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## Holiday Performing Arts Program Kicks Off at PHL Airport

**PHILADELPHIA** – Travelers flying through Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) are sure to feel the holiday spirit as the popular Holiday Performing Arts Program kicks off today and runs through December 31st. The holiday fun starts with the Freedom Jazz Quartet performing at the B/C Food Court stage.

A 20-year tradition continues on Wednesday, November 23 with Angelo Cataldi and the WIP Sports Radio *Morning Show* broadcasting live from the Airport at the B/C Food Court stage from 5:30 – 10 AM.

Through New Year's Eve, travelers can enjoy a wide array of live performances from a variety of musical groups, school choirs, a West African dance and drum ensemble, flamenco dancers and more. Caricature artists will draw your likeness, artists will demonstrate their crafts, and the Mummers All-Stars will be strolling the terminals serenading audiences with the sounds of Philadelphia's famous string bands.

Magicians and Victorian carolers will also be strolling through the Airport, while passengers will have opportunities to take photos and share their holiday wish lists with a strolling Santa Claus. A Klezmer band will celebrate Hanukkah and the Voices of Africa will perform for Kwanzaa festivities.

Philadelphia Marketplace Food and Shops will offer complimentary gift-wrapping for merchandise purchased at the Airport from December 1 through December 24.

"For many, Philadelphia International Airport is the beginning and closing of their holiday season, and it's nice to share in the holiday spirit with all of our travelers," said Airport CEO Chellie Cameron. "We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday and a wonderful new year."

The weekly schedule of events is available at all Airport Information Counters. Follow the Airport on Twitter @PHLAirport and on Facebook @philadelphiainternationalairport to keep up with the Holiday Performing Arts Program.

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