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DECEMBER 2000

Friday 1
8:00 pm The humble Farmer
Robert Skoglund, host.
9:00 Friday Night Jazz
with Rich Tozier
Saxophonist Sonny Criss’ Imperial Records sessions are featured. These dates include some of the alto player’s work with guitarist Barney Kessel and pianist Sonny Clark.
10:00 Somethin’ Else
Bob Marggraf, host.
11:00 Prime Cuts
Best of Newly Released Jazz, Part 1 of 2. Ken Eisen, host.
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise
Bob Caswell, host.

Saturday 2
6:00 pm A Prairie Home Companion
Live from New York City with guest Ramblin’ Jack Elliott.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
“The Water is Wide” The Appalachian/Celtic musical connection with Scots ballad singer Jack Beck.

Sunday 3
7:00 pm Selected Shorts
“He” by Katherine Anne Porter, read by Mary Beth Hurt; “Little Dog” by Langston Hughes, read by Barbara Feldon.
8:00 Saint Paul Sunday
Los Angeles Guitar Quartet plays works by Bill Kanengiser, Andrew York, Peter Maxwell Davies and J.S. Bach.
9:00 With Heart and Voice
10:00 Down Memory Lane
Toby LeBouthillier, host.

Monday 4
8:00 pm Classical Music

Tuesday 5
11:00 am-noon Live at 11!
Four Shilllings Short, a duo performing on hammered dulcimer, banjo, sitar and other instruments play Celtic works, American traditional music, and music of India.
8:00 pm Saint Louis Symphony

Wednesday 6
8:00 pm Chicago Symphony Orchestra
Placido Domingo, conductor; Rachel Barton, violin. NICOLA: The Merry Wives of Windsor Overture; MENDELSSOHN: Violin Concerto in E minor, BEETHOVEN: Symphony No. 7.

Friday 8
8:00 pm The humble Farmer
9:00 Friday Night Jazz – Live!
with Rich Tozier
The Terry White Big Band performs in the Bangor studio. To attend, please reserve a seat by contacting host Rich Tozier at rtozier@mpbc.org or 990-3931, ext. 3095.
10:30 Somethin’ Else
11:00 Prime Cuts
Best of Newly Released Jazz, Part 2 of 2. Ken Eisen, host.
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise

Saturday 9
6:00 pm A Prairie Home Companion
Live from New York City, guests to be announced.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
Rab Wallace, one of Scotland’s leading professional solo bagpipers, visits.

Sunday 10
7:00 pm Selected Shorts
“Infinite Passion of Expectation” by Gina Berriault, read by Cherry Jones; “And Never Come Up” by John Biguenet, read by Jack Davidson.
8:00 Saint Paul Sunday
Helene Grimaud, piano. BACH/BUSONI: Chaconne in D minor from Partita No. 2; BRAHMS: Sonata No. 2.
9:00 With Heart and Voice
“Advent” Part 2.
10:00 Down Memory Lane

Monday 11
8:00 pm Classical Music

Tuesday 12
11:00 am-noon Live at 11!
Impromptu, the Bangor based a cappella vocal group, sings holiday music.
8:00 pm Saint Louis Symphony

Wednesday 13
8:00 pm Chicago Symphony Orchestra
CSO Retrospective

Thursday 14
11:00 am-noon Live at 11!
Seasonal music from the Manchester Brass.
8:00-11 pm Handel’s Messiah

Friday 15
11:00 am-noon Schickele Mix
“Keeping Christmas”
8:00 pm The humble Farmer
9:00 Friday Night Jazz
with Rich Tozier
Vocalist-pianist Bob Dorough’s remarkable “Devil May Care” 1956 date for Bethlehem is heard.
10:00 Somethin’ Else
11:00 Prime Cuts
“Sonny Simmons” West Coast iconoclast Simmons has pioneered his uncompromising vision of alto sax through four decades on the jazz scene. Ken Eisen, host.
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise

Saturday 16
6:00 pm A Prairie Home Companion
Live from NYC with guests Ricky Skaggs and Kentucky Thunder, and a tribute to Beethoven’s Birthday with classical pianist, Garrick Ohlsson.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
“The Clarsach” The small harp, or clarsach, is Scotland’s oldest instrument, predating the bagpipes by six centuries. Music is by Savourna Stevenson, William Jackson and Robin Huw Bowen.

Sunday 17
7:00 pm Selected Shorts
“The Things They Carried” by Tim O’Brien, read by Dylan Baker.
8:00 Saint Paul Sunday
Amsterdam Loeki Stardust Quartet plays works that include Palestrina’s “Ricercar del secondo tocco”; Pachelbel’s Canon; Vivaldi/Bach’s Concerto in D minor; and Bach’s Prelude in C minor.
9:00 With Heart and Voice
“Nativity”
10:00 Down Memory Lane

Monday 18
8:00 pm Portland (Maine) Symphony Orchestra’s “Magic of Christmas”

Tuesday 19
11:00 am-noon A Taste of Chanukah
The Chanukah story is told by Theodore
Bikel, cantor Morton Shames and humorist Chasia Segal.

8:00 pm St. Olaf College Christmas Festival Concert
"He Comes To Us" More than 500 musicians from St. Olaf College present a concert of sacred music.

10:00 Do You Hear What I Hear? A Holiday Folk Tour
Folk singer Judy Collins introduces Christmas and Chanukah music by folk artists.

Wednesday 20

11:00 am-noon The Chanukah Story
The Western Wind presents the powerful story of Chanukah, told in music.

8:00 pm Bach Christmas 2000
From Leipzig, Cleveland’s Apollo’s Fire, offers J.S. Bach’s Advent and Christmas music.

10:00 The Pleasures of Winter
Folk musicians Jay Ungar and Molly Mason, composer Peter Schickele and others welcome winter!

Thursday 21

11:00 am-noon The Golden Dreidel: A Klezmer “Nutchracker”
Ellen Kushner and the Shirim Klezmer Orchestra tell the story of a little girl who receives a magical golden dreidel in a new version of an old story.

7:00 pm Chanukah Lights (Part 1)
Murray Horwitz and Susan Stamberg read stories that capture the spirit of the Jewish holiday.

8:00 Paul Winter Solstice 2000
From the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in NYC, guests are The Earth Band and Anatolian percussionist and vocalist Arto Tuncboyaciyan.

10:00 The Christmas Revels: Solstice
The Revels use dances, processions, children’s games, drama and traditional music from many cultures to celebrate the winter holidays.

Friday 22

11:00 am-noon Schickele Mix
“Santa’s Mixed Bag”

1:00-2 pm Chanukah Lights (Part 2)

8:00 The humble Farmer
9:00 Friday Night Jazz with Rich Tozier
“Jazz for the Season”

10:00 Joy to the World
Holiday jazz is provided by jazz pianist Bob Thompson and vocalist Dominique Eade in “Sleigh Ride,” “Let it Snow” and “I’ve Got My Love to Keep Me Warm.”

11:00 Jazz Piano Christmas
12:00 Jazz Piano Christmas
The late, great Joe Williams hosts this unforgettable encore from 1998 with holiday tunes by David Benoit, Brad Mehldau, Freddy Cole, Diana Krall, Kenny, Drew Jr. and Cuchu Valdes.

Saturday 23

1:00-3 pm American Routes
“Holiday Program”

6:00 A Prairie Home Companion
A holiday special, live from Town Hall in NYC with guests Vince Giordano and The Nighthawks.

8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
“Christmas Ceilidh” Festive Celtic music and storytelling.

9:00 World Café
“Holiday Program”

11:00 Sonic Seasonings
“Echoes” welcomes a soothing winter soundscape with guitarist Al DiMeola and synthesizer Jonn Serrie.

Sunday 24

10:00 am A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
The world famous Christmas Eve services air live from King’s College in Cambridge, England.

12:00 noon A Prairie Home Companion
A holiday special with guests Vince Giordano and The Nightawks.

2:00-4 pm A Toss the Feathers Christmas
It’s a Celtic Christmas with music, stories, poetry and song with Loreena McKennitt, guitarist Richard Thompson, Celtic harpist Kim Robertson, Irish group Lunasa, singer Maddy Prior and others.

7:00 Readings for the Season
Christine Siewert reads “How Donkeys Got the Spirit of Contradiction” by Andre Trocmé, a story about saving children; In “Christmas Every Day” by William Dean Howells, a wise Papa tells his daughter a story with a lesson.

8:00 Christmas at the St. Johns Choirs are from St. John’s Episcopal and St. John’s Catholic Churches in Bangor, the Bangor High School Chamber Choir, and the Jubilation Ringers of Hampden Highlands United Methodist Church.

9:00 Christmas with the Philadelphia Singers
“Bethlehem Down,” “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming,” “The Sussex Carol,” “Wassail Song,” “Sing, Sing” and more are sung.

10:00 Echoes of Christmas
The Dale Warland Singers share an intimate, solemn celebration of Advent.

11:00 Star of Wonder
The Concordia College Christmas concert features “Lullaby on Christmas Eve,” “We Three Kings,” “Cold December Flies Away,” “I Wonder As I Wander” and others.

Monday 25

8:00 am A New York Pops Christmas
Harlem’s Abyssinian Baptist Church Choir presents familiar holiday favorites: “Sister Mary Had But One Child,” “Go Tell It on the Mountain,” “Mary Had a Baby” and “Behold the Star.”

10:00 A Chanticleer Christmas
The ensemble Chanticleer performs Renaissance Christmas hymns and arrangements of holiday classics.

11:00 Legends of St. Nicholas with Anonymous 4
Medieval celebrations are brought to life by the angelic voices of female vocal ensemble Anonymous 4.

12 noon Jonathan Winters’ A Christmas Carol
The annual Dickens’s classic.

Thursday 28

8:00 pm Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra
Mariss Jansons, conductor; Thomas Hampson, baritone. HAYDN: Symphony No. 101, “The Clock”; MAHLER/BERIO: Six Early Songs; VON WEBER: Overture to Oberon; HERSCH: “Ashes of Memory”; COPLAND: Old American Songs.

Friday 29

8:00 pm The humble Farmer
9:00 Friday Night Jazz with Rich Tozier
In December...

The Golden Dreidl:
A Klezmer "Nutcracker"
~ December 21 at 11 am ~

Klezmer meets Tchaikovsky in a fun new adaptation of the opera The Nutcracker. Ellen Kushner (photo) narrates while the Shirim Klezmer Orchestra provides a new arrangement of the familiar music. When a mysterious party guest gives a little girl a golden dreidl, a traditional Chanukah toy, she is transported into a magical world of fools, sorcerers and sages.

Christmas at the St. Johns
~ December 24 at 8 pm ~

New Hour of Festive Music in the rich Catholic and Anglican traditions airs on Maine Public Radio Christmas Eve. Featured are choirs from St. John's Episcopal and St. John's Catholic Churches in Bangor, the Bangor High School Chamber Choir, and the Jubilation Ringers of Hampden Highlands United Methodist Church. The music for this program was recorded at St. John's Catholic and St. John's Episcopal Churches during the year 2000. The choirs are directed by: St. John's Episcopal—Dr. Fred Jones; St. John's Catholic—Dr. Kevin Birch; Bangor High School—George Redman; and the Jubilation Ringers—Jackie Frisk. This program was produced by Maine Public Radio's Barry Darling.

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**Sunday 30**

6:00 pm  A Prairie Home Companion
From January 1999, guests are Leo Kottke, Butch Thompson, and blues singer Sandra Reaves-Phillips.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock "Winterfest"

**Saturday 30**

12:00 Blues Before Sunrise

**Sunday 31**

7:00 pm  Capitol Steps: New Year's Edition
8:00 TBA
10:00 New Year's Eve Jazz Coast-To-Coast
Four hours of great sounds.

**Monday, January 1, 2001**

11:00 am  New Year's Day From Vienna
Music by the Strauss family!
1:00 pm  Capitol Steps: New Year's Edition

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