



Program Guide

Sunday December 4

- 1pm **Holiday Jazz**
Seasonal big band selections, and tunes from the great American songbook – with Molly Rose Teuke.
- 8pm **Home For The Holidays**
Join Michael Feinstein for an hour of yuletide cheer and music, from Hollywood's vintage silver screen to New York City's iconic Birdland club.
- 9pm **The Moth Holiday Special 2016: Unexpected Gifts of December**
A special Holiday Hour from The Moth. The unexpected gifts of December: holiday customs, brand new traditions, flying cows, fruit, luminaries and a magical forest.

Sunday December 11

- 8pm **Occasional Shivers**
Hosted by jazz great Branford Marsalis, "Occasional Shivers" is a unique radio drama set in 1960s Manhattan that tells the story of two young lovers.
- 9pm **A Swinging Holiday Jazz Party with Wynton Marsalis**
Wynton Marsalis hosts an hour of holiday jazz favorites by Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald, Louis Armstrong, and more at Lincoln Center Orchestra.

Wednesday December 14

- 6pm **Northwoods Café**
A gift bag full of the best holiday folk, world and alternative music on the Northwoods Café – with host Jeremy Starz.

Friday December 16

- 6pm **Blues Friday**
The usual great night of blues, augmented with blues versions of favorite seasonal standards – with Jeff Burke.

Sunday December 18

- 5pm **Holiday Open Turntable**
Join host Pete Rondello as he plays the soundtrack to your Christmas party, featuring selections designed to be enjoyed by the fireplace with a warm yuletide beverage.
- 8pm **The Splendid Table's Homemade Holidays with America's Test Kitchen**
When The Splendid Table joins forces with America's Test Kitchen to simplify entertaining and the holiday kitchen, they take it all on.

- 9pm **All Songs Considered**
Bob's had it with the holidays. He storms out of the studio and finds himself taking a Dickensian journey, with visits from special guests.

Monday December 19

- 9am **Midday Classics**
Four hours of the classics warmed with seasonal selections from WXPR's classical music library – with host Linda Hutchinson.

- 1pm **Your Favorites**
Seasonal songs from the great American songbook – with host Molly Rose Teuke.

- 6pm **Northwoods Café**
A gift bag full of the best holiday folk, world and alternative music on the Northwoods Café with Doug Malinsky.

Tuesday December 20

- 9am **Midday Classics**
Four hours of the classics warmed with seasonal selections from with host Dave Daniels.

- 1pm **Your Favorites**
Jazz and selections from the great American songbook, mixed with seasonal favorites with host Doc Gager.

- 6pm **Northwoods Café**
A gift bag full of the best holiday folk, world and alternative music on the Northwoods Café, Marcia Barkus style!

Wednesday December 21

9am **Midday Classics**
Four hours of the classics warmed with seasonal selections from WXPR's extensive classical music library with host Phil Hejtmanek.

1pm **Northland Pines High School Madrigal Choir**
Students will be stopping by the WXPR Studios and performing live.
Your Favorites
Jazz, standards, and singer songwriters mixed with seasonal favorites with your host Keith Mueller.

6pm **Northwoods Café**
A gift bag full of the best holiday folk, world and alternative music on the Northwoods Café -- live with Bill Kopanda.

Thursday December 22

9am **Midday Classics**
Four hours of classical music mixed with holiday treasures with host Molly Rose Teuke.

1pm **Your Favorites**
Seasonal selections with host Bill Henderson.

6pm **Northwoods Café**
A gift bag full of folk, world and alternative music with some holiday mixed in, with host Doug Ferrel.

Friday December 23

9am **Midday Classics**
Four hours of listen-able classical selections peppered with traditional favorites with Jim Schulz.

1pm **Your Favorites**
Join your host Patty Fitzpatrick for a mix of holiday music that will get you into the holiday spirit.

6pm **Blues Friday**
The usual great night of blues, augmented with blues versions of favorite seasonal standards -- live with Dale Zimmerman.

Saturday December 24 Merry Christmas Eve

9am **Polka**
Roll up the rug and take a polka holiday with seasonal tunes from the Saturday Morning Polka Party with Jim Pekol.

Noon **Dinner Party Download Holiday Special**
You'll hear: a Yuletide playlist; etiquette tips to save you from a work party snafu, a little-known chestnut of holiday history, and more!

1pm **Home For The Holidays**
Join Michael Feinstein for an hour of yuletide cheer and music, from Hollywood's vintage silver screen to New York City's iconic Birdland club.

2pm **Marketplace Takes Care of Holiday Business**
The Marketplace Weekend team examines where the holidays meet money to help you financially navigate the holiday season.

3pm **A Chanticleer Christmas**
A one-hour program of holiday favorites, new and old, presented live in concert by the superb 12-man ensemble known as "an orchestra of voices."

7pm **Joy To The World: A Holiday In Pink**
Hosted by NPR's Ari Shapiro, the internationally acclaimed "little orchestra" Pink Martini bedecks the airwaves with festive holiday songs from across the globe.

8pm **Carols & Cheer**
Scott Blankenship and Matt Culloton team up again in 2016 to review their favorite carols for the holiday season. Their top picks will be utterly "sing-a-long-able."

9pm **An Afro Blue Christmas**
A very special holiday concert with Howard University's a-cappella group Afro Blue as they perform one of a kind arrangements.

10pm **A Christmas Carol w/Jonathan Winters**
Hosted by NPR's Susan Stamberg, master comedian Jonathan Winters presents a special performing edition of Dickens' holiday classic.

11pm **Christmas with Morehouse and Spelman Glee Clubs**
Korva Coleman hosts the choirs of Morehouse and Spelman Colleges as they present their trademark mixture of spirituals and carols.



**Sunday December 25
Merry Christmas!**

- 6am **Advent Voices**
Join Lynne Warfel for an hour of the most beautiful vocal music inspired by and written for Advent.
- 7am **St. Olaf Christmas Festival**
A service in song and word that includes hymns, carols, choral works, as well as orchestral selections celebrating the Nativity.
- 9am **Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir**
The Mormon Tabernacle Choir continues its tradition of great artistry with touching arrangements of familiar carols, and a few surprises.
- 10am **Tinsel Tales**
Hosted by Lynn Neary, stories from the NPR archives that touch on the meaning of Christmas. NPR voices, past and present, tell stories of the season.

- 11am **Hollywood Holiday**
Lynne Warfel, host of Saturday Cinema, takes you on a one hour musical retrospective of some of Hollywood's most cherished Christmas themed movies.
- 12pm **Tinsel Tales 2**
Continuing with the tradition of the first Tinsel Tales program, this is another collection of the best and most requested holiday stories.
- 1pm **Festivo AltLatino**
NPR Music's Alt.Latino presents an encore performance featuring the 20-piece choral ensemble Coral Cantigas including stories about holiday traditions.
- 2pm **Tinsel Tales 3**
In keeping with a well-loved NPR holiday tradition, hear the third collection of extraordinary Christmas stories that will transport you to unexpected places.
- 3pm **Marketplace Tech's Codebreaker Solstice**
As the year turns over, a look at how technology plays an ever deeper role in our lives with a sense of humor, awe, and holiday cheer.

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- 8pm **Jazz Piano Christmas XXXII**
Join the Kennedy Center and NPR Music for a special family affair at this year's holiday concert that features Chicagoans Willie and Bethany Pickens and more.
- 9pm **Hanukkah Lights 2016**
A perennial NPR favorite with all new Hanukkah stories. Hosted by Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz.

- 10pm **Paul Winter Solstice 2016**
Celebrate the Return of the Sun -- and the Warming of the heart at New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine to hear The Paul Winter Consort.

Wednesday December 28

- 6pm **Best of 2016 Northwoods Café**
A look back at the best of 2016 with host Jeremy Starz.

**Saturday December 31
New Year's Eve!**

- 7pm **Toast of the Nation**
An NPR tradition since the 1970s, it's the perfect audio complement for the occasion. It's festive jazz you can party to, all night long.



Sunday January 1, 2017

- 10am **New Year's Day from Vienna**
The program from the Muzikverein will be conducted by LA Philharmonic Music Director Gustavo Dudamel. You'll hear plenty of waltzes, polkas, and more.