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Airplay
The Democratic Process

November 2, 1999 will go down as a most important day in Maine Public Broadcasting’s history. In my role as spokesperson for MPBC during the digital conversion referendum this fall, I gained a few insights about elections, voters, and this organization that I want to share with you:

- Public radio and TV are very large parts of people’s lives. You and other listeners care about what you watch and hear. You do not want too much repetition; you do want to be given reliable information. When you have questions, you want them answered completely and directly — on the air, in print, and on the phone. We heard from a lot of you, and most wanted more information.

- During “off year” elections — as contrasted with U.S. Presidential election years — the election season in Maine is very short. People pay attention for only about six weeks. That is too short a time for discussion of complex matters such as digital technology and the future of public broadcasting.

- TV commercials are essential to gaining broad public awareness of a referendum question, but public broadcasting programs and newspapers are just as important because they provide opportunities for voters to understand an issue in greater depth.

- Maine voters are careful with public monies. Before spending, they wanted to know what this digital conversion meant. While we began with only 29% support for the bond, we built to 65% by Election Day because we took the time to explain why it was an important investment.

- Voter turnout matters. Having 45% of voters involved, rather than the 33% that was expected, makes the people’s endorsement of public broadcasting a more powerful statement.

- Most reporters work hard to understand the issues. I must have explained and answered questions about digital broadcasting for reporters at least 40 times, each time averaging about an hour. When their columns emerged in print, 90% of what they learned had served only as background — it was not included in the article. Most of them presented the story accurately, and all were intensely interested in the issue.

- Statewide referendum votes are major events which reinforce the wisdom of our democratic institutions: free speech, universal suffrage, open debates, and public participation. The democratic process can be arduous, but it works better than any alternative.

The vote on Question 5 was a tremendous endorsement of the value of public broadcasting in Maine. It will allow us to succeed with the private capital fundraising plans that we are working on, and it will assure that our program and technical quality will be maintained and grow in the decades ahead. Thank you for making that happen.

Sincerely,
President

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We at Maine Public Radio are pleased to share with you this holiday season an abundance of specials for the whole family. There are short stories, choral works, traditional carols, medieval songs, drama and a meditation on the new Millennium. There are Chanukah specials, programs featuring choirs in Portland and Bangor, the live Christmas Eve service from Cambridge, England, solstice and New Year’s celebrations. There’s humor, poignant memories, and lots of beautiful music. Enjoy!

All year long, we are grateful for the support of our members, for your contributions, comments and suggestions.

Thank You and Happy Holidays!

Charles
Director of Radio Services
Share the Magic of the Holidays!
On Maine Public Radio

December 5
7 pm: Mickey Katz - In a Chanukah special, actor Joel Grey pays tribute to his father, the king of Jewish musical satire, Mickey Katz.

8 pm: Chanukah Lights '99 - Murray Horwitz and Susan Stamberg read stories that capture the spirit and legacy of the Jewish holiday of Chanukah.

December 6
11 am: The Chanukah Story - The Western Wind vocal ensemble returns in a new version of this holiday classic.

December 7
11 am: Live at 11! - The Renaissance Voices, a vocal ensemble from southern Maine, perform holiday music both ancient and contemporary.

December 8

December 19
9 pm: 1999 St. Olaf Christmas Festival Concert - "Immanuel: Our Hope Forevermore" More than 500 musicians present a concert of sacred music for the season.

December 20
8 pm: Maine Stage "Magic of Christmas" with the Portland Symphony Orchestra.

10 pm: Ornaments and Icing: Songs and Stories of Christmas - Folk artists perform new versions of traditional and contemporary songs and share personal stories.

December 21
11 am: Live at 11! - The Manchester Brass, a Maine based group, performs Christmas music arranged for brass quintet.

December 22
11 am: Rejoice Greatly! - Concerto Koln and soloist Christine Schafer perform seldom-heard Christmas works at the Church of St. Mary's Assumption in Cologne, Germany.

8 pm: Paul Winter Solstice - Guests are Grateful Dead percussionist Mickey Hart; percussionist and vocalist Arto Tuncboyaciyan. Soprano saxophonist Winter's new work, "Solstice Tree" is featured.

10 pm: The Christmas Revels: A Celebration of the Winter Solstice - The Revels revive the old mid-winter cele-

December 23
11 am: Carols for Christmas - Songs performed by the Tavener Consort and Choir, the Rose Consort of Viols and the Red Byrd ensemble are mixed with Biblical readings that trace the story of Christ.

7 pm: Christine Sweet Reads - "The Snow is Too Deep" by Oliver LaFarge. Will Santa Claus be able to make it through the deep drifts? "Season Within a Season" by Ben Logan. Christmas excitement ends abruptly when a boy falls ill.

8 pm: Handel's Messiah - Performed by Apollo's Fire, the acclaimed baroque orchestra and chorus.

11 pm: Sweet Was the Virgin's Song - Old World carols are performed by Apollo's Fire.

December 24
10 pm: A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols - Christmas Eve services air live from King’s College in Cambridge, England.

1 pm: A Change of Season "Stories of Holiday Traditions, Memories and Meaning" - Documentary vignettes reflect on the search for common
threads in several uncommon stories about the winter holidays.

7 pm: Jacob Marley’s Christmas Carol - Scrooge’s ordeals is told from the point of view of the true star of the story: Marley’s Ghost!

8 pm: Maine Concert Series “A Maine Gospel Holiday” - Recorded at the State Street Church in Portland, performances are by the Maine Mass Choir and the Morningside Baptist Church Choir.

9 pm: Christmas at the St. Johns - The choirs of Bangor’s St. John’s Catholic and St. John’s Episcopal Churches and the Bangor High School Choir perform choral music.

10 pm: Concordia College Christmas Concert - From Minnesota, the 350-voice choir, hand bell choir and full symphony orchestra perform sacred, classical, choral and orchestral hymns.

11 pm: Christmas with the Philadelphia Singers

12 am: Legends of St. Nicholas - The medieval celebrations for St. Nicholas are brought to life by the female vocal ensemble Anonymous 4.

December 25

10 am: Ornaments and Icing: Songs and Stories of Christmas

11 am: Home for the Holidays - The Eaken Piano Trio plays sacred and secular music. Holiday essays are written and read by prominent Americans, including First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

12 noon: Jonathan Winters’ A Christmas Carol

1 pm: The Voice in the Wilderness - In an original radio drama, the events surrounding the birth of Jesus are told in the style of a public radio news magazine.

11 pm: Sonic Seasonings - Pianist Liz Story, bassist Joel DiBartolo, synthesizer David Arkenstone, and the Angels of Venice offer ethereal holiday melodies and medieval hymns.

December 27

11 am: Live at 11! - Pianist Glenn Jenks, well known in Maine for his ragtime playing plays selections from his recent CD of Cuban piano music.

December 31

1 pm: Memos to a New Millennium - Norman Corwin presents a new work for the Millennium, a “meditation” for radio. Walter Cronkite narrates.

7 pm: Capitol Steps’ New Year’s Edition

8 pm-6 am: NPR Jazz New Year’s Eve - Enjoy this all-night event featuring live music from around the world!

January 1, 2000

10 am: Maine Public Radio Y2K Call-in.

Christmas at the St. Johns

December 24 at 9 pm

In a program produced for Maine Public Radio, the choirs of St. John’s Catholic and St. John’s Episcopal Churches, Bangor, perform choral music in the rich Catholic and Anglican traditions. The Bangor High School Chamber Choir, under the direction of George Redman, joins them in the program that also debuts a work by Maine composer Richard Brown.

St. John’s Catholic Church adult Parish Choir is the church’s primary liturgical choir. The Youth Choir is comprised of children from grades second to eight, while the Chamber Choir is a small vocal ensemble dedicated mostly to a cappella music. St. John’s is also the home of the historic E. & G.G. Hook Organ built in 1860. The choirs are under the direction of Dr. Kevin Birch, music director and organist.

St. John’s Episcopal Church’s mixed choir of adults and children has had several tours of the British Isles. The group has been asked to serve as a summer replacement choir at St. Paul’s Cathedral, London, in August 2001. Dr. Fred Jones is the choirmaster and organist.
Annual Fall Preview Party

Once again the Annual Fall Preview Party was held in our Bangor studio in September — despite hurricane-like weather! Guests warmly welcomed speaker Mazie Hough from the University of Maine who spoke on the women’s suffrage movement in Maine. The gathering celebrated the 20th Anniversary of Morning Edition on Maine Public Radio and saw highlights of Ken Burns’ Not For Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. Additionally, they caught a preview of PBS’s Fall programs. A good time was had by all. Thank you to all our guests who made this evening truly enjoyable.

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- Claim the full market value of the security as an income-tax deduction.
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5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music

St. Olaf Christmas
December 19 at 9 pm

12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer's Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Chicago Symphony Orchestra
Daniel Barenboim, conductor; Yefim Bronfman, piano soloist. BARTOK: Piano Concerto No. 1; MAHLER: Symphony No. 1, "Titan."
10:00 In Tune By Ten
Micah Engber, host.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

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6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Pittsburgh Symphony
Mariss Jansons, conductor; Han-Na Chang, cello. HAYDN: Symphony No. 95; SAINT-SAENS: Cello Concerto No. 1; SIBELIUS: Symphony No. 1.
10:00 In Tune By Ten
Dave Warren, host.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Friday 3**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Performance Today
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Speaking in Maine
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Down Memory Lane
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 The humble Farmer
Robert Skoglund, host.
8:00 Jazz From Lincoln Center
“Marcus Roberts Trio” With bassist Roland Guerin and drummer Jason Marsalis, pianist Roberts burns through Scott Joplin’s “The Entertainer,” Ellington’s “Take the Coltrane,” and others.
9:00 Friday Night Jazz with Rich Tozier
“The Basie Bunch” A group of Count Basie sidemen are heard in some Vanguard sessions produced by John Hammond in the mid-1950s: trumpeter Buck Clayton, drummer Jo Jones, trombonist Benny Green and, in a cameo, Basie himself.
10:00 Somethin’ Else
Bob Margraf, host.
11:00 Prime Cuts
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise
A showcase of gospel music with a special emphasis on blues singers who performed gospel. Bob Caswell, host.

1:00 Music Through the Night

**Saturday 4**

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music with Helen York
8:00 Weekend Edition / Scott Simon
10:00 Car Talk
11:00 Whad’Ya Know
12:00 Living on Earth
1:00 My Word
1:30 Metropolitan Opera Season Preview.
5:00 All Things Considered

**Sunday 5**

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music with Victor Hathaway
9:00 Weekend Edition/Liane Hansen
11:00 Schickele Mix
“Five Finger Exercises”
12:00 A Prairie Home Companion

**Monday 6**

6:00 A Prairie Home Companion
Live from NYC, with Broadway star Faith Prince.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
Celtic performers sing blues, swing Cajun, and strum old time music, with Maura O’Connell, Sharon Shannon, Eileen Ivers, and Davy Spillane.
9:00 TBA
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music From the Hearts of Space
1:00 Music Through the Night

**Tuesday 7**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Live at 11!
The Renaissance Voices from southern Maine perform holiday music both ancient and contemporary.
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
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6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 The humble Farmer
Robert Skoglund, host.
8:00 Jazz From Lincoln Center
9:00 Friday Night Jazz – Live!
with Rich Tozier
Saxophonist Bruce Boege brings his group into the Bangor Studio. To attend, please contact host Rich Tozier at rozier@mpbc.org or 990-3931, ext. 3095#.
10:30 Somethin' Else
Bob Marggraf, host.
11:00 Prime Cuts
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise
1:00 Music Through the Night

**Wednesday 8**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 A Taste of Chanukah
Over 150 musicians from the New England Conservatory and the Boston Community Choir celebrate the holiday.
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Saint Louis Symphony
Libor Peck, conductor; Truls Mork, cello. SMETANA: Ma Vlast, Selections; DVORAK: Cello Concerto.
10:00 In Tune By Ten
Sara Willis, host.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Thursday 9**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Pittsburgh Symphony
Andres Cardenas, conductor and violin. • MOZART: Serenade No. 7, "Haffner"; Adagio for Violin & Orchestra; Rondo for Violin & Orchestra; VIVALDI: The Four Seasons.
10:00 In Tune By Ten
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Friday 10**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Performance Today
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Speaking in Maine
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Down Memory Lane
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11:00 Prime Cuts
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise
1:00 Music Through the Night

**Saturday 11**

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
with Helen York
8:00 Weekend Edition / Scott Simon
10:00 Car Talk.
11:00 Whad'Ya Know
12:00 Living on Earth
12:30 Metropolitan Opera
DONIZETTI: Lucia di Lammermoor.
Ruth Ann Swenson as Lucia; Ramon Vargas as Edgardo.
5:00 All Things Considered
6:00 A Prairie Home Companion
Live from NYC, with Robin and Linda Williams and Their Fine Group and Cape Breton fiddler and step dancer, Natalie MacMaster.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
"Winterfest" Tunes inspired by winter weather.
9:00 TBA
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music From the Hearts of Space
1:00 Music Through the Night

**Sunday 12**

6:00 The Writer's Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
   with Victor Hathaway
9:00 Weekend Edition/Liane Hansen
11:00 Schickele Mix
   "Gin & Pentatonic"
12:00 A Prairie Home Companion
2:00 World Cafe
4:00 Car Talk
5:00 All Things Considered
6:00 This American Life
7:00 Selected Shorts
   "The Man Who Was the God of Love"
   by Ruth Rendell, read by Cynthia Harris;
   "The Green Hills of Earth"
   by Robert Heinlein, read by Kathleen Chalfant.
8:00 Saint Paul Sunday
   Orion String Quartet. DVORAK: Quartet in F Major, "American";
   TANIEV: Quartet No. 1, Intermezzo; Andantino;
   MARCIALIS: "At the Octroon Balls-V, Hellbound Highball."
9:00 With Heart and Voice
   "Advent"
10:00 Pipedreams
   Christmas themes from Europe and the U.S.
11:30 Classical Music
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Monday 13**

5:00 World Update
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   with Dave Bunker
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6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Maine Stage
   Ed Morin, host.
10:00 In Tune By Ten
11:00 Echoes

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6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Saint Louis Symphony
   Zdenek Macal, conductor; David Golub, piano.
   DANIELPOUR: Toward the Splendid City;
   DVORAK: Piano Concerto;
   TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 6, "Pathetique."
10:00 In Tune By Ten
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Wednesday 15**

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6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Chicago Symphony Orchestra
   Recordings conducted by Fritz Reiner
10:00 In Tune By Ten
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

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11:00 Echoes

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7:00 The humble Farmer
   Robert Skoglund, host.
8:00 Jazz From Lincoln Center
   "Tommy Flanagan, Solo Piano"
   Flanagan applies his elegant, understated bebop touch to music written
   by Ellington and Billy Strayhorn, including "Chelsea Bridge" and "Sunset
   and the Mockingbird."
9:00 Friday Night Jazz
   with Rich Tozier
   Pianist Bill Evans is featured in a 1962 date, with trumpeter Freddie
   Hubbard, guitarist Jim Hall, bassist Percy Heath and drummer Philly Joe
   Jones.
10:00 Somethin' Else
   Bob Marggraf, host.
11:00 Prime Cuts
   "Sonny Criss" The under appreciated Los Angeles-based alto saxophonist
   is profiled, with special emphasis on Criss' versions of compositions by fel-
   low Angelino Horace Tapscott. Ken Eisen, host.
12:00 Blues Before Sunrise
   "Santa Claus Is back in Town" Part 2
   of Christmas blues. Bob Caswell, host.
1:00 Music Through the Night
"We must build a new world, a far better world – one in which the eternal dignity of man is respected."
— Harry S. Truman, 1945

Saturday 18

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
with Helen York
8:00 Weekend Edition/Scott Simon
10:00 Car Talk
11:00 Whad’Ya Know
12:00 Living on Earth
12:30 Metropolitan Opera
WAGNER: Tristan und Isolde. Jane Eaglen as Isolde; Ben Heppner as Tristan.
5:30 All Things Considered
6:00 A Prairie Home Companion
Live from NYC, with classical violin artist Chee-Yun and Akira Eguchi.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
Scottish musicians Dave Francis and Mairi Campbell offer gentle vocals, fiddle and guitar in their duo The Cast.
Their music was recorded at the Celtic Connections Festival in the city of Glasgow, Scotland.
9:00 TBA
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music From the Hearts of Space
1:00 Music Through the Night

Sunday 19

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
with Victor Hathaway
9:00 Weekend Edition/Liane Hansen
11:00 Schickele’s Mix
“Santa’s Mixed Bag”
12:00 A Prairie Home Companion
From NYC, with classical violin artist Chee-Yun and Akira Eguchi.
2:00 World Cafe
4:00 Car Talk
5:00 All Things Considered
6:00 This American Life
7:00 Selected Shorts
“A Box of Rooks” by Tess Gallagher,

read by Mary Beth Hurt; “A Constellation of Events” by John Updike, read by Barbara Feldon.
8:00 Saint Paul Sunday Chanticleer performs Christmas works by Jan Sweelinck, John Taven-
er, Arvo Part, Franz Biebl, William Billings and others.
9:00 St. Olaf Christmas Festival Concert
“Immanuel: Our Hope Forevermore” Sacred songs are sung by more than 500 musicians, including the world-
famous Choir from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

Monday 20

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
with Dave Bunker
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
with Victor Hathaway
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Maine Stage
“Magic of Christmas” with the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Ed Morin, host.
10:00 Ornaments and Icing
“Songs and Stories of Christmas” Folk artists perform new versions of traditional and contemporary songs. Scheduled to appear are Tom Rush, John Gorka and Susan Werner.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

Tuesday 21

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Live at 11!
The Manchester Brass, a Maine based group, performs Christmas music arranged for brass quintet.
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Capitol Connection
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Bach’s Christmas Oratorio
Recorded live at the 1998 Bach Festival, the famed Bach Choir of Bethlehem and the Bach Festival Orchestra conducted by Greg Fun-
geld, present the choral masterpiece.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

Wednesday 22

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Rejoice Greatly!
Concerto Köln and soloist Christine Schafer perform a concert at the Church of St. Mary’s Assumption in Cologne, Germany.
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Paul Winter Solstice
Grateful Dead percussionist Mickey Hart; percussionist and vocalist Arto Tuncboyaciyan join pianist Paul Hal-ley, cellist Eugene Friesen and soprano saxophonist Paul Winter. Winter’s new work: “Solstice Tree.”
10:00 The Christmas Revels
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Thursday 23**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
11:00 Carols For Christmas
Readings and songs from around the British Isles are performed by the Tavener Consort, Choir & Players, the Rose Consort of Viols, and Red Byrd. Biblical readings trace the story of Christ.
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Readings for the Season with Christine Sweet
“The Snow is Too Deep” by Oliver LaFarge. A harsh winter has the children fearing that Santa Claus will not be able to make it through the deep drifts; “Season Within a Season” by Ben Logan. The author recalls his childhood on a Wisconsin farm and the one special Christmas when his brother fell ill.
8:00 Handel’s Messiah
Handel’s great work is performed by Apollo’s Fire and several soloists.
11:00 Sweet Was The Virgin’s Song

Baroque ensemble Apollo’s Fire and soprano Sandra Simon sing carols from the Old World.
12:00 Music Through the Night

**Friday 24**

5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
10:00 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
The live Christmas Eve service from King’s College in Cambridge, England.

**Christmas Carols and Simulcast**

Christine Sweet - Readings for the Season

December 23 at 7:00 pm

11:30 Classical Music
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 A Change of Season
“Stories of Holiday Traditions, Memories and Meaning” Documentary vignettes reflect on the search for common threads in several uncommon tales about the winter holidays. The stories examine those struggles that help us maintain a sense of meaning in our holiday traditions.
2:00 The Writer’s Almanac
2:05 Down Memory Lane
4:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Jacob Marley’s Christmas Carol
Actor Tom Mula performs his version of Scrooge’s ordeals, told from the point of view of the true star of the story: Marley’s Ghost! “Scrooge? I have to redeem old Scrooge? The one man I knew who was worse than

“Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow: The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.”
— Alfred, Lord Tennyson, 1850

8:00 Maine Concert Series
“A Maine Gospel Holiday” Recorded at the State Street Church in Portland, the program includes lively and dynamic gospel renditions of traditional holiday music and traditional gospel favorites. Simulcast with Maine PBS.
9:00 Christmas at the St. Johns
The choirs of St. John’s Catholic and St. John’s Episcopal Churches in Bangor perform works by Bach, Rachmaninoff, Rutter and others. Also featured is the broadcast debut of a work for flute and organ by Maine composer Richard Brown based on a French Renaissance carol.
10:00 Concordia College Christmas Concert
A 350-voice choir, hand bell choir and full symphony orchestra perform sacred, classical, choral and orchestral literature.
11:00 Christmas with the Philadelphia Singers
Music recorded at St. Clement’s Church in Philadelphia includes hymns and traditional carols by Gabrieli, Poulenc, Pinkham and Holst. Melinda Whiting, host.
12:00 Legends of St. Nicholas with Anonymous 4
The golden medieval celebrations for St. Nicholas are brought to life by Anonymous 4, the critically acclaimed female vocal ensemble.
1:00 Music Through the Night

**Saturday 25**

6:00 The Writer’s Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
with Helen York
8:00 Weekend Edition / Scott Simon
10:00 Ornaments and Icing
"Songs and Stories of Christmas"
11:00 Home for the Holidays
The Eaken Piano Trio perform holiday instrumental, and poignant holiday essays are read by prominent Americans, including Hillary Rodham Clinton, Neil Shulman and Newt Gingrich.
12:00 Jonathan Winters' A Christmas Carol
1:00 The Voice in the Wilderness
In the style of a radio news magazine, an original radio drama takes a new look at the events surrounding the birth of Jesus. It begins with King Herod's announcement of the Roman census.
1:30 Metropolitan Opera
Mozart: Le Nozze di Figaro. Barbara Bonney as Susanna; Ildebrando D'Arcangelo as Figaro.
5:20 All Things Considered
6:00 A Prairie Home Companion
Christmas Day live from NYC with hot swing band Vince Giordano and the Nighthawks.
8:00 The Thistle and Shamrock
Season's Greetings! Enjoy a warm blend of festive Celtic music and readings. American Scottish fiddler Bonnie Rideout introduces music from her collection, "A Scottish Christmas."
9:00 World Cafe
"Quiet Christmas Special"
11:00 Sonic Seasonings 1999
Pianist Liz Story, bassist Joel Di Bartolo, synthesizer David Arkenstone, and the Angels of Venice offer an other-worldly side of holiday melodies.
1:00 Music Through the Night

Sunday 26
6:00 The Writer's Almanac
6:05 Classical Music
with Victor Hathaway
9:00 Weekend Edition/Liane Hansen
11:00 Schickele Mix
"Keeping Christmas"
12:00 A Prairie Home Companion
Vince Giordano and the Nighthawks.

2:00 World Cafe
4:00 Car Talk
5:00 All Things Considered
6:00 This American Life
7:00 Selected Shorts
"Psychoanalysis Changed My Life" by Amy Bloom, read by Cherry Jones; "How To Give the Wrong Impression" by Katherine Heinly, read by Lillo Way.

with Victor Hathaway
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Maine Stage
10:00 In Tune By Ten
Helen York, host.
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

Tuesday 28
5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer's Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Saint Louis Symphony
Itzhak Perlman, violin. IVES: "The Unanswered Question"; BARBER: Violin Concerto; SCHUMANN: Symphony No. 4.
10:00 In Tune By Ten
11:00 Echoes
12:00 Music Through the Night

Wednesday 29
5:00 World Update
6:00 Morning Edition
8:30 Classical Music
12:00 Noon News: Here & Now
1:00 Public Affairs
2:00 The Writer's Almanac
2:05 Classical Music
4:00 All Things Considered
5:30 Maine Things Considered
6:00 All Things Considered
6:30 Marketplace
7:00 Fresh Air
8:00 Metropolitan Opera Presents
Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro. James Levine conducts; Bryn Terfel stars as Figaro and Cecilia Bartoli as Susanna. Simulcast.
11:00 Echoes
### Thursday 30

- **5:00** World Update  
- **6:00** Morning Edition  
- **8:30** Classical Music  
- **12:00** Noon News: Here & Now  
- **1:00** Public Affairs  
- **2:00** The Writer’s Almanac  
- **2:05** Classical Music  
- **4:00** All Things Considered  
- **5:30** Maine Things Considered  
- **6:00** All Things Considered  
- **6:30** Marketplace  
- **7:00** Fresh Air  
- **8:00** New York Philharmonic – Live!  
  W. MARASLIS: *All Rise* (world premiere).  
- **10:00** In Tune By Ten  
- **11:00** Echoes  
- **12:00** Music Through the Night

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### Friday 31

- **5:00** World Update  
- **6:00** Morning Edition  
- **8:30** Classical Music  
- **11:00** Performance Today  
- **12:00** Noon News: Here & Now  
- **1:00** Memos to a New Millennium  
  At age 89, Norman Corwin, a legendary writer/director of the Golden Age of Radio, has written a new work for the Millennium, a “meditation” for radio narrated by Walter Cronkite, with music composed by Eimer Bernstein. The cast includes Richard Dysart and Louis Nye.  
- **2:00** The Writer’s Almanac  
- **2:05** Down Memory Lane  
- **4:00** All Things Considered  
- **6:30** Marketplace  
- **7:00** Capitol Steps’ New Year’s

### Ring out old shapes of foul disease, Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace!”  
— Alfred, Lord Tennyson, 1850

8:00 pm - 6 am NPR Jazz New Year’s Eve!  
This all-night event features live music from around the world: from Washington’s Kennedy Center, Billy Taylor and his Trio; in NYC, the Mingus Millennium Band; from New Orleans’ Nicholas Payton and much more!
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