

## **[AsIAM: Christmas Portal \(https://www.activelink.ie/node/112462\)](https://www.activelink.ie/node/112462)**

### *AsIAM Christmas Portal*

While some consider Christmas time to be the most wonderful time of the year, for some members of the community it can also be overwhelming. With a change of routine and the emphasis on merriment and festivities, it can be useful to have some extra supports to hand. We've put together some helpful resources, signposted to sensory-friendly events, and listed our Christmas opening hours below so you can prepare ahead of time for the festive season.

### **[Christmas Resources \(https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal\)](https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal)**

Here you will find useful resources created by AsIAM to help Autistic people and their families navigate the Christmas period.

### **[AsIAM Information Line Opening Hours \(https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal\)](https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal)**

Our Autism information line, which you can find **HERE** (<https://asiam.ie/contact#info>) can help to:

- Provide you with information on a range of matters that impact Autistic adults, children and their families
- Signpost you to the relevant AsIAM resources
- Direct you to the other relevant organisations and supports

The Information Line will be open from 10am to 3pm on the following days:

- Thursday 19th December
- Monday 23rd December
- Monday 30th December

All other days we are open as normal: There are three main ways to get in touch:

If you would prefer to speak to one of our team: Monday – Thursday 10am-3pm Call 0818 234 234

Instant Messaging is available: Monday – Thursday 10-3pm

If you would prefer to write to us: email [support@asiam.ie](mailto:support@asiam.ie) (<mailto:support@asiam.ie>) or use the Contact Form **HERE** (<https://asiam.ie/contact>) any day of the week.

### **[AsIAM Christmas Market \(https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal\)](https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal)**

**We are thrilled to bring The Christmas Market AsIAM back for a second year running.**

Please join us on the day to support Autistic creatives who will be selling their fantastic wares - crafts, foods and more. Admission to the event is free. All under 18s must be accompanied by an adult at all times. We still have some stalls available for Autistic community members who would like to showcase and sell their products. If you would like to showcase your talents on a stall at our Christmas Market, please fill out an expression of interest form **HERE**

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### **[Gift Guide \(https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal\)](https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal)**

We've put together a list of Autistic-run small businesses which you can buy from directly!

You can find more gift ideas from the AsIAM Store, which is located **HERE** (<https://asiam.ie/how-to-help/shop>).

### **[Sensory Friendly Events \(https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal\)](https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal)**

**Visit the Christmas Portal here (<https://asiam.ie/christmas-portal>)**

**Region**

Nationwide

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