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DANCE

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Dance Ensemble Northwest:

The Nutcracker FRI-SUN 7:30 p.m. Friday, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, North Kitsap High School Auditorium, 2003 N.E. Hostmark, Poulsbo; \$15-\$20 (360-779-7090).

Poulsbo's Traditional "Nutcracker" FRI-SUN 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday,

2:30 p.m. Sunday, North Kitsap High School Auditorium, 2003 N.E. Hostmark, Poulsbo; \$15-\$20 (360-779-7090) **Pacific Northwest Ballet:**

"The Nutcracker" FRI-SUN, DEC. 4-6, 10-13, 15-24, 26-30 7:30 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. Dec 11, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15-17, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18-19, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 20, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 21-23, noon Dec. 24, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 26, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 27, 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 28-30, McCaw Hall, 321 Mercer St. Seattle; \$26-\$123 (206-441-2424

or www.pnb.org). **Ballet Academy of Performing** Arts: "Le Petit Nutcracker" DEC. 2 4:30 p.m., Center House Theatre (Seattle Center), 305 Harrison St., Seattle; free (425-771-4525).

Ensemble Ballet Theatre: "The Nutcracker' DEC. 4-6 7 p.m. Dec. 4, 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 5, 1:30 p.m. Dec. 6, Ikea Performing Arts Center, 400 S. Second St., Renton; \$10-\$18 (800-838-3006 or

Peninsula Ballet Orchestra / Dance Theatre: "The Nutcracker

www.brownpapertickets.com)

DEC. 4-6 8 p.m. Dec. 4, 8 p.m. Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Bremerton High School Performing Arts Center, 1500 13th St., Bremerton; \$12-\$25 (360-377-6214 or www.peninsuladancetheatre.org).

Dance Theatre Northwest: "The Nutcracker" **DEC. 5-6** 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 5, 4 p.m. Dec. 6, Mount Tahoma High School Auditorium, 4634 S. 74th St., Tacoma; \$11-\$26 (253-565-5149 or

Fmerald Ballet Theatre: "The Nutcracker"

www.dancetheatrenorthwest.org).

DEC. 5-6, 12-13 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 p.m. Dec. 6, 2 p.m. Dec. 12, 2 p.m. Dec. 13, Northshore Performing Arts Center, 18125 92nd Ave. N.E., Bothell; \$15-\$25 (425-408-7988 or www.emeraldballet.org)

Olympic Ballet Theatre: "The Nutcracker" DEC. 5-6, 13, 19-20 2 p.m. and

7 p.m. Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Edmonds Center for the Arts. 410 Fourth Ave. N., Edmonds; 2 p.m. Dec. 13, Byrnes Performing Arts Center, 516 N. West Ave., Arlington: 2 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 p.m. Dec. 20, Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave., Everett; \$20-\$30 (425-774-7570 or www.olympicballet.com).

Kaleidoscope Dance Company: "The Gift of Dance"

DEC. 6 3 p.m., Shorewood High School Auditorium, 17300 Fremont Ave. N., Shoreline; \$5-\$8 (206-363-7281 or www.creativedance.org). **Alderwood Dance Spectrum:**

'The Nutcracker' DEC. 10-12 9:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Dec. 10, 7 p.m. Dec. 11, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 12, PUD Auditorium, 2320 California St., Everett; \$15 (425-771-2994 or www.alder wooddancespectrum.com).

ARC Dance Company: "Nutcracker Sweets DEC. 11-13 7 p.m. Dec. 11, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 12, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Dec. 13, ARC Dance, 9250 14th Ave. N.W., Seattle; \$6-\$14 (206-352-0798 or www.arcdance.org)

International Ballet Theatre: "The Nutcracker"

DEC. 11-13, 18-20, 22-23 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, 2 p.m. Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 p.m. Dec. 20, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 22, 2 p.m. Dec. 23, Meydenbauer Center, 11100 N.E. Sixth St., Bellevue; \$25-\$50 (425-284-0444 or www.interballettheatre.org)

Cornerstone Studio **Eastside Dance Theatre:** "The Nutcracker" DEC. 12-13 5:30 p.m. Dec. 12, 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 13, Bellevue College (Carlson Theater), 3000 Landerholm Circle S.E., Bellevue; \$25 (800-838-3006 or

www.brownpapertickets.com).

Flamenco Arts Northwest: Fiesta Navideña DEC. 12 8 p.m., Ethnic Cultural Theatre/Center, 3940 Brooklyn Ave. N.E., Seattle; \$15-\$20 (206-

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isions of sugarplums dancing in your head? This

"Nutcracker" seems to be everywhere: from Bremerton to Everett to Bellevue and Auburn. (And don't forget the granddaddy of them all, presented by

> Pacific Northwest Ballet at McCaw Hall.) For something a little different, check out Spectrum Dance Theater's "Aladdin's

> > Lamp"; Kaleidoscope Dance Company's "The Gift of Dance"; and "The Burlesque Nutcracker" (adults

only, please) at the Triple Door.

time of year, they're dancing on stages all around

Puget Sound, too, as the perennially popular

932-4067 or www.fanw.org). **Island Youth Ballet: Excerpts** from "The Nutcracker" DEC. 12-13, 18-20 2 p.m. Dec. 12,

2 p.m. Dec. 13, 7 p.m. Dec. 18, 2 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 and 7 p.m. Dec 20 Youth Theatre Northwest 8805 S.E. 40th St., Mercer Island; \$20 (www.iybnutcracker.com)

The Evergreen City Ballet: "The Nutcracker"

DEC. 12, 18-20 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, Auburn Performing Arts Center, 700 E. Main St., Auburn; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, 1:30 p.m. Dec. 20, Ikea Performing Arts Center, 400 S. Second St., Renton; \$14-\$43.50 (800-899-9260 or www.evergreencityballet.org).

Spectrum Dance Theater: "Aladdin's Lamp" DEC. 13 Noon and 3 p.m., Ikea

Performing Arts Center, 400 S. Second St., Renton; \$10-\$12 (206-325-4161 or www.spectrumdance.org)

"The Burlesque Nutcracker" **DEC. 14-23** 7 p.m. (ages 17+) and 10 p.m. (21+), The Triple Door, 216 Union St., Seattle; \$25-\$32 (206-838-4333 or www.thetripledoor.net)

Ballet Bellevue: "The Nutcracker" **DEC. 19-20** 2 and 7 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 p.m. Dec. 20, Sammamish High School, 100 140th Ave. S.E., Bellevue; \$22-\$45 (425-455-1345

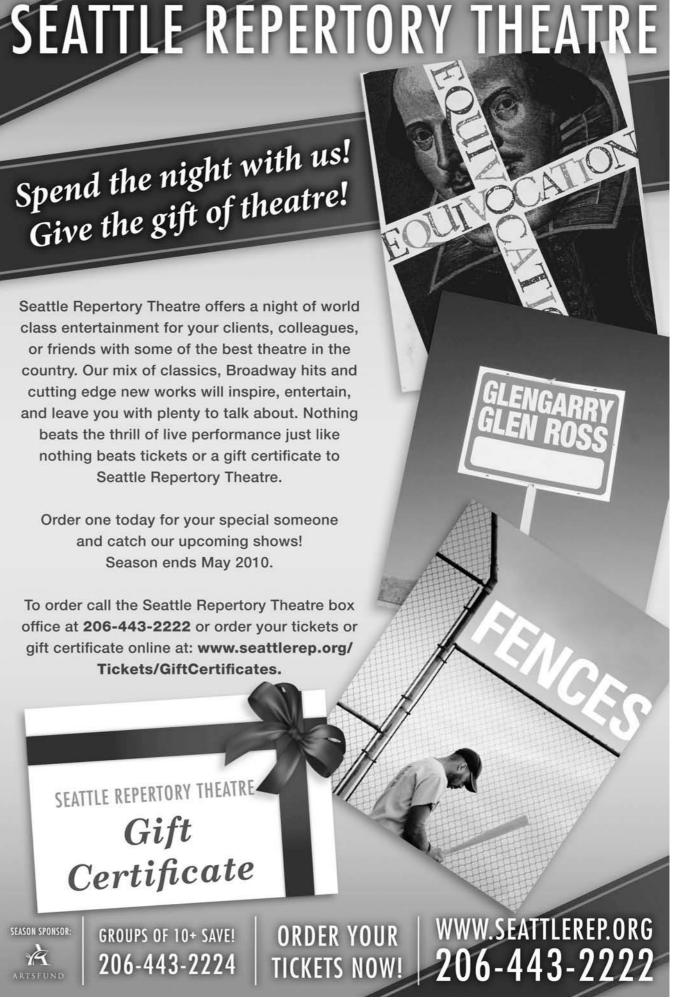
or www.balletbellevue.org).

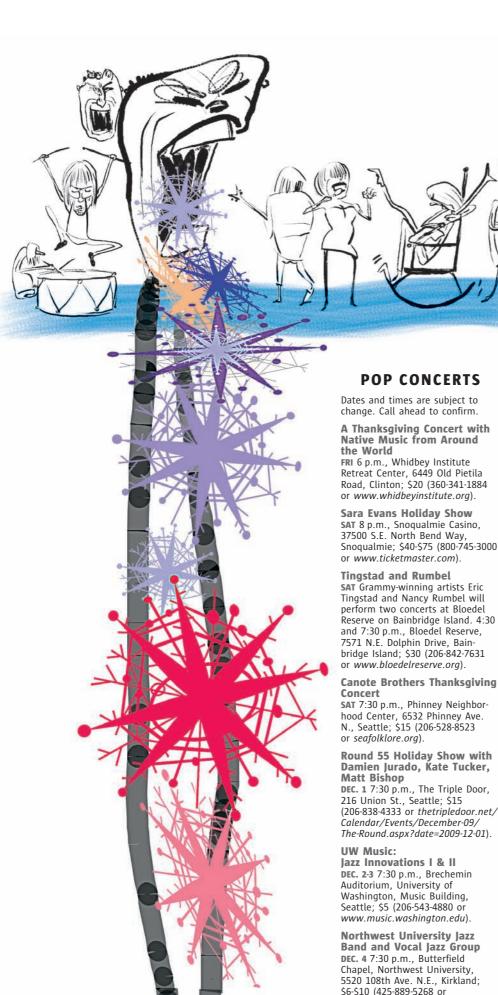
Cornish Junior Dance Company: "The Nutcracker" DEC. 20 3 and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 20, Shorecrest High School/Performing Arts Center, 15343 25th Ave. N.E., Shoreline; \$5-\$14 (206-726-5011 or www.cornish.edu/events).

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rockers / rocking

re you in the mood to rock around the Christmas tree? A huge assortment of concerts are on the way to put you in the spirit. There's the "Deck the Hall Ball" and the "Jingle Bell Bash," both at the WaMu Theater. For something a little more mellow, you might want to try the "Winter Warmth Concert" at the Moore or the "Winter Solstice Concert" at the Phinney Neighborhood Center. Out at the Snoqualmie Casino, you can choose from Sara Evans, Michael McDonald or a "Twisted Christmas" with Hal Sparks and Spike and the Impalers.

POP CONCERTS

A Thanksgiving Concert with **Native Music from Around**

Retreat Center, 6449 Old Pietila

SAT 8 p.m., Snoqualmie Casino, 37500 S.E. North Bend Way, Snoqualmie; \$40-\$75 (800-745-3000

SAT Grammy-winning artists Eric Tingstad and Nancy Rumbel will perform two concerts at Bloedel Reserve on Bainbridge Island. 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., Bloedel Reserve, 7571 N.E. Dolphin Drive, Bainbridge Island; \$30 (206-842-7631

hood Center, 6532 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle; \$15 (206-528-8523

DEC. 1 7:30 p.m., The Triple Door, (206-838-4333 or thetripledoor.net/ Calendar/Events/December-09/

Northwest University Jazz Band and Vocal Jazz Group 5520 108th Ave. N.E., Kirkland; \$6-\$10 (425-889-5268 or www.northwestu.edu).

Ten Out Of Tenn Christmas

DEC. 4 Featuring Trent Dabbs, Matthew Perryman Jones, Jeremy Lister, k.s. Rhoads, Erin McCarley, Butterfly Boucher, Katie Herzig, Andy Davis, Tyler James and Andrew Belle. 9 p.m., Chop Suey, 1325 E. Madison St., Seattle; \$12-\$14 (206-324-8005 or www.ticketweb.com/snl/

Michael McDonald "On This Night" **DEC. 5** 8 p.m., Snoqualmie Casino, 37500 S.E. North Bend Way, Snoqualmie; \$55-\$110 (800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com).

EventListings.action?orgId=17355).

Charles Lloyd New Quartet with Jason Moran, Reuben Rogers and Eric Harland DEC. 6 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle: \$10-\$35 (206-547-6763 or www.brownpapertickets.com/ event/80485).

Winter Warmth Concert with Brett Dennen, Grace Potter and the Nocturnals, **Brandi Carlile DEC. 6** 7:30 p.m., Moore Theatre, 1932 Second Ave., Seattle; \$25-\$65 (877-784-4849 or

4th Annual Christmas **Experience with Gypsy Soul** DEC. 6 6 and 8:30 p.m., The Triple Door, 216 Union St., Seattle; \$18-\$20 (206-838-4333 or tripledoor.net).

www.stgpresents.org).

"Celebrate the Joy of Christmas" with Bronn and Katherine Journey DEC. 8 7:30 p.m., Kirkland Performance Center, 350 Kirkland Ave. Kirkland; \$16-\$20 (425-893-9900 or kpcenter.org).

UW Music: Studio Jazz Ensemble DEC. 9 7:30 p.m., Meany Theater, University of Washington, Seattle; \$10 (206-543-4880 or

Holiday Benefit Concert: "Open Presence" DEC. 9 Performers include Rafe Pearlman, Laura Berman, Craig Benelli, Erin McGaughan and Stefan Mitchell. Admission by donation only. 7 p.m., Seattle Unity Church, 200 Eighth Ave. N.,

www.music.washington.edu).

"Twisted Christmas" with Hal Sparks, Spike and the Impalers **DEC. 10** 8 p.m., Snoqualmie Casino, 37500 S.E. North Bend Way, Snoqualmie; \$30-\$50 (800-745-3000

Divalycious Christmas! DEC. 10, 17, 21-22 7:30 p.m., Julia's on Broadway, 300 Broadway E., Seattle; \$20 (206-334-0513 or

www.Juliasrestaurantseattle.com).

or www.ticketmaster.com).

Roosevelt Jazz Band "Ellington's Jazz Nutcracker"
DEC. 12 2 and 7:30 p.m., Roosevelt
High School, 1410 N.E. 66th St., Seattle; \$12-\$15 (206-526-8460 or

www.rooseveltjazz.org).

"Holiday Extravaganza" with William Pint, Felicia Dale and Tania Opland **DEC. 12** 7 p.m., Haller Lake Community Club, 12579 Densmore Ave.

N., Seattle; \$10-\$12 (206-367-0475 or www.hallerlake.info). Deck the Hall Ball with MUSE, 30 Seconds to Mars, Metric, Phoenix, Vampire Weekend DEC. 15 4:30 p.m., WaMu Theater, 1000 Occidental Ave. S., Seattle;

European and American Christmas songs with Lena Bundy and Steve Rice DEC. 17 7 p.m., Vino Bella, 99 Front St. N., Issaquah; free (425-391-1424 or www.vinobella.com).

\$44.50 (www.1077theend.com).

Geoffrey Castle's Celtic Christmas Celebration DEC. 17 8 p.m., Kirkland Performance Center, 350 Kirkland Ave. Kirkland; \$15-\$25 (425-893-9900 or kpcenter.org)

Mannheim Steamroller DEC. 18 8 p.m., WaMu Theater, 1000 Occidental Ave. S., Seattle; \$50-\$95 (800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com)

Reilly and Maloney Holiday Concert DEC. 18 7:30 p.m., Good Shepherd Center, 4649 Sunnyside Ave. N., Seattle; \$17 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com/

event/81019).

"Celebrate the Joy of Christmas" with Bronn and Katherine Journey DEC. 18 7:30 p.m., Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave., Everett; \$16-\$20 (800-838-3006 or brownpapertickets.com).

Winter Solstice Concert with Stanley and Kip Greenthal DEC. 19 7:30 p.m., Phinney Neighborhood Center, 6532 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle; \$15 (206-528-8523 or www.seafolklore.org).

A Holiday Classic with Tingstad and Rumbel and Garey Shelton DEC. 19 7:30 p.m., Northshore Performing Arts Center, 18125 92nd Ave. N.E., Bothell; \$15-\$25 (425-408-7988 or www.npacf.org).

The Shirelles Noel Holiday **Show with Beverly Lee** DEC. 19 7:30 p.m., Edmonds Center for the Arts, 410 Fourth Ave. N., Edmonds; \$15-\$40 (425-275-9595 or www.ec4arts.org)

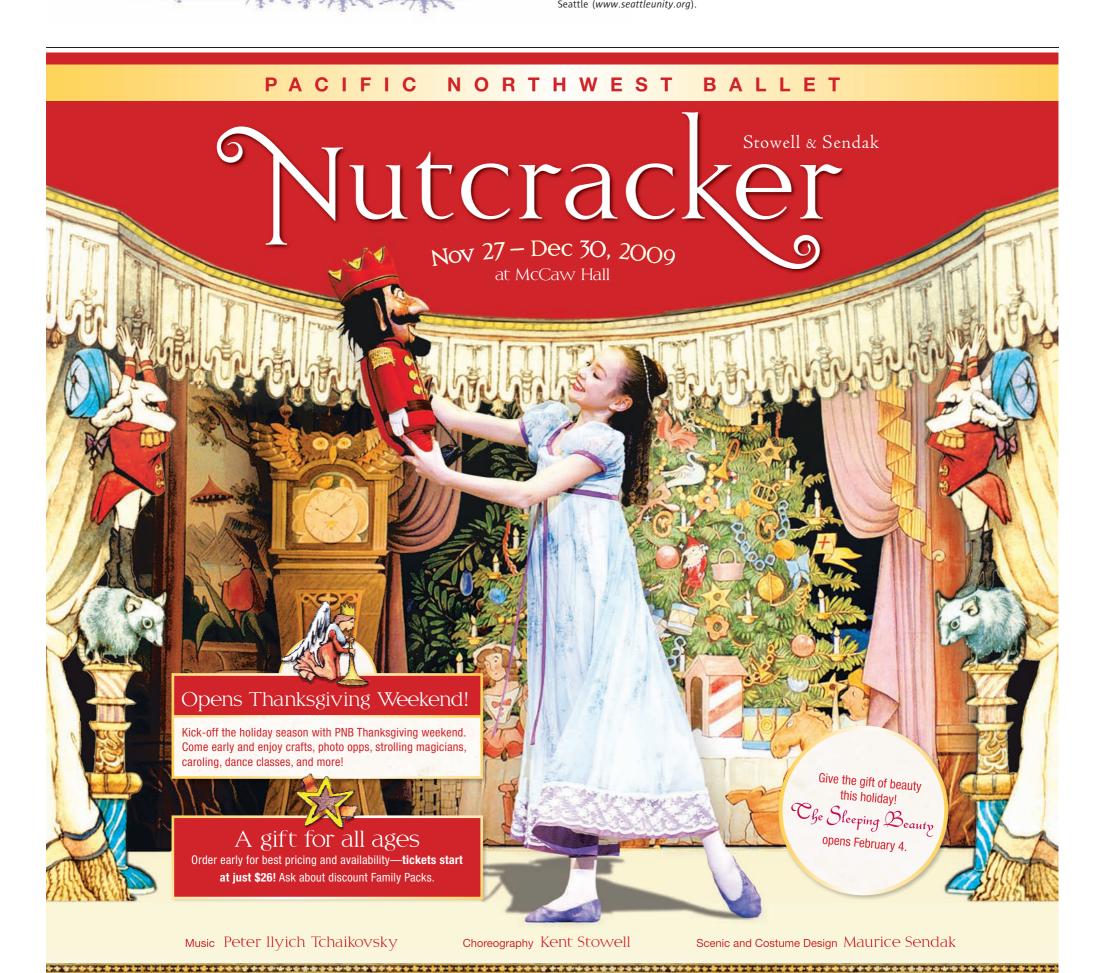
"Celebrate the Joy of Christmas" with Bronn and Katherine Journey DEC. 19 7:30 p.m., Auburn Performing Arts Center, 700 E. Main St., Auburn; \$16-\$20 (800-838-3006 or brownpapertickets.com).

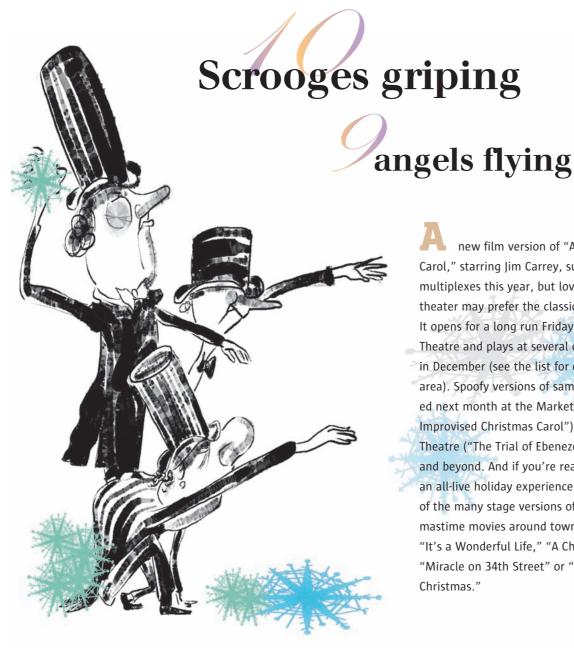
Jingle Bell Bash with All American Rejects, Cobra Starship, Cash Cash, All Time Low DEC. 19 4 p.m., WaMu Theater, 1000 Occidental Ave. S., Seattle; \$40 (800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com)

"Celebrate the Joy of Christmas" with Bronn and Katherine Journey DEC. 21 7:30 p.m., McIntyre Hall Performing Arts Center (Skagit Valley College), 2501 E. College Way, Mount Vernon; \$16-\$20 (360-416-7727 or www.mcintyrehall.org).

Seattle Repertory Jazz Orchestra/Earshot Jazz -**Duke Ellington Sacred Concert** DEC. 26 7:30 p.m., Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$24-\$28 (206-547-6763 or www.brownpapertickets.com/ event/82330).

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new film version of "A Christmas Carol," starring Jim Carrey, surfaced in area multiplexes this year, but lovers of live theater may prefer the classic stage version. It opens for a long run Friday at Seattle's ACT Theatre and plays at several outlying houses in December (see the list for one in your area). Spoofy versions of same will be mounted next month at the Market Theater ("An Improvised Christmas Carol"); Renton Civic Theatre ("The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge") and beyond. And if you're really looking for an all-live holiday experience, consider one of the many stage versions of beloved Christmastime movies around town, including "It's a Wonderful Life," "A Christmas Story," "Miracle on 34th Street" or "White Christmas."

THEATER

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Continuing shows

ENDS SUN Magnuson Park, Building #47, 7400 Sand Point Way N.E., Seattle: \$25-\$35 (206-363-2809 or seattlemusicaltheatre.org).

"My Three Angels ENDS SUN Whidbey Playhouse, 730 S.E. Midway Blvd., Oak Harbor; \$16 (360-679-2237 or www.whidbeyplayhouse.com).

"Oliver!" ENDS DEC. 6 Encore! Theater, 6615 38th Ave. N.W., Gig Harbor; \$8-\$18 (253-858-2282 or www.ecnoretheater.org)

"A Tuna Christmas"

ENDS DEC. 18 RiverBelle Dinner Theatre, 100 E. Montgomery, Mount Vernon; \$20-\$35 (360-336-3012 or www.riverbelledinnertheatre.com). "Meet Me in St. Louis"

2202 or www.villagetheatre.org) "Peter Pan" ENDS JAN. 10 Seattle Children's Theatre. Charlotte Martin Theatre. 201 Thomas St., Seattle; \$18-\$42

(206-441-3322 or www.sct.org).

N., Issaquah; \$19-\$59 (425-392-

ENDS JAN. 3 Village Theatre, Francis

Gaudette Theatre, 303 Front St.

Opening Friday

"A Christmas Cabaret" FRI-DEC. 27 SecondStory Repertory. 16587 N.E. 74th St., Redmond; \$21-\$27 (425-881-6777 or

www.secondstoryrep.org) "A Christmas Carol" FRI-DEC. 27 ACT Theatre, 700 Union St., Seattle; \$22-\$47 (206-292-7676

or www.acttheatre.org).

"A Christmas Story" FRI-DEC. 20 Driftwood Players, Wade lames Theatre, 950 Main St., Edmonds; \$20-\$23 (425-774-9600 or www.driftwoodplayers.com)

"A Christmas Story FRI-DEC. 24 Tacoma Little Theatre, 210 N. I St., Tacoma; \$16-\$24 (253-272-2281 or www.tacomalittle theatre.com)

"A Christmas Story" FRI-DEC. 13 Paradise Theatre, 9911 Burnham Drive N.W., Gig Harbor; \$10-\$22 (253-272-2281 or www.paradisetheatre.org)

"Christmas with the Crawfords FRI-DEC. 20 Burien Little Theatre, Seattle; \$17-\$20 (206-242-5180 or

www.burienlittletheatre.com). "Citizen Scrooge" FRI-DEC. 20 Market Theater, 1428 Post Alley, Seattle; \$12 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpaper

Otickets.com)

"Have Yourself a Divalycious Christmas, Part Deux' FRI, SAT Kenyon Hall, 7904 35th Ave. S.W., Seattle; \$20 (206-937-3613 or www.kenyonhall.org).

"The Dina Martina **Christmas Show'** FRI-DEC. 31 Re-bar, 1114 Howell St., Seattle; \$20 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com)

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andel's "Messiah" is a seasonal favorite - an annual event that draws thousands of people to symphony halls and churches across the region. Often, the audience is asked to sing along. Some of the Northwest's biggest orchestras partake of the tradition, including Seattle Symphony, the Bellevue Philharmonic and the Everett Symphony. But don't overlook more intimate performances by Orchestra Seattle/Seattle Chamber Singers; the Northwest Chorale; Tudor Choir/Seattle Baroque Orchestra; Music Center of the Northwest; and the University Unitarian Church. For a youthful spin, the Garfield Symphony Orchestra presents a singalong "Messiah" this year at Seattle First Baptist Church. And speaking of youth, the holidays are a fine time to take in one of the region's excellent children's choirs: Among them, Northwest Girlchoir; Northwest Boychoir; The Mercer Island Children's Choir; Seattle Children's Chorus; Seattle Girls' Choir and Rainier Youth Chorus.

Hallelujahs children singing



CLASSICAL MUSIC

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Straight No Chaser FRI 8 p.m., Benaroya Hall (Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall), 200 University St., Seattle; \$30 (800-982-ARTS or www.ticketmaster

Seattle Baroque Orchestra: Baroque Fire — The **Promethean Violin** SAT 8 p.m., Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle: \$10-\$38 (206-322-3118 or www.seattle baroque.org).

Seattle Men's Chorus: Santa Baby SAT-SUN, DEC. 6, 13, 14, 20 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6, 13-14 and 20, Benaroya Hall, 200 University St., Seattle; \$25-\$65 (206-388-1400 or www.flyinghouse.org).

Emerald City Ringers: Holidays in the Emerald City SUN 4 p.m., Daniels Recital Hall, 811 Fifth Ave., Seattle; \$5-\$10 (425-485-6743 or www.emeraldcity rinaers.ora)

Magical Strings Celtic Yuletide Concert SUN 3 p.m., Shorecrest High School/Performing Arts Center, 15343 25th Ave. N.E., Shoreline; \$15-\$20 (206-417-4645 or www.shorelinearts.net).

NOEL! The Magic of Christmas in Concert **SUN** 2 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 6215 196th St. S.W., Lvnnwood; \$10-\$15 (800-838-3006 or

www.brownpapertickets.com). Seattle Iewish Chorale: **Pre-Hanukkah Concert** SUN 2-5 p.m., Seattle Jewish Chorale, Kesselgarden Klezmer Duo and violinist Sandra Layman, Barnes & Noble, University Village, Seattle; free (206-527-5518 or seattle.planitjewish.com).

St. Mark's Cathedral: **O** Antiphons sun 7 p.m., St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave. E., Seattle: free (206-323-0300 or

www.saintmarks.org). SPU Music: The Sacred **Sounds of Christmas** NOV. 30 7:30 p.m., Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; sold out (206-281-2000 or www.spu.edu/events/

Early Music Guild: Draumkvedet DEC. 1 7:30 p.m.. Trinity Parish Episcopal Church, 609 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$10-\$25 (206-325-7066 or

www.earlymusicguild.org).

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Auburn Symphony: Handel's Messiah and Other Holiday

DEC. 2, 3 7:30 p.m., Auburn Performing Arts Center, 700 E. Main St., Auburn; \$20-\$25 (253-887-7777 or www.auburnsymphony.org).

Seattle Men's Chorus: Santa Baby (Tacoma) DEC. 3 8 p.m., Pantages Theater, 901 Broadway, Tacoma; \$39-\$52 (253-591-5894 or www.broadway center.org/tickets/season.asp)

Seattle Symphony: Festive **Holiday Encores DEC. 3-5** 7:30 p.m. Dec. 3, noon Dec. 4. 8 p.m. Dec. 5. Benarova Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$9-\$83 (206-215-4747 or www.seattle symphony.org).

Organ at Noon: Christmas and Advent Songs DEC. 4 12:05 p.m., Kilworth Chapel (University of Puget Sound), 1500 N. Warner St., University of Puget Sound, Tacoma; free (253-879-

Seattle University Choirs: A Festival of Christmas **DEC. 4, 6** 8 p.m. Dec. 4, 2 p.m. Dec. 6, St. Joseph School, 700 18th Ave. E., Seattle; \$7-\$30 (206-296-5372 or www.seattleu.edu)

Bells of the Sound: Let It Snow DEC. 4, 6, 13, 18 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, Tibbetts United Methodist Church, 3940 41st Ave. S.W., Seattle; 4 p.m. Dec. 6, Our Savior Lutheran Church, 745 Front St. S., Issaquah; 4 p.m. Dec. 13, Summit Avenue Presbyterian Church, 403 S. Summit Ave., Bremerton: 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18, Mercer Island Presbyterian Church, 3605 84th Ave. S.E., Mercer Island: \$8-\$10 (www.bellsofthesound.ora)

Adelphian Concert Choir: **Light Everlasting DEC. 5, 6** 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 p.m. Dec. 6, Kilworth Chapel (University of Puget Sound), 1500 N. Warner St., Tacoma; \$4.50-\$8.50 (253-879-3419 or www.pugetsound.edu/ news-and-events/events-calendar/)

Cantare Vocal Ensemble: An Evening In December **DEC. 5, 6** 8 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 p.m. Dec. 6, St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave. E., Seattle; \$18-\$22 (206-367-5667).

Choir of the Sound: **Holiday Concert DEC. 5, 6** 7 p.m. Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Shorecrest High School/Performing Arts Center, 15343 25th Ave. N.E., Shoreline; \$20 (206-528-9990 or www.choirofthesound.org).

Everett Chorale: Christmas Oratorio DEC. 5, 6 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave. Everett: \$14-\$16 (425-257-8600 or

www.everettchorale.org). **Everett Chorale: Merrily Ring** the Christmas Songs DEC. 5, 6 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave.,

Everett; \$14-\$16 (www.everett chorale.org). **Gallery Concerts:** A Baroque Christmas DEC. 5. 6 8 p.m. Dec. 5. 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Queen Anne Christian Church, 1316 Third Ave. W., Seattle; \$10-\$28 (206-726-6088 or

Magnolia Chorale: Timeless Songs of the Season **DEC. 5, 6** 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 p.m. Dec. 6, Magnolia United Church of Christ, 3555 W. McGraw St., Seattle; \$12 (www.magnolia chorale.org).

www.aallervconcerts.ora).

Rainier Chorale: A Christmas Festival DEC. 5, 6 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 p.m. Dec. 6. Kent United Methodist Church, 11010 S.E. 248th, Kent; \$14-\$16 (206-835-8888 or www.rainierchorale.org)

Master Chorus Eastside: Fire and Ice DEC. 5, 12 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Eastlake Performing Arts Center, 400 228th Ave. N.E., Sammamish; 3 p.m. Dec. 12, Kirkland Performance Center, 350 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland; \$15-\$20 (425-392-8446 or www.masterchoruseastside.ora)

Seattle Men's Chorus: Santa Baby (Everett) DEC. 5 8 p.m.. Everett Civic Auditorium, 2415 Colby Ave., Everett; \$18-\$38 (206-388-1400 or www.flyinghouse.org)

The Island Children's Choir: Yule Be Swinging DEC. 5, 6 7 p.m. Dec. 5, 2 and 7 p.m. Dec. 6, Mercer Island High School Performing Arts Center, 9100 S.E. 42nd St., Mercer Island; \$14 (206-232-8007).

Bellevue Chamber Chorus: A Child Is Born DEC. 5, 6 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Bothell United Methodist Church, 18515 92nd Ave. N.E., Bothell; 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Bellevue First Congregational Church, 752 108th Ave. N.E., Bellevue; \$9-\$18 (425-881-0445 or www.bellevuechamberchorus.net).

Northwest Chamber Chorus: Comfort and Joy DEC. 5, 6, 12 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church, 7500 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle; 3 p.m. Dec. 6. Plymouth Congregational Church, 1217 Sixth Ave., Seattle; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, Green Lake United Methodist Church, 6415 First Ave. N.E., Seattle: \$12-\$20 (206-523-1196 or www.northwest chamberchorus.org).

South Sound Classical Choir DEC. 5, 6, 11, 12 7 p.m. Dec. 5, Ma son United Methodist Church, 2710 N. Madison St., Tacoma; 3 p.m. Dec. 6. Puvallup United Methodist Church. 1919 W. Pioneer Ave.. Puvallup; 7 p.m. Dec. 11, Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 10510 136th St. E. Puyallup; 3 p.m. Dec. 12, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church 2306 Milton Way, Milton; free (253-627-0814 or sscc.valleyartssociety.org).

Federal Way Symphony: The Color of Coloratura DEC. 6 2 p.m. Dec. 6, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 515 S. 312th St., Federal Way; \$20-\$25 (253-529-9857 or www.federalwaysymphony.org).

Kirkland Choral Society: Treasures of Venice and Other Sparkling Songs for the Holidays

DEC. 6, 11 2 p.m. Dec. 6, Bastyr University, 14500 Juanita Drive N.E., Kenmore: 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11. Northshore Performing Arts Center, 18125 92nd Ave. N.E., Bothell; \$12-\$18 (425-296-0612 or www.kirklandchoralsociety.com).

Lake Washington Singers: Bells, Belles, Bells **DEC. 6** 3 p.m., Bellevue Christian High School, 1601 98th Ave. N.E., Bellevue; \$10 suggested donation (206-363-6874 or www.lake washingtonsingers.org).

Northwest Girlchoir: Merry and Bright DEC. 6 2 p.m., Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$14 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets

Opus 7: From Heaven On High DEC. 6 7:30 p.m., St. James Cathedral, 804 Ninth Ave., Seattle; \$20-\$25 (206-782-2899 or www.opus7.org).

Orchestra Seattle / Seattle **Chamber Singers: Messiah** DEC. 6 3 p.m., First Free Methodist Church, 3200 Third Ave. W., Seattle; \$25 (206-682-5208 or www.osscs.org).

Seattle Children's Chorus: Once Upon a Christmas DEC. 6, 12 5 p.m. Dec. 6, Everett Civic Auditorium, 2415 Colby Ave. Everett; 1 p.m. Dec. 12, Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle: \$12-\$16 (206-542-5998 or www.seattle childrenschorus.org).

Seattle Symphonic Band Holiday Concert DEC. 6 7:30 p.m., North Seattle Community College Concert Hall, 9600 College Way N., Seattle; (206-547-2787 or www.seattle symphonicband.org).

Whatcom Symphony Orchestra: Holiday Treasures DEC. 6 3 p.m., Mount Baker Theatre, 104 N. Commercial St., Bellingham; \$10-\$42 (360-756-6752 or www.whatcomsymphony.com).

Northwest Chorale: Handel's Messiah DEC. 6, 12 3 p.m. Dec. 6, Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1515 E. College Way, Mount Vernon; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, Edmonds United Methodist Church, 828 Caspers St., Edmonds: free, freewill offering will be taken to benefit Northwest Harvest (206-522-9853 or www.nwchorale.org).

UW Music: CarolFest DEC. 8 7:30 p.m., Meany Theater, University of Washington, Seattle; \$8 (206-543-4880 or www.music.washington.edu)

An Empire Brass Christmas DEC. 8 7:30 p.m., Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$17-\$82 (206-215-4747 or www.seattlesymphony.org)

Brass Band Northwest Holiday Concert DEC. 8 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue, 1717 Bellevue Way N.E., Bellevue; free (www.brassbandnw.org)

Seattle Symphony Chorale: Holiday Sing-Along DEC. 9 7:30 p.m., Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$20-\$63 (206-215-4747 or www.seattlesymphony.org)

Seattle Symphony: Holiday Pops with Cirque de la Symphonie DEC. 10-13 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10, 8 p.m. Dec. 11, 2 and 8 p.m. Dec. 12,

2 p.m. Dec. 13, Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$17-\$97 (206-215-4747 or www.seattlesymphony.org) **Breath of Aire:**

Holiday Concert DEC. 11 7 p.m. Dec. 11, Bastyr University, 14500 Juanita Drive N.E., Kenmore; free (425-823-1300 or www.breathofaire.org).

Federal Way Chorale: Traditional Sounds of **Christmas**

www.fwchorale.com).

DEC. 11, 13 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11. 6 p.m. Dec. 13, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 515 S. 312th St., Federal Way; \$15-\$18 (253-250-3326 or

Garfield Symphony Orchestra: Messiah Sing-Along DEC. 11 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11, Seattle First Baptist Church, 1111 Harvard Ave.. Seattle: \$6-\$12 (www.garfieldorchestra.org)

Sacred Music Chorale: Gloria Excelsis Deo DEC. 11-13 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11, Boulevard Park Presbyterian Church, 1822 S. 128th St., SeaTac; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, Trinity Lutheran Church, 6215 196th St. S.W., Lynnwood; 3 p.m. Dec. 13, Skyline Presbyterian Church, 6301 Westgate Blvd., Tacoma; \$10 suggested donation (253-335-6582).

Seattle Girls' Choir: A Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols **DEC. 11** 7:30 p.m., St. Joseph School, 700 18th Ave. E., Seattle: free (206-526-1900 or www.seattle girlschoir.org).

Seattle Women's Chorus: **Making Spirits Bright** (Edmonds)

DEC. 11 7:30 p.m., Edmonds Center for the Arts, 410 Fourth Ave. N., Edmonds; \$15-\$25 (425-275-9595 or www.ec4arts.org).

The Coats: Holiday Concert DEC. 11-12, 18-19 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18, 2 p.m. Dec. 19, Benaroya Hall (Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall), 200 University St., Seattle: \$31.50 (206-215-4747 or www.seattle symphony.org).

The Northwest Boychoir: A Festival of Lessons and Carols DEC. 11-13, 18-20 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11, Our Lady Of The Lake, 8900 35th Ave. N.E., Seattle; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, University Presbyterian Church, 4540 15th Ave. N.E., Seattle; 7 p.m. Dec. 13, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 8398 N.E. 12th St Medina; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 18, Holy Rosary Parish, 4139 42nd Ave. S.W., Seattle; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, 1245 10th Ave. E., Seattle: 7 p.m. Dec. 20, Trinity Lutheran Church, 6215 196th St. S.W., Lynnwood; \$12-\$22 (206-524-3234 or www.nwchoirs.org).

Choral Sounds Northwest: A Merry Olde Christmas **DEC. 12-13** 8 p.m. Dec. 12, 2 p.m. Dec. 13. Highline Performing Arts Center, 401 S. 152nd St., Burien; \$15-\$25 (206-246-6040 or www.nwassociatedarts.org)

Medieval Women's Choir: Feliz Navidad

DEC. 12 8 p.m., St. James Cathedral, 804 Ninth Ave., Seattle; \$15-\$25 (800-838-3006 or www.brown papertickets.com)

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"Radio City Christmas

DEC. 12-JAN. 3 Paramount Theatre.

(800-982-2787 or stgpresents.org).

911 Pine St., Seattle; \$25-\$125

DEC. 12-JAN. 3 Hale's Palladium,

4301 Leary Way N.W., Seattle;

www.brownpapertickets.com).

9900 or www.kpcenter.org).

"KPC's Old-Time Holiday Show"

\$10-\$25 (425-893-9900 or

www.kpcenter.ora).

"Aunt Dottie's

(425-226-5529 or

DEC. 19-20 Kirkland Performance

(Christmas-time) Sing-along Cabaret"

DEC. 21 Renton Civic Theatre,

507 S. Third St., Renton; \$10

www.rentoncivictheater.ora).

Center, 350 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland;

DEC. 13 Theater Simple at Kirkland Performance Center, 350 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland; \$10-\$15 (425-893-

\$6-\$12 (800-838-3006 or

"The Snow Queen"

"Aladdin and His Magic

Spectacular'

Lamp'



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"Ham for the Holidays: Lard Potion No. 9" FRI-DEC. 27 Theatre Off Jackson, 409 Seventh Ave. S., Seattle; \$15-\$23 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com).

"It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" FRI-DEC. 30 Taproot Theatre at North Seattle Community College, 9600 College Way N., Seattle; \$26-\$33 (206-781-9707 or www.taproottheatre.org)

"The Judy Garland Christmas Special' FRI-DEC. 19 Open Circle Theater 2222 Second Ave., Seattle; \$13-\$15 (206-382-4250 or www.octheater.com).

"Plaid Tidings" FRI-DEC. 20 Capital Playhouse, 612 E. Fourth Ave., Olympia; \$28-\$39 (360-943-2274 or www.capitalplayhouse.com)

"Scrooge, the Musical" FRI-DEC. 20 Key City Playhouse, 419 Washington St., Port Townsend: \$10-\$18 (360-385-7396 or www.keycitypublictheatre.org).

"Sister's Christmas Catechism: The Mystery of the Magi's

FRI-JAN. 3 ACT Theatre, 700 Union St., Seattle; \$30-\$35 (206-292-7676 or www.acttheatre.ora)

"A Stardust Homecoming" FRI-JAN. 2 Harlequin Productions at the State Theater, 202 Fourth Ave. E., Olympia; \$34-\$37 (360-786-0151 or www.harlequinproductions.org)

"Triple-Decker of Comedy" FRI-DEC. 19 Annex Theatre, 1100 E. Pike St., Seattle; \$5-\$12 (206-728-0933 or www.annextheatre.org).

Coming soon

"Plaid Tidings"

www.artswest.org)

(800-838-3006 or

(800-838-3006 or

"Twelfth Night"

DEC. 2-27 ArtsWest Playhouse,

"An Improvised Christmas Carol"

1428 Post Alley, Seattle; \$10

www.brownpapertickets.com)

Seattle; \$10 (206-781-3879 or

www.wingitpresents.comg).

"Hot Babes in Toyland"

1214 10th Ave., Seattle; \$15

"The Santaland Diaries"

www.eclectictheatercompany.org).

DEC. 3-24 Seattle Public Theater,

7312 W. Greenlake Drive N., Seattle; \$15-\$25 (206-524-1300 or

www.seattlepublictheater.org).

DEC. 3-27 Center House Theatre, lower level, Seattle Center;

www.seattleshakespeare.org)

"Sherlock Holmes and the

ley Auditorium, Seattle Pacific University, 3307 Third Ave. W.

"The Trial of Ebenezer

Scrooge'

theater.org).

Case of the Christmas Carol"

DEC. 4-5 Taproot Theatre at McKin-

Seattle; pay-what-you-can (206-781-

DEC. 4-19 Renton Civic Theatre, 507

S. Third St., Renton; \$17-\$25 (425-

226-5529 or www.rentoncivic

A Christmas Spectacular' DEC. 4-19 ArtAttack Theater,

1715 E. Olive Way, Seattle; \$30 (800-838-3006 or www.

brownpapertickets.com).

"Seeing Myself Consumed:

9707 or www.taproottheatre.org).

\$22-\$36 (206-733-8222 or

DEC. 3-20 Odd Duck Studio,

"Rudolph: The Next Verse"

DEC. 3-19 Historic University Theater, 5510 University Way N.E.,

DEC. 3-17 Market Theater,

4711 California Ave. S.W., Seattle; \$10-\$32 (206-938-0339 or

"Columbia City Cabaret: The Gift of Giving" SAT Columbia City Theater, 4916 Rainier Ave. S., Seattle; \$20-\$25 (800-838-3006 or

www.brownpapertickets.com).

"Miracle on 34th Street" SAT-DEC. 13 ManeStage Theatre. at Sumner Performing Arts Center, 1707 Main St., Sumner; \$10-\$15 (253-447-7645 or www.manestagetheatre.com).

"Jack and the Beanstalk" SAT-DEC. 20 Centerstage Theatre at the Knutzen Family Theater, 3200 S.W. Dash Point Road. Federal Way; \$10-\$25 (253-661-1444 or www.centerstagetheatre.com).

"White Christmas" SAT-DEC. 30 5th Avenue Theatre, 1308 Fifth Ave. Seattle; \$22.50-\$98.50 (888-584-4849 or www.5thavenue.org).

" 'Twas the Night ..." SAT-DEC. 20 Studio East, 402 Sixth St. S., Kirkland; \$13 (425-827-3123 or www.studio-east.org).

"Black Nativity" DEC. 1-27 Intiman Theatre, 201 Mercer St., Seattle; \$5-\$45 (206-269-1900 or www.intiman.org).

"A Christmas Carol" DEC. 2-12 Evergreen Family Theatre at RedWood Family Church, 115 Redmond-Woodinville Road, Redmond; \$10-\$12 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com).

'The Salvation of Iggy Scrooge

DEC. 4-20 Theatre on the Square, 915 Broadway, Tacoma; \$39-\$49 (253-591-5894 or www.broadwaycenter.org).

"The Mitten" DEC. 4-20 Moonpaper Tent. 918 N.E. 64th St., Seattle; \$10 (206-708-6741 or

www.moonpapertent.com).

"The Tale of Two Bad Mice" DEC. 4-20 Dec. 4-6 at the Sunset Hill Community Club, 3003 N.W. 66th St., Seattle, Dec. 12-13 at Magnuson Park, 7110 62nd Ave. N.E., Seattle, Dec. 19-20 at Bellevue Youth Theater, 16661 Northrup Way, Bellevue; \$7-\$9 (206-524-3388 or www.thistletheatre.org).

"It's a Wonderful Life" DEC. 4-20 Merc Playhouse, 101 S. Glover St., Twisp; \$5-\$15 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com).

"A Child's Christmas

in Wales" DEC. 4-24 Stone Soup Theatre, 4035 Stone Way N., Seattle; \$14-\$16 (800-838-3006 or www.stonesouptheatre.org)

"A Christmas Carol" **DEC. 5-20** Leavenworth Summer Theater at FestHalle, 1000 Front St., Leavenworth; \$16-\$20 (509-548-2000 or www.leavenworth summertheater.org).

"Holidays on the Edge" DEC. 5 Bainbridge Performing Arts, 200 Madison Ave., Bainbridge Island; \$25 (206-842-8569 or www. bainbridgeperformingarts.org)

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

DEC. 10-24 Seattle Public Theater, 7312 W. Greenlake Dr. N., Seattle; \$15-\$25 (206-524-1300 or www. seattlepublictheater.org).

"Seattle Radio Theatre: It's a Wonderful Life" DEC. 11 Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$5-\$13 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com).

"Holiday Extravaganza" DEC. 11-12 Phoenix Theatre, 9673 Firdale Ave., Edmonds; \$35 (800-838-3006 or www. brownpapertickets.com).

"The Shakespearean Murder Mystery"
DEC. 11-13 Dec. 11-12 at Basil & Chives, 114 N. Lewis St., Monroe, \$10-\$38 (360-794-4000 or www.

basilandchivesrestaurant.com), Dec. 13 at Pacific Rim Supper Club, 3228 Marine Drive N.E., Marysville, \$12 (360-659-0900 or www.lastleaf99.org).

"Peter Pan" DEC. 11-20 Bainbridge Performing Arts, 200 Madison Ave., Bainbridge Island; \$18-\$24 (206-842-8569 or www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org).

"A Wonderful Life" DEC. 11-20 Heavier Than Air Family Theatre at Green River Community College, 12401 S.E. 320th St. Auburn; \$10 (253-833-9111, Ext. 2400, or www.heavierthanair.com)

"Holiday Stories" DEC. 11-20 Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, 565 Camano Ave., Langley; \$8-\$12 (800-638-7631 or www.wicaonline.com).

"A Christmas Carol — On WOLT" DEC. 11-20 Olympia Little Theater, 1925 Miller Ave. N.E., Olympia;

Compiled by Doug Knoop. \$10-\$12 (360-786-9484 or www.



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Rainier Youth Choirs: Winter Magic DEC. 12 3 p.m., Kent United Methodist Church, 11010 S.E. 248th, Kent; \$10-\$15 (206-835-8888 or www.rainieryouthchoirs.org)

Sammamish Symphony Orchestra: Holiday **Pops Concert** DEC. 12-13 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12, 2 p.m. Dec. 13, Eastlake Performing Arts Center, 400 228th Ave. N.E., Sammamish; \$11-\$16 (206-517-7777 or sammamish symphony.org)

Seattle Symphony: Kindermusik Holiday Spectacular DEC. 12 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Benaroya Hall (Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall), 200 University St., Seattle; (206-215-4747 or

www.seattlesymphony.org) **Sno-King Community** Chorale: Holiday Magic — Northwest Colohra DEC. 12 3:30 p.m., Edmonds Center for the Arts, 410 Fourth Ave. N., Edmonds; \$13-\$15 (425-673-1242 or

www.sno-kingchorale.org).

The Northwest Sound Men's Chorus: A Northwest Christmas DEC. 12 2 p.m., Ikea Performing Arts Center, 400 S. Second St. Renton; \$10-\$22 (206-789-0541 or

www.nwsound.org) The Tudor Choir / Seattle Baroque Orchestra: Handel's

Messiah DEC. 12-13 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12. 2 p.m. Dec. 13, Town Hall, 119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$30-\$40 (206-323-0415 or www.tudorchoir.org).

Cascadian Chorale: Cascadian DEC. 12-13 7 p.m. Dec. 12, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 8398 N.E. 12th St., Medina: 3 p.m. Dec. 13, Daniels Recital Hall, 811 Fifth Ave., Seattle; \$10-\$15 (206-286-6028 or www.cascadianchorale

Music Center of the **Northwest: Messiah Sing** and Play-Along
DEC. 13 6:30 p.m., St. John United Lutheran Church, 5515 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle; free (206-526-8443 or www.mcnw.org)

Northwest Girlchoir: Sweet Silver Bells

DEC. 13 2 p.m., Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church, 7500 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle; \$14-\$22 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpaper tickets.com).

Magical Strings: A Celtic

Yuletide DEC. 14 7 p.m., Theatre at Meydenbauer Center, 11100 N.E. Sixth St., Bellevue; \$12-\$44 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpaper tickets.com).

Rainier Symphony: An **English Christmas** DEC. 15 7:30 p.m., Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$12-\$34 (206-781-5618 or www.rainiersymphony.org).

Seattle Symphony: Handel's

DEC. 17-20 7:30 p.m. Dec. 17, 8 p.m. Dec. 18, 1 and 8 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 p.m. Dec. 20, Benaroya Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$20-\$63 (206-215-4747 or www.seattle symphony.org).

Choral Arts Christmas DEC. 18-20 7 p.m. Dec. 18, Christ Episcopal Church (Tacoma), 310 N. K St., Tacoma; 7 p.m. Dec. 19-20, Trinity Parish Episcopal Church, 609 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$18-\$25 (877-404-2269 or www.choral-arts.org)

Seattle Symphony Tiny Tots: Holiday Hooray DEC. 18-19 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,

11:30 a.m. Dec. 18, 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Dec. 19, Benaroya Hall (Illsley Ball Nordstrom Recital Hall), 200 University St., Seattle; \$12 (206-215-4747 or www.seattlesymphony.org).

Gloria! A Christmas Concert DEC. 19-20 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, 1 p.m. Dec. 20, Seattle First Baptist Church, 1111 Harvard Ave., Seattle; free (206-325-6051 or www.seattlefirstbaptist.org).

Northwest Repertory Singers: A North American Christmas **DEC. 19-20** 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, 3 p.m. Dec. 20, Mason United Methodist Church, 2710 N. Madison St., Tacoma; \$15-\$18

(800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com) Seattle Girls' Choir Christmas

Concert DEC. 19 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Town Hall, 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$15-\$20 (206-526-1900 or

www.seattlegirlschoir.org) **Seattle Women's Chorus: Making Spirits Bright** DEC. 19-20 8 p.m. Dec. 19, 2 p.m.

Dec. 20, Meany Theater, University of Washington,

Seattle; \$20-\$50 (206-388-1400 or www.flyinghouse.org). Straight No Chaser DEC. 19 7:30 p.m., Rialto Theater, 310 S. Ninth St., Tacoma; \$25-\$35

(253-272-7525 or www.tacoma philharmonic.org).

Bellevue Philharmonic / Bellevue Chamber Chorus: Messiah

DEC. 20 5 p.m., Westminster Chapel, 13646 N.E. 24th St., Bellevue; \$15-\$30 (425-990-1011 or www.bellevuephil.org).

Everett Symphony: Messiah Sing-A-Long DEC. 20 3 p.m., Everett First Presbyterian Church, 2936 Rockefeller Ave., Everett; \$10-\$15 (800-595-4849 or

Orchestra Seattle / Seattle Chamber Singers: Family Holiday

www.everettsymphony.org).

DEC. 20 3 p.m., First Free Methodist Church, 3200 Third Ave. W., Seattle; \$25 (206-682-5208 or www.osscs.org).

The Northwest Boychoir / Seattle Symphony: A Festival of Lessons and Carols **DEC. 21-22** 7:30 p.m. Dec. 21, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 22, Benaroya Hall, 200 University St., Seattle; \$20-\$63 (206-215-4747 or www.seattle symphony.org).

Total Experience Gospel Choir: Christmas Concert DEC. 21 7 p.m., Shoreline Community College, 16101 Greenwood Ave. N., Shoreline; \$12-\$18 (206-322-7904 or www.totalexperien cegospelchoir.org).

Handel's Messiah Sing and Play-Along DEC. 26 7 p.m., University Unitarian Church, 6556 35th Ave. N.E., Seattle: \$10-\$15 (www.uuchurch .org/activities/music/messiah).

Everett Symphony: Night Before New Year's Eve DEC. 30 7 p.m., Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave., Everett; \$65 (800-595-4849 or www.everettsymphony.org).

Seattle Symphony New Year's Eve: Concert, **Countdown and Celebration** DEC. 31 9 p.m., Benarova Hall (S. Mark Taper Forum), 200 University St., Seattle; \$50-\$150 (206-215-4747 or www.seattle symphony.org).

Seattle Baroque Orchestra: Out with the Old, in with the Vivaldi!

IAN. 2 8 p.m. lan. 2. Town Hall. 1119 Eighth Ave., Seattle; \$10-\$38 (206-322-3118 or www.seattle baroque.org).

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ARGOSY CHRISTMAS SHIP SCHEDULE

Dates and times are subject to change. Call ahead to confirm

NOV. 28 Special preview with Seattle Girls' Choir "Cantamus" leaves South Lake Union at 7 p.m., goes to Seattle Yacht Club (7:40-8 p.m.), Museum of History & Industry (8:30-8:50 p.m.), returns to South Lake Union at 9:20 p.m.

NOV. 29 Special preview with Lake Washington Singers begins at South Lake Union Park (6-6:20

p.m.), goes to Seattle Tennis Club (7:20-7:40 p.m.), returns to South Lake Union Park at 8:30 p.m. DEC. 1 Opening Ceremony at 6:30-7

p.m. at Kirkland Marina. Lead ship with Snohomish County Windjam-mers goes to Kirkland Marina Park (7:05-7:25 p.m.), Gas Works Park (8:20-8:40 p.m.), returns to Kirkland Marina 9:30 p.m.

DEC. 2 Lead ship with the St. Martin's University Chorale leaves Leschi at 7 p.m., goes to Mercer Island Beach Club (7:55-8:15 p.m.), Beaux Arts (8:45-9:05 p.m.),

returns to Leschi at 9:35 p.m DEC. 3 Lead ship with the Pacific Sound Chorus leaves Kirkland City Dock at 7 p.m., goes to Luther Burbank Park (7:50-8:10 p.m.), Houghton Beach (8:55-9:15 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at

DEC. 4 Lead ship with the Northwest Boychoir leaves Leschi Marina at 7 p.m., goes to Pritchard Beach (7:50-8:10 p.m.), Seward Park (8:25-8:45 p.m.), returns to Leschi

Marina at 9:30 p.m. DEC. 5 (FIRST SAILING) Lead ship with the Seattle Girls' Choir "Allegra" leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 3:30 p.m., goes to Medina (4:10-4:30 p.m.), Yarrow Point Park (5-5:20 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 5:40 p.m.

DEC. 5 (SECOND SAILING) Lead ship with Voices Northwest leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 8 p.m., goes to Chism Beach (8:45-9:05 p.m.), Madrona (9:25-9:45 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 10:30 p.m. DEC. 6 Lead ship with the Northwest Boychoir leaves Leschi Marina at 5 p.m., goes to Ferdinand Street (5:40-6 p.m.), Stan Sayres (6:15-6:35 p.m.), Mount Baker Beach (6:45-7:05 p.m.), returns to Leschi Marina at 7:20 p.m.

DEC. 7 Lead ship with The Everett Chorale begins at the Edmonds waterfront (7-7:30 p.m.), goes to Richmond Beach (8:20-8:40 p.m.), returns to Edmonds waterfront at 9:10 p.m.

DEC. 8 Lead ship with The Dickens Carolers leaves Des Moines waterfront at 7 p.m., goes to Brown's Point (7:55-8:15 p.m.), Redondo Beach (8:50-9:10 p.m.), returns to Des Moines waterfront at 9:35

DEC. 9 Lead ship with the Kitsap Northern Lights begins at the Bremerton Marina (7-7:20 p.m.), goes to Silverdale (8:05-8:25 p.m.), returns to Bremerton Marina at

9:15 p.m. DEC. 10 Lead ship with The Kitsap Carolers leaves Pier 55 at 7 p.m. goes to Manchester City Park (8:05-8:25 p.m.), Olympic Sculpture Park (9:15-9:35 p.m.), returns to Pier 55

at 9:45 p.m. DEC. 11 Lead ship with the Seattle Children's Chorus "Arioso" leaves Pier 55 at 7 p.m., goes to Carkeek Park (8-8:20 p.m.), goes to Blue Ridge (8:30-8:50 p.m.), returns to

Pier 55 at 9:50 p.m. DEC. 12 (FIRST SAILING) Lead ship with the Northwest Girlchoir "Vivace" leaves Pier 55 at 4 p.m., goes to Pier 66 (4:20-4:40 p.m.). Seacrest Marina (5:15-5:35 p.m.),

returns to Pier 55 at 6 p.m. DEC. 12 (SECOND SAILING) Lead ship with the Canterbury Belles leaves Pier 55 at 8 p.m., goes to Lowman Beach (8:50-9:10 p.m.), Alki Beach (9:40-10 p.m.), returns to Pier 55 at 10:20 p.m.

DEC. 13 Lead ship with Soundwave leaves Pier 55 at 5 p.m., goes to Winslow Waterfront Beach (6-6:20 p.m.), Don Armeni (7:10-7:30 p.m.), returns to Pier 55 at 7:50 p.m.

DEC. 14 Lead ship with The Kitsap Carolers leaves the Tacoma waterfront at 7 p.m., goes to the Glass Museum (7-7:20 p.m.), goes to Gig Harbor (8:20-8:40 p.m.), returns to the Tacoma waterfront at 9:45

DEC. 15 Lead ship with Vivace! Cathedrals Choir leaves Shilshole at 7 p.m., goes to the Locks (8:10-8:30 p.m.), Golden Gardens (9:05-9:25 p.m.), returns to Shilshole at 9:30 p.m.

DEC. 16 Lead ship with the Rainier Concert Choir begins at the Des Moines waterfront (7-7:30 p.m.), goes to Dash Point (8:10-8:30 p.m.), returns to Des Moines waterfront at 9:15 p.m.

DEC. 17 Lead ship leaves the Leschi Marina at 7 p.m., goes to Gene Coulon (8-8:20 p.m.), Newcastle (8:50-9:10 p.m.), returns to Leschi Marina at 9:40 p.m.

DEC. 18 Lead ship with the Con Brio Women's Choir leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 7 p.m., goes to Tracy Owen Station (8-8:20 p.m.), Juanita Beach Park (9-9:20 p.m.), returns to the Kirkland City Dock at 9:40

DEC. 19 (FIRST SAILING) Lead ship with the Rainier Ensemble begins at Kirkland Marina Park (3:45-4:15 p.m.), goes to Madison Park (4:55-5:15 p.m.), returns to the Kirkland City Dock at 5:55 p.m.

DEC. 19 (SECOND SAILING) Lead ship with the Northwest Girlchoir "Amore" leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 8 p.m., goes to Sheridan Beach Club (8:55-9:15 p.m.), Matthews Beach (9:45-10:05 p.m.), returns to the Kirkland City Dock at 10:30 p.m.

DEC. 20 Lead ship with the Master Chorus Eastside leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 5 p.m., goes to Carillon Point (5:15-5:35 p.m.), Meydenbauer Bay (6:35-6:55 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 7:45 p.m.

DEC. 21 Lead ship with Bellevue Chamber Carolers leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 7 p.m., goes to O.O. Denny Park (7:30-7:50 p.m.), Laurelhurst (8:30-8:50 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 9:15

DEC. 22 Lead ship with The Choir returns to Kirkland City Dock at 9:30 p.m.

DEC. 23 (FIRST SAILING) Lead ship with The Dickens Carolers leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 3:30 p.m., goes to Matthews Beach (4-4:20 p.m.), Houghton Beach (5-5:20 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 5:40 p.m.

DEC. 23 (SECOND SAILING) Lead ship with The Seattle Girls' Choir "Prime Voci" leaves the Kirkland City Dock at 8 p.m., goes to Portage Bay (8:45-9:05 p.m.), Gas Works (9:45-10:05 p.m.), returns to Kirkland City Dock at 11:05 p.m.

OTHER CRUISES

pecial People's **Holiday Cruise DEC. 6** Boat owners and charter operators volunteer their boats to host 2,200 developmentally disabled adults for a lighted holiday cruise on Lake Washington and Lake Union. 3:30 p.m.. South Lake Union, 901 Fairview Ave. N., Seattle (206-728-0123 or www.seafair.com).

Chet Gibson Memorial Cruise DEC. 11 A parade of lighted boats starts in Lake Union at 6 p.m., goes to Webster Point (7 p.m.), Leschi Park (7:25 p.m.), Meydenbauer Bay (8:20 p.m.), returns to Webster Point at 9 p.m. (206-709-2000 or www.queencity.org).

DEC. 12 A parade of lighted boats starts in Lake Union at 6 p.m., goes to Webster Point (7 p.m.), Cozy Cove (7:40 p.m.), Kirkland (8:10 p.m.), Mathews Beach (8:40 p.m.). Sand Point (9 p.m.) returns to Webster Point at 9:30 p.m. (206-709-2000 or www.queencity.org).

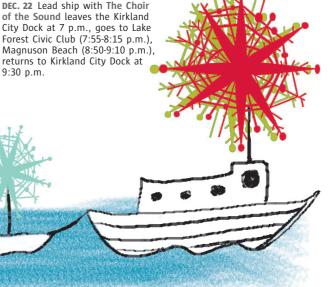
Gig Harbor Yacht Club Lighted **Boat Parade**

DEC. 12 Holiday-decorated boat parade around Gig Harbor Bay, viewing at Skansie Brothers Park. Jerisich Dock and Bogue View Park, 5 p.m., Skansie Brothers Park, 3207 Harborview Drive, Gig Harbor (www.gigharborguide.com).

Poulsbo Yacht Club Lighted Boat Parade

DEC. 18 Lighted boat parade around Liberty Bay to Keyport to Bainbridge Island, Nesika Bay and Lemolo; personal greetings from Santa to families and households along the route available, contact Poulsbo Yacht Club by Dec. 16. 6:30 p.m. Dec. 18, Waterfront Park, Liberty Bay, Poulsbo (360-779-3116).

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or www.bastyr.edu) **Bellevue College Winter Holiday Ceramics Sale** re you tired of giving the same old holiday gifts? If you're willing to go to somewhere other than your local mall, you could find something wonderfully unique and memorable. There program at Bellevue College are ceramics over at Bellevue College, a "Shop 'til You Drop" event at the Wing Luke Asian Museum and a "Shop 'til You Drop closing sale at the soon-to-beshuttered Benham Gallery in and an eco-friendly, Japanese Seattle. Tours of artists studios may also inspire your gift-giving. There are tours 623-5124 or www.wingluke.org). on Vashon and Bainbridge Islands, as well as the "North End Arts Tour" and "Seattle Sampling 2009."

ARTS & CRAFTS

Dates and times are subject to change. Call ahead to confirm.

Holiday Craft Fair DEC. 2 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 2, Bastyr University, 14500 Juanita Drive N.E., Kenmore (425-823-1300

DEC. 3 Purchase tile work, sculptur al and functional ceramics at Belle vue College from more than a dozen potters at this annual sale Proceeds benefit the ceramics 10 a.m. Dec. 3. Bellevue College (Carlson Theater), 3000 Lander holm Circle S.E., Bellevue, free (425-564-1000 or www.bcc.ctc.edu)

Holiday-O-Rama"

DEC. 3, 19 The museum hosts a holiday gift sale with refreshments inspired gift-wrap demonstration 5 p.m. Dec. 3 and 1 p.m. Dec. 19. Wing Luke Asian Museum, 719 S. King St., Seattle, \$9.95-\$12.95 (206Christmas in the Country DEC. 4-6 A free, self-guided driving tour on Bainbridge Island that stops by cottage industries, homes, farms and nonprofit venues that host artists, authors and musicians. The family-friendly event includes Santa photos and free pony rides for kids. All details and a man are on the Web site 10 a.m. Dec. 4-5, 11 a.m. Dec. 6. Downtown Bainbridge Island, Winslow Way East, Bainbridge Island; free (www.christmas inthecountry.info)

16th Annual Bainbridge Island

Bainbridge Island Studio Tour **DEC. 4-6** A free, self-guided winter studio tour that features 70 artists in 10 island studios and community halls throughout Bainbridge Island. 10 a.m. Friday-Sunday, downtown Bainbridge Island, Winslow Way East, Bainbridge Island, free (www.bistudiotour.com)

Sparkle! An open studio on Bainbridge Island for holiday shopping

DEC. 4-6 A show and sale of works in metal by Sally Prangley and jewelry by Suzanne Arkless. 11 a.m. Dec. 4-5, noon Dec. 6. Sally Prangley Studios, 5244 Lynwood Center Road N.E., Bainbridge Island, free (www.sallyprangley.com).

Seattle Sampling 2009 DEC. 4-6 A free, self-quided tour of artists' studios and homes throughout Seattle with art for show and sale in all media For a complete list of participating venues as well as a map, visit www.seattlesampling.com. 4 p.m. Dec. 4, 10 a.m. Dec. 5-6. Blowing Sands, 5805 14th Ave. N.W., Seattle, free (206-783-5314 or www.blowingsands.com).

North End Arts Tour DEC. 4-6 A free, self-guided tour of artists' studios throughout North Seattle neighborhoods. For a complete list of participating venues, visit www.neatseattle.com. 4 p.m. Dec. 4, 10 a.m. Dec. 5-6. Seymour Stained Glass, 5415 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle; free (www.neatseattle.com)

Vashon Island Art Studio Tour, Holiday 2009 DEC. 5-6, 13-14 A free, self-guided tour of 38 art studios throughout Vashon Island. 10 a.m. Dec. 5-6, 13-14. Downtown Vashon Island; free (206-463-6217 or

Benham Gallery's **Closing Party**

www.vashonchamber.com).

DEC. 23 The gallery will be closing, but not before a going-away party and sale of works by gallery artists. 5 p.m., Benham Gallery, 1216 First Ave., Seattle; free (206-622-2480 or www.benhamgallery.com).

GALLERIES

Northwest Craft Center (Seattle Center) ENDS 12/31 "Holiday Best 2009." 11 a.m.-6 p.m. daily, 305 Harrison St., Seattle (206-728-1555 or www.seattlecenter.com)

Pottery Northwest Gallery ENDS 12/23 "Where the Wild Things Are: Resident Artist Holiday Show and Sale." Gala reception with guest artists, 6-11 p.m. Dec. 11. Noon-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, 226 First Ave. N., Seattle (206-285-4421 or potterynorthwest.org)

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ree lightings. Reindeer displays. Gingerbread houses. Santa visits. Even a drive-through nativity. There are holiday festivals and events to fit every taste, cultural perspective and budget this season. Start by siphoning off some of the kids' excess energy at a temporary ice rink at Seattle Center or Bellevue Downtown Park. Mark Hanukkah (which begins at sundown, Dec. 11) with a celebration at Crossroads, University Village or the Museum of History & Industry. And stop at Westlake or Seattle Center long enough to give the little ones a ride on a classic carousel. From there you can work your way through the rest of this long list of festivals and light displays. Time and seasonal spirit are the only limits.

FESTIVALS

Dates and times are subject to change. Call ahead to confirm.

Teddy Bear Suite ENDS DEC. 26 Suite with more than 130 stuffed bears, children's books, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. daily through Dec. 26. holiday choir performances in hotel lobby, noon-1 p.m. Dec. 1-18, Fairmont Olympic Hotel, 411 University St., Seattle; free (www.downtownholidays.com)

Seattle Gingerbread Village ENDS JAN. 3 Elaborate gingerbread-themed display with "Reel Christmas" movie theme, daily through Jan. 3, Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers, 1400 Sixth Ave., Seattle; donations for Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (IDRF) requested (www.gingerbread village.org)

Holiday Parade & Star

Lighting FRI Macy's parade with balloon floats, marching bands, costumed characters and Santa. 8:45 a.m. Friday from Seventh Avenue and Pine Street, west to Fifth Avenue, south on Fifth Avenue to University Street, west on University Street to Fourth Avenue, north on Fourth Avenue, ending with Santa's arrival at Macy's under a confetti snowstorm; Macy's lights its 161-foot high, 3,600-bulb Holiday Star, with fireworks show, weather permitting, 5 p.m. Friday, 1601 Third Ave., Seattle (206-506-7555 or www.macys.com)

Westlake Tree Lighting FRI Holiday tree lighting ceremony, 4:45 p.m. Friday, West-lake Center, 400 Pine St., Seattle (www.downtownholidays.com).

Home for the Holidays, Snohomish

FRI Santa arrives in a horse-drawn carriage for visits and tree-lighting, music, 4 p.m. Friday, downtown Snohomish (www.historia downtownsnohomish.org)

Winter Wonderland, Pacific Place

FRI-DEC. 31 "Snowstorm" in the Atrium, 6 p.m. daily; holiday entertainment afternoons and evenings, "Woodland Nutcracker" photos, Pacific Place Mall, 600 Pine St., Seattle (206-405-2655 or downtownholidays.com)

Wonderland Holiday Carousel FRI-JAN. 3 Classic carousel, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday; regular hours 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Fridays 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sundays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 24 and 31; closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1; West-lake Park, 401 Pine St., Seattle; suggested \$2 donation benefits Treehouse (www.downtown holidays.com)

Providence O'Christmas Trees FRI-JAN. 1 Providence O'Christmas Trees events, proceeds benefit Providence Health & Services Providence Senior and Community Services (206-938-4925 or www.providence.org/otrees):

• Tour of Trees, display of O'Christmas Trees by retailers throughout downtown Seattle; download a "passport" online and have it stamped at each tree location for a chance to win a prize, Friday-Jan.

"A Family Affair Tree View" entertainment, kids' craft projects, photos with Santa, display of decorated Christmas trees, 3 p.m. Nov. 30, The Westin Seattle, 1900 Fifth

Ave.. Seattle: free. Silver Bells Luncheon, display of elegantly designed trees, 11 a.m. Dec. 1, The Westin, Seattle; \$50, reservations required by Nov. 30. • Gala Dinner and Auction of designed trees, 5 p.m. Dec. 2; \$275. reservations required by Nov. 30.

Toyland Village Lighted Holiday Display FRI-JAN. 3 Larger-than-life toythemed holiday light display, 6 a.m.-9 p.m. daily through Jan. 3, Waterfront Park. 1301 Alaskan Way, Pier 58, Seattle; free

(www.downtownholidays.com)

Seattle Center Winterfest FRI-JAN. 3 Winterfest opening ceremony, 1 p.m. Friday; ethnic entertainment and World Market vendors, 1-6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday; winter train and village display, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. daily through Dec. 31, Center House: Classic Carousel 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays

through Jan. 3, outside Fisher Pavilion, \$1/per ride; Ice Rink, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays through Jan. 3, \$5/adults, \$3/ages 6-12, \$2/skate rental, cash only; Seattle Center, Seattle (206-684 7200 or www.seattlecenter.com)

Space Needle holiday events FRI-DEC. 24 Tree lighting celebration, dusk Friday; Santa and his elves greet visitors, children's arts and crafts station on the Observation Deck, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Sunday and Dec. 5-6, 12-13, 19-24; Santa brunch, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Satur day-Sunday and Dec. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20; holiday gift shopping at Spacebase daily, ticket purchase not required, Space Needle, Seattle; \$8-\$16/observation deck, meal prices vary (206-905-2100).

Santa's Reindeer FRI-DEC. 24 Live reindeer Dasher and Blitzen on display 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily through Dec. 24, feeding times 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily, Swansons Nursery, 9701 15th Ave. N.W., Seattle (206-782-2543 or www.swansonsnursery.com).

Bellevue Magic Season Snowflake Lane FRI-DEC. 31 Light show, live "toy soldiers" and other winter characters, music, "snowfall," featuring

Santa's grand arrival Friday, 7 p.m. nightly, Friday-Dec. 24 and Dec. 26-31, along Bellevue Way and Northeast Eighth Street. Bellevue (425-453-1223 or www.magicseason.com).

Bellevue Magic Season Ice

Arena NOV. 27-JAN. 10 Outdoor skating rink, music from STAR 101.5, skating lessons, 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday: 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday: 3-9 p.m. Nov. 30-Dec. 1; 1-9 p.m. Dec. 2; 3-9 p.m. Dec. 3; 3-11 p.m. Dec. 4; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Dec. 5; 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 6; 3-9 p.m. Dec. 7-8; 1-9 p.m. Dec. 9; 3-9 p.m. Dec. 10; 3-11 p.m. Dec. 11; 3-11 p.m. Dec. 12; 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 13; 3-9 p.m. Dec. 14-15; 1-9 p.m. Dec. 16; 3-9 p.m. Dec. 17; 3-11 p.m. Dec. 18; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Dec. 19-23, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 24; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Dec. 26-Jan. 2; 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Jan. 3; 3-9 p.m. Jan. 4-5; 1-9 p.m. Jan. 6; 3-9 p.m. Jan. 7; 3-11 p.m. Jan. 8; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Jan. 9; special events include free skate Mondays with coupon available at participating Bank of America locations; donate 10 pounds of food or \$10 to Hopelink for free skating pass, 5-9 p.m. Dec. 3, Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 N.E. Fourth St., Bellevue; \$7-\$10 (425-453-1223 or www.magicseason.com)

Season of Wonder at The Bravern FRI-DEC. 31 Live music and entertainment, 4-8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays, noon-6 p.m. Sundays; roving runway fashion shows, 4-8 p.m. Wednesdays, noon-6 p.m. Sundays; appearances by The Bravern Winter Faeries, 4-8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, noon-6 p.m. Sundays; First Day

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of Winter celebration 4-8 p.m. Dec. 21; New Year's Eve Celebration, 4 p.m.-midnight Dec. 31, The Shops at The Bravern 11111 N.E. Eighth St., Bellevue

Holiday train, Redmond FRI-DEC. 24 Train around the center, Friday-Dec. 24, Redmond Town Center, Redmond (425-867 0808 or www.redmondtown

(www.magicseason.com).

center.com).

Festival of Poinsettias FRI-DEC. 23 Display and sale of 42 varieties of poinsettias, 14-foot poinsettia tree, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sundays through Dec. 23; carolers and Santa visits Saturdays-Sundays, Molbak's 13625 N F 175th St Woodinville (425-483-5000 or

www.molbaks.com). See > FESTIVALS, E7 4 POADWAY SYMPHONIC SPECTACULAR Friday, January 15, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

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Zoolights FRI-JAN. 3 Holiday and animalthemed light displays, 5-9 p.m. daily through Jan. 3, Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium, 5400 N. Pearl St., Tacoma; \$6.50/advance, \$7.50/at the gate (253-404-3822 or www.pdza.org).

Magic in the Market SAT Kickoff to the holiday season with Santa, Dickens Carolers, donate four cans of food to the Downtown Food Bank and get a free fabric shopping bag while supplies last: holiday concert of classical music, 4-5 p.m.; ceremony to switch on the Market's thousands of holiday lights on trees and buildings, 5 p.m. Saturday, Pike Place Market, 1501 Pike Place, Seattle (206-682-7453 or www.pikeplacemarket.org)

Kirkland Downtown Tree Lighting

SAT Local choirs, bands, photos with Santa, Kirkland Art Center kids activities, Gingerbread House display, entertainment, food, 4-8 p.m. Saturday, downtown Kirkland (www.kirklanddowntown.org).

"The Polar Express" and Holiday Tree Lighting SAT Movie for all ages, 3 p.m., tree lighting, 5 p.m. Saturday, Pantages Theater, 901 Broadway, Tacoma; \$9 (253-591-5894 or www.broadwaycenter.org/tickets/ season.asp)

Arrival of Father Christmas SAT Father Christmas arrives in his Victorian robe to greet children, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Christianson's Nursery, 15806 Best Road, Mount Vernon (360-466-3821).

Virginia V Kick Off

to the Holidays SAT, SUN Dockside open house to watch the Christmas Ships cruise through Lake Union, cash bar and snacks available, 5-8 p.m. Saturday, 4:30-7 p.m. Sunday, Virginia V Steamer, 860 Terry Ave. N., Suite 223, Seattle; donations suggested; no reservations needed (206-624-9119 or www.virginiav.org).

Garden d'Lights SAT-JAN. 2 Holiday display with 500,000 lights including poinsettia tree and "aquarium," 5-10 p.m. nightly, Saturday through Jan. 2 Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St., Bellevue; free, suggested donation \$1/person or \$5/family; on-site parking \$5, free parking at Wilburton Hill Park (425-451-3755 or bellevuebotanical.org).

Festival of Trees SAT, SUN Christmas tree displays, entertainment, vendors, kids activities, proceeds benefit Harrison Medical Center, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, 1200 N.W. Fairgrounds Road, Bremerton; \$5, ages 12 and younger and 60 and older free (360-744-6760 or www.harrisonfoundation.org).

Santa Train **SAT-DEC. 19** Hourly departures from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Dec. 5-6, 12-13 and 18-19, Snoqualmie Depot, 38625 S.E. King St., Snoqualmie; \$16 per person for ages 2 and up (425-888-2206 or www.trainmuseum.org)

Olympia Holiday Parade SUN Part of downtown holiday events, 3 p.m. Sunday, downtown Olympia (360-357-8948 or downtownolympia.com/oda/news/).



Lynnwood Lights DEC. 1 Family-friendly celebration with Tree Lighting Ceremony, entertainment, dancing, arts and crafts, photos with Santa, food vendors, 6 p.m. Dec. 1, Lynnwood Convention Center, 3819 196th St. S.W., Lynnwood; free (425-670-5732 or www.ci.lvnnwood.wa.us/ LynnwoodLights).

Issaguah Reindeer Festival DEC. 1-30 See Santa's reindeer, visit with Santa, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. daily Dec. 1-23, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 26 30, Cougar Mountain Zoo, 19525 S.É. 54th St., Issaquah; \$9.50-\$11.50, ages 2 and younger free (425-391-5508 or www. cougarmountainzoo.org).

Lake City Holiday Tree Lighting

DEC. 2 Tree lighting, caroling choirs, snacks, 6 p.m. Dec. 2, Lake City Mini-Park, 12359 Lake City Way N.E., Seattle (206-363-3287 or www.lakecitychamber.org).

Providence Festival of Trees Open House

DEC. 2 Santa and Mrs. Claus, entertainment, proceeds benefit Providence Children's Center, noon-8 p.m. Dec. 2, Everett Events Center at Comcast Arena, 2000 Hewitt Ave., Everett; free (425-258-7999 or www.providencegeneral foundation.org).

Winter Wonderland Holiday Light Show at Lake Wilderness Arboretum DEC. 2 White lights holiday scenes in a natural setting, Father Christmas and his elves greeting guests, Holiday Express Train, 6-8 p.m. Dec. 2, Lake Wilderness Arbore tum, 22520 S.E. 248th St., Maple Valley; free (425-413-2572 or www.lakewildernessarboretum

Victorian Country Christmas DEC. 2-6 Victorian village-themed vendors, wine garden, stage entertainment, singing nativity, carnival for children, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Dec. 2-5, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 6, Puyallup Fair and Events Center, 110 Ninth Ave. S.W., Puyallup; \$7-\$9.50 (253-841-5045 or www.avictorian countrychristmas.com)

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Kenmore DEC. 3 Local choirs, Santa visit, arts and crafts project, tree lighting, 6 p.m. Dec. 3, Kenmore Community Club, 7304 N.E. 175th (www.cityofkenmore.com).

Old Town Tree Lighting,

DEC. 3 Caroling, Santa's arrival to light the tree, free children's photos with Santa, 4 p.m. Dec. 3, Job Carr Cabin Museum, 2350 N. 30th St., Tacoma; free (253-627-5405 or www.jobcarrmuseum.org).

The Lights of Christmas DEC. 3-29 A million lights, entertainment on five stages including dinner theater, life-size nativity, food vendors, kids' pony rides, train rides, petting farm, overnight accommodations available. 5-10 p.m. Dec. 3-6, 9-13, 16-23, 26-29, Warm Beach Christian Camps & Conference Center, 20800 Marine Drive, Stanwood; \$8-\$14 (425-743-5471 or www.warmbeachlights.com)



Great Figgy Pudding Street Corner Caroling Competition DEC. 4 More than 40 caroling teams compete in and around Westlake Center; all donations benefit Pike Market Senior Center and Downtown Food Bank, 6 p.m. Dec. 4, Westlake Park, 401 Pine St., Seattle; free for spectators, \$75 per team of five or more to participate, preregister (206-962

Christmas Ship Gala DEC. 4 Dinner, hayrides around Seward Park with naturalists presentations, make nature ornaments to decorate Center's tree, watch the Christmas ships; proceeds support Center programs, 6 p.m. Dec. 4, Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center, 5902 Lake Washington Blvd. S Seattle; \$25-\$50 (206-652-2444 or sewardpark.audubon.org).

Firehouse Munch & Tree Lighting, Mercer Island DEC. 4 Mercer Island Parks & Recreation and Mercer Island Fire Department tree lighting ceremony and community singalong at Mercerdale Park, followed by Santa photos, treats, children's entertainment and live music at the North Fire Station; bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots, 7 p.m. Dec. 4, Mercerdale Park, 77th Southeast and Southeast 32nd, Mercer Island (206-275-7609 or www.miparks.net).

Bellevue Galleria Tree Lighting

DEC. 4 Performances by local schools and organizations, tree lighting ceremony, 6 p.m. Dec. 4, Bellevue Galleria, 550 106th Avenue N.E., Bellevue (206-547-6450 or www.magicseason.com)

Celebrations Holiday Home Tour

DEC. 4 A tour of five decorated Eastside homes. Proceeds benefit Assistance League of the Eastside, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Dec. 4, Newport Shores, Medina and Clyde Hill neighborhoods, \$30 per person (425-556-5106 or www. eastside.assistanceleague.org)

City of Bothell Winterfest DEC. 4 Children's hayrides and visits with Santa, 5:30 p.m., light ing of the holiday tree, 6:30 p.m. followed by tractor rides and Santa visits until 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4, Park at Bothell Landing, 9919 N.E. 180th St., Bothell (425-486-3256 or www.ci.bothell.wa.us).

Woodinville Light Festival DEC. 4 Entertainment, Santa's workshop, 5:30-9 p.m., Santa's arrival via fire truck, 6:30 p.m. Carol Edwards Center, 17301 133rd Ave. N.E.. Woodinville: choirs and entertainment, 5:30-9 p.m., Santa's arrival, 6:30 p.m., free photos with Santa, 7-8:30 p.m. Dec. 4. Molbak's. 13625 N.E. 175th St., Woodinville; free shuttle between venues (www.ci.woodinville.wa.us or www.molbaks.com).

KidsQuest's Gingerbread Lane DEC. 4-6 Unique houses built by local businesses on display and available by silent auction Dec. 4-6, celebrity judging, 11:45 a.m. Dec. 5; family gingerbread workshops available, KidsQuest Children's Museum, 4089 Factoria Blvd. S.E., Bellevue (425-637-8100 or www.kidsquestmuseum.org)

Clam Lights DEC. 4-JAN. 1 Opening-night celebration, music 6:30 p.m., official lighting ceremony, 7:15 p.m., Rainier Yacht Club Parade of Boats, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4; Clam Light display 5-9 p.m. nightly, Dec. 5-Jan. 1, Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd., Renton (425-430-6700 or rentonwa.gov)

Bainbridge Island Christmas in the Country DEC. 4-6 Arts and crafts at several studios homes and barns musical performances at Island Music Center, pony rides for kids at Countryman Stables, Santa photos at Hazel Creek Farm; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 4-5, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 6, Bainbridge Island; shuttle bus available Dec. 5 and 6 only, \$5, from the ferry dock and from park and ride lot at Woodward Middle School, 9125 Sportsmanclub Road, Bainbridge (www.christmasinthe country.info).

Olde Fashioned Christmas DEC. 4-6 Christmas in historic log cabins with horse-drawn carriage rides, crafts for kids, games music, treats and Santa, 5-9 p.m. Dec. 4, 1-9 p.m. Dec. 5, 1-4 p.m. Dec. 6, Pioneer Park, 2004 Cherry St., Ferndale, Whatcom County; \$2-\$3 (360-384-6461 or www.ferndaleheritagesociety.com)

Leavenworth Christmas Lighting Ceremonies DEC. 4-20 Saint Nicholas and Santa Claus appearances, holiday entertainment and lighting ceremonies (Saturdays and Sundays only). various times Dec. 4-6, 11-13, 18-20, Leavenworth (509-548-5807 or www.leavenworth.org).

Northgate Chamber of Commerce Breakfast with Santa DEC. 5 Carolers. breakfast. musical group Recess Monkey, Santa and

his elves, 10 a.m. Dec. 5, Northgate Community Center, 10510 Fifth Ave. N.E., Seattle; \$8-\$15 (www.northgate santa.com). **Magic Seasons**

Remembered DEC. 5 Family holiday traditions of Bellevue's past, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 5, Winters House, 2102 Bellevue Way S.E., Bellevue; (425-450-1049 or eastsideheritagecenter.org).

Holiday Tea with Santa at The Woodmark Hotel DEC. 5 Holiday treats, cookie decorating and photo opportunities with Santa Claus, portion of the proceeds benefit Hopelink, 2 p.m. Dec. 5, Woodmark Hotel, 1200 Carillon Point, Kirkland; \$20-\$40 (425-827-1986 or www.thewoodmark.com)

Kirkland Community Christmas Nativity DEC. 5 Live nativity presentation, 5:30, 6 (Spanish), 6:30, 8 p.m., Christmas concert, 7 p.m., display of nativity scenes, 5-9 p.m. Dec. 5, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 13220 N.E. 132nd St... Kirkland; free (425-827-7771)

Redmond Lights

DEC. 5 Holiday tree lighting, music, art exhibit, walk along the Samamish River past light displays, music from around the world, 4-8 p.m. Dec. 5, City Hall Plaza and Redmond Town Center, Redmond (www.redmondlights.com).

Holiday Festival DEC. 5 Greek dancers, music, books and pastries, 3:30-8:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption, 1804 13th Ave. Seattle (206-323-8557 or www.assumptionseattle.org)

Santa Arrival, Country Village DEC. 5 Arrival of Santa by sleigh from the sky, 7 p.m., followed by tree lighting; holiday-themed music, pony rides and train rides for children available noon-4 p.m. Dec. 5, Country Village, 23732 Bothell-Everett Highway, Bothell (425-483-2250 or www.country villagebothell.com).

Brier Tree Lighting DEC. 5 Santa and Mrs. Claus, music, holiday parade, tree lighting, 6:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Brier Park, 2903 228th St. S.W., Brier (425 775-5440 or www.ci.brier.wa.us)

Holiday tree lighting, arrival of Santa in Renton DEC. 5 Dickens Carolers, hot

chocolate and roasted chestnuts, store specials, 3-5 p.m., tree lighting and arrival of Santa, 5-7 p.m. Dec. 5, Renton Downtown Piazza, South Third Street and Burnett Avenue South, Renton (www.piazzarenton.com/)

A Christmas Gift to Kent from the Kent Lions DEC. 5 Holiday story time at Green River Community College, 4 p.m.; Santa's arrival mini-parade, 4:30 p.m., mayor presents Santa with the key to the city, ornamentmaking projects, Christmas music by local choirs, holiday carousel, until 9 p.m.; lighting of the Christmas tree and Town Square. 5:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Town Square Plaza Park, Smith Street and Second Avenue, Kent (253-852-5466).

Santa Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony, Auburn DEC. 5 Children's parade, community caroling, lighting of the City Hall Christmas tree, 4:30 p.m. Dec. 5, Auburn City Hall, 25 W. Main St., Auburn (253-931-3043 or www.auburnwa.gov).

Jingle Bell Brunch DEC. 5 Brunch, pictures with Santa, music and entertainment, create holiday crafts, 7:30-9:30 a.m. or 10 a.m.-noon Dec. 5, Federal Way Community Center, 876 S. 333rd St., Federal Way; \$6-\$8, reservations required, space

limited (253-835-6900 or www.cityoffederalway.com) **Puyallup Santa Parade** DEC. 5 Parade, Santa arrives by fire engine, 4 p.m. Dec. 5, downtown Puyallup (253-840-2631 or

www.puyallupmainstreet.com/

santaparade.html). **Victorian Holiday Celebration** DEC. 5 Display of hundreds of poinsettias and paperwhite narcissus, staff in Victorian costume. Santa visits and photos, gift shop, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 5, W.W. Seymour Conservatory, Wright Park, 501 S. I St., Tacoma; free admission: donations of socks. hats, mittens and cash suggested for local family shelter (253-591-5330 or www.metroparkstacoma.org).

19th Century Christmas DEC. 5 Christmas dances, Yule log and daily life of the Christmas season in 1855, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 5, Fort Nisqually Living History Museum, 5400 N. Pearl St. Tacoma; \$3-\$6 (253-591-5339 or www.fortnisqually.org)

Merrysville for the Holidays DEC. 5 Electric lights parade, water-tower lighting, outdoor holiday concert, visit from Santa, 7 p.m. Dec. 5, Comeford Park, State Avenue and Fifth Street, Marysville (www.ci.maryville.

Enumclaw Christmas Parade & Holiday Celebration DEC. 5 Family friendly activities, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Dec. 5; parade, 2 p.m., downtown Enumclaw (253-740-9639 or www.mriba.org).

Gig Harbor Tree Lighting DEC. 5 Caroling, Santa lights the 40-foot evergreen, 5 p.m. Dec. 5, Skansie Brothers Park, 3207 Harborview Drive, Gig Harbor (www.gigharborguide.com).

Winter Festival and Crafts Fair

DEC. 5, 6 Crafts from more than 100 vendors, entertainment on two stages, bake sale, lunch available, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 5-6, Phinney Neighborhood Center, 6532 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle; a dmission \$4 and can of food; ages 12 and younger free (206-783-2244 or www.phinneycenter.org).

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eattle's iconic landmark will illuminate 1,200 lights on its rooftop Christmas tree, located 560 feet above the ground, at dusk on Friday. New this year, a tree featuring LED lights will be placed in the center of the Howard S. Wright Memorial Fountain at the base of the Needle. It was designed by Blachere Illumination of France. Joyeux Noël!

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Winter Wonderland Hayrides DEC. 5-19 Haywagon ride around the park with views of the old growth forest and Lake Washington, learn about the legends and lore of local plants and animals in winter with Audubon naturalist, 10 and 11 a.m., 1, 2 and 3 p.m. Dec. 5, 12, 19, Seward Park Environmental & Audubon Center, 5902 Lake Washington Blvd. S., Seattle; \$5 (206-652-2444 or sewardpark.

audubon.org).

Santa Claus train

DEC. 5-19 Ride in vintage train with Santa visit, Christmas singalong, coffee-shop diner, 9:30 a.m., noon and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 5, 12, 19, Lake Whatcom Railway, State Highway 9, Wickersham; \$9-\$18, tickets must be ordered in advance by mail (360-595-2218 or *lakewhatcomrailway.com*).

Fremont Christmas Sing DEC. 6 Carol and holiday music sing, dessert, 6 p.m., Fremont Baptist Church, 717 N. 36th St., Seattle; free (206-632-7994 or fremontbaptistchurch.org).

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DEC. 6 Christmas music, traditional St. Lucia Procession, candlelight reception, 4 p.m., First Covenant Church, 400 E. Pike St., Seattle; free (206-322-7411 or www.seattle firstcovenant.org/).

Santa Brunch, Newcastle DEC. 6 Meet Santa and his live Reindeer, cookie decorating, holiday crafts, 10 a.m., Golf Club at Newcastle, 15500 Six Penny Lane, Newcastle; \$14.95-\$34.95, by reservation (425-793-5566).

Issaquah Highlands Christmas Festival

DEC. 6 Music, living nativity, horsedrawn wagon rides, kids' crafts, visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus, proceeds benefit World Vision, 4-7 p.m., Issaquah Highlands Blakely Hall, 2550 N.E. Park Drive, Issaquah (www.ihwebsite.com).

Sea Gals Pictures with Santa DEC. 11 Santa pictures with the Seattle Seahawks' Sea Gals, 5:30 p.m., Hotel 1000, 1000 First Ave., Seattle (www.hotel1000 seattle.com). Seas 'N Greetings on the Thea Foss DEC. 11 Holiday Boat Decorating Contest, judging at 4:30 p.m., see lighted boats from Foss Harbor Marina down to Dock St. Marina, Delin Docks Marina and Foss Landing; awards and entertainment, 7-9 p.m., Foss Harbor Marina, 821 Dock St. Tacoma (253-272-4404 or 1900).

www.fossharbormarina.com).

Wright Spirit Celebration
DEC. 12 Celebrate the Wright brothers' first flight and the spirit of the season; Santa arrives by helicopter, visits from Santa and Mrs.
Claus, family activities, music,
10 a.m.-2 p.m., Museum
of Flight, 9404 E. Marginal
Way S., Seattle; \$7.50-\$14
(206-764-5720 or www.
museumofflight.org).

MOHAI Holiday Tea
DEC. 12 Vintage fashion show,

music, treats, 2 p.m., Museum of History & Industry, 2700 24th Ave. E., Seattle; \$25-\$35 (800-838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com).

Green Lake
Pathway of Lights
DEC. 12 Walk around the lake on luminaria-lined path, holiday music at Community Center, Aqua Theatre and Seattle Public Theatre, 5:30 p.m., Green Lake Community Center, 7201 E. Green Lake Drive N., Seattle (206-684-0780 or

www.seattle.gov/parks).

Santa's Lights Tour

DEC. 12 Three-hour tour of
Seattle's best Christmas lights on
Metro Employees Historic Vehicle
Association restored, historic trolley and motorbuses, 7 p.m., from
Second Avenue South and South
Main Street, Seattle; \$5, ages 5
and younger free; no Metro or
Orca passes, transfers or tickets
accepted (206-684-1816 or

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Hanukkah celebration, Bellevue

DEC. 12 Music, singalongs, menorah lighting ceremony, 7:30-10 p.m., Crossroads Bellevue, N.E. Eighth and 156th Ave. N.E. in Bellevue (425-644-1111or www.crossroadsbellevue.com)

Breakfast with Santa, Shoreline

DEC. 12 Breakfast, visit with Santa, holiday stories and songs with Cowboy Buck, seatings at 9 and 10:45 a.m., Shoreline Conference Center, 18560 First Ave. N.E., Shoreline; \$5-\$7 (206-801-2600 or www.shorelinewa.gov/parks).

Breakfast with Santa, Mountlake Terrace DEC. 12 Pancakes, eggs, sausage breakfast, entertainment, holiday photos with or without Santa; proceeds benefit school music program; 8 a.m.-noon, Mountlake Terrace High School, 21801 44th Ave. W., Mountlake Terrace; \$6/adults, \$4/students, seniors; photos \$6-\$8 (425-775-7013 or www.mthsbands.org). Breakfast with Santa, Renton DEC. 12 Breakfast and Santa visits for ages 2-12, parents and grand-parents, seatings at 9 a.m. and noon, Renton Senior Activity Center, 211 Burnett Ave., Renton; \$8, reservations required, space limited (425-430-6633).

Drive-thru Christmas Story DEC. 12 Nativity Story with live scenes of angels, shepherds, animals, Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus, 6-8:30 p.m., Normandy Christian Church, 908 S. 200th St., Seattle; free (206-878-4740 or www.normandychristian.org).

Christmas Rush Fun Run and Walk

DEC. 12 10K run and 5K run/walk, 9:50 a.m., Riverbend Golf Complex, 2019 W. Meeker St., Kent; \$10-\$25 (253-856-5050 or www.ci.kent.wa.us).

Cookies With Mrs. Claus DEC. 12 Free cookies for children with Mrs. Claus, noon-3 p.m., holiday train rides 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Country Village, 23732 Bothell-Everett Highway, Bothell (425-483-2250 or

www.countryvillage both ell.com).

Don't be a Grinch DEC. 12, 13 Family photos with the Grinch in a Whoville setting, Grinch-themed food and drinks, proceeds donated to Food Lifeline, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Pan Pacific Seattle, 2125 Terry Ave., Seattle; \$5/photo (206-654-5039).

Port Gamble Country Christmas

DEC. 12, 13 Country Christmas activities in an 1850s mill town, horse-drawn wagon rides, carolers, visit from Santa, 10 a.m., Port Gamble (360-297-8074 or www.portgamble.com).

Candy Cane Lane
DEC. 12-JAN. 2 Neighborhood
light display, 4 p.m.-midnight
daily through Jan. 2, Northeast
Park Road, off Ravenna
Boulevard, Seattle; donations
for Food Lifeline accepted.

Seattle Jingle Bell Run & Walk

DEC. 13 5K run and walk, holiday costumes encouraged, benefits the Arthritis Foundation, 6:45 a.m., Westlake Center, Seattle; \$10-\$25 (206-547-2707 or www.seattlejinglebellrun.org).

Seattle's Traditional Santa Breakfasts

DEC. 13-20 Breakfast with traditional holiday entertainment and Santa; proceeds benefit juvenile arthritis programs of the Arthritis Foundation; 9:30-11 a.m. Dec. 13, 19-20, Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers, 1400 Sixth Ave. Seattle; \$25-\$50, reservations required (206-547-1290 or www.arthritis.org/chapters/pacific-northwest/santabreakfasts.php).

Crafts, Cookies and Carols DEC. 13 Family-friendly crafts, snacks, holiday singalong aboard decorated ship, noon-4 p.m., Virginia V Steamer, 860 Terry Ave. N., Suite 223, Seattle; free, donations encouraged, no reservations needed (206-624-9119 or www.virginiav.org).

The Big Spin Hanukkah Party DEC. 13 Carnival with games, magic, music, arts and craft, food, proceeds benefit uncompensated care at Seattle Children's Hospital, noon-3 p.m., Museum of History & Industry, 2700 24th Ave. E., Seattle; \$18/person (www.thebigspin.org).

Menorah Lighting at University Village DEC. 14 Celebrate Hanukkah with klezmer music and dreidels for children, 6 p.m., University Village Mall, 25th Avenue Northeast and Northeast 45th Street, Seattle; free (206-523-0622 or uvillage.com).

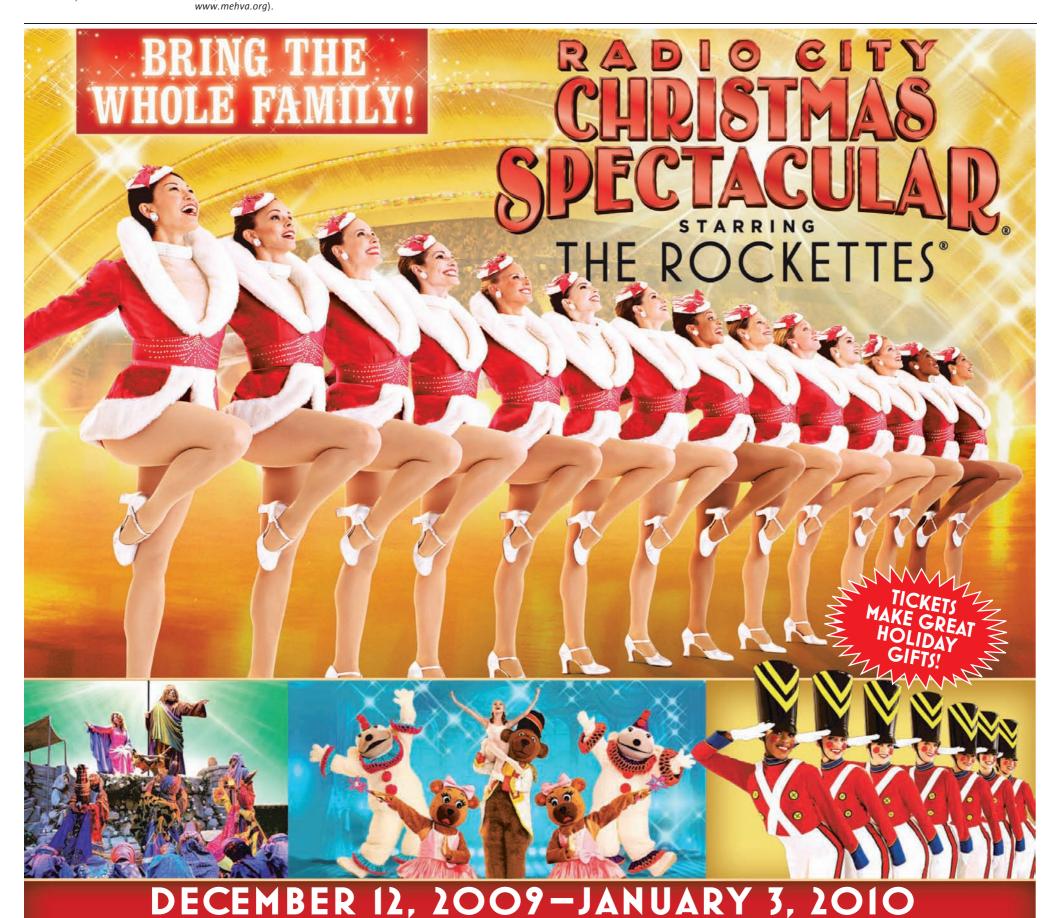
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'Twas the Night Before

Christmas
DEC. 23 Karolyn Grimes, the actress
who played Zuzu Bailey in the classic holiday movie "It's A Wonderful
Life," reads "'Twas The Night Before Christmas" with holiday cider
and cookies, 4-5 p.m., Salish Lodge
and Spa, 6501 Railroad Ave. S.E.,
on Highway 202, Snoqualmie; free,
no reservations required (800-272-

5474 or salishlodge.com).

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