

MOAB CHAMBER PRESENTS

# Sweet Christmas In The Rocks

WINTER SUN ACTIVITIES!



## Friday, December 1

City Tree Lighting at Swanny Park, 5:00PM  
Live entertainment by Valley Voices, GCHS Band, High School & Middle School Choir, Hot Cocoa & Cookies provided by Zions Bank, Moab Grill, Sweet Cravings, City Market and Village Market.  
Come and meet Santa!

## December 1-2 MARC Holiday Art & Craft Fair

Moab Arts & Recreation Center Friday 4-8PM, Saturday 10AM -5PM  
For more information contact [moabmarc.com](http://moabmarc.com)

## December 1-2 Holiday Gift Fair

Grand Center Friday 4-8PM, Saturday 9AM to 3PM.  
For more information visit [grandcountyutah.net/696/Holiday-Gift-Fair](http://grandcountyutah.net/696/Holiday-Gift-Fair)

## Saturday, December 2 Electric Light Parade

Parade begins at dark on Main Street, 6:00PM  
Hot beverages and cookies will be served before the Parade at Museum of Moab along with The Cocoa Shack, hosted by Moab Regional Hospital, at the MIC, from 5-7pm

## Winter Sun 10K December 2

The 35<sup>TH</sup> Annual Winter Sun 10K is a good reason to visit Moab when the air is crisp and the skies are blue and sunny.  
For more information contact [moabhalfmarathon.com](http://moabhalfmarathon.com)



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## Moab to Host the Trail Marathon National Championships

The Nation's top elite runners as well as over 2200 recreational trail runners will be competing in the November 4th USA Trail Marathon Championships in Moab, UT. The race is full with over 2200 runners signed up for the Marathon, 1/2 Marathon and 5k events. The Marathon, with its National Championship title has drawn over 50 elite runners who will vie for top honors. Participants will run 13.1 or 26.2 miles on the beautiful, rugged course that features trails along the Kane Creek Corridor including Pritchett Canyon, Hunter Rim, Jackson Trail as well as some unnamed trails, and trails through Private Property including a rope-assisted section. The top runners in the Marathon will be recognized as National Champions in addition to receiving the \$3500 prize purse.

Not for the faint of heart, the Moab Trail Marathon has a reputation for being one of the toughest cross country races around. The course features a mix of Moab's unique 4wd roads and trails; this course travels up, down, and through several stunning canyons. Rugged terrain and



spectacular scenery bring runners from around the World to compete on this course. 2017 is the 9th edition of this race. The course was designed by world renowned local runner, Danelle Ballengee, who is known to set challenging courses. The course actually crosses the path of her famous fall in 2006 where she survived at 60 foot fall and two freezing nights with a shattered pelvis only to be saved by her dog, Taz and neighbor, Dorothy Rossignol. The story and the race was featured on

the show "I Shouldn't Be Alive" as well as "20/20 In An Instant." Trail runner magazine has named the race as one of the top 10 "Bucket List" races.

Race organizers are thrilled at the response and looking forward to a successful event. Moab is a wonderful host town to events like this. And the course couldn't be any better. The scenery is absolutely stunning. This year the race organizers have coupled with several local non-profit organizations that will also be helping out on race day. Proceeds from the race will go to benefit these non-profit organizations including Community Rebuilds, Friends For Wheelin', Humane Society of Moab Valley, Trail Mix, Grand County Cross Country Team, Grand County Search and Rescue, and others.

The race starts at 8am on November 4th and 5th (two days of races). Top finishers are expected to finish in less than 2 hours, and the cutoff is set at 8 hours. It is recommended that those hikers, bikers, and jeeps wishing for solitude recreate elsewhere, although spectators are welcome. The event is being held under permit from the BLM and SITLA. For more information check out the website [www.moabtrailmarathon.com](http://www.moabtrailmarathon.com) or call Danelle at 259-7844 or 970-389-4838. The event is full, so they are not accepting registrations, although local Kids are welcome to compete in the 'Kid's K', which features running through an arch and cave, going down a ladder, and through a tunnel. Parents need to sign their kids up online at [www.IMathlete.com](http://www.IMathlete.com).



The 2017 USATF Trail Marathon National Championship!

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