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# REVIEWS

Choose a Traditional or Hipster Santa!

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★★★★★ Verified Review

Anya C. • September 19, 2023

### [There's so much more to him than just Santa Claus... \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/338371\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/338371)

I hired Joseph to make my Great Gatsby birthday party more authentic with a 1920s feel. Admittedly, at first I was a bit surprised that Santa Claus answered my ad. But Joseph's first message was already in 1920s slang and he was fantastic in the role before the event even started. There was no question that he was the perfect fit. Joseph got involved before the event, made fabulous suggestions, recommended other vendors, and had great ideas. His job was to mingle with the guests, bring them into the 1920s mood and convey the Prohibition Era. All I can say is that he exceeded all expectations and was so pleasant and entertaining that there was no question that he would remain our guest after his engagement. Thank you very much for your outstanding performance, Joseph, and see you next time!!

#### Hired as:

Actor, Historical Character



#### Response from "Santa" Klus:

Thanks, Anya, for the detailed reminder of what an excellent birthday party your event planner Thelma threw for you, and the fun that was had! Even if you were too busy with guests to learn the Charleston. Ha, ha, you didn't mention the bathroom blindfolds to 'go see Big Al in the back room', ha, ha, keeping the rear Speakeasy secret. I hope others will invite emcee Uncle Jojo to their theme parties in the future! (P.S. Besides Santa and Roaring 20s, I also do Pirate, Cowboy, Renaissance, Medieval, Steampunk, Zombie, Wizard, and more.) Thank you for posting!

#### Photos from this event



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★★★★★

Thelma C. • September 13, 2023

### [Good Job!!! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/337675\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/337675)

Thank you Jo Jo! was a pleasure worked with you, you are very funny, thank you for to do funny the secret curtain, jeje nice to meet you, I'm recommend your services to every body

# Overview

Featured on TV & Film, web. Works well with parents, kids, pets & reindeer!

## REVIEWS

### Hired as:

Actor



#### Response from "Santa" Klus:

Thelma, you and the guys and dolls at Luxury & Plush Events planned a great Gatsby party down to every detail from decor and jazz to hootch and desserts. Thanks for springing "Uncle Jojo" to be your tuxed gangster, Charleston-dancing emcee! It was the cat's pyjamas!

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★★★★★ Verified Review

Lusine G. • January 2, 2023

[Super friendly and nice Santa 🎅😊. Will recommend to everyone \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/309745\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/309745)

Had a blessed New Year Eve with family and friends! Super friendly and nice Santa 🎅😊. Kids love and enjoy every moment spent with Santa. Will recommend to everyone.

### Hired as:

Santa Claus



#### Response from "Santa" Klus:

Thank you, Lucy, for having Santa share your family's New Year's Eve celebration with you and your extended family. What a great chance for photo opps with various combinations of family members, even the reluctant ones. And thanks for the unexpected dinner with the family's patriarchs! Happy and Healthy 2023 to all!



★★★★★ Verified Review

Lavanda J. • January 1, 2023

[5 Stars \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/309699\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/309699)

Our Santa was awesome, he did such an amazing job. Even more than we've asked. He great the kids and us so nicely as a real Santa that we believe in. Definitely going to book him for next year, too.  
Thanks Santa Kruz.

**Hired as:**  
Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Lavanda, for inviting Santa Klus into your family's New Year's Eve celebration with such an enthusiastic group of kids... and even some adult believers. And, for introducing me to your godparent neighbors at their party next door, too! See you again in December!



★★★★★ Verified Review  
Roza E. • December 26, 2022

**Wonderful Santa Experience (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/308796)**

We had a wonderful experience have Santa Klaus over to the house. He interacted with the children. He took pictures with all of us! He created a memory that will last forever!

**Hired as:**  
Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Roza, for the invitation to share this special moment with your family and help make the children's Christmas wishes come true before their eyes.



★★★★★ Verified Review  
Lana J. • December 18, 2022

**Great!! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/306389)**

He is a professional Santa like arriving earlier, showing bright gestures, and leading the event smoothly. Communicating with Santa was easy.  
Highly recommend Santa Joseph. 🧑🏻‍🎅

**Hired as:**

Children's Party Entertainment, Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks, Lana. What great fun to meet you and your other elves and all the kids--little and big! Thank you for inviting me back for next year. (...And for lunch.) Merry Christmas!

**Photos from this event**



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★★★★★ Verified Review

Jed B. • December 12, 2022

[Santa Klus was great! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/304606\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/304606)

Communication before hand was great. He was prompt, looked great, and has an obvious love for children and people.

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Jed and team. It was fun meeting all the kids! Next year, we need to adjust the child line and positioning a bit to get them facing more toward the parental cameras off-stage. Thanks for the great elf helpers, too.



★★★★★ Verified Review

Kelly L. • December 9, 2022

[Awesome...the real thing!! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/303597\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/303597)

The Santa was genuine and the kids were so excited!!

**Hired as:**

Children's Party Entertainment, Holiday Entertainment



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Hi, Kelly. Thank you! What a joy it was to visit with foster kids of all ages. It was touching to learn that this was their first photo with Santa for some of the teens! And that little tyke that kept coming back for multiple visits, photos, and hugs--adorable!



★★★★★ Verified Review

Peter N. • December 5, 2022

**[This is the Santa you want to hire! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/302789\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/302789)**

Folks

I usually don't take the time for reviews, but in this case, I didn't even hesitate. Santa Klus was a total hit with all the kids, families, and my staff for our big studio event. Everyone appreciated his gentle spirit, patience, intelligence, and cooperation to make the event for the parents' something they would appreciate for years. You won't regret hiring this Santa for any event, so don't hesitate and book this guy up today!

Peter

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Peter, Whisper, John, Trevor, Valerie, Janet, and all the elves! One of the most fun gigs Santa has ever collaborated on! Hey, let's do it again! --Santa Joseph



★★★★★ Verified Review

Molly D. • January 17, 2022

**[Amazing Experience! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/266977\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/266977)**

What an amazing experience Santa Klus provided to our country club! We had a two-day event where Santa mainly was there to take photos with the friends and family of our membership. Santa went above and beyond what was called and made sure to have a conversation or interaction with all of the kids present. The kids and the families were in awe and many special memories were made. 10 out of 10 experience. We are looking forward to having him back next year!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Ho, ho, ho. Thanks! What fun we had meeting all the families and winning over the timid tykes and crying babies. And, a creative country club bunch, too, with all their unique craft items. 🍷

Then, trying to see how many family members we could squeeze into a group photo without knocking over the Christmas trees. Ha, ha. Some of our best conversations were had around the Brunch tables, including--to Santa's surprise--even a playful one with a gaggle of skeptical tween girls (who couldn't stop bringing Santa another round of desserts). 🍰  
...And of course, Santa plays golf there with Dad in the off-season! Looking forward to seeing old friends again and making new ones. Merry Christmas! 🏌️



★★★★★ Verified Review

Tanya A. • January 1, 2022

**[Beyond beyond beyond amazing \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/265854\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/265854)**

He was so friendly and very accommodating. He read a story but all got the adults involved. He was very easy going. I HIGHLY recommend him

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

What a marvelous morning brunch with multiple extended family members all in matching pajamas! And, gifts galore! 🎁🔍



★★★★★ Verified Review

Paul J. • December 29, 2021

**[A Great Visit from Santa \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/265548\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/265548)**

We enjoyed our visit from Santa! He was on time and extremely friendly with our kids. We look forward to having Santa back next year! Thank you!

**Hired as:**

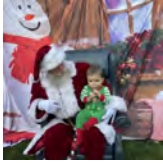
Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Some of my best friends are under six years old, too! How nice to meet their grown-ups, your friends, also. 🧑🏻‍🤝‍🧑🏻

**Photos from this event**



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Jacky G. • December 20, 2021

**Fantastic Santa! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/263648)**

"Santa" Klus was professional, on time, friendly and showed the kids a great time! He posed for pictures and listened to the kids telling him what they wanted for x-mas. I would hire him again!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Santa just loves the people of Woodland Hills... and their pets! Plus ALL those babies. Who would have thought our photo sessions when wound down would end up as a Santa dance party! 🧑🏻‍🤝‍🧑🏻



Annie O. • December 19, 2021

**An absolute pleasure (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/263108)**

Santa Klus was a dream to work with. He is kind, patient and easy going. Wonderful at communication and had no problem with all my crazy requests - handles everything with a smile. Engaging and patient with children and made the holidays so special. Thank you!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

What better way to celebrate a young son's Birthday than with a Christmas Picnic-Party-in-the-Park! ...And all his schoolmates who wouldn't stop bringing Santa more cookies.

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★★★★★ Verified Review

Daniel L. • December 17, 2021

**Brian's 8th Birthday (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/262685)**

All the children were so happy

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

And some (most all) of the adults, too! 😂 LOL

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★★★★★ Verified Review

Jacky G. • December 6, 2021

**He was the perfect santa! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/260154)**

He was the perfect santa! Entertained the kids, took lots of pictures and was perfect for our event! We would use him again without a doubt.

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

🙏 Thank you, Jacky and Joanne! I loved meeting all the families and having more time with each of the kids than allowed in malls so we could talk and visit a little! It was fun when people brought their pets and costumes, too. 😂 And... dancing with that one grandma to Elvis, ho ho ho! You two are great organizers, and I hope you do it again. So GREAT for the community and cultural arts. 🎄





★★★★★ Verified Review  
Alexandra B. • October 24, 2021

**The best (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/255131)**

Thank you so much! You look awesome in all of the pictures! My kids and clients kids loved you!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Hi! Thanks, Alexandra. I loved working with all the kids and families ...and eating so many chocolate chip cookies to boot. 🍪 Next time, I'll bring my musical and talking stuffed animals for the teary-eyed tykes. (Maybe something for the children, too. LOL). Thanks SO much for having me do the photo studio session with you. The shots look GREAT! Including the screamers. (Any that parents allow, please pass them along, too...) 🙌

**Photos from this event**



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★★★★★ Verified Review  
Bine P. • January 5, 2021

**Wonderful Santa for our kids! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/231514)**

Santa Klus was just amazing, warm friendly and patient when visiting our young kids. Communication and planning was excellent, the kids were so happy and he looks REAL :-)

Absolutely wonderful experience, highly recommended!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Bine, you're such a great Mom and great organizer! You make 'party' easy. Even for those kiddies too bashful to open their presents. 🎁



Brynne • December 29, 2020

**Wonderful experience (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/231240)**

Santa Klus was professional and flexible. Will definitely be in touch!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks to you, Brynne, and The Americana At Brand for bringing me back to light your Christmas Tree and ride the Santa Snow Trolley! 🎄



Hermine A. • December 28, 2020

**Best Santa! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/231186)**

We loved Santa Klus he was on time, great with the kids, and the real deal! We had a safe and amazing experience celebrating Christmas with a surprise visit from Santa. Thank you for putting a smile on all the kids faces!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Hermine! ...with presents taller than the toddlers! LOL 🤪

See you next year? Have a great 2021! With appreciation to Dad's generosity and home-cooking take-away, too. 🍲



Verified Review

Hermine A. • December 25, 2020

**Best Santa (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/230914)**

We had an amazing visit from Santa. The real deal!! Thanks you!!!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks, Hermine, for the great review.

Just wish I could have hugged the kids. But, COVID... 😞

Next year!

Thanks for posting and for the kind tip, too. Very nice of you.

Have a Blessed Holiday and New Year! 🎉



★★★★★ Verified Review

Mike • December 21, 2020

**[Excellent Santa \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/230312\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/230312)**

Santa Klus was great! Communication before the event was easy. Klus arrived on time, was an excellent Santa, and the kids had a great time. A+. Highly recommend.

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Mike, what a very thoughtful Dad and organizer you are at planning! Great entrance idea for Santa jingling-in from the huge backyard. 🎅

I'm sorry last-minute COVID canceled our 2021 reunion. 😞



★★★★★ Verified Review

Beeka R. • December 30, 2019

**[Wonderful Santa for our Office Party! \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/review/210836\)](/santa_klus_venice/review/210836)**

Santa Klus was an excellent addition to the holiday party we had for our office. He is incredibly professional and took the time to speak with me several times before the event to plan out the perfect way to make his entrance and what he'd be doing once he arrived at our holiday party. He brought a lot of extra holiday cheer to our party and everyone had a wonderful time getting photos with him. Definitely highly recommend!!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks, Beeka! I'm sorry I missed you personally and hope you had a great trip. Happy New Year! 🎁 Tindhorn Flats made a great rustic venue for the production team's holiday party. 🎬



★★★★★ Verified Review

Pastor R. A. H. • December 26, 2019

**Great, a very collaborative artist! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/210209)**

Just what I wanted.

**Hired as:**

Actor



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks, Pastor Bob. I loved telling the nativity story to the children gathered around me on the floor! 🕊️ So fitting for Christmas.



★★★★★

Eli M. • December 23, 2019

**Amazing Santa (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/209659)**

I hired this Santa to perform some Facetime calls and the reviews were simply amazing. He gave me a lot of feedback on the calls and how they can be improved and even went above and beyond and sent video emails to the customers I had when they weren't available when he called. He is bright, cheerful, and stays in character through everything. I would have to say he is the closest thing to the "real" Santa. Outstanding service. I will be coming back to him again!

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Eli, for your kindness! I look forward to connecting 🖥️ with more kids through video chat. And, staying in touch until then... Merry Christmas! 📱



★★★★★ Verified Review  
Melissa R. • December 23, 2019

**Amazing Santa! (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/209557)**

We invited the "Hipster Santa Klus" to our family party and he fit right in to the merry making - handing gifts to the kids, winning over hesitant little ones with high fives, mingling with adults, photos, singing carols and general good fun. Always stayed in character. Great improv skills.

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Melissa. What fun! I wish more people believed and have the imagination you do that brings Hipster Santa to life--nightlife, that is! 🕺 (And, I heard rumor that this party was only the kickoff for bigger ones to come on the Holidays, wow.) Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year to you and yours! 🧑



★★★★★ Verified Review  
Vahag • December 22, 2019

**Amazing Santa for our Christmas party (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/209296)**

I'm very thankful for an amazing service I highly recommend everyone to call and book the Santa Josphe

**Hired as:**

Christian Speaker, Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thank you, Vahag! It was great fun handing out the kids' gifts, singing Christmas songs, dancing, and taking photos with the families at the office party. Merry Christmas! (See you next year, if not before.) 📅 17



★★★★★  
Liana T. • December 19, 2019

**Fun Santa (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/208775)**

Thank you Santa.

Children had a great time with Santa. He was very patient and caring . He took his time and spoke with each child individually and they felt special . I give Santa 5 stars .

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Thanks, Liana. The daycare children were absolutely delightful. Hope to see you again next year! Merry Christmas & Blessed New Year! 🎉



Leann H. • December 17, 2019

**Professional and perfect (/santa\_klus\_venice/review/208258)**

Santa is a total professional and knows how to keep a crowd entertained and involved. We had him visit out corporate holiday dinner and everyone LOVED him. He was entertaining at each table with everyone--but didn't dominate the whole room--people could still eat dinner while he roamed and performed; that was awesome. He is fantastic in photos and was just outstanding at giving out gifts. I can't recommend him enough--perfection. Great communicator before and after the event too--I felt very secure in hiring him.

**Hired as:**

Santa Claus



**Response from "Santa" Klus:**

Ho, ho, ho. There's no one like Santa to bring out the kid in every adult employee's heart! What a playful group of staff and execs. You always create something special! And, Majordomo, a great DTLA restaurant location. 🙏👤

**[Write a Review \(/santa\\_klus\\_venice/write\\_review\)](/santa_klus_venice/write_review)**

## Booking Info

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**Price Range:** \$125/hour - \$1,000/day, and up

**Languages:** American Sign Language, French

**Phone Number:** [Call](#)

**Gig Length:** 60 - 240 minutes

**Unions:** SAG-AFTRA, IBRBS, FORBS

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## What to Expect

Santa's appearances are custom-tailored to the event with its organizers.

A discrete holding or staging area is recommended prior to Santa's grand entrance.

Advance communication and detailed timing is most helpful for special announcements/proclamations, specific gift-giving ceremonies, beverage serving, storytelling segments, or duration of photo opps, etc.

Christmas is even more special when in the home.

Though Santa can only make a limited number of in-home visits each year, he does want to be invited to yours!

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## About

Santa has performed for The Grove, The Americana at Brand, Nordstrom's, Bay Clubs, Palomar-Kimpton Hotels, Woodland Hills, Tess & Barron Hilton, Channing Tatum, Blue Ivy (Carter), Hallmark, Netflix, Coca-Cola, T-Mobile, Fantastical, Global Tour Creatives, and other celebrated brands and communities.

Joseph Steven, a character actor and improviser from Chicago, has taken direction from J.J. Abrams, Gore Verbinski, Eric Idle, Iain Softley, Jim Chory, Matt Piedmont, Joe Pytka, and other known directors. Over 20+ years in Hollywood, he has earned dramatic/comedic roles in police procedurals, limited series, sitcoms, period pieces, web series, and TV commercials.

Prize-winning indies and shorts include entries in Cannes, Chicago International Film, LA Shorts, 168 Competition, UCLA, and other film festivals. Joseph, who lived in Paris, also speaks French and is also a content writer, ballroom dancer, and a Christian chaplain in jail.

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## Additional Booking Notes

If your holiday program is professionally photographed and/or video recorded, the host client will provide Santa Klus with a copy of the photos and/or video of the event.

Any and all photos taken of Santa, whether by individuals or professional photographers, are assumed to be for private or personal use only by the clients and their guests, and may not be used for commercial or promotional use without prior written consent from Santa Klus.

Comfort consideration: Santa's suit warms up fast, so a little cool water and a fan/AC are always welcome.

(Let's not sit too close to the fireplace.)

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## Services Offered

[Santa Claus \(Variety/Santa-Claus/CA/Santa+Monica\)](#)

[Actor \(/Actors/Male-Actor-Adult/CA/Santa+Monica\)](#)

[Ballroom Dancer \(/Dance/Ballroom-Dancers\)](#)

[Christian Speaker \(/Motivational-Speakers/Christian-Motivational-Speakers/CA/Santa+Monica\)](#)

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[Holiday Entertainment \(/Variety/holiday-entertainment/CA/Santa+Monica\)](#)

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⋮ Gig ID: 4084434 ★★★★★

Joseph was amazing! Our event was a toy drive and give away with our church. I believe we had over 150 kids at the event (we were able to give away over 500 toys to 250 kids which hit our goal this year). Joseph was so attentive with each child and made each one seem special... He even danced with many of them :) Best Santa Ever! Found out later that he is fluent in ASL and French! Definitely having him back for all our special holiday events! -Jeff

Event Date: 12/18/2021

Submitted Date: 12/21/2021

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