

NEW YEAR'S EVE IN TIMES SQUARE 2025 - 2026

FACT SHEET & SCHEDULE

For 122 years, Times Square has been the center of worldwide attention on New Year's Eve, ever since the owners of One Times Square began in 1904 to conduct rooftop celebrations to greet the New Year. The first Ball Lowering celebration occurred in 1907, and this tradition is now a universal symbol of welcoming the New Year.

THE EVENT

6:00 p.m. to 6:03 p.m.

Lighting and Raising the Times Square New Year's Eve Ball

The celebration begins atop One Times Square with the lighting and raising of the New Year's Eve Ball where representatives from Carnival Cruise Line and Times Square New Year's Eve flip the giant switch that lights the New Year's Eve Ball accompanied by special pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square.

6:03 p.m. to 6:05 p.m.

National Anthem Performance by Jenn O'Hagan Presented by America250

America250 presents the opening performance of The Star Spangled Banner by Jenn O'Hagan at the Planet Fitness Center Stage on the Broadway Plaza between 45th and 46th Streets. The performance will conclude with pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square.

6:06 p.m. to 6:09 p.m.

Our American Story Presented by America250

6:10 p.m. to 6:13 p.m.

Times Square Reveler Stories

Co-Host Jeremy Hassell talks with Times Square revelers.

6:20 p.m.

Times Square 2026 Hats, Balloons, and Necklaces

The Times Square Alliance sanitation crew clad in bright red uniforms distributes tens of thousands of fun handouts to the Times Square revelers for cheering in the New Year. Planet Fitness provides festive purple and silver New Year's Eve hats along with purple & yellow balloons tied with gold mylar ribbons. Carnival Cruise Line provides fun illuminated necklaces.

6:28 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Highlights of Good Riddance Day

The host of Times Square New Year's Eve, Jonathan Bennett will share highlights from Good Riddance Day with the Times Square revelers from the Countdown Stage.

6:30 p.m. to 6:43 p.m.

New Year's Eve Musical Performance by B.o.B

B.o.B will perform his hits *Airplanes*, *Nothin' On You*, and new song *Incwadi* on the Planet Fitness Center Stage on the Broadway Plaza between 45th and 46th Streets.

6:45 p.m. to 6:48 p.m.

New York Times 175th Anniversary

6:48 p.m. to 6:50 p.m.

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6:57 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Hourly Kia Countdown with Jaymes Vaughan

As we approach the New Year, Jonathan Bennett joined by Jaymes Vaughan will appear at the Countdown Stage

to wish the Times Square revelers “Happy New Year”; and lead the ten second countdown to the 7 o’clock hour accompanied by colorful pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square. They will also read several of the Confetti Wishes to be mixed into the confetti release at midnight and share their wishes for the New Year.

7:01 p.m. to 7:02 p.m.

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7:40 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

ABC’s “Dick Clark’s New Year’s Rockin’ Eve”: Performance by Ciara

Ciara performs medley of her hit songs on the Countdown Stage.

7:51 p.m. to 7:54 p.m.

The Associated Press Presents 2025 Year-In-Review Video Highlights

The Associated Press, the world’s oldest and largest news gathering organization, presents a news reel highlighting some of the most memorable events of 2025.

7:56 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Hourly Kia Countdown with Jaymes Vaughan

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8:01 p.m. to 8:02 p.m.

Times Square Reveler Stories

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8:03 p.m. to 8:14 p.m.

New Year’s Eve Musical Performance by Tones and I

Tones and I performs her hit songs *Gone Gone Gone*, *Fly Away*, and *Dance Monkey* on the Planet Fitness Center Stage on the Broadway Plaza between 45th and 46th Streets.

8:15 p.m. to 8:18 p.m.

Waterford Toast

8:26 p.m. to 8:32 p.m.

ABC’s “Dick Clark’s New Year’s Rockin’ Eve”: Performance by LE SSERAFIM

LE SSERAFIM performs their hit songs on the Countdown Stage.

8:37 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.

Our American Story Presented by America250

8:41 p.m. to 8:46 p.m.

New Year’s Eve Dance Performance by AGNEW

New York dance group AGNEW will perform for the revelers on the Planet Fitness Center Stage on the Broadway Plaza between 45th and 46th Streets.

8:46 p.m. to 8:49 p.m.

One Times Square Preview

8:56 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Hourly Kia Countdown with Jeremy Hassell

As we approach the New Year, Jonathan Bennett joined by Jaymes Vaughan and Jeremy Hassell will appear at the Countdown Stage to wish the Times Square revelers “Happy New Year”; and lead the ten second countdown

to the 9 o'clock hour accompanied by colorful pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square. They will also read several of the Confetti Wishes to be mixed into the confetti release at midnight and share their wishes for the New Year.

9:13 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

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9:18 p.m. to 9:31 p.m.

CNN's "New Year's Eve Live": Performance by Robyn

Robyn performs her hit songs *Dancing On My Own*, *Dopamine*, and *Call Your Girlfriend* on the Planet Fitness Center Stage.

9:35 p.m. to 9:42 p.m.

ABC's "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve": Performance by Little Big Town

Little Big Town performs medley of their hit songs on the Countdown Stage.

9:47 p.m. to 9:53 p.m.

KIA NYE Inspiration & FIFA World Cup Preview with Telemundo

9:56 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Hourly Kia Countdown with Planet Fitness

As we approach the New Year, Brian Povinelli from Planet Fitness will appear at the Countdown Stage to wish the Times Square revelers "Happy New Year"; and lead the ten second countdown to the 10 o'clock hour accompanied by a purple and yellow confetti release and colorful pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square. He will also read several of the Confetti Wishes to be mixed into the confetti release at midnight and share his wish for the New Year.

10:02 p.m. to 10:08 p.m.

Univision's ¡Feliz 2026!: Performance by Xavi

Xavi performs medley of his hit songs on the Planet Fitness Center Stage.

10:09 p.m. to 10:12 p.m.

Our American Story Presented by America250

10:13 p.m. to 10:15 p.m.

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10:15 p.m. to 10:18 p.m.

Carnival Is Calling

10:33 p.m. to 10:41 p.m.

ABC's "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve": Performance by Maren Morris

Maren Morris performs medley of her hit songs on the Countdown Stage.

10:47 p.m. to 10:49 p.m.

Times Square Reveler Stories

Co-Host Jeremy Hassell talks with Times Square revelers.

10:56 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Hourly Kia Countdown with Raúl de Molina

As we approach the New Year, Raúl de Molina will appear at the Countdown Stage to wish the Times Square revelers "Happy New Year"; and lead the ten second countdown to the 11 o'clock hour accompanied by colorful pyrotechnic effects atop One Times Square. He will also read several of the Confetti Wishes to be mixed into the

confetti release at midnight and share his wish for the New Year.

11:02 p.m. to 11:08 p.m.

Univision's ¡Feliz 2026!: Performance by Ana Barbara

Ana Barbara performs medley of her hit songs on the Planet Fitness Center Stage.

11:12 p.m. to 11:14 p.m.

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11:15 p.m. to 11:20 p.m.

America250 – America Gives

11:37 p.m. to 11:46 p.m.

ABC's "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve": Performance by Diana Ross

Diana Ross performs medley of her hit songs on the Countdown Stage.

11:55 p.m. to 11:58 p.m.

Special Musical Performance by Tones and I

Tones and I performs her version of John Lennon's *Imagine* on the Planet Fitness Center Stage.

11:59 p.m.

The Sixty-Second Countdown

The Mayor of New York City pushes the crystal button that signals the descent of the New Year's Eve Ball and leads the final sixty-second countdown to the New Year on the Countdown Stage.

The Times Square New Year's Eve Ball

The lighted Ball descends 90 feet in sixty seconds. The Ball is 12.5 feet in diameter and weighs 12,350 pounds. The Ball is adorned with 5,280 circular Waterford crystals.

12:00 a.m. -- New Year's Day

2026 Sign

At the stroke of Midnight, the lights on the New Year's Eve Ball are turned off as the numerals of the New Year "2026" burst to life shining high above Times Square.

Times Square Confetti Release and Pyrotechnic Effects

The world-famous New Year's Eve confetti is released from the rooftops of buildings throughout Times Square creating a celebratory blizzard of colorful confetti as revelers welcome the New Year accompanied by colorful pyrotechnic effects. The three thousand pounds of confetti includes tens of thousands of wishes from revelers around the world hoping for peace, love, good health, and a better future in the new year.

Times Square Salutes America's 250th Anniversary Year!

America250 kicks off America's Semiquincentennial year with patriotic nonpartisan imagery leading into Ray Charles' inspirational singing of *America The Beautiful* accompanied by the first ever post-midnight second tidal wave of red, white, and blue confetti (2,000 pounds), and the U.S. flag revealed completely taking over the One Times Square building top to bottom with the Numerals 2026 lit up in red, white, and blue and America250 displayed on the Ball atop the building.

12:15 a.m. - End of Show.