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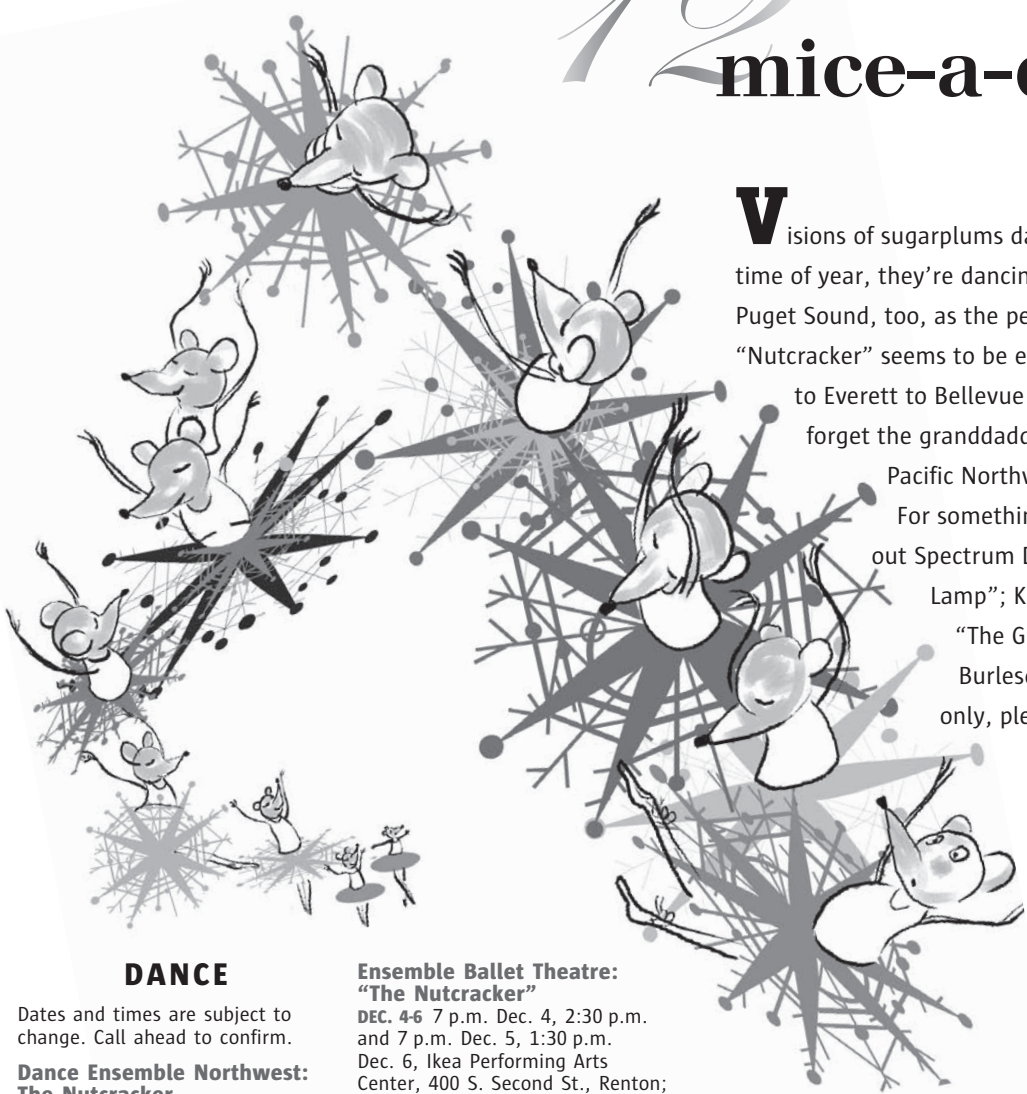
Holiday Entertainment
2009

The Seattle Times' annual guide to seasonal shows, concerts, performances, light displays, crafts, Christmas ships, family activities and more.

In the 1
month of
December,
my true love
gave
to me...



12 mice-a-dancing



Visions of sugarplums dancing in your head? This time of year, they're dancing on stages all around Puget Sound, too, as the perennially popular "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"; Kaleidoscope Dance Company's "The Gift of Dance"; and "The Burlesque Nutcracker" (adults only, please) at the Triple Door.

DANCE

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

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 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 www.brownpapertickets.com).

Peninsula Ballet Orchestra / Dance Theatre: "The Nutcracker"
 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 www.dancetheatrenorthwest.org).

Emerald Ballet Theatre: "The Nutcracker"
 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.emerald ballet.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.createdance.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.alderwooddancespectrum.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 (206-932-4067 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.thetripdoor.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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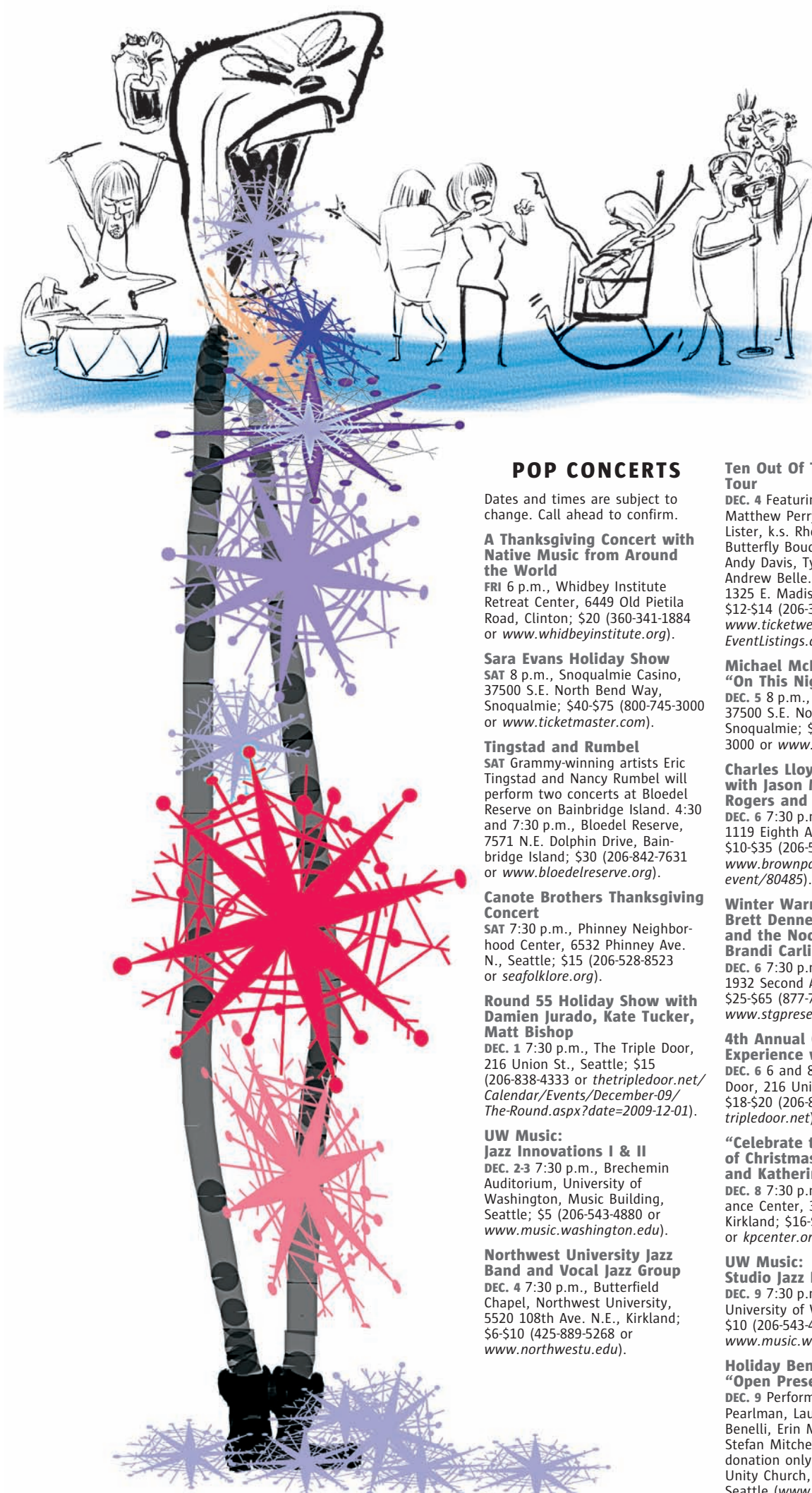
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Are you in the mood to rock around the Christmas tree? A huge assortment of concerts are on the way to put you in the spirit. There's the "Deck the Hall Ball" and the "Jingle Bell Bash," both at the WaMu Theater. For something a little more mellow, 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

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

A Thanksgiving Concert with Native Music from Around the World

FRI 6 p.m., Whidbey Institute Retreat Center, 6449 Old Pietila Road, Clinton; \$20 (360-341-1884 or www.whidbeyinstitute.org).

Sara Evans Holiday Show
SAT 8 p.m., Snoqualmie Casino, 37500 S.E. North Bend Way, Snoqualmie; \$40-\$75 (800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com).

Tingstad and Rumbel
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 or www.bloedelreserve.org).

Canote Brothers Thanksgiving Concert
SAT 7:30 p.m., Phinney Neighborhood Center, 6532 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle; \$15 (206-528-8523 or seafolklore.org).

Round 55 Holiday Show with Damien Jurado, Kate Tucker, Matt Bishop
DEC. 1 7:30 p.m., The Triple Door, 216 Union St., Seattle; \$15 (206-838-4333 or thetripdoor.net/Calendar/Events/December-09/The-Round.aspx?date=2009-12-01).

UW Music: Jazz Innovations I & II
DEC. 2-3 7:30 p.m., Brechmin Auditorium, University of Washington, Music Building, Seattle; \$5 (206-543-4880 or www.music.washington.edu).

Northwest University Jazz Band and Vocal Jazz Group
DEC. 4 7:30 p.m., Butterfield Chapel, Northwest University, 5520 108th Ave. N.E., Kirkland; \$6-\$10 (425-889-5268 or www.northwestu.edu).

Ten Out Of Tenn Christmas Tour

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/EventListings.action?orgId=17355).

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).

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 www.stgresents.org).

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).

"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 www.music.washington.edu).

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

"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 or www.ticketmaster.com).

Divalicious 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).

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

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).

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 Gary 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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Seattle'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!

← FESTIVALS FROM E7

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).

Julfest

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.seattlefirstcovenant.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, horse-drawn wagon rides, kids' crafts, visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus, proceeds benefit World Vision, 4-7 p.m., Issaquah Highlands Blakey 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 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 www.mehva.org).

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 (425-644-1111 or 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 grandparents, 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.countryvillagebothell.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/santa-breakfasts.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.virginia.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).

'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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