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Rogers Park Business Alliance announces business specials for Small Business Saturday plus a new holiday market and Christmas tree lighting to kick off the

Live Love Shop Rogers Park holiday shopping rebate program

The nonprofit's annual one-day-only local store promotions on <u>Small Business Saturday, Nov. 30</u> mark the beginning of the month-long shop-local campaign that rewards holiday shoppers with up to \$75 in cash rebates for purchases through Dec. 31

CHICAGO, IL (October 30, 2024)—The nonprofit **Rogers Park Business Alliance** (RPBA) announces business specials from local small businesses for <u>Small Business Saturday</u>, which marks the beginning of RPBA's annual **Live Love Shop Rogers Park** holiday rebate program that runs from <u>November 30 through December 31, 2024</u>. In addition to the business specials, RPBA offers a variety of festive celebrations to all holiday shoppers on Small Business Saturday, including a Mercadito (Spanish for "minimarket")—a new craft fair showcasing local vendors and businesses, a Christmas tree lighting at the Glenwood Alfresco, a 3D snow globe photo wall, carolers, and free hot beverages. For updates on the holiday offerings and rebate rules, visit **rpba.org/live-love-shop**.

The Small Business Saturday discounts and special offers from Rogers Park independent businesses are as follows:

- 1. Chikis Restaurant (6621 N. Clark Street): \$1 Tacos
- 2. <u>Flatts & Sharpe</u> (6749 N. Sheridan Road): 15% off all new guitars and straps, excludes used and consignment instruments
- 3. La Fiesta Dulceria, Inc. (7053 N. Clark Street): 15% off custom piñata order
- 4. <u>Lifeline Theater</u> (6912 N. Glenwood Ave.): 15% off *Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol* tickets purchased in person on Nov. 30

- 5. Los Portales (1418 W. Morse Ave.): 15% off all purchases
- 6. Lost Eras (1511 W. Howard Street): 10% off the entire store
- 7. Mado's African Hair Braiding Salon (7101 N. Clark Street): 10% off any hairstyle for the first 10 clients
- 8. Picnic Wine & Provisions (7301 N. Sheridan Road): Free snack with the purchase of 2 onsite beverages
- 9. Rogers Park Taproom (1615 W. Howard Street): 50% off peppermint mocha and fresh pastries
- 10. R Public House (1508 W. Jarvis Avenue): Free tote bag with any purchase over \$20

A holiday kickoff of Live Love Shop Rogers Park will begin at a Welcome Station hosted at the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training center (7056 N. Clark St.) on Small Business Saturday, November 30 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Carolers will fill the air with holiday tunes while free Ponche (a traditional warm Latin American holiday spiced drink) from Los Portales and Churros from El Famous Burrito will be served while supplies last. Visitors of the Welcome Station can also pose before an Instagrammable 3D snow globe, receive a Small Business Saturday tote bag with local business goodies, and visit the new Mercadito.

The **Mercadito** will also be held at the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training center (7056 N. Clark St.) on Small Business Saturday, November 30 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. to showcase vibrant vendors and artists offering a diverse range of products and handmade crafts. At the Mercadito, visitors will find everything from artisanal goods to innovative services, all while supporting local talent and small business growth. After the Mercadito closes, shoppers can gather at the Glenwood Alfresco (6962 N. Glenwood Ave.) to ring in the holiday season with the **Glenwood Alfresco Tree Lighting Ceremony** from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Live Love Shop Rogers Park offers rebates to shoppers who patronize **independently-owned** businesses in Rogers Park during the holiday season. From November 30 through December 31, customers who shop at independently owned Rogers Park stores are eligible for a rebate based on the total amount spent. **Those who collect \$150 or more in receipts will receive a \$50 rebate, and those with receipts totaling \$200 or more will receive a \$75 rebate.** To qualify for the rebate, a completed rebate form and original receipts (hard copy or digital/email confirmation dated between November 30 and December 31, 2024; no gift receipts allowed) must be turned in to RPBA by <u>Wednesday, January 8, 2025, by 4 p.m.</u> Shoppers can fill out or download the PDF form, or pick up a hard copy from RPBA's office (1448 W. Morse Ave.) then return the completed form along with the receipts to RPBA. RPBA is an official 2024 Neighborhood Champion and Shop Small ambassador. For more information and detailed rebate rules, visit **rpba.org/live-love-shop**.

Rogers Park Business Alliance is a nonprofit organization that has served Chicago's diverse Rogers Park neighborhood for over 30 years. RPBA works to cultivate and sustain a thriving economic environment in Rogers Park, serving businesses and residents with a variety of public events and business initiatives. RPBA programs include the GROW/PROGRESANDO entrepreneurial training program, the Illinois Small Business Development Center at Rogers Park Business Alliance, annual Best of Rogers Park awards, Chalk Howard Street Festival, Taco Crawl, and the Glenwood Sunday Market farmers market. For more information, visit RPBA.org.

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Photos (I-r):

2023 Welcome Station holiday-themed 3D photo wall created by Nate Baranowski, courtesy of Rogers Park Business Alliance

Small Business Saturday 2019, courtesy of Rogers Park Business Alliance