



CHICAGO WORKS

WITH GEOFFREY BAER

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ALSO INSIDE

On WFMT, celebrate the season with *The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols*, Bach's *Christmas Oratorio* led by Jordi Savall, and Handel's *Messiah* performed by Music of the Baroque. And mark Hanukkah with music from Chicago a cappella, a *Folkstage* performance featuring the Guy Mendilow Ensemble, and Handel's oratorio *Judas Maccabeus*.

From the President & CEO

Dear Member,

Chicago is known, famously, as “the city that works.” But who keeps it working? In a new special, *Chicago Works*, Geoffrey Baer meets (and helps!) the industrious workers across the city and suburbs who operate the Chicago’s moveable bridges, deliver millions of packages,



care for the city’s animals, process recycling, operate the Wrigley Field scoreboard, and more. Along the way, he learns why the 2.6 million residents of “the city of the big shoulders,” as Carl Sandburg described it, are regarded as hard-working, tenacious, and resilient with a well-deserved reputation for Midwestern realness and approachability. We thought it was only fair to turn the tables and give you a behind-the-scenes look at our own work here at WTTW. Turn to page 4 to get a peek into Geoffrey’s average workday. And on December 9, visit the companion website on wttw.com to explore additional workday stories – including from a snowplow driver, movie projectionist, cemetery caretaker, and even a local beekeeper.

Also in December, we’ll bring you the new highly anticipated *Call the Midwife Holiday Special*; a heartwarming production of *The Nutcracker from the English National Ballet*; festive holiday music from the Tabernacle Choir, St. Olaf College, and the U.S. Army Field Band, along with holiday-themed cooking shows to inspire your December cooking plans. We’ll also bring back *A Celebration of Hanukkah* with Geoffrey Baer to explore the meaning and traditions of the Festival of Lights, along with two Kwanzaa specials – *Cultural Expressions: Kwanzaa* and *Karamu: Feast for the 7th Day* – to honor the heritage, community, and creativity at the heart of this vibrant celebration.

This month, we hope WFMT serves as your companion for the holiday season as we bring you a lineup of classical music favorites. Enjoy the annual *Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols* concert from the Chapel of King’s College in Cambridge, England; Bach’s *Christmas Oratorio* led by Jordi Savall and recorded in Barcelona; and Handel’s *Messiah* performed by Music of the Baroque on Christmas night. We mark the start of Hanukkah with Handel’s *Judas Maccabeus* and continue with music for the season from Chicago a cappella and the Guy Mendilow Ensemble on *Folkstage*. And as the year draws to a close, *Folkstage* presents *New Year’s Steve III* – Bruce Roper’s radio play *Words We Can Dance To*, based on songs by Chicago folk legend Steve Goodman. And we invite you to spend New Year’s Eve with our WFMT hosts as they share some of their favorite music to usher in 2026.

On behalf of all of us at WTTW and WFMT, I want to express my gratitude for your continuing support. Best wishes to you all for a healthy and joyous holiday season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandra Cordova Micek".

Sandra Cordova Micek
President & CEO

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Programmer's Picks

**Starring Dick Van Dyke:
American Masters**

Celebrate the life and career of actor Dick Van Dyke on his 100th birthday. This tribute to the show business legend contains never-before-seen footage, photos, and home movies.

Friday, December 12, 8:00 pm

Happiness

This delightful new miniseries follows Charlie Summers, a Broadway director and hometown returnee who finds himself reluctantly helping his mother run the local community theatre group Pizazz.

Sunday, December 14, 7:00 pm

**Death in Paradise:
Christmas 2024 Special**

We're back on the beautiful island of Saint Marie, and this time with a new detective inspector, Londoner Mervin Wilson, whose first case is to work out who shot Santa.

Saturday, December 20, 8:00 pm

Monday 1**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 Deconstructing the Beatles: The Beatles Come to America
12:30 All New Rock, Pop and Doo Wop [R]
2:30 Father Brown: The Star of Jacob [R]
3:30 McDonald & Dodds [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Women's Work
2:00 Beyond Chicago From the Air [R]
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Pantry Pastas
3:30 Cook's Country: Summer Steak and Salad
4:00 Father Brown: The Star of Jacob [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Out of This World** Explore space-themed treasures, including NASA Space Program autographed photos, a 1737 celestial and terrestrial atlas, and a *Star Trek* treatment, script, and letters. Have the values of these stellar finds skyrocketed in the market?
8:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 12** Never-before-seen treasures include a 1791 Jane Young world map needlework, an Albert Einstein collection, and Carlo Giuliano earrings and necklace circa 1890.
9:00 **10 Homes That Changed America** Visit homes that transformed residential living, from grand estates like Thomas Jefferson's Monticello and Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater to the pueblos of Taos, New

Mexico, and the tenements of 19th-century New York.

10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Tuesday 2**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 Rick Steves' European Christmas [R]
1:30 Magic Moments: The Best of '50s Pop [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Something's Wild
2:00 Nature: My Life as a Turkey [R]
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Refreshing Desserts
3:30 Cook's Country: Reimagining Italian-American Classics
4:00 Peter Pan Goes Wrong [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 **Mister Rogers: It's You I Like**
8:30 **Ken Burns: America's Storyteller** Join Tom Hanks, Meryl Streep, George Lucas, Wynton Marsalis, Yo-Yo Ma, Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Sam Waterston, Doris Kearns Goodwin, and more for a tribute to the acclaimed filmmaker.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Wednesday 3**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli 30th – The Celebration [R]
2:00 Andre Rieu: Power of Love [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 9
2:00 NOVA: Revolutionary War Weapons [R]
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Baked Alaska Showstopper
3:30 Cook's Country: Southern Specialties
4:00 The Madame Blanc Mysteries [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 **Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's** Trace the trajectory of Chicago's longtime legendary shopping institution: Marshall Field & Company, the famed department store that catered to women and was famous for its whimsical holiday windows. Take a nostalgic look back at a place lost to time. Audio-narrated descriptions are available.
8:30 **Chicago Stories: Legendary Blizzards** Two deadly Chicago snowstorms in 1967 and 1979 stopped the city in its tracks, and the city's inadequate response ruined one political career and jumpstarted another. Look back at the fallout from these blizzards and how the public experienced them. Audio-narrated descriptions are available.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Thursday 4**EARLY MORNING**

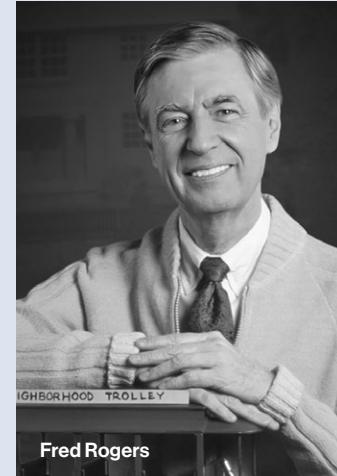
12:00 All New Rock, Pop and Doo Wop [R]
2:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Out of This World** See Mon. Dec. 1 at 7:00 pm. [R]
3:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 12** See Mon. Dec. 1 at 8:00 pm. [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News

5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]**MORNING**

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 10
2:00 **Iconic America: Our Symbols and Stories with David Rubenstein** – The Hollywood Sign
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Italian Chicken
3:30 Cook's Country: Tri-State Treats
4:00 Curious Traveler: Curious Austrian Christmas Markets

In the Spotlight

Fred Rogers

**Mister Rogers:
It's You I Like**

Join host Michael Keaton to celebrate *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*, the pioneering children's series that premiered nationally more than 50 years ago. Celebrities, cast members, and host Fred Rogers' wife Joanne reveal their favorite memories from the series.

**Tuesday, December 2
7:00 pm**

A Day in the Life of Geoffrey Baer



Conducting an interview on location in downtown Chicago

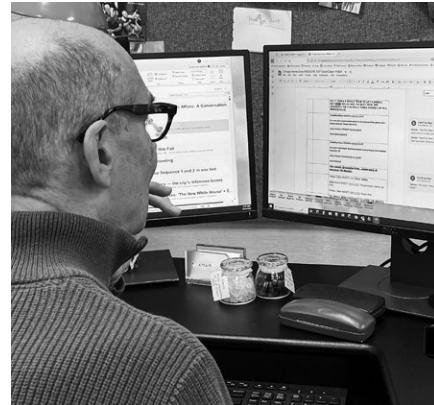
By Geoffrey Baer

Chicago is known, famously, as “the city that works.” But who keeps it working? In a new special, *Chicago Works*, Geoffrey Baer meets (and helps!) the industrious workers across the city and suburbs who operate Chicago’s moveable bridges, deliver millions of packages, care for the city’s animals, process recycling, operate the Wrigley Field scoreboard, and more. This month, we followed Geoffrey around to get a sense of his typical workday.

Behind the Scenes at WTTW

One of the things I love about my job is that it’s different every day, and I get to meet and talk to fascinating people across Chicago’s many neighborhoods and suburbs. Premiering this month, my new show *Chicago Works* took us near and far to meet the people whose everyday work keeps our city humming. So we thought it was only fair to turn the tables and give you a behind-the-scenes look at our own work here at WTTW.

Here’s a peek inside a day in my working life...



Reviewing a script

Working on a Script

I begin the day reviewing and editing a script that I’ll need for narration I’ll be recording in a voiceover session later in the morning. It usually takes us four to six weeks to write the first full draft after we wrap filming our shows. Once we start editing our footage, we go through many, many revisions of a script as we see how the scenes are coming together. I counted ten drafts of the *Chicago Works* script by the time we were done!



In a production meeting with (l to r) Yasmin Rammohan, Eddie Griffin, Shelley Spencer, and Dan Andries

Production Meetings

People often ask me what a producer does. My answer? What *don’t* they do! Our producers craft our shows from story concept through to the finished product you watch at home. Their work often involves research and writing, overseeing filming in the field and the editing process, and supervising associate producers and other staff. On this day, I spend some time meeting with our production team about a new project in the pipeline.

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No two days are ever the same – and the story of our city is one I'll just never get tired of telling.”

Geoffrey Baer



Recording the narration for a program

Recording a Voiceover

To the recording booth! We record the audio narration you hear when you're watching one of my shows – essentially this is me, reading the final script – in a soundproof booth, a snug space where I've spent a lot of time over the years. For today's particular voiceover session, I'm re-recording just one sentence from the *Chicago Works* script. (I had stumbled over a word when we did it the first time – hey, it happens!). I say the line a few different ways for the producer and audio engineer who are in another room down the hall, and we all decide on which take will make its way into the show.



Discussing the edit of a program with Joe Winston

In the Edit Room

Next, I meet up with an editor who is working on another program in development. On this day, we're looking at a “tease” – the high-energy start of a program designed to hook the audience. There are countless elements to consider as we finalize the tease: multiple camera angles, archival video and photos, graphics, sound effects, music, and more. Once this last bit of editing is wrapped, our show will be audio-mixed and color-corrected, and then routed for one last round of review.



In makeup before heading out to film a scene

Filming on Location

Before we head out the door to film a scene at the Illinois Railway Museum in Union, Illinois, I have to get “camera-ready.” I'll admit, putting on makeup is not my favorite part of the job. Luckily, on this day, I was able to use our studio's makeup room but, more typically, I'm applying makeup in less glamorous settings – like in the back of a production van or a public restroom!

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Touring on board a 1923 'L' train with WTTW members

That's a Wrap

Well, now you have a glimpse into what it's like to be me! On any given day, you might find me in one of the settings above – or live on television or radio during a WTTW or WFMT pledge drive, hosting an event or our annual live Sweepstakes drawing (this year on November 24), or taking our WTTW members and viewers out and about on tours. You probably know that I host boat tours along the Chicago River and lakefront, and just a few weeks ago, I led a tour aboard a 1923 'L' train that the CTA still operates for special excursions. As a train geek, this was a thrill for me!

At the end of the day, I feel lucky to do what I love alongside such talented, passionate people across the many disciplines of our organization. No two days are ever the same – and the story of our city is one I'll just never get tired of telling.

Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer
premieres on Tuesday, December 9 at
7:00 pm on WTTW, the PBS app, and
wttw.com/chicagoworks.

WTTW Multicast & Streaming Highlights

Prime

Alan Carr's Adventures with Agatha Christie

Thursday, December 25, 8:00 pm

In this three-part series, Alan Carr uncovers the clues behind one of the greatest crime writers of all time, Agatha Christie. Along the way, he meets fellow fans and visits locations that helped influence her treasured novels.

Watch on WTTW Prime, wttw.com/watch, or the PBS app.



Alan Carr

Create

Gifts from the Heart

Friday, December 5, 8:00 pm

Still need some holiday gifting inspiration? With tips and tricks from WTTW Create hosts, turn your next crafting, painting, baking, woodworking, or flower project into a unique and handmade gift from the heart.

Watch on WTTW Create, wttw.com/watch, or the PBS app.



Chocolate Chip Cookies from Cook's Country

Passport

Miss Scarlet on Masterpiece

Sunday, December 7

Eliza Scarlet (Kate Phillips) continues solving crimes in Victorian London as the city's first female private investigator. Watch all six episodes of the upcoming sixth season with your WTTW Passport membership, ahead of the broadcast premiere on January 11.

For WTTW Passport Members Only



Kate Phillips and Ansuya Kavia as Eliza Scarlet and Moses Valentine

What is Passport?

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WTTWHD	11-1	191	611	8496	11	WTTW	WTTW
WTTW Prime	11-2	370	37
WTTW Create	11-3	369	38
WTTW Kids	11-4	368	39	288	PBS Kids

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4:30 European Christmas Markets
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

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6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Ken Burns: The Civil War
Watch an in-depth overview of the iconic documentary. See video clips and interviews with Ken Burns, Geoffrey Ward, Ric Burns, Buddy Squires, and others.
8:30 Becoming Thurgood: America's Social Architect
Explore the life and legacy of the nation's first African American Supreme Court justice. The film follows Justice Marshall, known as "Mr. Civil Rights," from his legal career with the NAACP to his 1967 appointment to the nation's highest court.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Friday 5

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Air Supply: 50th Anniversary Concert Graham Russell and Russell Hitchcock – known to millions of fans worldwide as Air Supply – celebrate five decades of beautifully intimate yet rockin' hits in this special concert, filmed in May 2025.
1:30 Deconstructing The Beatles [R]
3:00 10 Homes That Changed America See Mon. Dec. 1 at 9:00 pm. [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 12 [R]
2:00 Iconic America: Our Symbols and Stories with David Rubenstein – The Gadsden Flag
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Autumn Desserts
3:30 Cook's Country: Holiday Roast and Potatoes
4:00 10 Homes That Changed America [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review [R]
7:30 Washington Week with the Atlantic
8:00 Deconstructing The Beatles [R]
9:30 Bruce Springsteen &



Rick Steves European Christmas

Sun., Dec. 7, 8:00 am
Mon., Dec. 8, 3:30 pm
Fri., Dec. 12, 2:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 9:00 am

All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales

Sun., Dec. 7, 7:00 pm
Fri., Dec. 12, 3:30 pm

J Schwanke's Life in Bloom

Holidays for Blooms
Sun., Dec. 14, 6:00 am

Winter in Bloom

Sun., Dec. 14, 6:30 am

Key Ingredient with Sheri Castle

Sun., Dec. 14, 7:00 am

Sara's Weeknight Meals

Holiday Food Gifts
Sun., Dec. 14, 7:30 am

How Sweet It Is

Sun., Dec. 21, 11:30 am

A Celebration of Hanukkah

Sun., Dec. 14, 6:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 18, 7:00 pm
Fri., Dec. 19, 2:00 pm

Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir

Mon., Dec. 15, 7:00 pm
Wed., Dec. 24, 7:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 1:00 pm

Great Performances: Nutcracker from English National Ballet

Tue., Dec. 16, 7:00 pm
Tue., Dec. 23, 8:00 pm
Wed., Dec. 24, 4:00 pm

Ten Times Better: American Masters

Tue., Dec. 16, 8:30 pm

A Chef's Life Holiday Special

Thu., Dec. 18, 8:00 pm

St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for Years to Come

Thu., Dec. 18, 9:00 pm
Wed., Dec. 24, 2:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 11:00 am

Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television

Holiday Entertaining
Sun., Dec. 21, 6:30 am

Milk Street Holiday

Sun., Dec. 21, 7:30 am

New Holiday Vegetables

Sun., Dec. 21, 8:00 am

Dooky Chase Kitchen: Leah's Legacy

Christmas Traditions
Sun., Dec. 21, 11:00 am

Call the Midwife

Holiday Special 2021
Sun., Dec. 21, 12:00 pm

Holiday Special 2022
Sun., Dec. 21, 1:30 pm

Holiday Special 2023
Sun., Dec. 21, 3:00 pm

Holiday Special 2024
Sun., Dec. 21, 4:30 pm

Thu., Dec. 25, 4:00 pm

Holiday Special 2025
Thu., Dec. 25, 7:00 & 9:00 pm

Mary Berry's Highland Christmas

Sun., Dec. 7, 8:30 pm
Mon., Dec. 22, 8:00 pm

Mary Berry's Ultimate Christmas

Mon., Dec. 22, 9:00 pm

Season of Light: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir

Wed., Dec. 24, 8:30 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 2:30 pm

Come and See! A Concordia Christmas

Wed., Dec. 24, 10:30 am

Joy: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir

Wed., Dec. 24, 11:30 am
Thu., Dec. 25, 7:30 am

Too Hot to Handel: The Gospel Messiah

Wed., Dec. 24, 10:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 6:00 am

United States Army Field Band: Sound the Bells

Wed., Dec. 24, 1:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 10:00 am

St. Thomas Christmas: Love Divine

Wed., Dec. 24, 3:00 pm
Thu., Dec. 25, 12:00 pm

Holiday Handbells: The Raleigh Ringers

Thu., Dec. 25, 5:00 am

Cultural Expressions: Kwanzaa

Sat., Dec. 27, 7:00 am
Sun., Dec. 28, 8:00 am

Karamu: Feast for the 7th Day

Sat., Dec. 27, 8:00 am
Sun., Dec. 28, 11:30 am



**Before we celebrate
the New Year, explore
beneficial ways to
make your 2025 gift.**

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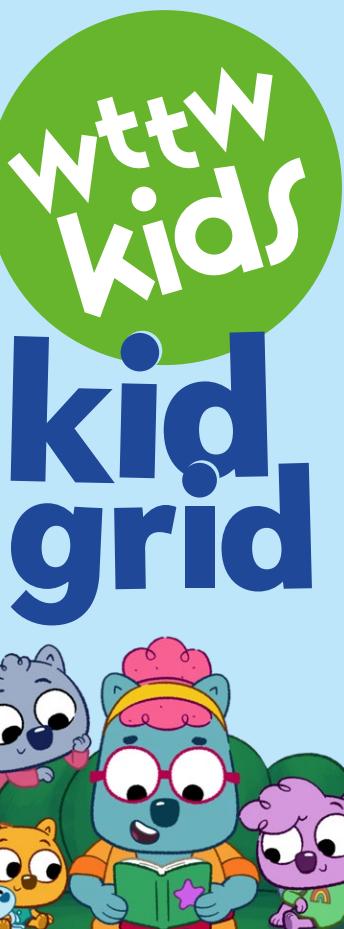
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Weekday Lineup

6:00 Nature Cat
6:30 Arthur
7:00 Wild Kratts
7:30 Weather Hunters
8:00 Lyla in the Loop
8:30 Carl the Collector
9:00 Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
9:30 Rosie's Rules
10:00 Sesame Street
10:30 Work it Out Wombats!
11:00 Donkey Hodie
11:30 Elinor Wonders Why
12:00 Alma's Way
12:30 Molly of Denali

Work it Out Wombats!

Weekdays @ 10:30 am

The E Street Band –
No Nukes [R]
11:30 BBC News

Saturday 6

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Amanpour and Company
1:00 '60s and '70s Soul
Celebration The legends
of '60s and '70s soul
music return to perform
their biggest hits. Featuring
The Temptations, James
Brown, Patti LaBelle, The
Chi-Lites, The Spinners,
Sam Moore, and more.
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 Memory Makeover with
Daniel Amen, MD

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6:30 Easy Yoga for Arthritis
with Peggy Cappy
7:30 Great Performances:
Andrea Bocelli 30th –
The Celebration [R]
9:30 Mister Rogers: It's You
I Like See Tues. Dec. 2
at 7:00 pm. [R]
11:00 My Greek Table with
Diane Kochilas: Tears
of Joy! – Retsina
11:30 Sara's Weeknight
Meals: Pasta in a Pan

AFTERNOON

12:05 Cook's Country:
Elegant and Orange

12:35 Cook's Country:
Portuguese Baking
1:15 Lidia's Kitchen: Let's
Make Dinner
1:45 Essential Pepin:
Family Favorites
2:20 America's Test Kitchen:
Something Hearty,
Something Light
2:50 America's Test Kitchen:
Flavor-Packed Pastas
3:30 Christopher Kimball's Milk
Street Television: French
Showstopper Desserts
4:00 Kitchen Curious with
Vivian Howard: Cast Iron
4:35 Pati's Mexican Table: Top
Chefs and Ancient Cliffs
5:05 PBS News Weekend
5:30 All Creatures Great and
Small: Cheers to the Years
Raise a glass to celebrate the
most memorable moments
from five seasons of this
beloved series with cast mem-
bers and creators. Explore
each of the characters – hu-
man and animal – and revisit
their loves, losses, triumphs,
struggles, growth, and joy.

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7:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries:
And Then There Were Nun
(Season 4, Part 8) Tragedy
strikes as Great Slaughter
celebrates its quincenten-
nial anniversary and the
nuns face the loss of their

convent. With the nuns facing eviction, Sister Boniface must solve a murder before their home is lost forever.

8:00 **The Madame Blanc Mysteries**

A musician is found dead with a head injury and a strange symbol drawn on his face. It's up to Jean and Dom to unravel how the victim could have died alone in a locked room.

9:00 **Midsomer Murders: The Blacktrees Prophecy (in 2 parts)**

Deep in Blacktrees Forest is a bombproof shelter built by a man named Warren Kaine. His extreme paranoia has drawn other survivalists to the village, and now a doomsday prepper group meets weekly.

10:30 **Velvet: The Moment of Truth**

Cristina is devastated after learning of Alberto's infidelity, while Patricia and Enrique rekindle their romance. Blanca confronts the ghosts of the past, and Isabel makes an announcement.

Sunday 7

EARLY MORNING

12:00 To be announced

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6:30 **Mister Rogers: It's You I Like [R]**

8:00 **Rick Steves' European Christmas [R]**

9:30 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: The Rival (Part 1 of 6)** When a new Detective Inspector starts at Scotland Yard, Eliza must fight to prove herself all over again.

10:45 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: The Guild (Part 2 of 6)** Eliza is tasked with solving the murder of a high-profile private detective with a closet full of skeletons.

AFTERNOON

12:00 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: The Thames Reaper (Part 3 of 6)** With a notorious serial killer on the loose, Eliza is caught in the middle of a clash between Fleet Street and Scotland Yard.

1:15 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: The Deal (Part 4 of 6)** Eliza's life is turned upside down when she finds herself dragged into a missing person's case with a recently released convict by the name of Patrick Nash.

2:30 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: The Enchanted Mirror (Part 5 of 6)** Eliza explores the cutthroat world of Victorian theatre while finding herself growing ever closer to Inspector Blake.

3:45 **Miss Scarlet Season 5 on Masterpiece: Dangerous Liaisons (Part 6 of 6)** Eliza faces a conflict of interests when she hired to look into the personal life of Police Commissioner Fitzroy.

5:00 **PBS News Weekend**

5:30 **Mister Rogers: It's You I Like [R]**

EVENING

7:00 **All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales** Celebrate the heartwarming series set in the stunning Yorkshire Dales with clips and behind-the-scenes memories of its Christmas finales.

8:30 **Mary Berry's Highland Christmas** Mary Berry spends Christmas in her mother's homeland of Scotland to enjoy a winter break soaking up her Scottish heritage and enjoying traditional festive delights with familiar faces while cooking up some of her own indulgent dishes.

10:00 **All New Rock, Pop and Doo Wop [R]**

Monday 8

EARLY MORNING

12:00 **Sister Boniface Mysteries: And Then There Were Nun (Season 4, Part 8)** See Sat. Dec. 6 at 7:00 pm. [R]

1:00 **The Madame Blanc Mysteries** See Sat. Dec. 6 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 **Midsomer Murders: The Blacktrees Prophecy (in 2 parts)** See Sat. Dec. 6 at 9:00 pm. [R]

3:30 **Velvet: The Moment of Truth** See Sat. Dec. 6 at 10:30 pm. [R]

5:00 **BBC News**

5:30 **Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**

MORNING

6:00-1:00 **WTTW Kids**

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Out of This World [R]**

2:00 **Mister Rogers: It's You I Like [R]**

3:30 **Rick Steves' European Christmas [R]**

5:00 **BBC News America**

5:30 **Chicago Tonight**

EVENING

6:00 **PBS News Hour**

7:00 **Antiques Roadshow: The Gen X Years** Explore the era between Boomers and Millennials for exciting treasures from the mid-1960s to early 1980s, also known as the Generation X years. Standout appraisals include Matt Groening artwork, Charles Loloma bracelets,



GLESSNER HOUSE

1800 South Prairie Avenue, Chicago



Chicago a cappella "Warm for the Holidays"

Thursday, December 11
6:00pm reception, 7:00pm performance

The ten singers of Chicago a cappella bring music full of holiday cheer to the house!

The program features a seasonal mix of cherished holiday classics and rare discoveries.

Christmas Candlelight Tours

Saturday and Sunday
December 13-14 and 20-21
Tours begin every 15 minutes
First tour 4:30pm, last tour 6:30pm

Explore Christmas customs and decorations of the late 19th century including two trees, music, the eight-course Christmas feast, and more!

House decorated for Christmas

November 26 - December 31

Experience the house decked out in its Christmas finery, during a docent-led tour. Tours offered Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday at 11:30am, 1:00pm, and 2:30pm.

For tickets and more information
visit GlessnerHouse.org
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In the Spotlight



Photo: Geoffrey Baer

Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer

Chicago is known, famously, as "the city that works." In this all-new special, Geoffrey Baer introduces us to some of the people who make it that way – workers who operate the city's moveable bridges, deliver your packages, care for the aquatic residents of Shedd Aquarium, and many more.

Tuesday, December 9
7:00 pm

and Evel Knievel's leathers.
8:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 13 Travel to all five cities of The Roadshow's Season 28 Tour for never-before-seen appraisals, including a 1976 Mark Hamill-signed Star Wars poster, a 1979 Bob Ross landscape oil, and a 1973 Iditarod Race sled!
9:00 10 Buildings That Changed America Host Geoffrey Baer takes a journey across America and inside 10 groundbreaking works of art and engineering.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Tuesday 9

EARLY MORNING

12:00 All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales See Sun. Dec. 7 at 7:00 pm [R]
1:30 Moments to Remember Patti Page and Nick Clooney co-host new performances and archival classics from the late fifties and early sixties pop era.
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Treasure Fever
2:00 Deconstructing The Beatles [R]
3:30 Cook's Country: Pub-Style Seafood
4:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries: And Then There Were Nun (Season 4, Part 8) See Sat. Dec. 6 at 7:00 pm. [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer
8:30 Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer [R]
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Wednesday 10

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Mister Rogers: It's You I Like [R]
1:30 Ken Burns: The National Parks Explore the beauty and grandeur of our nation's magnificent parks, from Acadia to Yosemite, Yellowstone to the Grand Canyon. Filmmakers Burns and Dayton Duncan vividly reveal fascinating behind-the-scenes stories about the making of the series.
3:00 Antiques Roadshow: The Gen X Years See Mon. Dec. 8 at 7:00 pm [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Body of Work
2:00 Ken Burns: The National Parks [R]
3:30 Cook's Country: BBQ Brisket and Fritters
4:00 The Madame Blanc Mysteries See Sat. Dec. 6 at 8:00 pm. [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Nature: Canada – Surviving the Wild North Journey from Canada's high arctic to boreal forest and discover how polar bears, coastal wolves, lynx, and more survive in the North.
8:00 NOVA: Ice Age Footprints Thousands of prehistoric footprints in New Mexico's White Sands National Park capture moments when Ice Age humans crossed paths with enormous ground sloths and mammoths.

9:00 NOVA: Hunt for the Oldest DNA Follow the dramatic quest to recover DNA millions of years old and reveal a lost world from before the last Ice Age.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

Thursday 11

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Becoming Thurgood: America's Social Architect See Thurs. Dec. 4 at 8:30 pm. [R]
1:30 Ken Burns: The Civil War See Thurs. Dec. 4 at 7:00 pm. [R]
3:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 13 [R]
4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
5:00 BBC News
5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Tearjerkers
2:00 Finding Your Roots: Fighters
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Steak and Veggies
3:30 All Creatures Great and Small: Cheers to the Years See Sat. Dec. 6 at 5:30 pm. [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Rick Steves Poland
8:30 Rick Steves Mighty Alps Join Rick Steves on an alpine adventure, with scenic train rides, breathtaking lifts, majestic glaciers, and unforgettable hikes. He conquers the Dolomites in Italy and the Zugspitze in Austria, and in Switzerland, savors the beauty of the Matterhorn, the Jungfrau, and Appenzell. And in France, starting off from Chamonix, Rick rides up the lift up to the Aiguille du Midi and hikes the iconic Tour du Mont Blanc.
10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
10:30 BBC News
11:00 Amanpour and Company

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 13 [R]
2:00 Rick Steves European Christmas [R]
3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Autumn Desserts
3:30 All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales [R]
5:00 BBC News America
5:30 Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
7:00 Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review [R]
7:30 Washington Week with the Atlantic
8:00 Starring Dick Van Dyke: American Masters
10:00 Frontline: The Deal – Trump, Bukele & the Gangs of El Salvador Get an inside look at the Salvadoran president's deal with Trump to imprison deportees, and what each stood to gain.
11:00 BBC News
11:30 Amanpour and Company

In the Spotlight



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American Masters: Starring Dick Van Dyke

Celebrate the life and career of Dick Van Dyke on his 100th birthday, a multi-talented performer who has delighted audiences for eight decades. Featuring never-before-seen footage, photos, and home movies that detail Van Dyke's extraordinary showbiz legacy.

Friday, December 12
8:00 pm

Saturday 13

EARLY MORNING

12:30 POV: Between Goodbyes

When a queer Korean adoptee reunites with her birth mother in Seoul, deep cultural misunderstandings and unspoken regrets surface. With tenderness, humor, and determination, both navigate the heart-wrenching legacy of international adoption.

2:00 NOVA: Ice Age Footprints

See Wed. Dec. 10 at 8:00 pm. [R]

3:00 NOVA: Hunt for the Oldest DNA

See Wed. Dec. 10 at 9:00 pm. [R]

4:00 PBS News Hour [R]

5:00 To be announced

MORNING

6:30 To be announced

11:00 My Greek Table with Diane Kochilas: Taste the Music – The Aromatic Cuisine of the Asia Minor Greeks

11:30 Sara's Weeknight Meals: Personal Pizza

AFTERNOON

12:00 Cook's Country: French Fare

12:37 Cook's Country: Georgia Food on My Mind

- 1:07 Lidia's Kitchen: Respect the Ingredients
- 1:37 Jacques Pépin: Heart & Soul – Kitchen Companions
- 2:07 America's Test Kitchen: Plum and Pear Desserts
- 2:45 America's Test Kitchen: Make-Ahead Masterclass
- 3:00 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: From Spain with Love
- 3:45 Pati's Mexican Table: Sisters, Stew, and Sass
- 4:30 Check, Please! Monteverde, Lost Lake, Caspian Kabab
- 5:00 PBS News Weekend
- 5:30 Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer [R]

EVENING

7:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries: Once Upon a Time, Part 1

- 8:00 The Madame Blanc Mysteries When Raffy Ozanne is found lying dead in his own perfumery, Cooper falls under suspicion. But who was really behind the killer's clown mask?
- 9:00 Midsomer Murders: The Debt of Lies (in 2 parts) Gated estate Challis Court is a tight-knit community for retired police officers, but when a new arrival is found dead, the other residents regard the murder as an affront; Barnaby realizes that the killer is likely an ex-police officer.

- 10:30 Velvet: Today is Valentine's Day Valentine's Day brings ups and downs for everyone. Ana has doubts, Pedro and Rita are on cloud nine, Blanca and Estaban are making up for the time they lost, and Alberto does whatever he can to keep his mother with him.

Sunday 14

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Frontline: The Deal – Trump, Bukele & the Gangs of El Salvador

See Fri. Dec. 12 at 10:00 pm. [R]

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: The Gen X Years [R]

2:00 '60s and '70s Soul Celebration

See Sat. Dec. 6 at 1:00 am. [R]

5:00 Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr: Peaceful Lake Beauty

5:30 Yoga in Practice: A Complicated Journey

MORNING

6:00 J Schwanke's Life in Bloom: Holidays for Blooms

6:30 J Schwanke's Life in Bloom: Winter in Bloom

7:00 Key Ingredient with Sheri Castle: Shari's Home Recipes for the Holidays

7:30 Sara's Weeknight Meals: Holiday Food Gifts

8:00 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television:

- 8:30 Milk Street Sweets
- 9:00 New Scandinavian Cooking: A Traveler's Bite
- 9:00 Ellie's Real Good Food: Big Flavor, Less Salt
- 9:30 Flavor of Poland with Aleksandra August: Poznan, Gniezno
- 10:00 Kevin Belton's Cookin' Louisiana: Rapides Parish – Heart of Louisiana
- 10:30 Steven Raichlen's Planet Barbecue: The Brazilian Grill
- 11:00 New Scandinavian Cooking: Happy Holiday Food
- 11:30 Sara's Weeknight Meals: Festive Feasts

AFTERNOON

12:00 America's Test Kitchen: Holiday Dessert and Salad

12:30 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: New Christmas Cookies

1:00 To be announced

5:30 PBS News Weekend

EVENING

- 6:00 A Celebration of Hanukkah with Geoffrey Baer Follow Geoffrey Baer on a heart-warming, nostalgic, and humorous journey as he tells the story of Hanukkah, exploring the time-honored traditions of this joyous Jewish holiday and making a few surprising discoveries along the way.

7:00 Happiness (Part 1 of 6)

7:30 Happiness (Part 2 of 6)

Charlie's desperation to get back to Broadway draws him into Pizazz's rehearsals.

- 8:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: To All Our Boys (Part 1 of 7) Siegfried is keen to have everyone back at Skeldale House, but Tristan's surprise return won't be quite as straightforward as he hoped.

- 9:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Holding the Baby (Part 2 of 7) James needs a crash course for fatherhood; Mrs. Hall referees between Siegfried and her new boss, Mr. Bosworth; Helen is concerned about the influence of Jenny's new friend Doris.

10:00 Astrid: Witness (Season 3, Part 5 of 8)

Astrid and Raphaelle investigate a crime perpetrated right in the middle of Paris – northern train station, Gare du Nord. The only witness is the victim's son, a 14-year-old autistic boy named Jules.

11:00 Austin City Limits: Jon Batiste

Seven-time Grammy and Academy Award winner Jon Batiste returns with an ecstatic performance of gems from *Big Money*.

In the Spotlight



Photo: And Crown Photography

Happiness

(New Miniseries)

After 20 years working his way up the top of the musical theatre world, Charlie Summers (Harry McNaughton) finds himself helping his mom at the local community musical theatre society, Pizazz, as they mount a new musical: *The Trojan Horse*.

Sundays, December 14-28

7:00 pm

Monday 15

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries: Once Upon a Time, Part 1

See Sat. Dec. 13 at 7:00 pm. [R]

1:00 The Madame Blanc Mysteries

See Sat. Dec. 13 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 Midsomer Murders: The Debt of Lies (in 2 parts)

See Sat. Dec. 13 at 9:00 pm. [R]

3:30 Velvet: Today is Valentine's Day

See Sat. Dec. 13 at 10:30 pm. [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: The Gen X Years [R]

2:00 NOVA: Hunt for the Oldest DNA [R]

3:00 America's Test Kitchen: A Spanish Affair

3:30 Cook's Country: Italian Comfort Food Classics

4:00 Happiness (Part 1 of 6)

See Sun. Dec. 14 at 7:00 pm. [R]

4:30 Happiness (Part 2 of 6)

See Sun. Dec. 14 at 7:30 pm. [R]

5:00 BBC News America

5:30 Chicago Tonight

In the Spotlight



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Sister Boniface Mysteries Holiday Special: Once Upon a Time

Great Slaughter's Christmas pantomime rehearsals get a shocking twist when Tibbles the cat presents the production with a grisly gift: a human eyeball. Can Sister Boniface (Lorna Watson) unmask the culprit before they kill again?

Saturdays, December 13 and 20, 7:00 pm

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
 7:00 **Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir**
 8:30 **Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir [R]**
 10:00 **Chicago Tonight [R]**
 10:30 BBC News
 11:00 Amanpour and Company

Tuesday 16**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 Happiness (Part 1 of 6) [R]
 12:30 Happiness (Part 2 of 6) [R]
 1:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: To All Our Boys (Part 1 of 7)** See Sun. Dec. 14 at 8:00 pm. [R]
 2:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Holding the Baby (Part 2 of 7)** See Sun. Dec. 14 at 9:00 pm. [R]
 3:00 **Astrid: Witness (Season 3, Part 5 of 8)** See Sun. Dec. 14 at 10:00 pm. [R]
 4:00 PBS News Hour
 5:00 BBC News
 5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

In the Spotlight

Photo: Julian Persson

Great Performances: Nutcracker from English National Ballet

Enjoy Tchaikovsky's holiday classic set in Edwardian-era London. Clara embarks on a fantastical adventure with her enchanted nutcracker featuring more than 100 dancers and a magical, dreamlike realm.

Tuesday, December 16
7:00 pm

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Wichita**
 2:00 **Nature: Canada – Surviving the Wild North [R]**
 3:00 **America's Test Kitchen: Fast Food Makeovers**
 3:30 **Cook's Country: Tacos Two Ways**
 4:00 **Sister Boniface Mysteries: Once Upon a Time, Part 1 [R]**
 5:00 BBC News America
 5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
 7:00 **Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National Ballet**
 8:30 **Ten Times Better: American Masters** The astonishing and heartwarming story of George Lee, a pioneering Asian dancer who originated a featured role in George Balanchine's The Nutcracker 70 years ago as a teenage immigrant from China.
 9:00 **Frontline: Strike on Iran – the Nuclear Question** This film focuses on Iran's nuclear program in the aftermath of the U.S. and Israeli strikes.
 10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
 10:30 BBC News
 11:00 Amanpour and Company

Wednesday 17**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 **Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope: A San Antonio Christmas** Joseph joins the locals and visitors to celebrate the Season along San Antonio's famous river walk surrounded by songs, decorations and plenty of holiday cheer.
 12:30 **Joseph Rosendo's Steppin' Out: A Southern Christmas** Joseph experiences a Southern Christmas in South Carolina, delving into Gullah Geechee history and culture, attending a Christmas service, and viewing Brookgreen Gardens' Night of a Thousand Candles.
 1:00 **Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir [R]**
 2:30 **Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National Ballet** See Tues. Dec. 16 at 7:00 pm. [R]
 4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
 5:00 BBC News
 5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Grand Rapids, Part 1**
 2:00 **NOVA: Ice Age Footprints [R]**
 3:00 **America's Test Kitchen:**

Summer Dinner Party

3:30 **Cook's Country: Beef, Dressed Up**
 4:00 **The Madame Blanc Mysteries** See Sat. Dec. 13 at 8:00 pm. [R]
 5:00 BBC News America
 5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
 7:00 **Nature: Santa's Wild Home** Get an intimate look into life in Lapland, fabled land of Santa Claus and actual home of tenacious wildlife such as reindeer, wolverines, Brown bears, and more.
 8:00 **NOVA: Polar Extremes** Following a trail of fossils found in all the wrong places – beech trees in Antarctica, redwoods and hippo-like mammals in the Arctic – uncover the bizarre history of the poles, from miles-thick ice sheets to warm polar forests teeming with life.
 10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
 10:30 BBC News
 11:00 Amanpour and Company

Thursday 18**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 **Starring Dick Van Dyke: American Masters** See Fri. Dec. 12 at 8:00 pm. [R]
 2:00 **Frontline: Strike on Iran – the Nuclear Question [R]**
 3:00 **This Old House: Asheville – Community Carpenters [R]**
 3:30 **Ask This Old House: Sustainable Grass, Driveway Lights [R]**
 4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
 5:00 BBC News
 5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Grand Rapids, Part 2**
 2:00 **Finding Your Roots: Forgotten Journeys [R]**
 3:00 **America's Test Kitchen: Summer Pork Supper [R]**
 3:30 **Cook's Country: Regional Italian American Favorites [R]**
 4:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: To All Our Boys (Part 1 of 7) [R]**
 5:00 BBC News America
 5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour
 7:00 **A Celebration of Hanukkah with Geoffrey Baer [R]** See Sun. Dec. 14 at 6:00 pm. [R]
 8:30 **A Chef's Life Holiday Special** Delectable fudge. Crispy peanut brittle. Gooey chocolate-covered cherries.

In the Spotlight

Photo: Philippe Virapin/Red Planet Pictures 2024

Death in Paradise 2024 Christmas Special

Back on the beautiful island of Saint Marie, a new detective inspector, Londoner Mervin Wilson (Don Gilet), ruffles some feathers as he clashes with the island's way of life. His first case: deducing who shot Santa Claus.

Saturdays, December 20 and 27, 8:00 pm

Old-fashioned caramels. Chef Vivian Howard explores holiday traditions, Kinston, North Carolina style.

9:00 **The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for Years to Come**
 10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]
 10:30 BBC News
 11:00 Amanpour and Company

Friday 19**EARLY MORNING**

12:00 **Nature: Santa's Wild Home** See Wed. Dec. 17 at 7:00 pm. [R]
 1:00 **NOVA: Polar Extremes** See Wed. Dec. 17 at 8:00 pm. [R]
 3:00 **Austin City Limits: Jon Batiste** See Sun. Dec. 14 at 11:00 pm. [R]
 4:00 PBS News Hour [R]
 5:00 BBC News
 5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Vintage San Antonio, Part 1 [R]**
 2:00 **A Celebration of Hanukkah with Geoffrey Baer [R]**
 3:00 **America's Test Kitchen: Comfort Classics**
 3:30 **Cook's Country: Aloha State Favorites [R]**
 4:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on**

Do it Yourself Saturdays

6:30	Living West Michigan
8:30	Samantha Brown's Places to Love
9:00	John McGivern's Main Streets
9:30	Fork & Hammer
10:00	Ask This Old House
10:30	Ask This Old House
11:00	My Greek Table with Diane Kochilas
11:30	Sara's Weeknight Meals
12:00	Cook's Country
12:30	Cook's Country
1:00	Lidia's Kitchen
1:30	Essential Pépin
2:00	America's Test Kitchen
2:30	America's Test Kitchen
3:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television
3:30	Kitchen Curious with Vivian Howard
4:00	Pati's Mexican Table
4:30	Check, Please!

Masterpiece: Holding the Baby (Part 2 of 7) [R]
 5:00 BBC News America
 5:30 Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review

EVENING

6:00	PBS News Hour
7:00	Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review [R]
7:30	Washington Week with the Atlantic
8:00	Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's See Wed. Dec. 3 at 7:00 pm. [R]
9:00	Chicago's Loop: A New Walking Tour This program traces the fascinating history of downtown Chicago's rise, fall, and rebirth.
10:30	BBC News
11:00	Amanpour and Company

Saturday 20

EARLY MORNING

12:00	To be announced
4:00	PBS News Hour [R]
5:00	Washington Week with the Atlantic [R]
5:30	Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review [R]

MORNING

6:00	Great Lakes Now
6:30	Living West Michigan: Beyond the Classroom
7:00	Chicago's Loop: A New Walking Tour See Fri. Dec. 19 at 9:00 pm. [R]

	My Heart, My Home
4:30	Check, Please! Ricobene's, Bento Box, Chicago Magic Lounge
5:00	Rick Steves' Europe: Istanbul - Turkish Delights
5:30	PBS News Weekend

EVENING

6:00	Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's [R]
7:00	Sister Boniface Mysteries: Once Upon a Time, Part 2 See Sat. Dec. 13 at 7:00 pm.
8:00	Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 1
9:00	Midsomer Murders: A Grain of Truth (in 2 parts) A trendy organic bakery in a restored mill is causing resentment amongst several villagers.
10:30	Velvet: Goodbyes Carlos and Alberto come to blows when he harasses Ana after their breakup.

Sunday 21

EARLY MORNING

12:00	Chicago's Loop: A New Walking Tour [R]
1:30	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Grand Rapids, Part 1 [R]
2:30	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Grand Rapids, Part 2 [R]
3:30	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage San Antonio, Part 1 [R]
4:30	Rick Steves' Europe: Istanbul - Turkish Delights [R]
5:00	Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr: Garden Paradise
5:30	Yoga in Practice:

Tend to the Roots

MORNING

6:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: Milk Street Sweets [R]
6:30	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: Holiday Entertaining
7:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: French Showstopper Desserts
7:30	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: Milk Street Holiday
8:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: New Holiday Vegetables
8:30	New Scandinavian Cooking: Norwegian Versions of Classic Recipes
9:00	Ellie's Real Good Food: Raw vs. Cooked
9:30	Flavor of Poland with Aleksandra August: Torun
10:00	Kevin Belton's Cookin' Louisiana: Avoyelles Parish - Smack Dab in the Middle
10:30	Steven Raichlen's Planet Barbecue: From Caracas to Lima
11:00	The Dooky Chase Kitchen: Leah's Legacy - Christmas Traditions
11:30	Sara's Weeknight Meals: How Sweet It Is

AFTERNOON

12:00	Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2021 Christmas 1966 promises to be a memorable one. The Nonnatus House team are faced with their
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Do it Yourself Sundays

5:00 Happy Yoga

5:30 Yoga in Practice

6:00 J Schwanke's Life in Bloom

6:30 J Schwanke's Life in Bloom

7:00 Key Ingredient with Sheri Castle

7:30 Sara's Weeknight Meals

8:00 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television

8:30 New Scandinavian Cooking

9:00 Ellie's Real Good Food

9:30 Flavor of Poland with Aleksandra August

10:00 Kevin Belton's Cookin' Louisiana

10:30 Steven Raichlen's Planet Barbecue

11:00 New Scandinavian Cooking

11:30 Sara's Weeknight Meals

12:00 America's Test Kitchen

12:30 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television

Primetime Grid

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See page 6 for highlights and to learn more about how to watch WTTW (11-1), WTTW Prime (11-2), and WTTW Create (11-3).

		6:00pm	6:30pm	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm
1 MON	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Antique Roadshow	Nature: Willow - Diary of a Mountain Lion	NOVA: Superfoods	10 Homes That Changed America	Epic Train Journeys From Above	Chicago Tonight	BBC News		
	11.2	Steven Raichlen ...	Green Planet	Craftsman's Legacy	America's Test ...	Rick Steves ...	Weekends with ...	Crossing South	The Joy of Painting		
	11.3	My Greek Table ...	Cook's Country	Homemade Live!		Ken Burns: America's Storyteller			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Mister Rogers: It's You I Like								
2 TUE	11.2	Pati's Mexican Table	Pati's Mexican Table	D.I. Ray	Endeavour on Masterpiece						
	11.3	Key Ingredient...	Wild Harvest ...	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	View Finders	J.Schwanke...	Steppin' Out	Have Guitar Will ...	The Joy of Painting	BBC News
3 WED	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's			Chicago Stories: Legendary Blizzards			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
	11.2	Ken Burns: Prohibition				Tom Jones on Masterpiece	Velvet				Rick Steves ...
4 THU	11.3	Kitchen Queens	Cook's Country	The Life of Loi	Fork & Hammer	George Elfrisch...	Jacques Pépin ...	Samantha Brown...	Daytripper	The Joy of Painting	BBC News
	11.2	PBS NewsHour	Ken Burns: The Civil War	This Old House	Ask This Old House	Secrets of the Dead	Secrets of the Dead		Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
5 FRI	11.2	Rick Steves...	Rick Steves ...	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Lidia's Kitchen	Milk Street	Rick Steves ...			
	11.3	Kevin Belton...	Pati's Mexican Table	The Week in Review	Washington Week	Deconstructing The Beatles					
6 SAT	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Samantha Brown ...	Samantha Brown ...	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service	Seaside Hotel	American Woodshop	The Joy of Painting	Craft in America	Craft in America	
	11.2	Milk Street's My ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	American Woodshop	The Joy of Painting	Love of Quilting	Woodsmith Shop	The Joy of Painting	Velvet
7 SUN	11.1	All Creatures Great and Small ... (5:30)	Sister Boniface Mysteries			The Madame Blanc Mysteries					
	11.2	This Old House	Ask This Old House	Antiques Roadshow	Epic Train Journeys From Above			Steppin' Out	Debbie Gibson ...	Austin City Limits	
8 MON	11.3	Milk Street	Pati's Mexican Table	Somewhere South	The Joy of Painting	The Joy of Painting	Sara's Weeknight Meals		Essential Pépin	Pati's Mexican Table	
	11.1	Mister Rogers: It's You I Like (5:30)	All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales			Mary Berry's Highland Christmas					
9 TUE	11.2	PBS News Weekend	Asia Insight	1st to Fight: Pacific War Marines	Ken Burns: Vietnam War						
	11.3	To Dine For ...	Cook's Country	Somewhere South	American Woodshop	Joy of Painting with ...	Curious Traveler		Seabees on Iwo Jima		
10 WED	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Antiques Roadshow	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service	Antiques Roadshow	10 Buildings That Changed America			Table for All with ...		
	11.2	Steven Raichlen ...	Green Planet	Nature: The Pigeon Hustle		NOVA: Operation Space Station ...			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
11 THU	11.3	My Greek Table ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Love of Quilting	Joy of Painting with ...	Rick Steves ...	POV: Between Goodbyes		
	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer			Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer					
12 FRI	11.2	Pati's Mexican Table	Pati's Mexican Table	D.I. Ray	Endeavour on Masterpiece						
	11.3	Key Ingredient...	Wild Harvest ...	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Woodsmith Shop	The Joy of Painting	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	Have Guitar Will ...	The Joy of Painting
13 SAT	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Nature: Canada - Surviving the Wild North			NOVA: Ice Age Footprints			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
	11.2	Ken Burns: Prohibition				Tom Jones on Masterpiece	Velvet				
14 SUN	11.3	Kitchen Queens	Cook's Country	The Life of Loi	Fork & Hammer	J.Schwanke...	The Joy of Painting	Rick Steves ...	Samantha Brown...	Daytripper	The Joy of Painting
	11.2	Rick Steves...	Rick Steves ...	Rick Steves Poland		Rick Steves Mighty Alps					BBC News
15 MON	11.1	PBS NewsHour		This Old House	Ask This Old House	Joy: Christmas with The Tabernacle Choir					
	11.2	Kevin Belton...	Pati's Mexican Table	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Love of Quilting	Joy of Painting with ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	View Finders	The Joy of Painting
16 TUE	11.1	PBS NewsHour	The Week in Review	Washington Week	Starring Dick Van Dyke: American Masters						
	11.2	Samantha Brown ...	Samantha Brown ...	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service	Seaside Hotel	Mary Berry's Highland Christmas					
17 WED	11.3	Milk Street's My ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Weekends with ...					
	11.1	Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer (5:30)	Sister Boniface Mysteries			The Madame Blanc Mysteries					
18 THU	11.2	This Old House	Antiques Roadshow	Somewhere South		Weekends with ...					
	11.3	Milk Street	Pati's Mexican Table	Happiness (Part 1)	Happiness (Part 2)	All Creatures Great and Small Season 5...					
19 FRI	11.1	A Celebration of Hanukkah with ...	Al Capone: Icon								
	11.2	PBS News Weekend	Asia Insight	Ken Burns: Vietnam War							
20 SAT	11.3	To Dine For ...	Cook's Country	Somewhere South	Weekends with ...						
	11.1	PBS NewsHour	Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir			Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir					
21 MON	11.2	Steven Raichlen ...	Green Planet	Nature: Jaguar Beach		NOVA: Operation Space Station ...					
	11.3	My Greek Table ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Weekends with ...					

		6:00 pm	6:30 pm	7:00 pm	7:30 pm	8:00 pm	8:30 pm	9:00 pm	9:30 pm	10:00 pm	10:30 pm
16 TUE	11.1 PBS News Hour	Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National ...	Ten Times Better ...	Endeavour on Masterpiece	Weekends with ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	Frontline: Strike on Iran - The Nuclear ...	Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
	11.2 Pat's Mexican Table	Pat's Mexican Table	D.J. Ray	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Weekends with ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	Paul Hollywood Goes to Hollywood	Paul Hollywood	The Joy of Painting
	11.3 Key Ingredient...	Wild Harvest ...		Nature: Santa's Wild Home	NOVA: Polar Extremes				Have Guitar Will ...		
17 WED	11.1 PBS News Hour	Ken Burns: Thomas Jefferson	Ken Burns: Thomas Jefferson			Velvet			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	Christmas on the ...
	11.2 Kitchen Queens	Cook's Country	The Life of Loi	Fork & Hammer	Weekends with ...	Rick Steves ...	Samantha Brown...	The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope...	Daytripper	The Joy of Painting	
	11.3 Kevin Belton ...	Patti's Mexican Table	A Celebration of Hanukkah with Geoffrey Baer		A Chef's Life ...			The Boleyns: A Scandalous Family	Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
18 THU	11.2 Rick Steves ...	Rick Steves ...	This Old House	Ask This Old House	The Boleyns: A Scandalous Family			Chicago's Loop: A New Walking Tour	ViewFinders	The Joy of Painting	
	11.3 Kevin Belton ...	Patti's Mexican Table	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Weekends with ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out			BBC News	
	11.1 PBS News Hour	The Week in Review	Washington Week	Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's							
19 FRI	11.2 Samantha Brown...	Samantha Brown...	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service	Seaside Hotel	Craftin' America			Craftin' America			
	11.3 Milk Street's My ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	
	11.1 Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's	Sister Boniface Mysteritas	Antiques Roadshow		Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 1	Midsomer Murders: A Grain of Truth			Velvet		
20 SAT	11.2 This Old House	Ask This Old House			Real Rail Adventures: Swiss Grand Tour	Travelscope	Christmas on the...		Austin City Limits		
	11.3 Milk Street	Patti's Mexican Table	Somewhere South		The Joy of Painting	A Chef's Life Holiday Special			Essential Pépin	Patti's Mexican Table	
	11.1 Call the Mid... (4:30)	PBS News Weekend	Happiness (Part 3)	Happiness (Part 4)	All Creatures Great and Small Season 5...	All Creatures Great and Small Season 5...			Astrid		
21 SUN	11.2 PBS News Weekend	Asia Insight	A Celebration of Hanukkah with...		A Chef's Life Holiday Special	St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope ...			The Nutcracker at The Jacobs School ...		
	11.3 To Dine For ...	Cook's Country	Somewhere South		Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves European Christmas		People of the North	Table for All with ...	
	11.1 PBS News Hour		Antiques Roadshow		Mary Berry's Highland Christmas		Mary Berry's Ultimate Christmas		Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
22 MON	11.2 Steven Raichlen ...	Steven Raichlen ...	Green Planet	Nature: Jaguar Beach	NOVA: Operation Space Station ...				Epic Train Journeys from Above		
	11.3 My Greek Table ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves ...	Weekends with ...	Crossing South	The Joy of Painting	
	11.1 PBS News Hour	Brenda Lee: Rockin' Around - American ...	Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle		Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National ...	Travelscope			Chicago Tonight	BBC News	
23 TUE	11.2 Pat's Mexican Table	Pat's Mexican Table		Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle		Paul Hollywood Goes to Hollywood	
	11.3 Key Ingredient...	Wild Harvest ...			Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir			Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	Have Guitar Will ...	The Joy of Painting
	11.1 PBS News Hour	Anthony Williams' Urban Nutcracker			Great Performances: Nutcracker from English National Ballet	Velvet			Too Hot to Handle: The Gospel Messiah		
24 WED	11.3 Kitchen Queens	Cook's Country	The Life of Loi	Fork & Hammer	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves ...	Samantha Brown...	Daytripper	Travelscope	
	11.1 PBS News Hour	Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2025									
	11.2 Rick Steves ...	Rick Steves ...	This Old House	Ask This Old House	Alan Carr's Adventures with Agatha						
25 THU	11.3 Kevin Belton ...	Patti's Mexican Table	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Essential Pépin	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	ViewFinders	The Joy of Painting	
	11.1 PBS News Hour	The Week in Review	Washington Week	Chicago Stories: Iconic Foods			Gospel Live! Presented by Henry Louis ...		Great Performances: The Magic of Spirituals		
	11.2 Cultural Expressions: Kwanzaa	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service	Seaside Hotel		Sara's Weekendnight ...	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Fresh Quilting	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Jacques Pépin ...	
26 FRI	11.3 Milk Street's My ...	Cook's Country	America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Father Brown	Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 2	Midsomer Murders: Dressed to Kill		Austin City Limits		
	11.1 Chicago Stories: Iconic Foods		Antiques Roadshow		Real Rail Adventures: Swiss Grand Tour	Rick Steves Experiencing Europe			Essential Pépin	Patti's Mexican Table	
	11.2 This Old House	Ask This Old House	Somewhere South		The Joy of Painting	Breakfast with the Bread Monk ...			Astrid		
27 SAT	11.3 Milk Street	Pat's Mexican Table	Happiness (Part 5)	Happiness (Part 6)	All Creatures Great and Small Season 5...	All Creatures Great and Small Season 5...			Chicago Stories: The Birth of Gospel	Ron Carter: Finding the Right Notes	
	11.1 RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service		Gospel Live		Great Performances: The Magic of Spirituals	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Sara's Weekendnight ...	America's Tex Kitchen Celebrates 25 Years	People of the North	Table for All with ...	
	11.2 PBS News Weekend	Asia Insight	Cook's Country	Somewhere South	Antiques Roadshow	Antiques Roadshow	Nature: My Life as a Turkey	NOVA: Revolutionary War Weapons	Chicago Tonight	BBC News	Real/Rail Adventures: Swiss Winter Magic
28 SUN	11.3 Karami: Feast for...	Steven Raichlen ...	Green Planet				Sara's Weekendnight ...	Rick Steves ...	Weekends with ...	Crossing South	The Joy of Painting
	11.1 PBS News Hour		America's Test ...	Fork & Hammer	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Fresh Quilting		Rick Steves ...	Tasty ...	Chicago Tonight	BBC News
	11.2 Steven Raichlen ...	Cook's Country	Starling Dick Van Dyke: American Masters		Miss Austen on Masterpiece					Miss Austen on Masterpiece	
29 MON	11.3 My Greek Table ...	Cook's Country			Sara's Weekendnight ...	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out	Have Guitar Will ...	The Joy of Painting	
	11.1 PBS News Hour				New Year's Eve Special 2025				Death in Paradise	Death in Paradise	
	11.2 Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle		Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle						Velvet	New Year's Eve ...	
30 TUE	11.2 Pat's Mexican Table	Pat's Mexican Table	Miss Austen on Masterpiece								The Joy of Painting
	11.3 Key Ingredient...	Wild Harvest ...	Milk Street	Fork & Hammer	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Jacques Pépin ...	Rick Steves ...	Steppin' Out			
	11.1 PBS News Hour		New Year's Eve Special 2025								
31 WED	11.2 Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle		Lidia's Kitchen								
	11.3 Karami: Feast for...	Cook's Country	The Life of Loi	Fork & Hammer	Sara's Weekendnight ...	Lidia's Kitchen	Rick Steves ...	Samantha Brown...	Daytripper		
	11.1 PBS News Hour										

busiest Christmas Day ever as the Maternity Home is filled with expectant moms and challenging cases. Luckily, Mother Mildred is on hand to support the team.

1:30 Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2022 With Christmas approaching, the midwives move to their maternity clinic and are delighted when their first patient is a familiar face. Life in Poplar returns to normal after the tragic train crash, and everyone unites for a festive talent show.

3:00 Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2023 Two weeks before Christmas, delicate situations cause uncertainty for the midwives. With the upcoming Apollo 8 launch and the festivity preparations starting, a treacherous heavy snowfall may complicate the holiday celebrations for everyone.

4:30 Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2024 It's Christmas 1969, and the funfair and carol concert add color to frosty Poplar. Yet, the festive spirit at Nonnatus House is dampened by the spread of influenza alongside growing fears of an escaped prisoner after a spate of break-ins

EVENING

6:30 PBS News Weekend

7:00 Happiness (Part 3 of 6)

Charlie champions Gloria's vision, despite Adrian's resistance, unintentionally encouraging the ensemble to look to Charlie as the new director.

7:30 Happiness (Part 4 of 6)

Under Charlie's direction, rehearsals flourish, Mia shines, Gloria and Connor grow closer, and Jacqui's jealousy stirs conflict.

8:00 All Creatures Great

and Small Season 5 on

Masterpiece: Homecoming

(Part 3 of 7) It's Jimmy's christening day and everyone is determined to make it special. Siegfried writes his godparenting speech.

9:00 All Creatures Great

and Small Season 5 on

Masterpiece: Uninvited

Guests (Part 4 of 7) Tristan's first meeting with Carmody doesn't go as planned. They are sent to capture an animal on the loose, hoping to put aside their differences.

10:00 Astrid: Gold Blood (Season 3, Part 6 of 8) A fashion photographer is found dead with a stake through his heart. The police are too old to believe in vampires, and yet the victim's blood definitely seems a key factor in the case.

11:00 Austin City Limits: Jacob Collier/Nickel Creek Six-time

Grammy-winning UK phenom Jacob Collier performs highlights from his *Djesse* series and formative bluegrass act Nickel Creek showcase songs from their latest, *Celebrants*.

Monday 22

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries:

Once Upon a Time, Part 2 See Sat. Dec. 20 at 7:00 pm. [R]

1:00 Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 1 See Sat.

Dec. 20 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 Midsomer Murders: A Grain of Truth (in 2 parts) See Sat.

Dec. 20 at 9:00 pm. [R]

3:30 Velvet: Goodbyes See Sat.

Dec. 20 at 10:30 pm. [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Vintage San Antonio, Part 2

2:00 Happiness (Part 3 of 6) See Sun. Dec. 14 at 7:00 pm. [R]

2:30 Happiness (Part 4 of 6) See Sun. Dec. 14 at 7:30 pm. [R]

3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Eggs for the Holidays [R]

3:30 Cook's Country: Chicken and Cornbread

4:00 Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 1 [R]

5:00 BBC News America

5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour

7:00 Antiques Roadshow: Wags to Riches Finds include a 1965 Charles Schulz *Peanuts* strip, a Julius Adam II "Kitten Symphony" oil, and a Jamie Wyeth portrait of Andy Warhol with his dog.

8:00 Mary Berry's Highland Christmas See Sun.

Dec. 7 at 8:30 pm. [R]

9:00 Mary Berry's Ultimate Christmas Join the beloved

British home cook and three special friends as they prepare her ultimate Christmas feast with all the trimmings. From the traditional turkey to her classic Christmas pudding, it's the perfect recipe for a deliciously festive holiday.

10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]

10:30 BBC News

11:00 Amanpour and Company

Tuesday 23

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Happiness (Part 3 of 6) [R]

12:30 Happiness (Part 4 of 6) [R]

1:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on

Masterpiece: Homecoming

(Part 3 of 7) See Sun.

Dec. 21 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on

Masterpiece: Uninvited Guests (Part 4 of 7) See

Sun. Dec. 21 at 9:00 pm. [R]

3:00 Astrid: Gold Blood (Season 3, Part 6 of 8) See

Sun. Dec. 21 at 10:00 pm. [R]

4:00 PBS News Hour [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

Years to Come See Thurs.

Dec. 18 at 9:00 pm. [R]

4:00 PBS News Hour [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-10:30 WTTW Kids

10:30 Come and See! A Concordia Christmas Concordia

University Irvine's fifth annual special includes vocal and instrumental performances of contemporary and classic holiday songs, and features original works by Concordia alumni and students to celebrate the holiday season.

11:30 Joy: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir Broadway star Michael Malakel and actor Lesley Nicol (*DownTown Abbey*) inspire in this holiday special that weaves Christmas classics with the story of Victor Hugo to show that opening our hearts to all is the true meaning of the season.

AFTERNOON

1:00 The United States Army Field Band: Sound the Bells

Recorded live at The Lyric in Baltimore, hear the U.S. Army Field Band showcasing the incredible musical talents of active-duty soldiers. Packed with beloved classics, new holiday favorites, and messages of hope and togetherness, this festive celebration celebrates the warmth and joy of the holidays.

2:00 The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for

Years to Come [R]

3:00 A St. Thomas Christmas: Love Divine Now in its

39th year, the St. Thomas Christmas concert is a winter tradition featuring familiar traditional carols and innovative contemporary selections. The celebration features almost 270 musicians from four choirs, the string orchestra, and the Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

4:00 Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National Ballet [R]

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour

7:00 Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir [R]

8:30 Too Hot to Handel: The Gospel Messiah

Handel's 18th century masterpiece has been reimagined by conductor Marin Alsop with colleagues Bob Christianson and Gary Anderson. Handel's arias, choruses, and orchestration have been infused with gospel, jazz, and R&B creating an uplifting reinterpretation of this

Wednesday 24

Christmas Eve

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Mary Berry's Highland Christmas [R]

1:00 Mary Berry's Ultimate Christmas See Mon.

Dec. 22 at 9:00 pm. [R]

2:00 A Chef's Life Holiday Special See Thurs.

Dec. 18 at 8:30 pm. [R]

3:00 The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for

In the Spotlight



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Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2025

When senior members of the Nonnatus House staff head to Hong Kong on a mercy mission, the younger midwives are left to cope alone. As the Christmas action shifts to a snowy East End, Sister Julienne (Jenny Agutter) suddenly finds herself excited about the Order's future.

Thursday, December 25

7:00 pm

Christmas and Easter favorite.

10:00 **Too Hot to Handel: The Gospel Messiah** [R]
11:30 **BBC News**

Thursday 25

Christmas Day

EARLY MORNING

12:00 **Amanpour and Company**
1:00 **Joy: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir** See Wed. Dec. 24 at 11:30 am. [R]

2:30 A St. Thomas Christmas: Love Divine See Wed.

Dec. 24 at 3:00 pm. [R]

3:30 Season of Light: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir

The Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square join with award-winning artists Lea Salonga and Sir David Suchet for this festive and uplifting concert featuring timeless carols, treasured songs, and a story of heroic service.

5:00 Holiday Handbells: The Raleigh Ringers The Raleigh Ringers present the sequel to their critically acclaimed holiday special, *One Winter Evening at Meymandi*.

Enjoy selections from old yuletide favorites to Vince Guaraldi's *A Charlie Brown Christmas* score and other sounds of the season.

MORNING

6:00 **Too Hot to Handel: The Gospel Messiah** [R]
7:30 **Joy: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir** [R]
9:00 **Rick Steves European Christmas** [R]
10:00 **The United States Army Field Band: Sound the Bells** See Wed. Dec. 24 at 1:00 pm. [R]
11:00 **The St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for Years to Come** [R]

AFTERNOON

12:00 **A St. Thomas Christmas: Love Divine** [R]
1:00 **Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir** [R]
2:30 **Season of Light: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir** See Thurs. Dec. 25 at 3:30 am. [R]
4:00 **Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2024** See Sun. Dec. 21 at 4:30 pm. [R]

EVENING

6:00 **PBS News Hour**
7:00 **Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2025**
9:00 **Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2025** [R]
11:00 **BBC News**
11:30 **Amanpour and Company**

Friday 26

EARLY MORNING

12:30 **Antiques Roadshow: Wags to Riches** See Mon. Dec. 22 at 7:00 pm. [R]
1:30 **Great Performances: The Nutcracker from the English National Ballet** [R]
3:00 **Brenda Lee: Rockin' Around - American Masters** See Tues. Dec. 23 at 7:00 pm. [R]
4:00 **PBS News Hour** [R]
5:00 **BBC News**
5:30 **Jay's Chicago: Elders Going Strong**

MORNING

6:00-1:00 **WTTW Kids**

AFTERNOON

1:00 **Antiques Roadshow: Greatest Gifts**
2:00 **America's Test Kitchen: Pork and Potatoes**
2:30 **Cook's Country: Roast Beef and Potatoes**
3:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Homecoming (Part 3 of 7)** [R]
4:00 **All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Uninvited Guests (Part 4 of 7)** [R]
5:00 **BBC News America**
5:30 **Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review**

EVENING

6:00 **PBS News Hour**

7:00 **Chicago Tonight: The Week in Review** [R]
7:30 **Washington Week with the Atlantic**

8:00 **Chicago Stories: Iconic Foods** Chicago is one of the greatest and most diverse food cities in the world. Watch as chefs, restaurateurs, food writers, and historians explore the origins of deep-dish pizza, hot dogs, Italian beef, and many more foods, and why they remain so popular. Audio-narrated descriptions of key visual elements are available.
9:00 **Gospel Live! Presented by Henry Louis Gates, Jr.** This concert celebration honors the legacy of gospel music in America, as secular and gospel artists sing their favorite gospel classics.
10:00 **Great Performances: The Magic of Spirituals** Glimpse behind the curtain at opera legends Kathleen Battle and Jessye Norman's famed Carnegie Hall concert at on March 18, 1990.

11:00 **BBC News**
11:30 **Amanpour and Company**

11:00 **My Greek Table with Diane Kochilas: Beans – The #1 Longevity Ingredient**
11:30 **Sara's Weeknight Meals: On the Table STAT-- South Asian Style**

AFTERNOON

12:00 **Cook's Country: When Only Chocolate Will Do**
12:30 **Cook's Country: Feast of the Seven Fishes**
1:00 **Lidia's Kitchen: Dream of Summer**
1:30 **Essential Pépin: Light as Air**
2:00 **America's Test Kitchen: Pantry Pastas**
2:30 **America's Test Kitchen: The Ultimate Dinner Party**
3:00 **Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television: New Christmas Cookies**
3:30 **Kitchen Curious with Vivian Howard: Pasta**
4:00 **Pati's Mexican Table: Colors of Creativity**
4:30 **Check, Please! Pelago, Spinning J, Raisu**
5:00 **Rick Steves' Europe: London – A Royal Tour**
5:30 **PBS News Weekend**

EVENING

6:00 **Chicago Stories: Iconic Foods** See Fri. Dec. 26 at 8:00 pm. [R]
7:00 **Father Brown: The Battle of Kembleford**
8:00 **Death in Paradise: Christmas**

In the Spotlight

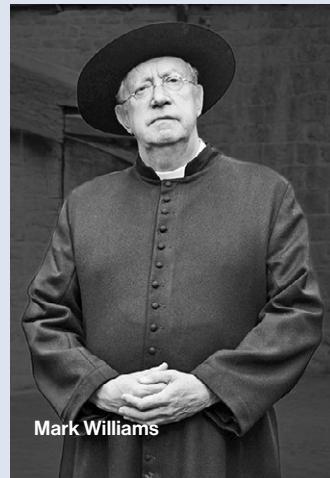


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Father Brown

(New Season)

In the 12th season premiere, Father Brown (Mark Williams) investigates when a medieval murder is committed at a battle re-enactment to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Battle of Kembleford.

Saturday, December 27

7:00 pm

2024, Part 2 See Sat.
Dec. 20 at 8:00 pm.

9:00 Midsomer Murders: Dressed to Kill (in 2 parts) Parish chairwoman Lois Springfield is found dead in a local theatre. The detectives assume it's because of her hostility toward a drag show being organized, but other motives are at play.

10:30 Velvet: A Wedding and a Funeral As Rita and Pedro's wedding approaches, the girls plan a special surprise to make it a day to remember. Alberto's loss grants him new strength and perspective.

Sunday 28

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Call the Midwife Holiday Special 2025 [R]

2:00 Antiques Roadshow: Greatest Gifts [R]

3:00 Gospel Live! Presented by Henry Louis Gates, Jr. See Fri. Dec. 26 at 9:00 pm. [R]

4:00 Great Performances: The Magic of Spirituals See Fri. Dec. 26 at 10:00 pm. [R]

5:00 Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr: Island Sunset

5:30 Yoga in Practice: Strengthening the Back

MORNING

6:00 Jay's Chicago: Teamwork

6:30 Jay's Chicago: Wildlife Photographers

7:00 Simply Ming

7:30 New Scandinavian Cooking: A Journey to the North

8:00 Cultural Expressions: Kwanzaa See Sat. Dec. 27 at 7:00 am. [R]

9:00 Ellie's Real Good Food: Better Brunch

9:30 Flavor of Poland with Aleksandra August: Kielce

10:00 Kevin Belton's Cookin' Louisiana: Toledo Bend Lake Country

10:30 Steven Raichlen's Planet Barbecue: Gulf Coast Grill

11:00 New Orleans Cooking with Kevin Belton: New Year's Traditions

11:30 Karamu: Feast for the 7th Day See Sat. Dec. 27 at 8:00 am. [R]

AFTERNOON

12:00 Craft in America: East Explore the intersection of history, culture, and contemporary craft in the eastern region of the U.S.

1:00 Craft in America: West Take inspiration from the landscape, history, and culture of the American West.

2:00 Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle [R]

5:30 PBS News Weekend

EVENING

6:00 RFDS: Royal Doctor Flying Service

7:00 Happiness (Part 5 of 6) Charlie's impulsive vision disrupts Nicky's schedule; tensions flare at Pizazz, leading to a frustrated Charlie showing his true feelings.

7:30 Happiness (Part 6 of 6) Opening night dazzles the audience, but simmering resentment could undo all Charlie's hard work.

8:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Pair Bond (Part 5 of 7) Carmody gets an exciting opportunity, leaving Siegfried wondering whether he's holding back his protégé. Mrs. Hall deals with an emergency.

9:00 All Creatures Great and Small Season 5 on Masterpiece: Glass Half Full (Part 6 of 7) James has a bout of brucellosis, bringing long buried emotions to the surface. A broken-down car forces Siegfried and Tristan to renegotiate their relationship with amusing consequences.

10:00 Astrid: The Flowers of Evil (Season 3, Part 7 of 8) The lifeless body of a biologist with a passion for plant intelligence is found inside a tropical greenhouse. Could the research lab she resigned from a few years prior have something to do with her murder?

11:00 Austin City Limits: Rodrigo Y Gabriela Featuring The Austin Symphony Orchestra Rodrigo Y Gabriela and the 30-piece Austin Symphony Orchestra present their acclaimed album *In Between Thoughts...A New World*.

Monday 29

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Father Brown: The Battle of Kembleford See Sat. Dec. 27 at 7:00 pm. [R]

1:00 Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 2 See Sat. Dec. 27 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 Midsomer Murders: Dressed to Kill (in 2 parts) See Sat. Dec. 27 at 9:00 pm. [R]

3:30 Velvet: A Wedding and a Funeral See Sat. Dec. 27 at 10:30 pm. [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Wags to Riches [R]

2:00 Alan Carr's Adventures

with Agatha Christie:

Agatha (Part 1 of 3) In this three-Part series, Alan Carr uncovers the clues behind the greatest crime writer of all time, Agatha Christie.

3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Pork and Potatoes [R]

3:30 Cook's Country: Roast Beef and Potatoes [R]

4:00 Death in Paradise: Christmas 2024, Part 2 [R]

5:00 BBC News America

5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour

7:00 Antiques Roadshow: Did Grandma Lie? Find out if Grandma lied about the family goods that include a 1900 Mark Twain letter, a ruby and diamond bracelet, and a Babe Ruth & Honus Wagner signed baseball.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 14 Finds include a German tin toy motorcycle, a Babe Ruth exhibition card, and a Patek Philippe dress watch.

9:00 Antiques Roadshow: Let's Celebrate! Watch amazing objects that exude a celebratory spirit, including an Alexander Calder mobile, Tiffany iridescent vases, and a 1955 Picasso Madoura plate.

10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]

10:30 BBC News

11:00 Amanpour and Company

4:00 Father Brown: The Battle of Kembleford [R]

5:00 BBC News America

5:30 Chicago Tonight

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour

7:00 Starring Dick Van Dyke: American Masters [R]

9:30 Rick Steves Tasty Europe

10:00 Chicago Tonight [R]

10:30 BBC News

11:00 Amanpour and Company

Wednesday 31

New Year's Eve

EARLY MORNING

12:00 Antiques Roadshow: Did Grandma Lie? See Mon. Dec. 29 at 7:00 pm. [R]

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk 14 See Mon. Dec. 29 at 8:00 pm. [R]

2:00 Antiques Roadshow: Let's Celebrate! See Mon. Dec. 29 at 9:00 pm. [R]

4:00 PBS News Hour [R]

5:00 BBC News

5:30 Chicago Tonight [R]

MORNING

6:00-1:00 WTTW Kids

AFTERNOON

1:00 Antiques Roadshow: Musical Scores

2:00 Alan Carr's Adventures with Agatha Christie: Poirot (Part 3 of 3)

3:00 America's Test Kitchen: Two Classic Pastas

3:30 Cook's Country: Holiday Feast [R]

4:00 To be announced [Sunday 12/28 at 6:00 pm] [R]

5:00 BBC News America

5:30 To be announced

EVENING

6:00 PBS News Hour

7:00 Great Performances: Rodgers & Hammerstein's 80th Anniversary This celebration at London's Theatre Royal Drury Lane features Michael Ball, Daniel Dae Kim, Maria Friedman, Audra McDonald, Julian Ovenden, Aaron Tveit, Marisha Wallace, Patrick Wilson, Rita Moreno, and Andrew Lloyd Webber.

9:00 Death in Paradise The death of a scientist on the side of a live volcano proves a difficult case to crack.

10:00 Death in Paradise Florence becomes emotionally involved when a young literature student is found dead at the foot of a cliff.

11:00 Death in Paradise Humphrey and Martha's romantic weekend is disrupted by the murder of the hotel owner on the first night of their stay.

Arts • Performance

- '60s and '70s Soul Celebration**
Saturday, 1:00 am (12/6)
Sunday, 2:00 am (12/14)
- Air Supply: 50th Anniversary Concert**
Friday, 12:00 am (12/5)
- All New Rock, Pop, and Doo Wop**
Thursday, 12:00 am (12/4)
Friday, 12:00 am (12/12)
Sunday, 10:00 pm (12/7)
- Andre Rieu: The Power of Love**
Wednesday, 2:00 am (12/3)
- Austin City Limits**
Sundays, 11:00 pm
Friday, 3:00 am (12/19)
- Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band**
Friday, 9:30 pm (12/5)
- Come and See! A Concordia Christmas**
Wednesday, 10:30 am (12/24)
- Deconstructing The Beatles**
Friday, 1:30 am (12/5)
Friday, 8:00 pm (12/5)
Tuesday, 2:00 pm (12/9)
- Gospel Live! Presented by Henry Louis Gates, Jr.**
Friday, 9:00 pm (12/26)
Sunday, 3:00 am (12/28)
- Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli 30th - The Celebration**
Wednesday, 12:00 am (12/3)
Saturday, 7:30 am (12/6)
- Great Performances: The Magic of Spirituals**
Friday, 10:00 pm (12/26)
Sunday, 4:00 am (12/28)
- Great Performances: The Nutcracker from English National Ballet**
Tuesday, 7:00 pm (12/16)
Wednesday, 2:30 am (12/17)
Tuesday, 8:00 pm (12/23)
Wednesday, 4:00 pm (12/24)
Friday, 1:30 am (12/26)
- Holiday Handbells: The Raleigh Ringers**
Thursday, 5:00 am (12/25)
- Hope of the Season: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir**
Monday, 7:00 pm, 8:30 pm (12/15)
Wednesday, 1:00 am (12/17)
Wednesday, 7:00 pm (12/24)
Thursday, 1:00 pm (12/25)
- Joy: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir**
Wednesday, 11:30 am (12/24)
Thursday, 1:00 am, 7:30 am (12/25)
- Magic Moments: The Best of '50s Pop**
Tuesday, 1:30 am (12/2)
- Moments to Remember**
Tuesday, 1:30 am (12/9)
- Peter Pan Goes Wrong**
Tuesday, 4:00 pm (12/2)
- Season of Light: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir**
Thursday, 3:30 am, 2:30 pm (12/25)
- St. Olaf Christmas Festival: Our Hope for Years to Come**
Thursday, 9:00 pm (12/18)
Wednesday, 2:00 pm (12/24)
Thursday, 11:00 am (12/25)

Drama • Mystery

- All Creatures Great and Small: Cheers to the Years**
Saturday, 5:30 pm (12/6)
Thursday, 3:30 pm (12/11)
- All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas in the Dales**
Sunday, 7:00 pm (12/7)
Tuesday, 12:00 am (12/9)
Friday, 3:30 pm (12/12)
- All Creatures Great and Small: Season 5 on Masterpiece**
Sundays, 8:00 pm, (12/14, 12/21, 12/28)
Sundays, 9:00 pm (12/14, 12/21, 12/28)
Tuesdays, 1:00 am (12/16, 12/23, 12/30)
Tuesdays, 2:00 am, (12/16, 12/23, 12/30)
Thursday, 4:00 pm (12/18)
Friday, 3:00 pm (12/26)
Fridays, 4:00 pm (12/19, 12/26)
- Astrid**
Sundays, 10:00 pm
Tuesdays, 3:00 am
- Call The Midwife Holiday Special 2021**
Sunday, 12:00 pm (12/21)
- Call The Midwife Holiday Special 2022**
Sunday, 1:30 pm (12/21)
- Call The Midwife Holiday Special 2023**
Sunday, 3:00 pm (12/21)
- Call The Midwife Holiday Special 2024**
Sunday, 4:30 pm (12/21)
Thursday, 4:00 pm (12/25)
- Call The Midwife Holiday Special 2025**
Thursday, 7:00 pm (12/25)
Thursday, 9:00 pm (12/25)
Sunday, 12:00 am (12/28)

Death in Paradise

- Saturdays, 8:00 pm (12/20, 12/27)
Mondays, 1:00 am (12/22, 12/29)
Mondays, 4:00 pm (12/22, 12/29)
- Father Brown**
Monday, 4:00 pm (12/1)
Saturday, 7:00 pm (12/27)
Monday, 12:00 am (12/29)
Tuesday, 4:00 pm (12/30)
- Happiness**
Sunday, 7:00 pm (12/14, 12/21, 12/28)
Monday, 4:00 pm (12/15)
Tuesday, 12:00 am (12/16, 12/23, 12/30)
Sunday, 7:30 pm (12/14, 12/21, 12/28)
Monday, 4:30 pm (12/15)
Tuesday, 12:30 am (12/16)
Monday, 2:00 pm, 2:30 pm (12/22)
Tuesday, 12:30 am (12/23, 12/30)
- Madame Blanc Mysteries**
Wednesday, 4:00 pm (12/3, 12/10, 12/17)
Saturdays, 8:00 pm (12/6, 12/13)
Mondays, 1:00 am (12/8, 12/15)
- Midsomer Murders**
Saturday, 9:00 pm, 9:45 pm (12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27)
Monday, 2:00 am, 2:45 am (12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29)
- Miss Scarlet on Masterpiece**
Sunday, 9:30 am, 10:45 am, 12:00 pm, 1:15 pm, 2:30 pm, 3:45 pm (12/7)
- RFDS: Royal Doctor Flying Service**
Sunday, 6:00 pm (12/28)
- Sister Boniface Mysteries**
Saturdays, 7:00 pm (12/6, 12/13, 12/20)
Mondays, 12:00 am (12/8, 12/15, 12/22)
Tuesdays, 4:00 pm (12/9, 12/16, 12/23)
- Velvet**
Saturdays, 10:30 pm
Mondays, 3:00 am

Food • Travel • How to

- Alan Carr's Adventures with Agatha Christie**
Monday, 2:00 pm (12/29)
Tuesday, 2:00 pm (12/30)
Wednesday, 2:00 pm (12/31)
- America's Test Kitchen**
Saturdays, 2:00 pm, 2:30 pm
Mondays-Fridays, 3:00 pm
Friday, 2:00 pm (12/26)
- Antiques Roadshow**
Mondays-Fridays, 1:00 pm
Monday, 7:00 pm (12/1, 12/8, 12/22, 12/29)
Monday, 8:00 pm (12/1, 12/8, 12/29)
Monday, 9:00 pm (12/29)
Wednesday, 12:00 am (12/31)
Wednesday, 1:00 am (12/31)
Wednesday, 2:00 am (12/31)
Wednesday, 3:00 am (12/10)
Thursday, 2:45 pm (12/13)
Saturday, 2:50 pm (12/6)
Sunday, 12:00 pm (12/14)
- Ask This Old House**
Saturdays, 10:30 am (12/20, 12/27)
Sunday, 10:00 am (12/27)
Thursday, 3:30 am (12/18)
- Check, Please!**
Saturdays, 4:30 pm (12/13, 12/20, 12/27)
- Chef's Life Holiday Special**
Thursday, 8:00 pm (12/18)
Wednesday, 2:00 am (12/24)
- Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television**
Saturdays, 3:00 pm (12/20, 12/27)
Saturday, 3:15 pm (12/13)
Saturday, 3:30 pm (12/6)
Sunday, 6:00 am, 6:30 am, 7:00 am, 7:30 am, 8:00 am (12/21)
Sunday, 8:00 am, 12:30 pm (12/14)
- Cook's Country**
Saturdays, 12:00 pm, (12/20, 12/27, 12/13)
Saturdays, 12:30 pm (12/6, 12/13, 12/27)
Mondays-Fridays, 3:30 pm
Friday, 2:30 pm (12/26)
- Craft In America**
Sunday, 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm (12/28)
- Cultural Expressions: Kwanza**
Saturday, 7:00 am (12/27)
Sunday, 8:00 am (12/28)
- Curious Traveler**
Thursday, 4:00 am (12/4)
- Dooky Chase Kitchen: Leah's Legacy**
Sunday, 11:00 am (12/21)
- Easy Yoga for Arthritis**
Saturday, 6:30 am (12/6)
- Ellie's Real Good Food**
Sundays, 9:00 am (12/14, 12/21, 12/28)
- Essential Pepin**
Saturday, 1:30 pm (12/20, 12/27)
Saturday, 1:45 pm (12/6)
- European Christmas Markets**
Thursday, 4:30 pm (12/4)
- Flavor of Poland with Aleksandra August**
Sundays, 9:30 am
- Fork and Hammer**
Saturdays, 9:30 am (12/20, 12/27)
- Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr**
Sundays, 5:00 am
- Iconic American: Our Symbols and Stories**
Thursday, 2:00 pm (12/4)
Friday, 2:00 pm (12/5)
- J Schwank's Life in Bloom**
Sunday, 6:00 am, 6:30 am (12/14)
- Jacques Pépin: Heart & Soul**
Saturday, 1:37 pm (12/13)
- John McGivern's Main Streets**
Saturday, 9:00 am (12/27)
- Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope**
Wednesday, 12:00 am, 12:30 am (12/7)
- Kevin Belton's Cookin' Louisiana**
Sundays, 10:00 am
- Key Ingredient with Sheri Castle**
Sunday, 4:00 pm (12/6)
Saturday, 3:30 pm (12/20, 12/27)
- Kitchen Curious with Vivian Howard**
Saturdays, 3:30 pm (12/20, 12/27)
Saturday, 4:00 pm (12/6)
- Lidia's Kitchen**
Saturdays, 1:00 pm
- Living West Michigan**
Saturdays, 6:30 am (12/20, 12/27)
- Mary Berry's Highland Christmas**
Sunday, 8:30 pm (12/7)
Monday, 8:00 pm (12/22)
Wednesday, 12:00 am (12/24)
- Mary Berry's Ultimate Christmas**
Monday, 9:00 pm (12/22)
Wednesday, 1:00 am (12/24)
- Memory Makeover**
Saturday, 5:00 am (12/6)
- My Greek Table with Diane Kochilas**
Saturdays, 11:00 am
- New Orleans Cooking with Kevin Belton**
Sunday, 11:00 am (12/28)
- New Scandinavian Cooking**
Sundays, 8:30 am (12/14, 12/21)
Sunday, 7:30 am (12/28)
Sunday 11:00 am (12/14)
- Patti's Mexican Table**
Saturdays, 4:00 pm (12/20, 12/27)
Saturday, 4:35 pm (12/6)
Saturday, 3:45 pm (12/13)
- Rick Steves Europe**
Saturday, 5:00 pm (12/20)
Saturday, 12:30 am, 5:00 pm (12/27)
Sunday, 4:30 am (12/21)
- Rick Steves' European Christmas**
Tuesday, 12:00 am (12/2)
Sunday, 8:00 am (12/7)
Monday, 3:30 pm (12/8)
Friday, 2:00 pm (12/12)
Thursday, 9:00 am (12/25)
- Rick Steves' Mighty Alps**
Thursday, 8:30 pm (12/11)
- Rick Steves' Poland**
Thursday, 7:00 pm (12/11)
- Rick Steves Tasty Europe**
Tuesday, 9:30 pm (12/30)Samantha Brown's Places to Love
Saturday, 8:30 am (12/27)
- Sara's Weeknight Meals**
Saturdays, 11:30 am (12/6, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27)
Sundays, 11:30 am (12/14, 12/21)
- Steven Raichlen's Planet Barbecue**
Sundays, 10:30 am
- This Old House**
Saturday, 10:00 am (12/20)
Thursday, 3:00 am (12/18)
- Yoga in Practice**
Sundays, 5:30 am
- History • Documentary**
- 10 Buildings That Changed America**
Monday, 9:00 pm (12/8)
Friday, 2:00 am (12/12)
- 10 Homes That Changed America**
Monday, 9:00 pm (12/1)
Friday, 3:00 am, 4:00 pm (12/5)
- Becoming Thurgood: America's Social Architect**
Thursday, 8:30 pm (12/4)
Thursday, 12:00 am (12/11)
- Beyond Chicago from the Air**
Monday, 5:00 pm (12/1)
- Brenda Lee: Rockin' Around - American Masters**
Tuesday, 7:00 pm (12/23)
Friday, 3:00 am (12/26)
- Chicago Stories: Iconic Foods**
Friday, 8:00 pm (12/26)
- Chicago Stories: Legendary Blizzards**
Wednesday, 8:30 pm (12/3)
- Chicago Stories: Marshall Field's**
Wednesday, 7:00 pm (12/1)
- Chicago Works with Geoffrey Baer**
Tuesday, 7:00 pm (12/9)
Tuesday, 8:30 pm (12/9)
- Chicago's Loop: A New Walking Tour**
Friday, 9:00 pm (12/19)
Saturday, 7:00 am (12/20)
- Finding Your Roots**
Thursday, 2:00 pm (11/11, 12/18)
- Jay's Chicago**
Friday, 5:30 am (12/26)
- Karamu: Feast for the 7th Day**
Saturday, 8:00 am (12/27)
- Ken Burns: America's Storyteller**
Tuesday, 8:30 pm (12/2)
- Ken Burns: The Civil War**
Thursday, 7:00 pm (12/4)
Thursday, 1:30 am (12/11)
- Ken Burns: The National Parks**
Wednesday, 1:30 am, 2:00 pm (12/10)
- Lucy Worsley's Holmes vs. Doyle**
Saturday, 1:00 am (12/27)
- Sunday, 2:00 pm (12/28)**- Mister Rogers: It's You I Like**
Tuesday, 7:00 pm (12/2)
Saturday, 9:30 am (12/6)
Sunday, 6:30 am, 5:30 pm (12/7)
Monday, 2:00 pm (12/8)
Wednesday, 12:00 am (12/10)
- POV**
Saturday, 12:30 am (12/13)
- Starring Dick Van Dyke: American Masters**
Friday, 8:00 pm (12/12)
Thursday, 12:00 am (12/18)
Tuesday, 7:00 pm (12/30)
- News • Public Affairs**
- Amanpour and Company**
Mondays-Fridays, 11:00 pm
Saturday, 12:00 am (12/12)
- BBC News**
Mondays-Fridays, 10:30 pm, 5:00 am
- BBC News America**
Mondays-Fridays, 5:00 pm
- Chicago Tonight**
Mondays-Thursdays, 5:30 pm, 10:00 pm
Tuesdays-Fridays, 5:30 am
- Chicago Tonight: Week in Review**
Fridays, 5:30 pm, 7:00 pm
Saturdays, 5:30 am
- Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**
Mondays, 5:30 am
- PBS News Hour**
Mondays-Fridays, 6:00 pm
Tuesdays-Saturdays, 4:00 am
- PBS News Weekend**
Saturdays & Sundays, 5:00 pm (12/6, 12/7, 12/13)
Saturdays & Sundays, 5:30 pm (12/14, 12/20, 12/21, 12/27)
- Washington Week with the Atlantic**
Fridays, 7:30 pm
Saturdays, 5:00 am
- Science • Nature**
- Great Lakes Now**
Saturdays, 6:00 am (12/20, 12/27)
- Nature**
Wednesdays, 7:00 pm (12/10, 12/17)
Friday, 12:00 am (12/19)
Tuesdays, 2:00 pm (12/2, 12/16, 12/23)
Friday, 3:00 am (12/12)
- NOVA**
Wednesdays, 2:00 pm (12/3, 12/17)
Fridays, 1:00 am (12/19)
Wednesdays, 8:00 pm (12/10, 12/17)
Wednesday, 9:00 pm (12/10)
Saturday, 2:00 am, 3:00 am (12/13)
Monday, 2:00 pm (12/15)

Programmer's Picks

Live from WFMT

Pianist Michael Stephen Brown; violinist Janet Sung, violist Teng Li, cellist Inbal Segev, and pianist Gilles Vonsellier; and the Aebersold and Neiweem piano duo perform this month.

Mondays, 8:00 pm

Holidays on WFMT

A roundup of holiday programs including a performance by Cantus, Music of the Baroque's *Messiah*, and the third installment of *New Year's Steve!*

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Metropolitan Opera

The new broadcast season begins with Puccini's *La bohème*, Giordano's *Andrea Chénier*, a holiday presentation of Mozart's *The Magic Flute*, and a celebration of Handel.

Saturdays, 12:00 pm

Monday 1

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Franz Danzi** Sinfonia Concertante in B-flat, Op. 41 – Demarre McGill, f; Anthony McGill, cl; Chicago Youth Sym Orch/Allen Tinkham. Cedille CDR-90000187. [20:38]

11:00 **Josef Strauss Four Waltzes from Old Vienna – Jenny Lin, p. Steinway & Sons 30074. [5:58]**

12:00 **Prokofiev Overture on Hebrew Themes, Op. 34 – Ensemble Bravura/Philip Mann. Sony 19658706512. [9:17]**

1:00 **Handel Music for the Royal Fireworks – Zefiro/Alfredo Bernardini. Arcana A-386. [21:16]**

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Ethel Smyth** String Trio in D, Op. 6 – Hague String Trio. Cobra 0083. [29:12]

3:00 **Mozart Symphony No. 39 in E-Flat, K. 543 – Chicago Sym Orch/Sir Georg Solti. Decca 417782-2. [26:51]**

4:00 **Joseph Bologne Violin Sonata in B-Flat, Op. 1b, No. 1 – Samuel Nebyu, v; Bethany Brooks, p. BCM+D Records 888295594394. [12:27]**

5:00 **Gershwin An American in Paris – San Francisco Sym/ Michael Tilson Thomas. RCA 68931-2 (2). [18:15]**

6:00 **Amilcare Ponchielli La Gioconda: Dance of the Hours – La Scala Phil/ Riccardo Chailly. Decca 4831148. [9:41]**

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: The Sweet Spot** As Bill explains, "there are occasions when music

composed roughly between 1550 and 1650 will take my breath away." Madrigalists and other Italian composers, giants like Palestrina (born 500 years ago), the Gabrieli, and Orlando di Lasso. Bill shares music by Renaissance composers from France, Spain, Germany, and England.

8:00 **Live from WFMT** Pianist and composer **Michael Stephen Brown** performs. See *In the Spotlight* on this page.

10:00 **The WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles Philharmonic.** **Mozart** Piano Concerto No. 24 in C minor; Yeol Eum Son, piano; **Anders Hillborg** Sound Atlas (US premiere, LA Phil commission); **Nielsen** Symphony No. 4, *The Inextinguishable*; Ryan Bancroft, conductor.

Tuesday 2

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **George Enescu** *Légende* – Alison Balsom, tr; Tom Poster, p. Warner 0190295987725. [6:02]

11:00 **Vaughan Williams** English Folk Song Suite – Boston Pops Orch/Arthur Fiedler. Decca 430212-2. [11:13]

12:00 **Antonio Rosetti** Symphony in E-Flat, M.A28 – Concerto Köln. Teldec 98420-2. [15:11]

1:00 **Debussy** *Petite Suite* – Lang Lang & Gina Alice, p. DG 4859224. [14:22]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **William Grant Still** Symphony No. 1, *Afro-American* – Chicago Sinfonietta/ Paul Freeman. Cedille

3:00 CDR-90000055. [21:10]

3:00 **Chopin** Piano Sonata No. 2 in B-flat minor, Op. 35, *Funeral March* – Vladimir Horowitz, p. Sony S2K-53457 (2). [21:19]

4:00 **Brahms** Violin Sonata No. 2 in A, Op. 100 – Bella Hristova, v; Michael Houstoun, p. Rattle RAT-D144. [19:44]

5:00 **Sydney Guillaume** *Gagot* – Cantus. Signum SIGCD-686. [5:26]

6:00 **Wagner** *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg*: Act 1 Prelude – Llyr Williams, p. Signum SIGCD-388 (2). [9:14]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: The Sweet Spot** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center** **Vivaldi** Concerto in D major, RV 93; Avi Avital, mandolin; Paul Huang, Danbi Um, Ani Kavafian, Chad Hoopes, violins; Mihai Marica, Daniel McDonough, cellos; Anthony Manzo, double bass; Jiayan Sun, harpsichord; **Taneyev** Quintet in G minor, Op. 30; Wu Han, piano; Arnaud Sussmann, Alexander Sitkovetsky, violins; Matthew Lipman, viola; Nicholas Canellakis, cello.

11:00 **Evening Music**

Wednesday 3

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Vivaldi** Flute Concerto in A minor, R. 440 – Katy Birchler, f; La Serenissima/Adrian Chandler. Avie AV-2218. [8:57]

11:00 **Frederick Delius Appalachia (American Rhapsody)** – Slovak Phil Orch/John Hopkins. Records Int'l 7012-2. [9:49]

12:15 **Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts** Cellist **Eunghee Cho** and pianist **Tomomi Sato** perform music by Camille Saint-Saëns and Rita Strohl, live from Seventeenth Church of Christ, Scientist, Chicago.

1:00 **Respighi** *The Pines of Rome* – Philadelphia Orch/Riccardo Muti. EMI CDC7-47316-2. [22:01]

In the Spotlight



Michael Stephen Brown

Photo: Sofian Khan

Live from WFMT

Michael Stephen Brown is a composer and pianist hailed by the *New York Times* as "one of the leading figures in the current renaissance of performer-composers." The 2026 Andrew Wolf Award Winner and a recent fellow at both the MacDowell artist residency program and the Yaddo retreat in Saratoga Springs, NY, he is also a recipient of Lincoln Center's Emerging Artist Award and an Avery Fisher Career Grant. Brown performs internationally and receives commissions from orchestras, soloists, and festivals around the world. Recent highlights include a recital at Alice Tully Hall for the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and collaborations with cellist Nicholas Canellakis and violinists Pinchas Zukerman, Kristin Lee, and Arnaud Sussmann. He returns to *Live from WFMT* to preview his first album devoted entirely to his own music, *Twelve Blocks*, which will be released in February 2026.

Monday, December 1
8:00 pm



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HOLIDAY PROGRAMMING

3:00 Chandos CHSA-5345. [20:04] **Doreen Carwithen** *Suffolk Suite* – London Sym Orch/ Richard Hickox. Chandos CHAN-9524. [11:41]

4:00 **Aram Khachaturian** *Gayaneh*: Gopak; Sabre Dance; Ayesha's Dance; Dance of the Rose Maidens – Royal Phil Orch/Yuri Temirkanov. EMI CDC7-47348-2. [10:27]

5:00 **Mel Bonis** *Ophélie*, Op. 165, No. 1 – María García, p. Navona NV-6456. [5:31]

6:00 **Holst** *The Planets*, Op. 32: *Saturn, the Bringer of Old Age* – Berlin Phil/Herbert von Karajan. DG 400028-2. [9:19]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: The Sweet Spot** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Baroque&Before with Candice Agree: Tallis Scholars in Tokyo** As part of its fiftieth anniversary world tour, The Tallis Scholars under the direction of Peter Phillips perform sacred works by Renaissance masters Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, Cristóbal de Morales, Gregorio Allegri, Costanzo Festa, Elzéar Genet Carpentras, and Josquin des Prez. Recorded live in concert July 5, 2024 in Tokyo's Opera City Concert Hall.

Thursday 4

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Carl Maria von Weber** Clarinet Concertino in E-Flat, Op. 26 – David Shifrin, cl; Orch di Padova e del Veneto/David Golub. Delos DE-3220. [10:06]

11:00 **Grieg** Two Norwegian Airs, Op. 63 – Ostrombohnan Chamber Orch/Juha Kangas. Ondine ODE-766-2. [12:07]

12:00 **Gerald Finzi** *Elegy*, Op. 10 – Martin Jones, p; English String Orch/William Boughton. Nimbus NI-5366. [9:44]

1:00 **Haydn** Cello Concerto No. 1 in C – Christian Poltéra, vc; Munich Chamber Orchestra. BIS 2507. [22:58]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Johann Christian Bach** Symphony in E-Flat, Op. 6, No. 5 – Hanover Band/ Anthony Halstead. CPO 999298-2. [8:53]

3:00 **Saint-Saëns** Piano Concerto No. 2 in G minor, Op. 22 – André Watts, p; Atlanta Sym Orch/Yoel Levi. Telarc CD-80386. [23:55]

4:00 **Bernstein** *On the Town*: Three Dance Episodes – Bournemouth Sym Orch/Marlin Alsop. Naxos 8.559177. [10:31]

5:00 **Bach** Violin Partita No. 2 in D Minor, BWV 1004: V. *Chaconne* – Anna Shelest, p. Sorel Classics SCCR-001. [15:37]

6:00 **Beethoven** Variations on Mozart's *Ein Mädchen oder Weibchen*, Op. 66 – Sheku Kanneh-Mason, vc; Isata Kanneh-Mason, p. Decca 4853169. [9:26]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: The Sweet Spot** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **The New York Philharmonic This Week**: Ravel Suite from *Ma Mère l'Oye* (Mother Goose); **Barber** Concerto for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 14, *Gil Shaham*, violin; **Bartók** *The Wooden Prince*, Op. 13, Sz. 60; David Robertson, conductor.

Friday 5

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Aram Khachaturian** *Masquerade Suite* – Scottish National Orch/Neeme Järvi. Chandos CHAN-8542. [16:17]

11:00 **Berlioz** *Roman Carnival* Overture, Op. 9 – Berlin Phil/Claudio Abbado. DG 471627-2 (2). [8:28]

12:00 **Sérgio Assad** *Preludio Fuga e Vivace* – Plínio Fernandes, g. Decca 4859359. [7:02]

1:00 **Schubert** Symphony No. 6 in C, D. 589, *Little* – Chamber Orch of Europe/ Claudio Abbado. DG 423651-2 (5). [31:49]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Ravel** Piano Concerto in G – Martha Argerich, p; London Sym Orch/Claudio Abbado. DG 423665-2. [22:02]

3:00 **Gershwin** *Rhapsody in Blue* – Alison Balsom, tr; Tom Poster, p; Britten Sinfonia/ Scott Stroman. Warner 9029622991. [16:07]

4:00 **Alessandro Marcello** Oboe Concerto in D minor (C minor) – Mary Elizabeth Bowden, tr; Kassia Ensemble. Summit DCD-743. [10:38]

5:00 **Jennifer Higdon** *Autumn Reflection* (1994) – Jeffrey Khaner, f; Hugh Sung, p. Avie AV-0004. [5:35]

6:00 **Offenbach** *Gaîté Parisienne*: Suite – Boston Sym Orch/Seiji Ozawa. DG 423698-2. [19:14]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: The Sweet Spot** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

11:00 **Best of Studs Terkel: Rosemary Clooney and Michael Feinstein (10/26/1992)** Two celebrated

WED 10

Baroque&Before:
Handel's *Judas Maccabeus*
10:00 pm

SUN 14

Miracle of Miracles:
Music for Hanukkah
5:00 pm

FRI 19

Music of the Baroque
at the National Museum
of Mexican Art
8:00 pm

SAT 20

Metropolitan Opera:
The Magic Flute
Holiday Presentation
12:00 pm

Listening to Singers:
The Ballad of the
Brown King
4:00 pm

Folkstage: Hanukkah (2007)
8:00 pm

The Midnight Special:
Winter Songs
9:00 pm

SUN 21

With Heart and Voice:
Advent IV
6:00 am

Chicago Symphony
Orchestra:
Messiah, part one
The Nutcracker Suite
6:00 pm

Fiesta! Garcia's Immaculate Conception Mass
8:00 pm

champions of the Great American Songbook – jazz singer Rosemary Clooney and singer and pianist Michael Feinstein – were in Chicago in late 1992 to perform at the former Shubert Theater. While in town, they

MON 22

Holidays with Cantus
8:00 pm

WED 24

A Festival of Nine Lessons
and Carols from King's
College, Cambridge
9:00 am

Baroque&Before:
Bach's Christmas
Oratorio
10:00 pm

THU 25

Music of the Baroque:
Handel's *Messiah*
8:00 pm

New York Philharmonic:
Winter Holiday Jukebox
10:00 pm

FRI 26

Best of Studs Terkel:
Christmas Memories
11:00 pm

SAT 27

The Film Score:
Winter Holidays
7:00 pm

Folkstage LIVE:
New Year's Steve – Three!
8:00 pm

The Midnight Special:
Songs for the End
of the Year
9:00 pm

WED 31

New Year's Eve
with WFMT
10:00 pm

stopped by WFMT for an hour of music and conversation with Studs Terkel.

Saturday 6

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

In the Spotlight



Ian Barford

Listening to Singers

Celebrating their 50th anniversary season, Steppenwolf Theatre Company presents Peter Shaffer's Oscar and Tony Award-winning masterpiece *Amadeus*, directed by Tony Award winner Robert Falls. Due to popular demand, the production has already been extended through January 11, 2026. Steppenwolf ensemble member Ian Barford stars as Antonio Salieri, the emperor's composer who holds court until the flamboyant entrance of the prodigy and wild child Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Barford joins WFMT to discuss the rivalry portrayed in the hit play, and to share musical selections that can enrich our appreciation for both the "genius" and the "villain" of the story.

Saturday, December 6
4:00 pm

- 7:00** **Weekend Mornings** with news at 7:00 am. **Richard Strauss** *Burleske* in D minor – Marc-André Hamelin, p; Berlin Radio Sym Orch/Ilan Volkov. Hyperion CDA-67635. [19:25]
- 8:00** **Saturday Morning Listener's Choice**
- 9:00** **Soundtrack**
- 10:00** **Ethel Smyth** Cello Sonata in A minor, Op. 5 – Molly Gebrian, vi; Danny Holt, p. Acis APL-54162. [19:59]
- 11:00** **Introductions. The Caspian Quartet, The Minela Trio, and Quartetto Speranza** perform works by Haydn, Mendelssohn, Bartók, Beethoven, Shostakovich, Piazzolla, Debussy and Garrop.
- 12:00** **Metropolitan Opera: Puccini's *La bohème*** Juliana Grigoryan (Mimi); Stephen Costello (Rodolfo); Mané Galoyan (Musetta); David Bicic (Marcello); Alexander Kópeczi (Colline); Iuri Samoilov (Schaunard);

Donald Maxwell (Benoit/Alcindoro); Metropolitan Opera Cho & Orch/Daniele Rustioni. Sung in Italian.

- 3:15** **Afternoon Music including Antonio Salieri *La Locandiera*:** Overture – London Mozart Players/Matthias Bamert. Chandos CHAN-9877. [7:24]
- 4:00** **Listening to Singers with Oliver Camacho** On the vocal music of Salieri and Mozart featuring a conversation with Steppenwolf Ensemble member **Ian Barford**, who stars in the current production of Peter Shaffer's *Amadeus*.
- 5:00** **Weekend Evening Music including Dave Brubeck** *Joy in the Morning: Dance for Joy* – Cincinnati Sym Orch/Jesús López-Cobos. Telarc CD-80462. [4:35]
- 6:00** **Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 1** in G minor, Op. 13, *Winter Dreams* – Philharmonia Orch/Riccardo Muti. EMI CDC7-47866-2. [42:39]
- 7:00** **Orlando Gibbons *This Is the Record of John*** – Aurora Orch/Nicholas Collon. Decca 4782731. [4:25]
- 8:00** **Folkstage hosted by Marilyn Rea Beyer** *Live from Acoustic Renaissance Concerts in Hinsdale*: Chicago native now based in Wisconsin, **Anne Heaton** has developed a truly unique, piano-based brand of folk. **Sean Kiely**, a rising star from New Jersey, weaves luminous songs from his vivid imagination. Both sing with uncommon beauty and will meet for the first time on Folkstage.
- 9:00** **The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer** No more procrastinating! It's time to break out your cozy sweaters and warm footwear this week. Bundle up with folk songs to keep warm.

Sunday 7

- 12:00** **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**
- 6:00** **With Heart and Voice Advent 2, Prophets and Prophecy.** Host Peter DuBois shares choral and organ music of prophecy, both from the Old Testament prophets, and from the New Testament story of John the Baptist. Lovely music from a variety of sources.
- 7:00** **Weekend Mornings including Duke Ellington Reflections** in D – Jean-Yves Thibaudet, p. Decca 455512-2. [7:20]
- 8:00** **Respighi *Vetrare di Chiesa (Church Windows)*** – Cincinnati Sym Orch/Jesús López-Cobos. Telarc CD-80356. [27:47]
- 9:00** **Johann Friedrich Fasch** Lute Concerto in D

minor – Hopkinson Smith, I; Chiara Banchini & David Plantier, v's; David Courvoisier, vi; Roel Dieltiens, vc. Astrée E-8641. [15:25]

- 10:00** **Price String Quartet in A minor** – Avalon String Quartet. Naxos 8.559941. [25:33]
- 11:00** **Doreen Carwithen** Piano Concerto – Mark Bebbington, p; Innovation Chamber Ensemble/R Jenkinson. Somm SOMMCD-254. [33:16]
- 12:00** **Sunday Afternoons with Robbie Ellis including Handel *Joy to the World* – Wynton Marsalis Septet. Sony 88697-14332-2. [2:41]**
- 1:00** **Prokofiev** Flute Sonata (Violin Sonata No. 2) in D, Op. 94 – Mathieu Dufour, f; Aleksandar Madžar, p. Harmonia Mundi HMN-911770. [25:36]
- 2:00** **Borodin** Symphony No. 2 in B minor – Berlin Phil/Simon Rattle. EMI CDC5-00273-2. [28:08]
- 3:00** **Gershwin *Novelle in Fourths; Three-Quarter Blues; Promenade (Walking the Dog)*** – Fazil Say, p. Teldec 26202-2. [6:52]
- 4:00** **Anthony Ritchie** String Quartet No. 3, Op. 221, *In Time* – Jade String Quartet. Rattle RAT-D159. [21:50]
- 5:00** **Ryan Opera Center Recital Series** Baritone Sihau Hu, bass-baritone **Benjamin R. Sokol**, and pianist **Michael Banwarth** perform arias and songs in the Fay and Daniel Levin Performance Studio. Hosted by Candice Agree.
- 6:00** **Chicago Symphony Orchestra Radio Broadcasts.** Dohnányi Variations on a Nursery Song; András Schiff, piano; **Del Tredici** *Final Alice*; Barbara Hendricks, soprano; **Berlioz** *Les Franc-juges* Overture, Op. 3; **Weber** *Oberon* Overture; Georg Solti, conductor.
- 8:00** **Fiesta! with Elbio Barilari: Orchestral Music from Perú, Brazil & Spain** Long before Nationalism became a musical trend in the 19th century, composers from Spain and Latin America had been using their musical roots as an inspiration and a source. Host Elbio shares music inspired by culture, from the Peruvian composer Celso Garrido-Lecca, the Brazilian Camargo Guarnieri and the Catalonian-Spanish Enric Morera.
- 9:00** **Collectors' Corner with Henry Fogel: Juja Wang, the Berlin and Vienna recitals** Recitals from the Berlin Philharmonic (2018) and the Vienna Konzerthaus (2022) by the great Chinese pianist Juja Wang.
- 11:00** **Through the Night with**

Peter Van De Graaff

Monday 8

- 12:00** **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**
- 6:00** **Morning Program**
- 10:00** **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including *Villa-Lobos Bachianas Brasileiras No. 9 – New World Sym*/Michael Tilson Thomas. RCA 68538-2. [9:39]
- 11:00** **Johann Strauss II *Soirée de Vienne*** – Jean-Yves Thibaudet, p. Decca B0008431-02. [5:40]
- 12:00** **Franck *Symphonic Variations*** – Jorge Federico Osorio, p; Royal Phil Orch/Enrique Bátiz. ASV CDQS-6092. [15:32]
- 1:00** **Johann Melchior Molter** Concerto pastoral in G – La Pietà/Angèle Dubeau. Analekta AN2-8730. [11:20]
- 2:00** **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree including Arthur Bliss** Oboe Quintet – Gordon Hunt, ob; Tale Quartet. BIS CD-763. [20:00]
- 3:00** **Johann Sebastian Bach** *Italian Concerto* in F, BWV 971 – Angela Hewitt, p. DG 419218-2. [12:53]
- 4:00** **Price *Mississippi River Suite*** – Women's Phil/Apo Hsu. Koch 7518-2. [27:46]
- 5:00** **Rachmaninoff *Etudes-tableaux***, Op. 39: Nos. 7-9 – Alexander Romanovsky, p. Decca 4763334. [14:05]
- 6:00** **Vaughn Williams** Oboe Concerto in A minor: I. *Rondo pastoral* – Sarah Jeffrey, ob; Toronto Sym Orch/Peter Oundjian. Chandos CHSA-5201. [7:50]
- 7:00** **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part I (1840-1893)** Caught between East and West, Tchaikovsky created his own sound that to this day is still treasured and that Russians are proud to call their own. Bill starts with Mikhail Glinka, who broke from the Italian school to create the Russian school of music, and ends with excerpts of Tchaikovsky's *Swan Lake*.
- 8:00** **Live from WFMT** Founded in 2019 by violinist Janet Sung, **Chamber Music Chicago** brings together some of the finest musicians of our day. Live in the Levin Studio, Janet collaborates with violist Teng Li, cellist Inbal Segev, and pianist Gilles Vonsattel for a program that will include the Faure Piano Quartet No.2 in G minor.
- 10:00** **The WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles Philharmonic** Bryce Dessner Violin Concerto; Pekka Kuusisto, violin; **Debussy** *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun*;

Beethoven Symphony No. 3, *Eroica*; Esa-Pekka Salonen, conductor.

Tuesday 9

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Rossini** *La scala di seta*: Overture – Prague Sinfonia/Christian Benda. Naxos 8.570934. [6:01]

11:00 **Henry Thacker Burleigh** *Four Southland Sketches* – Kristin Lee, v; Jeremy Ajani Jordan, p. First Hand Records FHR-147. [10:58]

12:00 **Chopin** Waltz in A minor, Op. 34, No. 2 – Daniel Barenboim, p. DG B0015384-02. [5:54]

1:00 **Josef Myslivecek** Cello Concerto in C – Wendy Warner, vc; Camerata Chicago/Drostan Hall. Cedille CDR-900000142. [20:40]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Duke Ellington** Suite from *The River* (1970) – Detroit Sym Orch/Neeme Järvi. Chandos CHAN-9154. [26:50]

3:00 **Bologne** Violin Concerto in A, Op. 5, No. 2 – Mutter's Virtuosi/Anne-Sophie Mutter, v. DG 4865256. [20:57]

4:00 **Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach** Hamburg Symphony No. 3 in C, Wq 182/3 – CPE Bach Chamber Orch/ Hartmut Haenchen. Capriccio 10106. [9:26]

5:00 **Ernst von Dohnányi** Six Piano Pieces, Op. 41: No. 6, *Cloches* – Martin Roscoe, p. Hyperion CDA-68054. [5:32]

6:00 **Sibelius** Five Danses champêtres, Op. 106 – Ruggiero Ricci, v; Sylvia Rabinoff, p. Prompt URS-90033 (2). [15:56]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part I (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. Gabrieli** Canzon XVI a 12, C. 209; **Boccherini** Quintet in E major; Op. 11, No. 5; **Rebel** *Les Éléments*; visit wfmt. com for more information. Kenneth Weiss, harpsichord.

11:00 **Evening Music**

Wednesday 10

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Léo Delibes** *Sylvia*: Procession of Bacchus – Philadelphia Orch/Eugene Ormandy.

11:00 CBS MLK-45660. [5:02]

12:15 **Smetana** *VLtava* (*The Moldau*) – Royal Concertgebouw Orch/ Bernard Haitink. Decca 4781429. [13:12]

1:00 **Dame Myra Hess Memorial Concerts** Pianist **Chloe Zhang** performs music by Faure, Grieg, Gershwin, and Scriabin, live from Seventeenth Church of Christ, Scientist, Chicago.

1:00 **Alexandre Desplat** *Birth* – Emmanuel Pahud, f; French National Orchestra/ Alexandre Desplat. Warner 0190295306878. [7:36]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Felix Mendelssohn** Piano Concerto No. 2 in D minor, Op. 40 – Lars Vogt, p; Paris Chamber Orchestra. Ondine ODE-1400-2. [21:21]

3:00 **Respighi** Ancient Airs and Dances for the Lute, Set 3 – Accademia Bizantina/ Carlo Chiarappa. Denon CO-78916. [17:42]

4:00 **Sibelius** Four Legends from the *Kalevala*, Op. 22: No. 1, *Lemminkäinen and the Maidens of Saari* – Los Angeles Phil/ Esa-Pekka Salonen. Sony SK-48067. [16:13]

5:00 **Franz Krommer** Octet-Partita in F, Op 57 – Sabine Meyer Wind Ensemble. EMI CDC7-54383-2. [18:53]

6:00 **Mozart** Symphony No. 31 in D, K. 297, Paris – London Mozart Players/Jane Glover. ASV CDDCA-647. [18:23]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part I (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Baroque&Before with Candice Agree: Handel's Judas Maccabeus** Handel's gripping oratorio commemorates the story of Judas Maccabeus, who led the Maccabean Jews against the invasion by the Seleucids, thus preserving Jewish culture and religion by regaining control of Jerusalem and rededicating the Temple. Nicholas McGegan leads the Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra and the U.C. Berkely Chamber Chorus, with tenor Guy de May, soprano Lisa Saffer, and countertenor Brian Asawa.

Thursday 11

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Tomaso Albinoni** Trumpet Concerto in D

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CDC7-49573-2. [13:23]

11:00 **Hector Berlioz** *Harold in Italy*, Op. 16: III. *Serenade of an Abruzzo mountaineer* – Lise Berthaud, vi; Lyon National Orch/Leonard Slatkin. Naxos 8.573297. [5:56]

12:00 **Erik Satie** *Parade* – Pascal Rogé & Ami Rogé, p's. Onyx 4219. [10:40]

1:00 **Josef Suk** *Fantastic* Scherzo, Op. 25 – Buffalo Phil Orch/JoAnn Falletta. Naxos 8.572323. [14:52]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Beethoven** String Quartet No. 11 in F minor, Op. 95, *Serioso* – Calidore String Quartet. Signum SIGCD-872. [21:21]

3:00 **Haydn** Symphony No. 6 in D, *Le matin* – Austro-Hungarian Haydn Orch/Ádám Fischer. Nimbus NI-5240. [22:29]

4:00 **Tielman Susato** *The Danserye* (1551): Six Dances – English Chamber Orch Brass Ensemble/Donald Fraser. RCA 61541-2. [9:58]

5:00 **Rentaro Taki** *Kojo No Tsuki* (*The Red Dragonfly*) – Anne Akiko Meyers, v; Sandra Rivers, p. RCA 62546-2. [5:24]

6:00 **Vivaldi** *L'estro armonico*

Concerto No. 10 in B minor, R. 580 – La Serenissima/ Adrian Chandler, v. Avie AV-2106. [8:54]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part I (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **The New York Philharmonic This Week. Nielsen** Clarinet Concerto; Anthony McGill, clarinet; **Ravel** *Valses nobles et sentimentales*; **Tchaikovsky** Selections from *Swan Lake*; Alan Gilbert, conductor.

Friday 12

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Beethoven** *Coriolan* Overture, Op. 62 – Bavarian Radio Sym Orch/Colin Davis. CBS MK-42103. [9:38]

11:00 **Mario Gangi** *Suite Italiana* – Andrea Pace & Cristiano Poli Cappelli, g's. Brilliant Classics 95818. [11:10]

12:00 **Taylor Scott Davis** *Magnificat*: II. *Shall I Rejoice* – Voces8 Foundation Cho & Orch/ Barnaby Smith. Decca 5568937. [5:45]

1:00 **Carl Nielsen** *Little Suite*, Op. 1 – St Martin's Academy/



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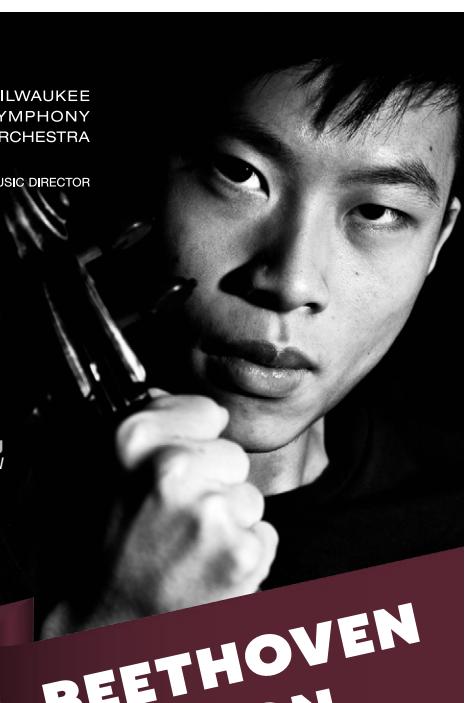
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2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Holst** Suite No. 2 in F, Op. 28, No. 2 – Cleveland Symphonic Winds/Frederick Fennell. Telarc CD-80038. [11:23]

3:00 **Johann Strauss II** Waltz, *Wiener Blut*, Op. 354 – Vienna Phil/Zubin Mehta. Sony SK-45808. [9:28]

4:00 **Rimsky-Korsakov** *The Tale of Tsar Saltan*: Suite – Armenian Phil Orch/Loris Tjeknavorian. ASV CDDCA-772. [18:23]

5:00 **Bach** Violin Concerto No. 2 in E, BWV 1042 – Hilary Hahn, v; Los Angeles Chamber Orch/Jeffrey Kahane. DG B0000986-02. [16:29]

6:00 **Purcell** *The Indian Queen*: Instrumental Suite – Tafelmusik/Jeanne Lamon. Sony SK-66169. [12:45]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin**: **Peter Tchaikovsky, part I (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

11:00 **Best of Studs Terkel: Celebrating Beethoven (12/16/1968)** Beethoven's birthday has always been something of a holiday at WFMT. Tonight, the Best of Studs Terkel marks the composer's birth anniversary with this radiophonic tribute from December 16, 1968.

Saturday 13

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

7:00 **Weekend Mornings** with news at 7:00 am. **Leroy Anderson** Piano Concerto in C – Stewart Goodyear, p; Cincinnati Pops Orch/Erich Kunzel. Telarc CD-80112. [18:52]

8:00 **Saturday Morning Listener's Choice**

9:00 **Soundtrack**

10:00 **Edgar Meyer Winter's Chill** – Modern Mandolin Quartet; Edgar Meyer, db. Windham Hill 11108-2. [5:29]

11:00 **Introductions** Tristan Zhu, 18, violin. **Bach**: Chaconne in D minor; **Chaminade**: Capriccio, Op. 18; **Sibelius**: Violin Concerto, 1st mvt; **Roumain**: *FILTER*. With Milana Pavchinskaya, piano.

12:00 **Metropolitan Opera: Giordano's *Andrea Chénier*** Piotr Beczala (Andrea Chénier); Sonya Yoncheva (Maddalena di Coigny); Igor Golovatenko (Carlo Gérard); Metropolitan Opera Cho & Orch/Daniele Rustioni. Sung in Italian.

3:30 **Afternoon Music** including **Puccini** *Preludio sinfonico*: original version – Welsh National Opera

Orch/Carlo Rizzi. Signum SIGCD-778. [10:51]

4:00 **Listening to Singers with Oliver Camacho** An interview with the artistic director of Opera Rara and world-renowned conductor **Carlo Rizzi**, who joins WFMT to share bel canto rarities and Opera Rara's Donizetti Song Project.

5:00 **Weekend Evening Music** including **Prokofiev** Piano Concerto No. 1 in D-Flat, Op. 10 – Jean-Efflam Bavouzet, p; BBC Phil/Gianandrea Noseda. Chandos CHAN-10802 (2). [15:28]

6:00 **Leroy Anderson Sleigh Ride** – Voces8 Foundation Orch/Barnaby Smith. Decca 5568937. [3:04]

7:00 **George Whitefield Chadwick Symphonic Sketches: No. 2, Noél – Ukrainian Radio Sym Orch/Theodore Kuchar.** WFMT (Fall 2024 Midwinter). [8:06]

8:00 **Folkstage hosted by Marilyn Rea Beyer** *From the archives*: This broadcast of excerpts from **Archie Fisher's Folkstage performances** honors the memory of Scotland's quintessential folksinger, songwriter, and folk radio host who died on November 1, 2025.

9:00 **The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer** Dick Van Dyke turns 100 today. We celebrate his incredible music career and broadcast a few tunes about TV.

Sunday 14

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **With Heart and Voice Advent 3, 'My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord.'** Mary's Song forms the center of a musical exploration on this edition of With Heart and Voice. The Magnificat is a powerful text, which has found equally powerful settings over the centuries. Host Peter DuBois offers gorgeous expressions of this text, as we honor Mary, as well as marking the beginning of Hanukkah.

7:00 **Weekend Mornings** including **Arvo Pärt Spiegel im Spiegel** – Renaud Capuçon, v; Guillaume Bellom, p. Warner 0190295029579. [9:01]

8:00 **Harold Darke In the Bleak Midwinter** – Elora Festival Singers/Noel Edison; Michael Bloss, o. Naxos/WFMT (Xmas 2021). [4:58]

9:00 **Haydn** String Quartet in C, Op. 33, No. 3, *The Bird* – Alban Berg Quartet. EMI CDC5-57541-2. [17:36]

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10:00 Traditional English *Coventry Carol* – Giovanni De Chiaro, g. Centaur CRC-2262. [6:49]

11:00 **Prokofiev** Symphony No. 1 in D, Op. 25, *Classical* – London Phil Orch/Leonard Slatkin. RCA 61350-2. [13:16]

12:00 **Sunday Afternoons with Robbie Ellis** including **Franz Gruber** *Silent Night* – Imani Winds; Jason Moran, p; James Genus, db; Nate Smith, dr. Koch KICCD-7748. [5:20]

1:00 **Bach** French Suite No. 3 in B minor, BWV 814 – Vladimir Ashkenazy, p. Decca 4832150. [13:23]

2:00 **William Grant Still** Symphony No. 2 in G, *Song of a New Race* – Detroit Sym Orch/ Neeme Järvi. Chandos CHAN-9226. [29:22]

3:00 **Bohuslav Martinu** String Sextet – St Martin's Academy Chamber Ensemble. Chandos CHAN-8771. [14:58]

4:00 **Mozart** Symphony No. 27 in G, K. 199/161b – Academy of Ancient Music/Christopher Hogwood. L'Oiseau-Lyre 452496-2 (19). [20:00]

5:00 **Miracle of Miracles: Music for Hanukkah** The vocal ensemble **Chicago a cappella** highlights the creativity and vitality of American Jewish musical traditions. Hosted by Louise Frank.

6:00 **Chicago Symphony Orchestra Radio Broadcasts.** **Mahler** *Rückert Lieder*; Hanna Schwarz, mezzo-soprano; Claudio Abbado, conductor; Symphony No. 7; Jaap van Zweden, conductor.

8:00 **Fiesta! with Elbio Barilari: The Super Guitar Show** Elbio shares some of the most important works for classical guitar. Included are guitarists Abel Carlevaro, Eduardo Fernandez and Manuel Barrueco with master composers José Ardévol, Federico Moreno Torroba, and Heitor Villa-Lobos.

9:00 **Collectors' Corner with Henry Fogel: Rachmaninoff Choral/Vocal Music** including *The All-Night Vigil*, *The Bells*, and the famous *Vocalise*.

11:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

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12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including Vivaldi Two-Horn Concerto in F, R. 538 – Anneke Scott & Jocelyn Lightfoot, hn's; La Serenissima/Adrian Chandler. Avie AV-2392. [9:11]

11:00 **Ravel Chorus, *Matinée de Provence* – Paris-Sorbonne Cho, Orch/Jacques Grimbert. Marco Polo 8.223755. [3:34]**

12:00 **Rutter** Suite for Strings – Royal Ballet Sinfonia/ David Lloyd-Jones. Naxos 8.554186. [12:06]

1:00 **Bernstein** *West Side Story*: Symphonic Dances – Baltimore Sym Orch/ David Zinman. Decca 452916-2. [22:17]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Johann Christoph Pezel** Concerto Pastorale in F – Collegium Aureum. Harmonia Mundi 77048. [20:21]

3:00 **Clara Schumann** *Quatre Pièces fugitives*, Op. 15 – Angela Cheng, p. Radio Canada Int'l MVCD-1087. [12:59]

4:00 **Saint-Saëns** *Habanaise*, Op. 83 – Itzhak Perlman, v; New York Phil/Zubin Mehta. DG 423063-2. [9:37]

5:00 **Bach** Solo Violin Sonata No. 1 in G minor, BWV 1001 – Viktoria Mullova, v. Onyx 4040 (2). [14:43]

6:00 **Copland** *An Outdoor Overture* – Northwestern U Sym Wind Ensemble/ Mallory Thompson. Summit DCD-580. [9:11]

7:00 **Exploring Music with**

Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part II (1840-1893) Bill continues his exploration of Peter Tchaikovsky, focusing on the latter part of his life, including his symphonies, ballets, and life at the Moscow Conservatory. Bill begins with the *Variations on a Rococo Theme*, Op. 33 and concludes the week with his Symphony No. 6 in B minor, titled *Pathétique*, which premiered in 1893 just days before his death.

8:00 **Live from WFMT** Host Kerry Frumkin welcomes the Chicago-based piano duo **Claire Aebersold and Ralph Neiweem**. The program features music by Tchaikovsky, Respighi, Liszt, Eric Ewazen, Ravel, and Gershwin.

10:00 **The WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles Philharmonic.** **Julia Adolphe** *Chrysalis* (World Premiere, LA Phil Commission); Seth Parker Woods, cello; **Granados** *Tres danzas españolas*; **Ravel** *Pavane for a Dead Princess*; *Rapsodie espagnole*; *Boléro*; Ludovic Morlot, conductor.

Tuesday 16

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

WFMT Programming Grid

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9 pm						The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer	Collectors' Corner with Henry Fogel
10 pm		Los Angeles Philharmonic	Chamber Music ...	Baroque&Before	The New York Philharmonic This Week		
11 pm						Through the Night ...	
12 am	Through the Night ...	Through the Night ...	Through the Night ...				

6:00 **Morning Program**
10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn**
 including **Telemann** Two-Violin Concerto in A – Rüdiger Liebermann, v; Berlin Baroque Soloists/Rainer Kussmaul, v. DG B0005761-02. [7:48]

11:00 **Elgar** *From the Bavarian Highlands*, Op. 27: Three Bavarian Dances – Bournemouth Sinfonietta/Norman Del Mar. Chandos CHAN-6544. [12:40]

12:00 **Roger Harvey** *Festive Cheer* – Isthmus Brass. Summit DCD-610. [6:59]

1:00 **Beethoven** *Choral Fantasy* in C minor, Op 80 – Prague Phil Cho, Mahler Chamber Orch/Leif Ove Andsnes, p. Sony 05886. [18:36]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **José White** Violin Concerto in F-sharp minor: I. *Allegro* – Rachel Barton Pine, v; Encore Chamber Orch/Daniel Hege. Cedille CDR-90000035. [11:41]

3:00 **Brahms** Variations on a Theme by Haydn, Op. 56 – Berlin Phil/Nikolaus Harnoncourt. Teldec 13136-2 (3). [18:18]

4:00 **Walter Piston** *Serenata* – New York Chamber Sym/

Gerard Schwarz, Delos DE-3106. [11:59]

5:00 **Gounod** String Quartet in a minor – Bessler-Reis String Quartet. Chant du Monde LDC-278946. [17:32]

6:00 **Albéniz** *Suite española*, Op. 47: No. 5, *Asturias (Leyenda)* – Pablo Sáinz-Villegas, g. WFMT. [7:33]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin**: **Peter Tchaikovsky, part II (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center**: **Vivaldi** Concerto in G major for Violin, Strings, and Continuo, RV 310; **Benedetto Marcello** Concerto for Oboe and Strings in C minor; **JS Bach** *Musical Offering*, BWV 1079; **Corelli** Concerto Grosso in F major for Two Violins, Cello, Strings, and Continuo, Op. 6, No. 2; **Geminiani** Concerto Grosso in D minor for Two Violins, Viola, Cello, Strings, and Continuo, after Corelli's Op. 5, No. 12, *La Follia*. Visit wfmt.com for more information.

11:00 **Evening Music**

4:00 CMS7-63015-2 (2). [21:31]

5:00 **Debussy** Sonata for flute, viola, and harp – Chicago Chamber Musicians. WFMT. [19:04]

6:00 **Frederick Delius** Violin Sonata No. 3 – Tasmin Little, v; Piers Lane, p. Conifer 51315-2. [16:43]

6:00 **Johann Nepuda** Trumpet Concerto in E-Flat – German Chamber Phil Bremen/Alison Balsom, tr. EMI 16213-0. [14:23]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin**: **Peter Tchaikovsky, part II (1840-1893)** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Baroque&Before with Candice Agree**: **Italian Christmas Concertos** Concerto Copenhagen performs Christmas concertos by seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Italian composers, recorded live in Malmö, Sweden.

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn**
 including **Britten** *A Hymn to the Virgin*; Carol arrangement,

Wednesday 17

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn**
 including **Debussy** *Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun* – Los Angeles Phil/Esa-Pekka Salonen. Sony SK-62599. [10:09]

11:00 **Herbert Clarke** *Valse Brillante, Sounds from the Hudson* – Wynton Marsalis, cornet; Eastman Wind Ensemble/Donald Hunsberger. CBS MK-42137. [8:07]

12:00 **Tchaikovsky** *Swan Lake*, Op. 20: Act 1, *Waltz* – Vienna Phil/Gustavo Dudamel. DG 4796297. [6:59]

1:00 **Richard Rodney Bennett** Five Carols – Cambridge Singers/John Rutter. Collegium CSACD-901. [10:04]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Sergei Prokofiev** Violin Concerto No. 1 in D, Op. 19 – James Ehnes, v; BBC Phil/Gianandrea Noseda. Chandos CHAN-10787 (2). [21:57]

3:00 **Beethoven** Cello Sonata No. 1 in F, Op. 5, No. 1 – Jacqueline Du Pré, vc; Daniel Barenboim, p. EMI

Thursday 18

The Holly and the Ivy – Choir of Clare College Cambridge/ Graham Ross. Harmonia Mundi HMM-905329. [6:49]

11:00 Marion Bauer *From the New Hampshire Woods*, Op. 12 – Virginia Eskin, p. Albany TROY-297. [6:55]

12:00 Richard Strauss *Don Juan*, Op. 20 – Berlin Phil/ Gustavo Dudamel. DG B0018913-02. [18:39]

1:00 Teresa Carreño *Un rêve en mer*, Op. 28 – Sarah Cahill, p. First Hand Records FHR-131. [5:48]

2:00 Afternoon Music with Candice Agree including **Verdi // Trovatore**: Ballet suite – Bournemouth Sym Orch/José Serebrier. Naxos 8.572818-19 (2). [22:52]

3:00 Fanny Mendelssohn *Songs Without Words*, Op. 8: Nos. 1, 3, 4 – Sylviane Deferne, p. Radio Canada Int'l MVCD-1122. [11:26]

4:00 Chopin Piano Concerto No. 2 in F minor, Op. 21: I. *Maestoso* – Ingrid Fliter, p; Scottish Chamber Orch/Jun Märkl. Linn CKD-455. [15:03]

5:00 Vivaldi Giustino, RV 717: Aria, *Vedrò con mio diletto* – Amsterdam Vivaldi Players/Lucie Horsch, r. Decca 4830896. [5:30]

6:00 Copland *El Salón México* – Joshua Pierce & Dorothy Jonas, p's. Koch 3-7002-2. [9:59]

7:00 Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part II (1840-1893) See Monday's listing.

8:00 Evening Music

10:00 The New York Philharmonic This Week. Vivaldi Concerto for Piccolo, Strings, and Cembalo in C, RV. 444; Mindy Kaufmann, piccolo; **Paine** Symphony No. 2 in A, Op. 34, *In Spring*; Zubin Mehta, conductor; **Mozart** Concerto for Bassoon and Orchestra in B-flat, K. 191; Judith LeClair, bassoon; Christopher Hogwood, conductor; **Hindemith** Symphony, *Mathis der Maler*; Leonard Bernstein, conductor.

Friday 19

12:00 Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff

6:00 Morning Program

10:00 Midday with Lisa Flynn including **Pablo de Sarasate** *Carmen Fantasy*, Op. 25 (after Bizet) – Hilary Hahn, v; Frankfurt Radio Symphony/ Andrés Orozco-Estrada. DG 4862383. [14:05]

11:00 Selim Palmgren *Aus Finnland*, Op. 24: III. *Tanz der fallenden Blätter* (*Dance of the Falling Leaves*) – Oulu Sinfonia/

Rumon Gamba. Chandos CHAN-20401. [6:44]

12:00 Herbert Howells *Long, Long Ago* – Bella Voce/Andrew Lewis. Bella Voce 2014. [5:43]

1:00 Schubert *Notturno* in E-Flat, D 897 – Christian Tetzlaff, v; Tanya Tetzlaff, vc; Lars Vogt, p. Ondine ODE-1394-2D. [8:39]

2:00 Afternoon Music with Candice Agree including **Patric Standford A** *Christmas Carol Symphony* (1978) – City of Prague Phil Orch/Gavin Sutherland. Naxos 8.557099. [19:01]

3:00 Wilhelm Stenhammar *Excelsior!* Overture, Op 13 – Royal Scottish National Orch/Petter Sundkvist. Naxos 8.553888. [13:04]

4:00 Richard Addinsell *Scrooge*: Suite – Chetham's Chamber Cho, Manchester Cath Cho, BBC Phil/ Rumon Gamba. Chandos CHAN-10046. [13:58]

5:00 Haydn Trumpet Concerto in E-Flat – Guy Touvron, tr; Prague Chamber Orch. RCA 60858-2. [15:48]

6:00 William Grant Still *Danzas de Panama* – Berlin Sym Orch/Isaiah Jackson. Koch 3-7154-2. [14:02]

7:00 Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Peter Tchaikovsky, part II (1840-1893) See Monday's listing.

8:00 Music of the Baroque at the National Museum of Mexican Art From Chicago's Pilsen neighborhood: The MOB Chorus and Brass present a program combining festive sounds of the season with a tour of Baroque-era music and composers active in Mexico and Latin America.

9:00 Evening Music

11:00 Best of Studs Terkel: Janis Joplin (1970) A conversation with the American blues singer and song-writer Janis Joplin (1943-1970) recorded by Studs on his portable tape-recorded backstage at Chicago's Aragon Ballroom. The show includes three interpretations of the Gershwin song *Summertime* – one by Mahalia Jackson, another by Billie Holiday, and one by Joplin.

Saturday 20

12:00 Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff

7:00 Weekend Mornings with news at 7:00 am. **Mozart** Flute Concerto No. 1 in G, K. 313 – Julius Baker, f; I Solisti di Zagreb/Antonio Janigro. Vanguard SVC-54. [24:46]

8:00 Saturday Morning Listener's Choice

9:00 Soundtrack

Host Peter DuBois shares sacred choral and organ treasures of the season.

7:00 Weekend Mornings including **Samuel Coleridge-Taylor** *The Forest of Wild Thyme*, Op. 74: Christmas Overture – BBC Concert! Orch/Barry Wordsworth. Naxos 8.570331. [5:47]

8:00 Paul Taffanel Wind Quintet in G minor – Aulos Wind Quintet. Koch CD-310087. [22:40]

In the Spotlight



Michael Sumuel

Photo: Jeanie Horton

Metropolitan Opera

Chicago audiences have witnessed the rising career of Michael Sumuel, a Richard Tucker Career Grant award winner and an alumnus of young artists programs at Houston Grand, San Francisco, and Wolf Trap Opera. The Texas-native bass-baritone has made debuts with each of the city's major presenters including Lyric Opera as Masetto in *Don Giovanni* in 2014; Grant Park Music Festival as soloist in Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis* in 2019; Chicago Opera Theater as Escamillo in *Carmen* in 2021; Music of the Baroque as soloist in the Mozart *Requiem* in 2023 (not counting his streamed concert with MOB in 2021); and Chicago Symphony Orchestra as soloist in Mozart's "Coronation" Mass in 2024. Stepping up into leading roles, Sumuel was featured in the title role of last season's *The Marriage of Figaro* at the Met. This season, he will become only the second African American to perform the role of Papageno in *The Magic Flute*, following Chicago favorite Will Liverman who became the first in 2020. The abridged holiday presentation runs 90 minutes without intermission and stars another Chicago favorite, soprano Joélle Harvey, as Pamina.

Saturday, December 20
12:00 pm

9:00 **Vivaldi** Violin, Two-Oboe, Two-Horn & Bassoon Concerto in F, R. 569 – *Les Violons du Roy/ Mathieu Lussier. Atma ACD2-2602. [12:02]*

10:00 **William Grant Still** *Christmas in the Western World:* *Jesous Ahatonhia; Tell Me, Shepherdess; Virgin Mary Had A Baby Boy – Toledo Clarinets; Greg Kostraba, p. Cambria CD-1190. [6:58]*

11:00 **Bob Chilcott** Advent Antiphons – The Sixteen/ Harry Christophers. Coro COR-16188. [13:10]

12:00 **Sunday Afternoons with Robbie Ellis** including *Traditional Ding Dong Merrily on High – Richard Stoltzman, cl; Jazz Combo. RCA 61272-2. [2:56]*

1:00 **Bruckner** Symphony No. 9 in D minor: II. Scherzo, Bewegt, lebhaft – Chicago Sym Orch/Riccardo Muti. CSO Resound 9011701. [10:52]

2:00 **Kim Diehnelt** *Bell Carol* Fantasy – Janáček Phil/ Stanislav Vavrínek. Navona NV-6569. [4:53]

3:00 **Beethoven** Piano Sonata No. 26 in E-flat, Op. 81a, *Les Adieux* – Maurizio Pollini, p. DG 427642-2. [16:01]

4:00 **Ruth Gipps** Violin Concerto, Op. 24 – Charlie Lovell-Jones, v; BBC Phil/ Rumon Gamba. Chandos CHAN-20319. [27:08]

5:00 **Daniel Powers** Overture, *Rejoice and Be Merry – Moravian Phil Orch/ Stanislav Vavrínek.* Navona NV-6569. [5:11]

6:00 **Chicago Symphony Orchestra Radio Broadcasts.** *Handel Messiah* Part I; Kiri Te Kanawa, soprano; Anne Gjevang, contralto; Keith Lewis, tenor; Gwynne Howell, bass-baritone; David Schrader, harpsichord; Chicago Symphony Chorus; Georg Solti, conductor; **Gabrieli** *Sacrae Symphoniae* No. 6, *Sonata Pian e forte;* *Canzon duodecimi toni à 10;* *Canzon septime toni à 8* (No. 2); CSO Brass; Mark Ridenour, conductor; **Tchaikovsky** Selections from *The Nutcracker*, Op. 71; Fritz Reiner, conductor.

8:00 **Fiesta! with Elbio Barilaro: Classical Christmas in Latin America** *Fiesta* celebrates the season with a recording of Jose Mauricio de Nunes Garcia's monumental *Missa de Nossa Senhora da Conceição*, a great example of the early Classical style developed in Latin America.

9:00 **Collectors' Corner with Henry Fogel: The Art of William Kapell**

11:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

Monday 22

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including *Engelbert Humperdinck Hansel and Gretel:* Overture – Vienna Phil/Christoph Eschenbach. Sony Classical 88985425932. [8:50]

11:00 **Marin Marais** *La sonnerie de Sainte Geneviève du Mont de Paris – Trio Sonnerie. Harmonia Mundi HMU-907081. [8:19]*

12:00 **Traditional** Medley of Christmas Spirituals – Chanticleer/Joseph Jennings. Chanticleer CR-8803. [6:24]

1:00 **Haydn** Symphony No. 103 in E-Flat, *Drum Roll –* Austro-Hungarian Haydn Orch/ Ádám Fischer. Nimbus NI-5200/04 (5). [30:14]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including *Rimsky-Korsakov Christmas Eve: Suite – Odense Sym Orch/Eduard Serov.* Kontrapunkt 32261. [29:37]

3:00 **Samuel Wesley** Symphony No. 4 in D – Milton Keynes Chamber Orch/Hilary Davan Wetton. Unicorn-Kanchana DKPCD-9098. [12:51]

4:00 **Giuseppe Tartini** Cello Concerto in A – Mstislav Rostropovich, vc; Zürich Collegium Musicum/Paul Sacher. DG 4776337. [14:41]

5:00 **Olivier Messiaen** *La Nativité du Seigneur:* No. 2, *Les Bergers* – David MacDonald, o (Notre-Dame-du-Cap Basilica, Québec). Radio Canada Int'l MVCD-1104. [6:14]

6:00 **Maddalena Sirmen** Violin Duet in D, Op. 5, No. 2 – Shelby Yamin & Sarah Bleile Douglas, v's. Orpheus (Maddalena Lombardini: Violin Duets, Op. 5). [12:16]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Holiday Celebration** The sound of sleigh bells means that it's winter holiday time, and music is full of representations of celebratory music. All around the world, winter holidays of a wide variety are celebrated, and their music is wonderful to listen to regardless of which one you celebrate.

8:00 **Holidays with Cantus** One of the nation's few full-time vocal ensembles, Cantus is widely known for its trademark vocal blend, innovative programming, and diverse repertoire. In a special visit to the WFMT studios, the gentlemen of Cantus join Louise Frank to

share a warm and inviting mix of music for the holidays.

10:00 **The WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles Philharmonic.** **Gershwin** Piano Concerto in F; Jean-Yves Thibaudet, piano; **Caroline Shaw** *The Observatory* (LA Phil commission); **Richard Strauss** *Also sprach Zarathustra;* Teddy Abrams, conductor.

Tuesday 23

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including *Puccini Manon Lescaut: Intermezzo –* Chicago Sym Orch/Riccardo Muti. CSO Resound 9011801. [6:18]

11:00 **Holst** *A Winter Idyll –* London Phil Orch/David Atherton. Lyrita SRCD.209. [7:04]

12:00 **Liszt** Piano Concerto No. 1 in E-Flat, *Drum Roll –* André Watts, p; New York Phil/Leonard Bernstein. Philips 456985-2 (2). [18:21]

1:00 **John Rutter** *What Sweeter Music; Bob Chilcott The Shepherd's Carol –* King's College Cho Cambridge/ Stephen Cleobury. EMI CDC5-58070-2 (2). [8:01]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including *Britten A Ceremony of Carols, Op. 28 –* Tenebrae/ Nigel Short; Camilla Pay, h. Signum SIGCD-690. [24:05]

3:00 **Richard Strauss** Wind Serenade in E-flat, Op. 7 – Minnesota Orch Winds/Edo de Waart. Virgin 91102-2. [8:51]

4:00 **Juan Gutiérrez de Padilla** *Al estable más dichoso –* Newberry Consort/Ellen Hargis. Navona NV-6375. [8:36]

5:00 **Traditional** Carol, *Angels We Have Heard on High –* Millar Brass Ensemble/ Stephen Squires. Millar Brass Ensemble (A Jubilant Christmas). [4:26]

6:00 **Fanny Mendelssohn** Piano Sonata in G minor – Anna Shelest, p. Sorel Classics SCDD-015. [16:39]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Holiday Celebration** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. Elgar Introduction and Allegro for Quartet and Strings, Op. 47; JS Bach** Brandenburg Concerto No. 6, BWV 1051; **Haydn** Symphony in G major "Surprise," visit wfmt.com for more information.

11:00 **Evening Music**

Wednesday 24

Christmas Eve

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

9:00 **A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols** A beloved Christmas Eve tradition, A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols sets a tone for Christmas Eve both contemplative and celebratory. This inspiring service of Biblical readings, carols, and seasonal music is broadcast live around the world from the 500-year-old Chapel of King's College, in Cambridge, England.

11:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including *Frederick Delius Sleigh Ride –* Northern Sinfonia/Richard Hickox. EMI CDM5-65067-2. [6:29]

12:00 **Traditional Nigerian Nativity Song, Betelehemu –** Turtle Creek Cho, Psychedelic Drum/Timothy Seelig. Reference RR-61. [5:20]

1:00 **Franz Gruber** *Silent Night –* Jack Liebeck, v; Voces8 Foundation Cho & Orch/Barnaby Smith. Decca 5568937. [6:45]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including *Bach Cantata No. 63, Christen, ätzet diesen Tag (Christians, engrave this day) –* Soloists; Monteverdi Choir, English Baroque Soloists/ John Eliot Gardiner. Soli Deo Gloria SDG-174 (2). [26:28]

4:00 **Holst Ave Maria, Op. 9b –** Choir of Trinity College Cambridge/Richard Marlow. Conifer 51261-2. [4:42]

5:00 **Marcel Samuel-Rousseau Variations pastorales sur un vieux Noël –** Nicanor Zabaleta, h. DG 2531051. [8:00]

6:00 **Tchaikovsky String Quartet No. 1 in D, Op. 11: II. Andante cantabile –** Yo-Yo Ma, vc; Pittsburgh Sym Orch/Lorin Maazel. Sony SK-48382. [8:18]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Holiday Celebration** See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Baroque&Before with Candice Agree: Bach Christmas Oratorio** La Capella Reial de Catalunya, Le Concert des Nations, and soloists, under the direction of Jordi Savall perform Bach's monumental oratorio for the Christmas season. Recorded live in concert in 2019 in Barcelona's Palau de la Música.

In the Spotlight



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Dame Jane Glover

Music of the Baroque

Earlier this year, the Music of the Baroque Chorus made its Aspen Music Festival debut performing Handel's *Messiah* under the direction of Dame Jane Glover. A significant first for the chorus, the ensemble was hailed by a reviewer for *The Aspen Times* as "one of the most responsive vocal groups I've ever heard. Every inflection served a purpose, whether it was delineating the intertwining lines of counterpoint, gloriously enlivening the famous 'Hallelujah' chorus, or articulating the soothing harmonies of the extended hug of the closing 'Amen.'" In another first, the chorus performs *Messiah* with the New York Philharmonic conducted by Glover this month. For Christmas Day, WFMT presents the local performance of *Messiah* given by Music of the Baroque Chorus and Orchestra (with soprano Yulia van Dorn, mezzo-soprano Sasha Cooke, tenor Miles Mykkonen, and baritone Will Liverman) recorded a few weeks ago.

Thursday, December 25

8:00 pm

Thursday 25

Christmas Day

- 12:00** **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**
- 6:00** **Morning Program**
- 10:00** **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Adolphe Adam**
O Holy Night (Cantique de Noël) – Bach Choir, Royal Phil Orch/John Rutter. Decca B0016092-02. [5:58]
- 11:00** **Leroy Anderson** Suite of Carols for Brass – BBC Concert Orch/ Leonard Slatkin. Naxos 8.559621. [11:41]
- 12:00** **Gerónimo González**
Serenísima una noche – Newberry Consort, EnsAmble Ad-Hoc. Navona NV-6375. [3:52]
- 1:00** **Christopher Rouse**

Karolju – Philharmonia Chorus, BBC Sym Orch/David Zinman. RCA 11561-2. [29:25]

- 2:00** **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Malcolm Arnold**
Commonwealth Christmas Overture, Op. 64 – London Phil Orch/Malcolm Arnold. Reference Recordings RR-48. [18:58]
- 3:00** **Ludwig van Beethoven** Violin Sonata No. 5 in F, Op. 24, *Spring* – Gidon Kremer, v; Martha Argerich, p. DG 419787-2. [23:36]
- 4:00** **Jean-Michel Damase** Seventeen Variations for Woodwind Quintet – Reykjavik Wind Quintet. Chandos CHAN-9362. [13:13]
- 5:00** **Bach Brandenburg** Concerto No. 4 in G Major, BWV 1049 – Isabelle Faust, v; Berlin Academy for Ancient Music. Harmonia Mundi HMM-902686.87. [14:34]
- 6:00** **Ravel Piano Concerto in D** for the Left Hand – Jorge Federico Osorio, p; Royal Phil Orch/Enrique Bátiz. ASV CDQS-6092. [19:40]
- 7:00** **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Holiday Celebration** See Monday's listing.
- 8:00** **Music of the Baroque: Handel's *Messiah*** See *In the Spotlight* on this page.
- 10:00** **The New York Philharmonic This Week**. *A Winter Holiday* of music by Strauss II, Mozart, Grieg, Vivaldi, Vaughan-Williams, Poulenc, Prokofiev, Tchaikovsky, Mahler, Offenbach, Humperdinck, and more.

Friday 26

- 12:00** **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**
- 6:00** **Morning Program**
- 10:00** **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Telemann** Two-Trumpet Concerto in E-Flat – H Hardenberger & M Laird, tr's; St. Martin's Academy/Iona Brown. Philips 420954-2. [11:29]
- 11:00** **Albéniz Mallorca**, Op. 202 – Pablo Sáinz-Villegas, g. Sony 19439786732. [7:12]
- 12:00** **Otto Nicolai** *The Merry Wives of Windsor*: Overture – Royal Scottish National Orch/Lance Friedel. Naxos 8.573418. [8:18]
- 1:00** **Beethoven** Eleven Bagatelles, Op. 119 – Paul Lewis, p. Harmonia Mundi HMM-902416. [14:52]
- 2:00** **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Doreen Carwithen**
On the 12th Day – BBC Singers; BBC Concert Orch/Barry Wordsworth. Naxos 8.570331. [20:12]

3:00 **Elgar** *Froissart* Overture, Op. 19 – Scottish National Orch/Alexander Gibson. Chandos CHAN-8309. [13:50] – Vienna Piano Trio. Nimbus NI-5535. [12:56]

- 4:00** **Barber** Violin Concerto, Op. 14 – Itzhak Perlman, v; Boston Sym Orch/ Seiji Ozawa. EMI CDC5-55360-2. [22:22]
- 5:00** **Rimsky-Korsakov** *Capriccio espagnol*, Op. 34 – Seattle Sym/Gerard Schwarz. Naxos 8.572788. [16:20]
- 6:00** **Brahms** Three Intermezzi, Op. 117 – Stephen Hough, p. Hyperion CDA-68116. [13:34]
- 7:00** **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Holiday Celebration** See Monday's listing.

- 8:00** **Evening Music**
- 11:00** **Best of Studs Terkel: Christmas Memories (12/22/1961)** A perennial favorite: Studs's holiday compendium of voices and memories of childhood Christmases originally aired in 1961.

Saturday 27

- 12:00** **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**
- 7:00** **Weekend Mornings** with news at 7:00 am. **Glenn Buhr** *Winter Poems*: I. Tranquillo – Winnipeg Sym Orch/Bramwell Tovey. Radio Canada Int'l SMCD-5184. [9:58]
- 8:00** **Saturday Morning Listener's Choice**
- 9:00** **Soundtrack**
- 10:00** **Brahms** Clarinet Trio in A minor, Op. 114 – Andreas Ottensamer, cl; Gautier Capuçon, vc; Yuja Wang, p. DG 4862388. [23:29]
- 11:00** **Introductions** Chamber music for strings by Haydn, Mendelssohn, Debussy, Beethoven, Casarrubios, Dohnányi, Brahms & Shostakovich. Performed by the **Spizella Quartet** (Merit School of Music); and the **Luscinia Trio** and **Vermilion String Quartet** (Music Institute of Chicago Academy).
- 12:00** **Metropolitan Opera: Handel at the Met** A celebration of Handel at the holidays, with excerpts from Met performances, in honor of the 300th anniversary of *Rodelinda*.
- 2:00** **Afternoon Music** including **Paul Schoenfeld** *Four Parables*: IV. *Dog Heaven* – Jeffrey Kahane, p; New World Sym/John Nelson. Argo 440212-2. [6:52]
- 3:00** **Haydn** Cello Concerto No. 2 in D – Steven Isserlis, vc; Chamber Orch of Europe/Roger Norrington. RCA 68578-2. [23:24]
- 4:00** **Listening to Singers with**

Oliver Camacho: 2025 In Memoriam Remembering the artists we lost in 2025 including Roberta Alexander, Stuart Burrows, Edith Mathis, John Nelson, Roger Norrington, Paul Plishka, David Rendall, and Benita Valente.

- 5:00** **Weekend Evening Music** including **Beethoven** Piano Sonata No. 8 in C minor, Op. 13, *Pathétique* – Alfred Brendel, p. MMG MWCD-7107. [19:10]
- 6:00** **Vaughan Williams** *Serenade to Music* (1938) – Sixteen vocal soloists & English Chamber Orch/Matthew Best. Hyperion CDA-20420. [13:34]

In the Spotlight



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Folkstage

Sons of the Never Wrong is a Chicago-based alternative folk trio (Bruce Roper, Sue Demel, and Deborah Lader) that delivers witty, whimsical songs with soaring vocal harmonies and gorgeous arrangements. Their oddball humor and spontaneous stories ignite their live shows and have earned them a cult-like international following for more than 30 years. For the third edition of Folkstage's "New Year's Steve," they present the radio debut of Roper's play *Words We Can Dance To*, based on the songs of Steve Goodman. The musical romance is set in a Chicago corner bar in 1984, the year the Cubs won the National League pennant. From a lament for the late Richard J. Daley, to tender love songs, to a raucous finale for the 20th century, the quintessential personality of the Windy City is captured in song. Comic exchanges among blue collar pub patrons played by local musicians weave a lighthearted tale about falling in love and loving our hometown.

Saturday, December 27

8:00 pm



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7:00 **The Film Score with Michael Phillips: Music for the Winter Holidays** Film critic Michael Phillips presents music from holiday favorites and other wintery classics.

8:00 **Folkstage hosted by Marilyn Rea Beyer** See *In the Spotlight* on page 29.

9:00 **The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer** Celebrate responsibly with folk music for the end of the year. Toast the coming year a couple of new versions of "Auld Lang Syne."

Sunday 28

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **With Heart and Voice** *Christmastide*, 'For unto us a Child is born!' Joyous music of the season continues this week as host Peter DuBois shares choral and organ favorites, both old and new!

7:00 **Weekend Mornings including Vaughan Williams** Fantasia on Greensleeves – Royal Liverpool Phil Orch/ Vernon Handley. EMI CDM7-64613-2. [4:06]

8:00 **Dani Howard Ellipsis** – Royal Liverpool Phil Orch/ Paul Urbina. Rubicon RCD-1125. [10:39]

9:00 **Bach** Cantata No. 70, *Wachet! betet!* (*Watch! Pray!*) – Soloists; Amsterdam Baroque Orch & Cho/Ton Koopman. Erato 27315-2 (3). [21:50]

10:00 **Bartók Romanian Christmas Carols**, Sz 57 – Zoltán Kocsis, p. Philips 442016-2. [10:41]

11:00 **Ferdinando Carulli** Flute and Guitar Fantasy, Op. 337 – Jean-Pierre Rampal, f; Alexandre Lagoya, g. CBS MK-42130. [10:44]

12:00 **Sunday Afternoons with Robbie Ellis** including **Mozart** Ave verum corpus, K. 618 – Les Arts Florissants/William Christie. Erato 10697-2. [3:30]

1:00 **Grace Williams** Sea Sketches – Ostrobothnian Chamber Orch/Malin Broman. BIS 2702. [17:30]

2:00 **Tchaikovsky** Serenade for Strings in C, Op. 48 – Metamorphosen/Scott Yoo. Archetype 60105. [30:07]

3:00 **Élisabeth Jacquet de la Guerre** Violin Sonata No. 1 in D minor (1707) – Resche-Caserta, v; Dunford, l; Christie, hc; Rignol, viga. Harmonia Mundi HAF-8905379. [14:51]

4:00 **Sibelius** Symphony No. 2 in D, Op. 43 – Chineke! Orch/ Roderick Cox. Signum SIGCD-548. [42:44]

5:00 **Margaret Bonds** *Three Dream Portraits* – Will Liverman, br; Paul Sánchez, p. Cedille CDR-90000200. [5:50]

6:00 **Chicago Symphony**

Orchestra Radio Broadcasts.

Bruckner *Psalm 150*; Ruth Welting, soprano; Daniel Barenboim, conductor;

Bartók *Cantata profana*; John Aler, tenor; John Tomlinson, baritone; Pierre Boulez, conductor; **Brahms** *A German Requiem*; Kiri Te Kanawa, soprano; Bernd Weikl, baritone; Georg Solti, conductor.

8:00 **Fiesta with Elvio Barilaro: Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque Music from Spain** Fiesta delves into the history of Spanish music starting with medieval music, moving to the 'Golden Century' of Spain, during the Renaissance, and ends with 18th century brilliant baroque music.

9:00 **Collectors' Corner with Henry Fogel: Furtwängler conducts Brahms – program 1 of 2** including the Symphonies Nos. 1 & 2.

11:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

Monday 29

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Heinrich von Biber** String Sonata No. 9 in B-Flat – Seattle Baroque. Centaur CRC-2615. [5:47]

11:00 **Piazzolla** *Four Seasons of Buenos Aires: Primavera Porteña (Spring)* – Pays de la Loire National Orch/Karen Gomyo, v. BIS 2385. [6:18]

12:00 **Mussorgsky** *Khovanshchina*: Prelude; Dance – Berlin Phil/Claudio Abbado. Sony SK-62034. [13:27]

1:00 **Fauré** Violin Sonata No. 1 in A, Op. 13 – Karisa Chiu, v; Zhu Wang, p. Cedille CDR-90000239. [25:57]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Schubert** Symphony No. 8 in B minor, D. 759, *Unfinished* – Vienna Phil/Sir Georg Solti. Decca 414371-2. [29:22]

3:00 **Stravinsky** *The Firebird*: Suite (1919) – Chicago Sym Orch/Carlo Maria Giulini. Warner 431752-2 (4). [22:59]

4:00 **Bach** French Suite No. 4 in E-Flat, BWV 815 – Vladimir Ashkenazy, p. Decca 4832150. [11:59]

5:00 **Vivaldi** Violin, Two-Oboe & Two-Horn Concerto in D, R. 562 – Gli Incogniti/ Amandine Beyer. Harmonia Mundi HMM-902688. [14:12]

6:00 **Poulenc** Two-Piano Concerto in D minor – Katia Labèque & Marielle Labèque, p's; Boston Sym Orch/Seiji Ozawa. Philips 426284-2. [20:12]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Mozart**

Piano Concertos Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart composed numerous concertos, many of which are lively and pleasing to the ear, even when performed by an eight-year-old. This week features five episodes of exceptional piano performances by Murray Perahia, Alfred Brendel, Maria João Pires, Rudolf Serkin, and Mitsuko Uchida.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **The WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles Philharmonic**. **Joseph Pereira** *Naru*; (World Premiere, LA Phil commission); Matthew Howard, percussion; **Bernard Herrmann** *Vertigo* Suite; **Tchaikovsky** Symphony No. 5; Gustavo Gimeno, conductor.

Tuesday 30

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Johann Adolf Hasse** Sinfonia, Op. 5, No. 6 – Concerto Köln/ Pablo Heras-Casado. Archiv 4792050. [9:26]

11:00 **Howard Cable** Quebec Folk Fantasy – Edmonton Wind Ensemble/Harry Pinchin. Radio Canada Int'l SMCD-5165. [6:55]

12:00 **Dvorák** *Othello* Overture, Op. 93 – Czech Phil/Libor Pešek. Virgin 91144-2. [15:00]

1:00 **Anatoly Liadov** *The Enchanted Lake*, Op. 62 – Long Beach Sym/ JoAnn Falletta. Albany TROY-364. [7:38]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Bologne** Violin Concerto in D, Op. 2, No. 2 – Fumika Mohri, v; Czech Chamber Phil Orch/Michael Halász. Naxos 8.574452. [18:29]

3:00 **Brahms** Clarinet Sonata No. 1 in F minor, Op. 120, No. 1 – Anthony McGill, cl; Gloria Chien, p. Cedille CDR-90000207. [22:17]

4:00 **Maurice Ravel** *Gaspard de la nuit* – Stewart Goodyear, p. Orchid Classics ORC-100061. [19:56]

5:00 **Beethoven** Piano Sonata No. 14 in C-sharp minor, Op. 27, No. 2, *Moonlight* – Maurizio Pollini, p. DG 4794120 (8). [15:49]

6:00 **Respighi** *The Pines of Rome: The Pines of the Janiculum; The Pines of the Appian Way* – Chicago Sym Orch/Fritz Reiner. RCA 68079-2. [11:37]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Mozart**

Piano Concertos See Monday's listing.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **New Year's Eve with WFMT** Whether you're out and about or relaxing at home, ring in the new year with the voices you know and love. Lisa, Candice, Oliver, Kristina, and others share some of their favorite music and offer an entertaining soundtrack to keep you in good company for the last two hours of 2025.

8:00 **Evening Music**

10:00 **Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center**. **Jessie Montgomery** *Musings*; Paul Huang, Danbi Um, violins; **Steven Stucky** Sonata; Cho-Liang Lin, violin; Jon Kimura Parker, piano; **Barber** Quartet, Op. 11; Erik Schumann, Ken Schumann; Liisa Randalu, viola; Mark Schumann, cello.

11:00 **Evening Music**

Wednesday 31

New Year's Eve

12:00 **Through the Night with Peter Van De Graaff**

6:00 **Morning Program**

10:00 **Midday with Lisa Flynn** including **Verdi** *La forza del destino*: Overture – La Scala Phil/Riccardo Chailly. Decca 4783559. [7:07]

11:00 **Pablo Casals** *Sant Martí del Canigó* – Barcelona Cellists/Lluís Claret. Valois V-4780. [6:44]

12:00 **Ravel Miroirs: Alborada del gracioso** – Cleveland Orch/Pierre Boulez. Sony 88875192862. [7:37]

1:00 **Richard Strauss** Horn Concerto No. 2 in E-Flat – Martin Owen, hn; BBC Phil/ John Wilson. Chandos CHAN-20168. [19:02]

2:00 **Afternoon Music with Candice Agree** including **Gershwin** Second Rhapsody – Anne-Marie McDermott, p; Dallas Sym Orch/Justin Brown. Bridge 9252. [13:59]

3:00 **Mademoiselle Duval** Ballet, *Les Génies (The Geniuses)*: Suite – Women's Phil./JoAnn Falletta. Newport Classic NCD-60102. [11:34]

4:00 **Britten** *Simple Symphony*, Op. 4 – English Chamber Orch/Benjamin Britten. Decca 417509-2. [17:28]

5:00 **Vaughan Williams** *The Lark Ascending* – Iona Brown, v; St Martin's Academy/ Neville Marriner. Decca 433085-2. [16:04]

6:00 **Borodin** *Prince Igor*: Polovtsian Dances – Berlin Phil/Simon Rattle. EMI CDC5-00273-2. [12:11]

7:00 **Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin: Mozart**

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