

# Support your club! Volunteer at December Nights

Friday, Dec 5 • 3 – 11 pm

Saturday, Dec 6 • 1 – 11 pm

Tour visitors through the workshop,  
help set up and staff the selling tables  
at SDMG's Open House

**Volunteers needed on Dec 4th, 5th & 6th**

*Look for the sign-up sheets in the Workshop  
if you can help out*



**SDMG Closure during December Nights.** SDMG will be closed to classes starting Thursday Dec. 4th at 1:00pm through Saturday night Dec. 6. Classes will resume Sunday morning Dec. 7th.

**How to Volunteer.** December Nights in Balboa Park will open to the public on Friday, December 5th and Saturday, December 6th. SDMG will be hosting an Open House for visitors to tour the SDMG museum and workshops during the December Nights festivities. SDMG members may work on or demonstrate a project for FREE during the Open House on condition that an instructor has signed up to oversee your area of work. It's fun, festive and you share what you're doing with those who walk through the workshop classes.

Sign-up sheets for instructors and students who want to participate are posted on the bulletin boards in the faceting room and in the casting room. Once an instructor signs up to be present during December Nights, students may sign up during the instructor's same time period. There must be at least one instructor present to oversee activities and to keep things safe for everyone. Rock carving students can participate as long as there is a silversmith or casting instructor present to oversee the use of the Foredom.

**Workshop Etiquette during December Nights.** No saw cutting, use of torches, or heavy grinding will be allowed during the Open House due to safety and noise concerns while visitors are touring the facilities. So, please have all your slab- and trim-cutting done before December 5th.

**Plan Ahead for Traffic & Parking.** December Nights at Balboa Park always attracts a high volume of visitors, so arriving early and staying late may enable you to avoid peak traffic and parking challenges. The Zoo lot may be your best bet. However, be prepared to pay \$35.00 debit or credit card only for parking unless you have a Zoo membership that includes parking, which will make parking free but only at the Zoo lot. No handicapped exceptions, apparently.

**Potluck for SDMG Volunteers.** Potluck on Friday and Saturday will be held in the SDMG Library. If you would like to participate, please bring something to share for 8 to 10 people. In years past we had a great selection of foods to keep us going all day and night. The society will provide coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and bottled water. For items that need to stay cold, please bring a cooler containing ice. Be sure to label the cooler with its contents and be sure to have your name on your personal items. A microwave is available in the library. Come have a great experience doing what you love to do and sharing it with a parade of curious visitors who haven't a clue about what you're doing. It's a great time to be here!

**A word of caution about food at SDMG.** Ants love to eat, too, and they come in droves overnight. So, please be sure to tidy up food messes and wipe surfaces clean, so you don't unwittingly invite the interloping ants to join us.