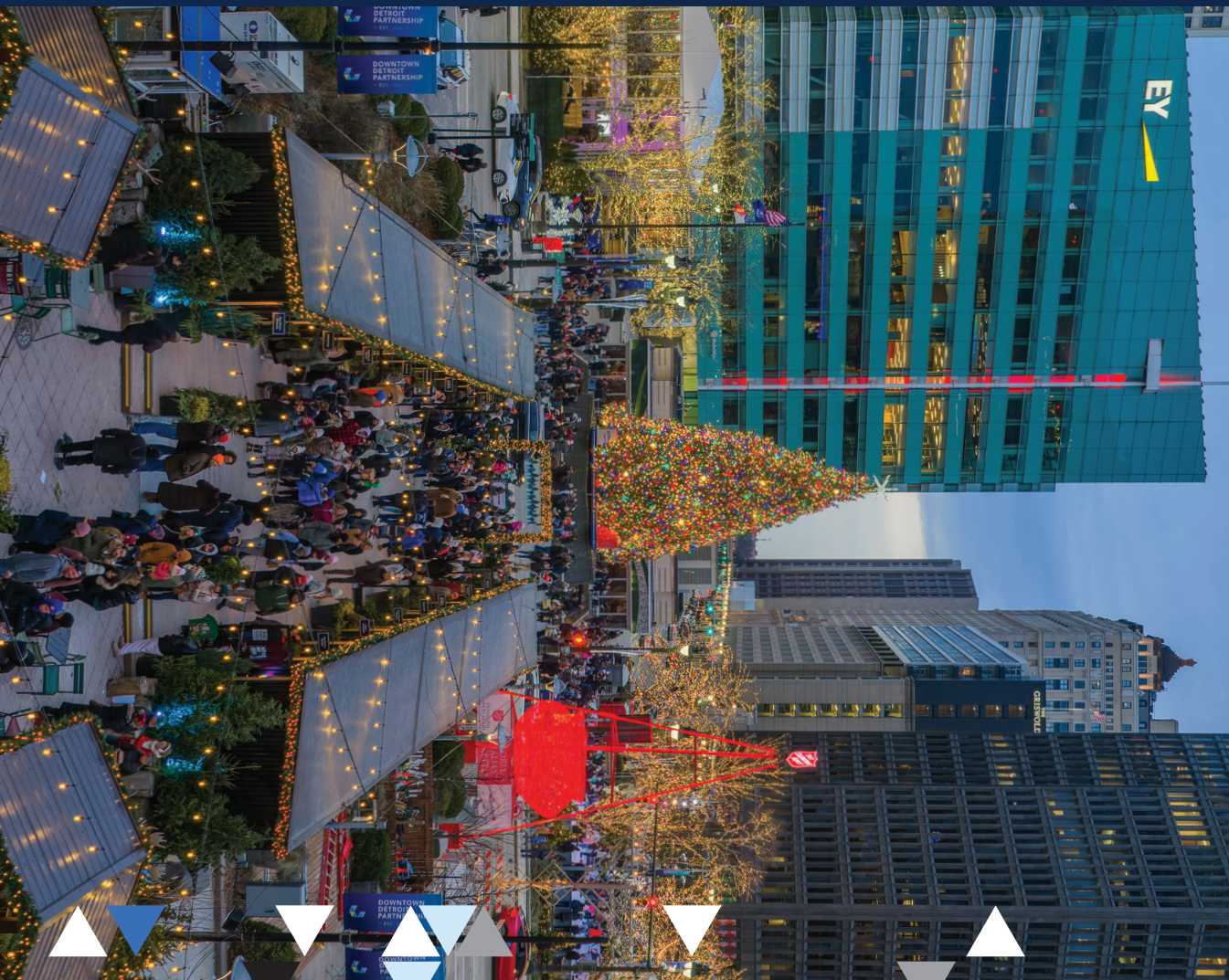
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