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Free Holiday Fun for Everyone at Hitchcock Live Music, Cookie Decorating & Crafting, Games, and More for All Ages

BRIMFIELD – Christmas at Hitchcock returns on Saturday, December 14th from 1 to 5pm. The popular all ages event will include live music, cookie decorating & crafting, games, face painting, and more. The event is free of charge and there is no registration required. Attendees should dress warmly as the event is held both indoors and outdoors.

Live music will be performed from the building's balcony by The Voice's Noah Lis and local Time Stretchers frontman Clark Howell. Listeners can keep warm sipping from free pours of delicious hot chocolate and coffee. Chesnuts and marshmallows will also be roasted to share with attendees.

Ice carver Mike Rondeau will be doing a live ice carving during the event. 4-H will be bringing Phoenix the pony for attendees to greet and pet.

Inside, attendees can decorate cookies, make Christmas crafts, play "reindeer games", and visit with Santa who will arrive at 2pm.

"Christmas at Hitchcock feels like a family Christmas party combined with a larger scale holiday event," says Executive Director Cindy Skowyra. "Our space is so much like a home, yet we have all the trimmings and trappings of an event with all the activities going on."

Attendees can also bring a donation to the organization's Toys for Tots collection, and donations to Hitchcock's annual Friends Campaign, which aims to raise \$15,000 toward operating expenses through individual donations, are also warmly welcomed.

For complete details and schedule, visit www.hitchcockacademy.org.

The event is generously sponsored by Hitchcock Pool Water.

Hitchcock Academy is a community center located at 2 Brookfield Road in Brimfield serving the community with educational, recreational, and cultural programming. More information can be found at <u>www.hitchcockacademy.org</u>.