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## Mayor Madden Announces Search for Annual Christmas Tree

**TROY, NY** – With the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Troy Victorian Stroll less than four weeks away, Mayor Patrick Madden today announced the annual search for the 2018 Christmas Tree is officially underway. Members of the public are invited to submit a tree for donation and display in Monument Square in downtown Troy throughout the holiday season.

**Mayor Madden said**, “The Troy Victorian Stroll is a wonderful event that brings together families and friends of all faiths, cultures and backgrounds to share in the spirit and excitement of the season. Residents can help make this signature event even more special by donating a tree for display in downtown Troy and help kick off the holiday season in the Collar City.”

To submit a tree for consideration, please contact the Mayor’s office by email at [MayorsOffice@troyny.gov](mailto:MayorsOffice@troyny.gov) or (518) 279-7130. If submitting by email, please include “Troy Christmas Tree Submission” in the subject line, along with a photo of the tree, point of contact and phone number. Trees should be approximately 15 – 20 feet in height and should easily accessible and away from electrical and telephone lines. Trees located within the city limits of Troy are preferred, but not required.

The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on Sunday, December 2, during the Troy Victorian Stroll event, presented by the Rensselaer County Regional Chamber of Commerce.

**Kate Manley, Rensselaer County Regional Chamber of Commerce President said**, “The 36th Annual Troy Victorian Stroll is just a few weeks away and each year the Chamber looks forward to presenting this Troy tradition for community enjoyment. The day’s festivities wrap up with the tree lighting in Monument Square. You can be part of this beloved event by donating a tree for all to enjoy during the holiday season!”

The **Troy Victorian Stroll** is the Northeast's largest free holiday festival which transforms downtown Troy into a magical stage featuring performers from across the region. The event features over 100 free attractions, including rides, refreshments, arts & crafts and more. This year's Victorian Stroll theme will be "Winter Holidays Around the World" and will feature more than 100 live performances throughout the day. Dozens of local small businesses, including clothing, jewelry, gift boutiques and restaurants will open their doors during the festival offering visitors and residents an opportunity to finish their holiday shopping while supporting the local economy. For more information, visit [www.victorianstroll.com](http://www.victorianstroll.com)

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