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No one thinks twice about the villain, but that doesn't mean they don't play an important part in our favorite holiday stories! From the baddies we love to hate to the jaded grown-ups who find redemption, the villains in our favorite Christmas classics help make TV specials and movies just that — classic.

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Good to be bad

Even villains contribute to the Christmas spirit

By Shona Dustan
TV Media

Love, generosity, compassion, kindness — warm and fuzzy feelings are a fundamental element of the Christmas season, but there are a surprising number of baddies associated with this happiest time of year, especially when it comes to Christmas movies and TV specials. In fact, no Christmas special is complete without a mean spirited, life-ruining bad guy.

The disparity between these characters and the spirit of the season is actually essential to a good Christmas tale, and the classics we look forward to each year wouldn't be classics without them. While there are exceptions, the majority of these Christmas villains fall into one of two general categories: the irredeemably bad that we can't help but hate and the jaded grown-up who finds redemption.

First up are the baddies we love to hate. These are the characters who never learn, who end up much as they begin: bad eggs. My personal favorite example of this is the devious duo from "Home Alone" (1990), the Wet Bandits.

We first meet criminals Harry (Joe Pesci, "Casino," 1995) and Marv (Daniel Stern, "Manhattan") in the entryway of the McCallister home as they case the joint. Throughout the film they not only rob multiple houses on Christmas Eve — leaving drains clogged and water running, hence their moniker — they develop a vendetta against 8-year-old Kevin McCallister (Macaulay Culkin, "My Girl," 1991) and proceed to stalk him with malicious intent. While their antics provide physical comedy that would make the Three Stooges proud, their depravity knows no bounds.

What their villainy accomplishes for the viewer is invaluable. We know that Kevin is a lippy little



Joe Pesci and Daniel Stern are the Wet Bandits in "Home Alone"

guy right off the bat, which is amusing, but not quite enough to endear him permanently to the viewer. It's not until he's pitted against these two bumbling brutes that we really find ourselves on his side — their onslaught forces Kevin to reflect upon the family he was so eager to lose, and to realize he's been taking them for granted. A Christmas miracle, courtesy of two despicable guys.

Another example of this kind of Christmas villain (and arguably the most iconic) is Mr. Potter from "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946). Played to nasty perfection by screen legend Lionel Barrymore ("Grand Hotel," 1932), Potter is a rich and powerful miser with a heart of coal whose life mission seems to be eliminating the Bailey Bros. Building

and Loan, an establishment George Bailey (Jimmy Stewart, "Rear Window," 1954) has sacrificed much to keep afloat.

Early in the film we see the extent of his nastiness when he keeps money misplaced by George's uncle. It's a blatant attempt to bankrupt the Building and Loan, and even when George begs for Potter's help, the old man does nothing but rub the failure in George's face. A small loan would keep George's business afloat, but Potter refuses, saying instead, "You're worth more dead than alive!" It's this cold-hearted phrase that leads George to the brink of suicide, and only his guardian angel — and a glimpse of what a world without George would look like — can coax him off that ledge.

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Potter's cruelty, though, is essential to the development of George's character. The film would not be as revered as it is today without Potter's badness, as his dark character serves to make George's heart of gold shine ever brighter. Even now, almost 70 years after the film's release, audiences clap and cheer when the town rallies to help George, the underdog, beat this rich monster. It's a reminder to all that the good in this world — specifically the Christmas tenets of peace, love and generosity — can overcome the bad.

As for the "jaded grown-ups" category of Christmas villains — well, there are so many films with characters that fall into this group, it's hard to choose just a few. The Grinch himself and Ebenezer Scrooge both qualify; both of them start out crotchety and mean, but redeem themselves in the end because the love and kindness of others touches their hearts. However, I think the best example for this category is "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947). Most of the grown-up characters we meet are hard-headed and in need of a major dose of the Christmas spirit, but the real antagonist in this classic film is society as a whole.

Kris Kringle (Edmund Gwenn, "Foreign Correspondent," 1940), who claims to be the real Santa Claus, encounters disbelievers everywhere he turns, but by the end of the film, by virtue of his unflappable optimism, generosity and good cheer, he has changed the minds, hearts and lives of almost everyone he's met (the exception being psychologist Granville Sawyer, who tries to have Kringle committed and totally fits into our first villain category).

The action culminates with a courtroom scene. Santa Claus is literally on trial, and as jaded adults take the stand one by one, Kringle wins them over with his imperturbable character. The joy of seeing these world-weary men and women light up with Christmas spirit is marvelous, and it's this magical feeling that has kept audiences coming back to the classic for decades.

A much newer take on this villain type is seen in "Elf" (2003), a film that is carving itself a place in the realm of holiday classics. Buddy (Will Ferrell,



James Caan in "Elf"

"Zoolander," 2001), a human who's been living as an elf his whole life, departs the North Pole for New York City to find his biological father. He encounters many jaded people along the way, and buoys each one up with his innocence and exuberance.

It's his cranky and discontented real dad, Walter (James Caan, "The Godfather," 1972), who Buddy must win over, and the film's ending does not disappoint. Not only does Walter quit his job in order to focus on his family, the residents of New York gather to use the collective power of their belief in Santa to help power the jolly man's broken-down sleigh. It's largely this hilarious and heartwarming moment that marks the film for greatness along-

side the likes of "It's a Wonderful Life" and "Miracle on 34th Street."

Using the disillusionment of age and experience to underline the magic and beauty of believing in things that may not seem practical, the baddies in these films do not remain bad — they redeem themselves and go on to spread Christmas cheer of their own.

The Christmas season is chock full of movies and TV specials that will warm the cockles of your heart. When you snuggle up to your loved ones, hot chocolate in hand, to enjoy these timeless classics, take a moment and think of the villains — there would be no Christmas classics without them.

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Our favorite New Year's episodes by Cassie Dresch

With all of the hubbub surrounding the New Year, sometimes you just want to curl up with a blanket, a cup of hot cocoa and a TV to escape the world for a bit. We've compiled a list of some of the best New Year's-themed TV episodes to binge watch while you relax and recover from your holiday hangover.

Friends — “The One With the Routine”

Originally aired: Dec. 16, 1999

Monica (Courteney Cox) and Ross (David Schwimmer) try to get noticed at the pre-taping of “Dick Clark’s New Year’s Rockin’ Eve,” a feat they hope will make their folks jealous. As “fake midnight” approaches, they have one last shot to make an impression and get on TV so they bust out “The Routine,” a dance number that’s as dorky as the brother-sister duo is. Needless to say, they definitely get noticed.

The Lucy Show — “Chris’s New Year’s Eve Party”

Originally aired: Dec. 31, 1962

Lucy’s (Lucille Ball) daughter, Chris (Candy Moore), wants to host her first boy-girl party on New Year’s Eve — without chaperones — so Lucy and her friend Viv (Vivian Vance) get out of the house and celebrate themselves. With only a couple hours to go until midnight, Lucy finds out that Chris’s party is a dud, so she and Viv rush home to put on a Charlie Chaplin sketch that will hopefully save the party.

The O.C. — “The Countdown”

Originally aired: Dec. 17, 2003

Tension mounts between Marissa (Mischa Barton) and Ryan (Ben McKenzie), and at a New Year’s Eve party, Marissa gets ready to kiss someone else at midnight. In one of the most breathtaking (literally, as he has to run up multiple flights of stairs) final scenes — set to the song “Dice” by Finley Quaye — Ryan races to her and plants a big wet one on her as the countdown reaches zero.



Family Guy — “Da Boom”

Originally aired: Dec. 26, 1999

Y2K caused a lot of panic leading up to the turn of the millennium. Many people worried that computers would malfunction, which could set off a chain of apocalyptic events. Seth MacFarlane’s “Family Guy” played on those fears with a New Year’s-themed episode that saw Griffin patriarch Peter build a bunker in the family’s home to survive Y2K and the atomic holocaust so many were sure it would cause.

That ‘70s Show — “That ‘70s Finale”

Originally aired: May 18, 2006

This episode didn’t air at the end of the year, but it certainly marked the end of an era. “That ‘70s Show” put the ‘70s to bed in the series finale as the gang rang in the ‘80s together — and yes, that includes Eric (Topher Grace) and Kelso (Ashton Kutcher), who both left the series ahead of the final season but returned for the last episode, which featured a lot of reminiscing and one last Circle gathering.

Maude — “Nostalgia Party”

Originally aired: Dec. 30, 1974

After her original party is kiboshed, Maude (Bea Arthur) decides to host a unique New Year’s Eve celebration — a nostalgia party! Husband Walter (Bill Macy), best friends Arthur (Conrad Bain) and Vivian (Rue McClanahan) and daughter Carol (Adrienne Barbeau), among others, dress up in fashions from their favorite years. When everyone realizes that their favorite years weren’t actually all they’re cracked up to be, they come to appreciate the time that matters most — the present.



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Thursday, November 26

- 9 a.m. **CBS** **Thanksgiving Day Parade** Watch the amazing array of floats and bands in the annual Thanksgiving Day Parade.
HALL **Jingle All the Way** A Husky puppy looking for a home at a Christmas tree farm bonds with a young boy.
NBC **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** Balloons, floats, celebrities and marchers parade through the streets of Manhattan.
- 9:30 a.m. **HALL** **Jingle and Bell's Christmas Star** Jingle the husky pup helps make Christmas special for his new friends.
- 10 a.m. **HALL** **Movie "Single Santa Seeks Mrs. Claus"** (2004) Steve Guttenberg. Santa worries about turning over the reigns to his son, Nick, who hasn't yet found a wife.
LIFE **Movie "The Twelve Trees of Christmas"** (2013) Lindy Booth. A woman learns the historic library where she works is scheduled to be demolished.
- Noon **LIFE** **Movie "Holiday High School Reunion"** (2012) Harry Hamlin. A woman returns home for Christmas just in time for her high school reunion.
- 2 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Matchmaker Santa"** (2012) Lacey Chabert. A mysterious Santa strands a baker and her boyfriend's best friend in a small town.
HIST **Swampsgiving** Gator season has come and gone, but Thanksgiving is just around the corner.
LIFE **Movie "Merry In-Laws"** (2012) George Wendt. A newly engaged woman learns that her soon-to-be in-laws are Mr. And Mrs. Claus.
NBC **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** Balloons, floats, celebrities and marchers parade through the streets of Manhattan.
- 3 p.m. **HIST** **Swampsgiving 2** Celebrate Thanksgiving with the Swampers.
- 3:45 p.m. **COM** **Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special** Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
- 4 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Once Upon a Holiday"** (2015) Briana Evigan. A royal princess runs off from her obligations for awhile to see how the other half lives.
- 5 p.m. **TBN** **Jesus of Nazareth** An epic chronicle of Christ.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "I'm Not Ready for Christmas"** (2015) Alicia Witt. A woman's world is turned upside down when she suddenly finds that she can no longer lie.
LIFE **Movie "All She Wants for Christmas"** (2006) Monica Keena. A young accountant tries to save an ornament company to boost her resume.
- 6:55 p.m. **COM** **Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special** Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
- 8 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas"** (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.
- 10 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Northpole"** (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.

Friday, November 27

- 2 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Northpole"** (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.
- 3:15 p.m. **TBS** **The Elf on the Shelf: An Elf's Story** Scout elves help Santa Claus determine who to put on the 'naughty' and 'nice' lists.

Thursday, Nov. 26 on CBS



Photo courtesy Tyler Golden

A holiday tradition returns to network television for the 89th annual **"The Thanksgiving Day Parade on CBS."** Two seasoned eye network hosts — Kevin Frazier, co-host of "Entertainment Tonight," and Keltie Knight, co-host of "The Insider" — walk viewers through the best parts of the parade, pausing now and then to present some incredible musical numbers. The casts of Broadway's "Jersey Boys" and "Beautiful — the Carole King Musical" perform some of the showstoppers that have made their shows a success.

- 4 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas"** (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.
LIFE **Movie "Love at the Christmas Table"** (2012) Danica McKeller. Two friends who spend Christmas together realize they are meant to be together.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Royal Christmas"** (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
TBS **Movie "Four Christmases"** (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 7 p.m. **NICK** **Movie "Santa Hunters"** (2014) A boy heads out on a mission to prove Santa is real.
- 8 p.m. **ABC** **Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town** Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
CW **Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer** On Christmas Eve, a boy sets out to find his grandmother who mysteriously disappeared.
LIFE **Movie "Dear Santa"** (2011) Amy Acker. A young woman finds a letter from a girl asking for a new wife for her dad.
TBS **Movie "Four Christmases"** (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 9 p.m. **CW** **Kung Fu Panda Holiday Special** Po is caught between family traditions and warrior duties when he hosts the Winter Feast.
- 9:30 p.m. **CW** **Merry Madagascar** Santa and his reindeer crash into Madagascar and the animals need to save Christmas.
- 10 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "A Princess for Christmas"** (2011) Katie McGrath. A young woman falls for a dashing prince when she visits England for Christmas.
LIFE **Movie "All About Christmas Eve"** (2012) Haylie Duff. A party planner needs to choose between a vacation and a huge event.

Saturday, November 28

- 2 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Merry Matrimony"** (2015) Jessica Lowndes. An advertising executive lands her dream assignment; but is paired with her ex boyfriend.
LIFE **Movie "A Nanny for Christmas"** (2010) Dean Cain. An advertising executive loses her job at a powerful firm just before the holidays.
- 4 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "I'm Not Ready for Christmas"** (2015) Alicia Witt. A woman's world is turned upside down when she suddenly finds that she can no longer lie.
LIFE **Movie "Home by Christmas"** (2006) Linda Hamilton. When a woman's perfect life is shattered, she struggles to create a new life for herself.
- 4:30 p.m. **CMT** **Movie "A Christmas Story 2"** (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** **Movie "Christmas Under Wraps"** (2014) Candace Cameron-Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.
LIFE **Movie "Twelve Men of Christmas"** (2009) Kristin Chenoweth. A high-powered New York public relations executive finds love in a small town in Montana.
NICK **Movie "Santa Hunters"** (2014) A boy heads out on a mission to prove Santa is real.
- 8 p.m. **CBS** **Frosty the Snowman** Pursued by a greedy magician and rising temperatures, Frosty sets off for the North Pole.
DISN **Movie "Jingle All the Way"** (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
HALL **Movie "A Christmas Detour"** (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.
LIFE **Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas"** (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.
- 8:30 p.m. **CBS** **Frosty Returns** A little girl tries to keep Frosty from melting when a snow-removing spray is invented.
- 9 p.m. **CBS** **The Story of Santa Claus** A toymaker and his wife are evicted from their small shop by their heartless landlord.
FOOD **Christmas Cookie Challenge** Confident and daring bakers compete to prove their holiday cookie-making skills.
- 10 p.m. **FOOD** **Outrageous Christmas** Tune in for some outrageous Christmas creations, like a 1,000 pound cake.
HALL **Movie "Let It Snow"** (2013) An executive is conflicted when she is sent to turn a charming lodge into a modern resort.
LIFE **Movie "Christmas in the City"** (2013) John Prescott. A woman tries to bring out the true meaning of Christmas before it's too late.

Sunday, November 29

- 1 p.m. **TON** **Movie "Christmas Town"** (2008) Nicole De Boer. A single mother visits her father for the holidays and learns he's not what she remembers.



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- LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Hope" (2009) Madeleine Stowe. A social worker, whose marriage is shaky, takes in a five-year-old over the holidays.
- 2 p.m. **CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- HALL** Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.
- 3 p.m. **ION** Movie "Twelve Wishes for Christmas" (2011) Elisa Donovan. When a mysterious lady grants a woman wishes, she must set things right after the fallout.
- LIFE** Movie "The Santa Con" (2014) Barry Watson. A small-time con man is ordered to take a job as a store Santa during the holidays.
- 3:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Prancer" (1989) Sam Elliott. A girl finds an injured reindeer and decides to nurse it until she can return it to Santa.
- 5 p.m. **LIFE** Movie "All About Christmas Eve" (2012) Haylie Duff. A party planner needs to choose between a vacation and a huge event.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Northpole" (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.
- TBS** Movie "Surviving Christmas" (2004) Ben Affleck. A lonely, wealthy executive pays a family to let him spend Christmas with them.
- 7 p.m. **ION** Movie "A Perfect Christmas List" (2014) Ellen Hollman. A woman attempts to repair her daughter and granddaughter's strained relationship.
- LIFE** Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.
- 8 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.
- NICK** Movie "Santa Hunters" (2014) A boy heads out on a mission to prove Santa is real.
- TBS** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 8:30 p.m. **FOX** Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas Sid travels to the North Pole after Manny convinces him he is on Santa's naughty list.
- 9 p.m. **ION** Movie "A Prince for Christmas" (2015) Viva Bianca. A charming European prince steals away incognito to the U.S. in search of true love.
- LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.
- 10 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- TBS** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.

Monday, November 30

- 2 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Catch a Christmas Star" (2013) Shannon Elizabeth. A pop star reunites with her first love, but the pressures of fame could tear them apart.
- 3:30 p.m. **FOOD** Giada's Holiday Handbook Giada hosts a cocktail-style Thanksgiving celebration.
- 4 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Naughty or Nice" (2012) Hilarie Burton. A young woman receives a book that reveals the good and bad about everyone in her life.

Monday, Nov. 30 on Cartoon Network



Photo courtesy Cartoon Network

From the mind of Emmy-winning writer Sean Szeles ("Regular Show") comes this animated miniseries featuring a cast of royal characters. Jon Daly and Wendi McLendon-Covey lend their voices to "Long Live the Royals" as King Rufus and Queen Eleanor, the heads of the royal family. The royal couple tries to keep things from falling apart while their family navigates the week-long Yule Hare Festival. Gillian Jacobs, Kieran Culkin and Nicki Rapp round out the royal family, and Fred Armisen, Ellie Kemper, Ken Marino and Alfred Molina also voice characters.

- 5 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- 7 p.m. **FAM** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (2009) Voices of Jim Carrey. Spirits visit Ebenezer Scrooge and show him the errors of his ways by revisiting his life.
- 7:45 p.m. **TOON** Long Live the Royals
- 8 p.m. **ABC** It's Your 50th Christmas, Charlie Brown A retrospective in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the beloved animated tale.
- HALL** Movie "Debbie Macomber's Mrs. Miracle" (2009) James Van Der Beek. Mrs. Merkle, a nanny, changes the lives of a father and his six-year-old twins.
- 9 p.m. **ABC** A Charlie Brown Christmas Charlie Brown and his Peanut pal, Linus, search for the true meaning of Christmas.
- FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- FOOD** Cake Wars: Christmas The teams must bring world-famous Christmas songs to life in a huge edible creation.
- 10 p.m. **HALL** Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas" (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.

LIFE Movie "Twelve Wishes for Christmas" (2011) Elisa Donovan. When a mysterious lady grants a woman wishes, she must set things right after the fallout.

Tuesday, December 1

- 1 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Mickey's Once Upon a Christmas" (1999) Wayne Allwine. Donald Duck and his nephews wish for Christmas every day. Goofy shows Christmas spirit.
- 2 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Debbie Macomber's Mrs. Miracle" (2009) James Van Der Beek. Mrs. Merkle, a nanny, changes the lives of a father and his six-year-old twins.
- HBO** Movie "Black Nativity" (2013) Forest Whitaker. A Baltimore teen travels to New York City to spend Christmas with his estranged family.
- 2:30 p.m. **FAM** The Life and Adventures of Santa Claus The story of how Santa Claus grew up and devoted his life to making children happy.
- 3:30 p.m. **FAM** Frosty's Winter Wonderland The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.
- 4 p.m. **FAM** Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July During a July vacation, Rudolph and Frosty find themselves in danger.
- HALL** Movie "Debbie Macomber's Call Me Mrs. Miracle" (2010) Doris Roberts. Mrs. Miracle, a magical lady, turns the lives of a group of New Yorkers upside down.
- 6 p.m. **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- HALL** Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.
- 7 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- 8 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
- CBS** Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer A young reindeer and an elf search for a home where they will be accepted as they are.
- LIFE** Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.
- 9 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. The Grinch disguises himself as Santa to steal Christmas from the people of Whoville.
- 10 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
- TBN** God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.
- Midnight **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- LIFE** Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.

Wednesday, December 2

- 1:30 p.m. **FAM** Jack Frost Jack Frost wants to leave his North Pole existence and become human.

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- 2:30 p.m.** **FAM** Rudolph's Shiny New Year Rudolph must find Happy, the missing baby new year, before midnight on New Year's Eve.
- 6 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "How The Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. A Grinch plans on stealing Christmas from the residents of Whoville, who love Christmas.
- FOOD** Outrageous Christmas Tune in for some outrageous Christmas creations, like a 1,000 pound cake.
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- LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.
- NBC** Christmas in Rockefeller Center The arrival of the holidays wouldn't be complete without the lighting of the famous tree.
- 8:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 9 p.m.** **NBC** How the Grinch Stole Christmas A Grinch steals everything Christmas from the Whos so they can't celebrate the holiday.
- 9:30 p.m.** **NBC** Saturday Night Live Christmas A compilation of fan-favorite holiday sketches.
- 10 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- HALL** Movie "Matchmaker Santa" (2012) Lacey Chabert. A mysterious Santa strands a baker and her boyfriend's best friend in a small town.

Thursday, December 3

- 1:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "All I Want for Christmas" (1991) Jamey Sheridan. A divorced couple's two children scheme to get them back together for Christmas.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Let It Snow" (2013) An executive is conflicted when she is sent to turn a charming lodge into a modern resort.
- 6 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** Toy Story That Time Forgot Trixie the triceratops helps the gang to return to Bonnie's room.
- AMC** Movie "A Dennis the Menace Christmas" (2007) Maxwell Perry Cotton. Dennis the Menace tries to make amends with his neighbor, Mr. Wilson.
- HALL** Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.
- 8:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Fred Claus" (2007) Paul Giamatti. Santa bails his criminal brother out of jail and brings him to the North Pole.
- 8:30 p.m.** **ABC** Shrek the Halls Shrek, Fiona, Donkey, Puss In Boots and all their fairytale buddies celebrate Christmas.

Wednesday, Dec. 2 on NBC



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Tens of thousands of people gather outside 30 Rockefeller Plaza to catch a glimpse of the official lighting of the Rockefeller Christmas tree as part of "Christmas in Rockefeller Center." For more than seven decades a Christmas tree has been erected at Rockefeller Center each holiday season, and now the event is viewed live around the world by millions of people. The tree will be taken down following the holidays and donated to Habitat for Humanity, at which point the wood will be made into lumber for the non-profit organization to use in building homes.

- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Merry Matrimony" (2015) Jessica Lowndes. An advertising executive lands her dream assignment; but is paired with her ex boyfriend.

Friday, December 4

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "A Holiday Engagement" (2011) Haylie Duff. A woman hires a man to come home and pretend to be her fiancé over the holidays.
- 4 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "I'll Be Home for Christmas" (1998) Jonathan Taylor Thomas. A conniving college student tries desperately to get home in time for Christmas dinner.
- HALL** Movie "One Starry Christmas" (2014) Sarah Sanguin Carter. Holly can't wait to go back to New York City and introduce her big shot boyfriend.
- 6 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- HALL** Movie "Merry Matrimony" (2015) Jessica Lowndes. An advertising executive lands her dream assignment; but is paired with her ex boyfriend.
- 7 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.

- FAM** Movie "Fred Claus" (2007) Paul Giamatti. Santa bails his criminal brother out of jail and brings him to the North Pole.

- 7:50 p.m.** **DISN** Frozen Fever

- 8 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Once Upon a Holiday" (2015) Briana Evigan. A royal princess runs off from her obligations for awhile to see how the other half lives.

- LIFE** Movie "Dear Secret Santa" (2013) Tatyana Ali. A woman receives Christmas cards from an admirer she believes to be someone who's passed.

- TCM** Movie "It Happened on Fifth Avenue" (1947) Don DeFore. While a family is away for Christmas, a hobo and his friends live in their mansion.

- 9 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.

- DISN** Radio Disney Holiday Event

- 9:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.

- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

- TBN** Movie "Mary of Nazareth" (2012) Alissa Jung. The story of Mary of Nazareth.

Saturday, December 5

- 1 p.m.** **ION** Movie "A Prince for Christmas" (2015) Viva Bianca. A charming European prince steals away incognito to the U.S. in search of true love.

- 2 p.m.** **FOOD** Cake Wars: Christmas The teams must bring world-famous Christmas songs to life in a huge edible creation.

- HALL** Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas" (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.

- LIFE** Movie "All About Christmas Eve" (2012) Haylie Duff. A party planner needs to choose between a vacation and a huge event.

- 3 p.m.** **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.

- 4 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.

- HALL** Movie "Tis the Season for Love" (2015) Garry Chalk. An out-of-work actress returns home; a Christmas romance could be better than Broadway.

- TBN** God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.

- 5 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.

- ION** Movie "A Christmas Kiss" (2011) Brendan Fehr. A designer and her assistant vie for a man while decorating his home for the holidays.

- TBN** Movie "The Christmas Bunny" (2010) Sophie Bolen. A lonely foster child finds a lost, injured rabbit in the woods on Christmas Eve.

- 6 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.

- 7:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.

- 8 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.

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LIFE Movie "The Flight Before Christmas" (2015) Mayim Bialik. A heartbroken woman's flight home the night before Christmas is diverted.

NBC Movie "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946) James Stewart. An angel shows a suicidal banker how important he has been in the lives of others.

NICK Nickelodeon Ho Ho Holiday Special Every Nickelodeon star under the sun shows up for the most amazing holiday party ever.

9 p.m. **ION** Movie "Merry Kissmas" (2015) Karissa Staples. Whitney happens to fall for a handsome man who she shares a magical kiss with.

9:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "How The Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. A Grinch plans on stealing Christmas from the residents of Whoville, who love Christmas.

Sunday, December 6

11 a.m. **FOOD** Giada's Holiday Handbook Giada hosts a decadent holiday-themed cocktail party for her girlfriends.

Noon **TCM** Movie "Holiday Affair" (1949) Robert Mitchum. A man offers to buy a model train set for a boy whose mother cannot afford it.

1 p.m. **ION** Movie "My Santa" (2013) Samaire Armstrong. A single mother begins to lose her faith in the magic of Christmas.

2 p.m. **FOOD** Christmas Cookie Challenge Confident and daring bakers compete to prove their holiday cookie-making skills.

HALL Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.

2:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.

3 p.m. **ION** Movie "Christmas Mail" (2010) Ashley Scott. A woman who answers Santa's mail at the post office finds love with a postal carrier.

LIFE Movie "Twelve Wishes for Christmas" (2011) Elisa Donovan. When a mysterious lady grants a woman wishes, she must set things right after the fallout.

4 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Once Upon a Holiday" (2015) Briana Evigan. A royal princess runs off from her obligations for awhile to see how the other half lives.

5 p.m. **ION** Movie "A Christmas Wedding Date" (2012) Marla Sokoloff. A woman faces difficulties when she returns home for a friend's Christmas wedding.

LIFE Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.

6 p.m. **HALL** Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron-Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

NICK Nickelodeon Ho Ho Holiday Special Every Nickelodeon star under the sun shows up for the most amazing holiday party ever.

6:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "How The Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. A Grinch plans on stealing Christmas from the residents of Whoville, who love Christmas.

7 p.m. **LIFE** Movie "The Flight Before Christmas" (2015) Mayim Bialik. A heartbroken woman's flight home the night before Christmas is diverted.

NICK Movie "Santa Hunters" (2014) A boy heads out on a mission to prove Santa is real.

9 p.m. **FOOD** Holiday Baking Championship The bakers celebrate a couple of favorites by reinventing two Hanukkah classics.

Sunday, Dec. 6 on Food Network



Photo courtesy Food Network

Emma-winning and world-renowned chef Giada De Laurentiis walks viewers through her preparation of a lavish holiday cocktail party in a new episode of "Giada's Holiday Handbook." Giada focuses on decadent desserts and elegant cocktails, preparing such delicious dishes as orange mousse with ginger snap crumble, peppermint patty sandwich cookies and lemon spritz cocktails. Learn how to plan the perfect holiday party as Giada spreads Christmas cheer and revels in the decadence of her delectable delights.

ION Movie "How Sarah Got Her Wings" (2015) Lindsey Gort. There's no room in heaven for Sarah unless she rights one wrong from her past.

LIFE Movie "Last Chance Christmas" (2015) Gabriel Hogan. When Prancer injures his hoof, Santa's stable hand must find a fill in to save Christmas.

9:30 p.m. **FOX** The Last Man on Earth As Christmas approaches, Carol spearheads a 'Secret Santa' gift exchange.

10 p.m. **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.

HALL Movie "A Boyfriend for Christmas" (2004) Kelli Williams. A girl tells Santa she wants a boyfriend for Christmas and he turns up 19 years later.

TBN Movie "Love's Christmas Journey" (2011) Ellie Davis. A woman's brother goes missing while she's visiting him during the Christmas holiday.

Monday, December 7

2 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Come Dance With Me" (2012) Andrew McCarthy. A financial executive learns to waltz, and falls in love with his dance instructor.

3:30 p.m. **FOOD** Giada's Holiday Handbook Giada hosts a party for her large extended family to celebrate Christmas.

4 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Fred Claus" (2007) Paul Giamatti. Santa bails his criminal brother out of jail and brings him to the North Pole.

HALL Movie "A Boyfriend for Christmas" (2004) Kelli Williams. A girl tells Santa she wants a boyfriend for Christmas and he turns up 19 years later.

LIFE Movie "The Christmas Hope" (2009) Madeleine Stowe. A social worker, whose marriage is shaky, takes in a five-year-old over the holidays.

5 p.m. **TBN** Movie "Mary of Nazareth" (2012) Alissa Jung. The story of Mary of Nazareth.

6 p.m. **HALL** Movie "A Princess for Christmas" (2011) Katie McGrath. A young woman falls for a dashing prince when she visits England for Christmas.

LIFE Movie "The Santa Con" (2014) Barry Watson. A small-time con man is ordered to take a job as a store Santa during the holidays.

6:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.

8 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.

8:45 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.

10 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.

HALL Movie "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron-Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.

LIFE Movie "Home by Christmas" (2006) Linda Hamilton. When a woman's perfect life is shattered, she struggles to create a new life for herself.

Tuesday, December 8

1 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Mistle-Tones" (2012) Tia Mowry-Hardict. A young singer creates her own musical Christmas group after losing a spot in another.

3 p.m. **FAM** Pinocchio's Christmas Pinocchio works at a puppet show to raise money to buy Geppetto a Christmas present.

4 p.m. **FAM** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (2009) Voices of Jim Carrey. Spirits visit Ebenezer Scrooge and show him the errors of his ways by revisiting his life.

HALL Movie "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron-Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.

5:30 p.m. **FAM** Frosty's Winter Wonderland The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.

6 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.

FAM Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.

HALL Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.

LIFE Movie "Nothing Like the Holidays" (2008) Alfred Molina. A Puerto Rican family spends a Christmas together, facing the fact it may be their last.



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- 8 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- HALL** Movie "Deck the Halls" (2006) Danny de Vito. Two feuding neighbors try to prove to the other that he has more holiday spirit.
- LIFE** Movie "Last Chance Christmas" (2015) Gabriel Hogan. When Prancer injures his hoof, Santa's stable hand must find a fill in to save Christmas.
- 8:45 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- 10 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- HALL** Movie "Hitched for the Holidays" (2012) Joey Lawrence. A man and woman agree to pose as each other's significant other to their families.
- TBN** God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.

Wednesday, December 9

- 1 p.m. **TBN** The Easter Experience Experience the power in the resurrection of Jesus.
- 2 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Fir Crazy" (2013) Craig Pryce. A marketing executive discovers a new fondness for the holidays selling Christmas trees.
- 2:20 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Snowglobe" (2007) Lorraine Bracco. A mystical snow globe transports Angela into an idyllic Christmas winter wonderland.
- 3 p.m. **FOOD** Giada at Home Giada celebrates the Christmas season by hosting a holiday get-together with friends.
- 3:30 p.m. **AMC** Movie "A Dennis the Menace Christmas" (2007) Maxwell Perry Cotton. Dennis the Menace tries to make amends with his neighbor, Mr. Wilson.
- 4:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Mickey's Twice Upon a Christmas" (2004) Voices of Wayne Allwine. Mickey, Minnie and Santa Claus attempt to teach Donald the true meaning of Christmas.
- 5:30 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994) Lord Richard Attenborough. A young girl's mother hires a department store Santa who proves that he's genuine.
- 6 p.m. **FAM** Mickey's Christmas Carol The three ghosts of Christmas visit Scrooge McDuck to teach him the spirit of the holiday.
- HALL** Movie "Once Upon a Holiday" (2015) Briana Evigan. A royal princess runs off from her obligations for awhile to see how the other half lives.
- 6:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- 8 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- HALL** Movie "Christmas at Cartwright's" (2014) Alicia Witt. A single unemployed mom is desperate to find a job to make her daughter's holiday happy.
- 8:45 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.

Thursday, Dec. 10 on NBC

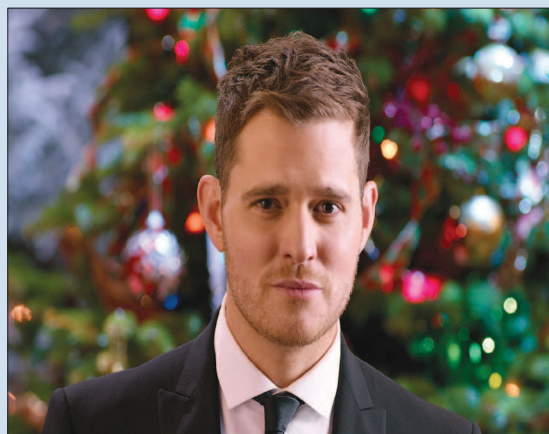


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Canadian crooner Michael Bublé returns to the small screen for what's become an annual holiday tradition on NBC. Together with some of his most talented friends, Bublé lends his unique vocal style to a bevy of classic Christmas carols, serenading viewers, offering a little comic relief and kicking off one of the most wonderful times of the year in "Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood." This year, Bublé welcomes special guests Tori Kelly, Sharon Jones & the Dap-Kings and many others to share the stage with him at the legendary Orpheum theater in Los Angeles.

- 10 p.m. **AMC** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1984) George C. Scott. An old man who hates Christmas is taught its true meaning and spirit by three ghosts.
- HALL** Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.

Thursday, December 10

- 2 p.m. **FAM** Mickey's Christmas Carol The three ghosts of Christmas visit Scrooge McDuck to teach him the spirit of the holiday.
- HALL** Movie "Charming Christmas" (2015) For Meredith, Christmas is a magical time, she agrees to play the role of Mrs. Claus.
- 2:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Mickey's Twice Upon a Christmas" (2004) Voices of Wayne Allwine. Mickey, Minnie and Santa Claus attempt to teach Donald the true meaning of Christmas.
- 4 p.m. **FAM** The Little Drummer Boy An orphaned drummer boy overcomes great hardships to deliver a gift of love to Baby Jesus.
- HALL** Movie "Northpole" (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.
- 4:30 p.m. **AMC** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1984) George C. Scott. An old man who hates Christmas is taught its true meaning and spirit by three ghosts.

- FAM** Rudolph's Shiny New Year Rudolph must find Happy, the missing baby new year, before midnight on New Year's Eve.
- 5:30 p.m. **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Northpole" (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.
- 6:30 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- 7 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) Maureen O'Hara. A Macy's store Santa Claus raises eyebrows when he claims to be the real Kris Kringle.
- 7:30 p.m. **STARZ** Movie "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. The Grinch disguises himself as Santa to steal Christmas from the people of Whoville.
- 8 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.
- NBC** Michael Bublé's Christmas in Hollywood Michael Bublé adds his unique vocal styling's to many of your favorite holiday classics.
- 8:45 p.m. **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.
- 9 p.m. **USA** NCIS DiNozzo and Bishop work a terrorist threat case at Dulles airport during Thanksgiving.
- 9:15 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) Maureen O'Hara. A Macy's store Santa Claus raises eyebrows when he claims to be the real Kris Kringle.
- 10 p.m. **HALL** Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

Friday, December 11

- 2 p.m. **HALL** Movie "Best Christmas Party Ever" (2014) Torrey DeVitto. An up-and-coming event planner finds out her boss intends to hand off her business.
- 4 p.m. **FAM** Movie "Fred Claus" (2007) Paul Giamatti. Santa bails his criminal brother out of jail and brings him to the North Pole.
- HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- 5 p.m. **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- 6 p.m. **HALL** Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas" (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.
- 6:45 p.m. **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.
- 8 p.m. **CW** The Holiday Christmas Parade Penn & Teller serve as Grand Marshalls for the 84th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade.
- DISN** Bob's Broken Sleigh
- 9 p.m. **FAM** Movie "How The Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. A Grinch plans on stealing Christmas from the residents of Whoville, who love Christmas.
- 10 p.m. **HALL** Movie "I'm Not Ready for Christmas" (2015) Alicia Witt. A woman's world is turned upside down when she suddenly finds that she can no longer lie.
- TBN** Movie "A Christmas Wish" (2010) Kristy Swanson. A woman, left destitute by her husband, faces a bleak Christmas with her children.

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TGM Movie "Scrooge" (1970) Albert Finney. Three spirits visit Scrooge, a miserable man soured on the meaning of Christmas.

Saturday, December 12

- 1 p.m.** **FOOD** **Holiday Baking Championship** The bakers celebrate a couple of favorites by reinventing two Hanukkah classics.
- 1:20 p.m.** **FAM** **The Year Without a Santa Claus** Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- 2 p.m.** **LIFE** **Movie "Holiday Switch"** (2007) Nicole Eggert. A woman wonders what her life would be like if she married her high school boyfriend.
- 2:30 p.m.** **FAM** **Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town** Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- 3:30 p.m.** **FAM** **Frosty's Winter Wonderland** The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.
- 4 p.m.** **FAM** **Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July** During a July vacation, Rudolph and Frosty find themselves in danger.
- HALL** **Movie "Angel of Christmas"** (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.
- LIFE** **Movie "Dear Santa"** (2011) Amy Acker. A young woman finds a letter from a girl asking for a new wife for her dad.
- TBN** **God Came Near** Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.
- 6 p.m.** **BET** **Movie "So This Is Christmas"** (2013) Eric Roberts. Ashley's life changes when she directs a Christmas play for underprivileged kids.
- FAM** **Movie "How The Grinch Stole Christmas"** (2000) Jim Carrey. A Grinch plans on stealing Christmas from the residents of Whoville, who love Christmas.
- HALL** **Movie "A Bride for Christmas"** (2012) Andrew W. Walker. A woman falls in love, unaware she's been handpicked to help the man win a bet.
- LIFE** **Movie "The Flight Before Christmas"** (2015) Mayim Bialik. A heartbroken woman's flight home the night before Christmas is diverted.
- 7:30 p.m.** **TBS** **Seinfeld** Kramer returns to work when the strike at the bagel shop ends; Frank celebrates Festivus.
- 8 p.m.** **HALL** **Movie "On the Twelfth Day of Christmas"** (2015) Robin Dunne. Maggie is thrilled when her long time crush, Mitch, moves to her little town.
- LIFE** **Movie "Becoming Santa"** (2015) Michael Gross. A woman introduces her toy designer boyfriend to her parents, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- 9 p.m.** **CBS** **The Flight Before Christmas** A young reindeer who suffers from vertigo learns to overcome his fear.
- FAM** **Movie "Elf"** (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- TON** **Movie "A Christmas Truce"** (2015) Craig Olejnik. A couple vows to reunite under a bell tower Christmas Eve after the war.
- 10 p.m.** **BET** **Movie "Christmas at Water's Edge"** (2004) Keshia Knight Pullam. A wealthy college student discovers that the spirit of Christmas lies beyond Gucci.
- HALL** **Movie "A Christmas Detour"** (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm way-lays their flight.

Sunday, December 13

Noon **TGM** **Movie "Christmas in Connecticut"** (1945) Barbara Stanwyck. A promotional stunt threatens to expose a columnist's fictitious housekeeping skills.

Sunday, Dec. 13 on Lifetime



Photo by David Dolsen, courtesy Lifetime

Shrewd business executive Amelia (Larisa Oleynik) returns to her hometown to help revitalize a family-owned ornament company, which, to her, means massive layoffs to help right the sinking ship in the Lifetime original holiday movie **"Wish Upon a Christmas."** The company's employees are heartbroken, but that doesn't sway Amelia as she presses on with her plan. Soon, she finds herself getting close to the business's owner, Jesse (Aaron Ashmore), her old high school sweetheart, and starts seeing the charm in the place. The question then becomes: can Amelia save the company in time now that she's had a change of heart?

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** **Movie "On the Twelfth Day of Christmas"** (2015) Robin Dunne. Maggie is thrilled when her long time crush, Mitch, moves to her little town.
- 2:15 p.m.** **FAM** **Movie "Elf"** (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- 3 p.m.** **LIFE** **Movie "Dear Secret Santa"** (2013) Tatyana Ali. A woman receives Christmas cards from an admirer she believes to be someone who's passed.
- 4 p.m.** **FX** **Movie "Christmas With the Kranks"** (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
- 5 p.m.** **LIFE** **Movie "Last Chance Christmas"** (2015) Gabriel Hogan. When Prancer injures his hoof, Santa's stable hand must find a fill in to save Christmas.
- TBS** **Movie "Four Christmases"** (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 6 p.m.** **FOOD** **Holiday Baking Championship** The bakers celebrate a couple of favorites by reinventing two Hanukkah classics.
- FX** **Movie "The Santa Clause 2"** (2002) Tim Allen. After being Santa Claus for a few years, Scott Calvin must find a wife and help his son.
- HALL** **Movie "Matchmaker Santa"** (2012) Lacey Chabert. A mysterious Santa strands a baker and her boyfriend's best friend in a small town.

- 7 p.m.** **LIFE** **Movie "Becoming Santa"** (2015) Michael Gross. A woman introduces her toy designer boyfriend to her parents, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- TBS** **The Elf on the Shelf: An Elf's Story** Scout elves help Santa Claus determine who to put on the 'naughty' and 'nice' lists.
- 7:30 p.m.** **TBS** **Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas** The story of the Grinch, who decides to steal Christmas from the citizens of Whoville.
- 8 p.m.** **USA** **Movie "It's a Wonderful Life"** (1946) James Stewart. An angel shows a suicidal banker how important he has been in the lives of others.
- 9 p.m.** **FAM** **Toy Story That Time Forgot** Trixie the triceratops helps the gang to return to Bonnie's room.
- TON** **Movie "A Christmas Reunion"** (2015) Denise Richards. An executive discovers an unusual Christmas surprise when she inherits her aunt's bakery.
- LIFE** **Movie "Wish Upon a Christmas"** (2015) Aaron Ashmore. A business executive returns home to help a family-run ornament company.
- 10 p.m.** **HALL** **Movie "Just in Time for Christmas"** (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.

Monday, December 14

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** **Movie "Matchmaker Santa"** (2012) Lacey Chabert. A mysterious Santa strands a baker and her boyfriend's best friend in a small town.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** **Movie "Debbie Macomber's Trading Christmas"** (2011) Gil Bellows. A man and woman find love at the most unexpected time and have the best Christmas ever.
- LIFE** **Movie "Holiday High School Reunion"** (2012) Harry Hamlin. A woman returns home for Christmas just in time for her high school reunion.
- 5 p.m.** **FOOD** **Cake Wars: Christmas** The teams must bring world-famous Christmas songs to life in a huge edible creation.
- TBN** **Movie "A Christmas Wish"** (2010) Kristy Swanson. A woman, left destitute by her husband, faces a bleak Christmas with her children.
- 6 p.m.** **FAM** **Toy Story That Time Forgot** Trixie the triceratops helps the gang to return to Bonnie's room.
- LIFE** **Movie "Kristin's Christmas Past"** (2013) Shiri Appleby. A woman wakes up Christmas morning, seventeen years into her past.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** **The Great Christmas Light Fight** Twenty families from across America decorate their homes to the extreme for Christmas.
- AMC** **Movie "Jingle All the Way"** (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- HALL** **Movie "Just in Time for Christmas"** (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.
- LIFE** **Movie "Christmas in the City"** (2013) John Prescott. A woman tries to bring out the true meaning of Christmas before it's too late.
- 8:45 p.m.** **FAM** **Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause"** (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 10 p.m.** **AMC** **Movie "Jingle All the Way"** (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- HALL** **Movie "Single Santa Seeks Mrs. Claus"** (2004) Steve Guttenberg. Santa worries about turning over the reigns to his son, Nick, who hasn't yet found a wife.

LIFE Movie "Crazy for Christmas" (2005) Andrea Roth. On Christmas Eve, a single mother finds herself having to chauffeur an eccentric client.

TBN Movie "A Christmas Snow" (2010) Danny Cahill. Christmas has not been the same for a young woman since her father left.

Tuesday, December 15

- 1 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Santa Baby" (2006) Jenny McCarthy. Santa's daughter, Mary Class, tries to makeover Christmas when her father gets sick.
- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Naughty or Nice" (2012) Hilarie Burton. A young woman receives a book that reveals the good and bad about everyone in her life.
- 3 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Santa Baby 2: Christmas Maybe" (2009) Jenny McCarthy. Santa's daughter is torn between taking over the family business and running her own firm.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Merry Matrimony" (2015) Jessica Lowndes. An advertising executive lands her dream assignment; but is paired with her ex boyfriend.
- 5 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- TBN** Movie "A Christmas Snow" (2010) Danny Cahill. Christmas has not been the same for a young woman since her father left.
- 6 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** Toy Story That Time Forgot Trixie the triceratops helps the gang to return to Bonnie's room.
- AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
- HALL** Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.
- LIFE** Movie "Becoming Santa" (2015) Michael Gross. A woman introduces her toy designer boyfriend to her parents, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- 8:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- 8:30 p.m.** **ABC** Shrek the Halls Shrek, Fiona, Donkey, Puss In Boots and all their fairytale buddies celebrate Christmas.
- 10 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
- HALL** Movie "Let It Snow" (2013) An executive is conflicted when she is sent to turn a charming lodge into a modern resort.
- LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.
- TBN** God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.

Wednesday, December 16

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Let It Snow" (2013) An executive is conflicted when she is sent to turn a charming lodge into a modern resort.
- 4 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.

Tuesday, Dec. 15 on ABC



Photo courtesy DreamWorks Animation LLC.

Everyone's favorite ogre lumbers onto TV screens in the 30-minute holiday special "Shrek the Halls," featuring Mike Myers as the voice of the titular ogre, Eddie Murphy as his trusty steed ... errr, sidekick ? Donkey, Cameron Diaz as his lovely wife Fiona and Antonio Banderas as the swashbuckling Puss in Boots. It's Christmas Eve, and while Shrek isn't exactly the epitome of Christmas cheer, he tries his best to have a cozy, relaxing holiday for Fiona and his babies. When Donkey, Puss in Boots and the rest of the fairy-tale gang drops by, however, it's anything but a silent night in the swamp.

- HALL** Movie "Tis the Season for Love" (2015) Garry Chalk. An out-of-work actress returns home; a Christmas romance could be better than Broadway.
- 5 p.m.** **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- 6 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- HALL** Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.
- 8 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
- HALL** Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.
- 8:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- 10 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.

HALL Movie "A Boyfriend for Christmas" (2004) Kelli Williams. A girl tells Santa she wants a boyfriend for Christmas and he turns up 19 years later.

LIFE Movie "A Nanny for Christmas" (2010) Dean Cain. An advertising executive loses her job at a powerful firm just before the holidays.

Thursday, December 17

- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Debbie Macomber's Mrs. Miracle" (2009) James Van Der Beek. Mrs. Merkle, a nanny, changes the lives of a father and his six-year-old twins.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Debbie Macomber's Call Me Mrs. Miracle" (2010) Doris Roberts. Mrs. Miracle, a magical lady, turns the lives of a group of New Yorkers upside down.
- 4:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Snow" (2004) Tom Cavanagh. A young man with a toy delivery business sets out to rescue a reindeer before Christmas.
- 6 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "A Dennis the Menace Christmas" (2007) Maxwell Perry Cotton. Dennis the Menace tries to make amends with his neighbor, Mr. Wilson.
- 6:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Polar Express" (2004) Voices of Tom Hanks. A doubting little boy boards a magical train to visit the North Pole on Christmas Eve.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** Disney's Prep and Landing Elves known as Prep & Landing prepare homes around the world for Santa's arrival.
- AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994) Lord Richard Attenborough. A young girl's mother hires a department store Santa who proves that he's genuine.
- CV** iHeartRadio Jingle Ball Featuring performances by top recording artists as well as emerging new talent.
- HALL** Movie "On the Twelfth Day of Christmas" (2015) Robin Dunne. Maggie is thrilled when her long time crush, Mitch, moves to her little town.
- NBC** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas An Elf named Buddy travels to New York City to meet the father he never knew he had.
- 8:30 p.m.** **ABC** Prep and Landing 2: Naughty vs. Nice Wayne and his estranged brother, Lanny, race to recover classified North Pole technology.
- 8:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (2009) Voices of Jim Carrey. Spirits visit Ebenezer Scrooge and show him the errors of his ways by revisiting his life.
- 9 p.m.** **NBC** Blake Shelton's Not-So-Family Christmas Blake Shelton's first Christmas special includes holiday classics, new music and more.
- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" (2008) Brooke Burns. A single mom who has lost all faith in Christmas finds answers when her uncle visits.

Friday, December 18

- 2 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Snow 2: Brain Freeze" (2008) Tom Cavanagh. In the rush for preparing for Christmas, Santa loses his memory and forgets who he is.
- HALL** Movie "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" (2008) Brooke Burns. A single mom who has lost all faith in Christmas finds answers when her uncle visits.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Charming Christmas" (2015) For Meredith, Christmas is a magical time, she agrees to play the role of Mrs. Claus.
- 4:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (2009) Voices of Jim Carrey. Spirits visit Ebenezer Scrooge and show him the errors of his ways by revisiting his life.

- 4:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994) Lord Richard Attenborough. A young girl's mother hires a department store Santa who proves that he's genuine.
- 6 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Christmas at Cartwright's" (2014) Alicia Witt. A single unemployed mom is desperate to find a job to make her daughter's holiday happy.
- TNT** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 6:30 p.m.** **FAM** Disney's Prep and Landing Elves known as Prep & Landing prepare homes around the world for Santa's arrival.
- 7 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) Maureen O'Hara. A Macy's store Santa Claus raises eyebrows when he claims to be the real Kris Kringle.
- FAM** Prep and Landing 2: Naughty vs. Nice Wayne and his estranged brother, Lanny, race to recover classified North Pole technology.
- 7:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 8 p.m.** **CBS** Frosty the Snowman Pursued by a greedy magician and rising temperatures, Frosty sets off for the North Pole.
- GW** Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer On Christmas Eve, a boy sets out to find his grandmother who mysteriously disappeared.
- TNT** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1999) Patrick Stewart. A miserly old man is visited by three ghosts in order to learn the meaning of Christmas.
- 8:30 p.m.** **ABC** Yes, Virginia The heart-warming tale of a little girl who wants to know if Santa Claus really exists.
- CBS** Frosty Returns A little girl tries to keep Frosty from melting when a snow-removing spray is invented.
- 9:15 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1984) George C. Scott. An old man who hates Christmas is taught its true meaning and spirit by three ghosts.
- 9:30 p.m.** **TCM** Movie "Christmas in Connecticut" (1945) Barbara Stanwyck. A promotional stunt threatens to expose a columnist's fictitious housekeeping skills.
- 9:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.
- LIFE** Movie "The Flight Before Christmas" (2015) Mayim Bialik. A heartbroken woman's flight home the night before Christmas is diverted.
- TNT** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1999) Patrick Stewart. A miserly old man is visited by three ghosts in order to learn the meaning of Christmas.

Saturday, December 19

- 12:45 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994) Lord Richard Attenborough. A young girl's mother hires a department store Santa who proves that he's genuine.
- 1 p.m.** **EWTV** A Time to Remember The Christmas story of a boy who develops his singing with a priest.
- TBS** Movie "This Christmas" (2007) Delroy Lindo. A drama centered around the Whitfield family's first holiday together in four years.
- 1:15 p.m.** **STARZ** Movie "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" (2000) Jim Carrey. The Grinch disguises himself as Santa to steal Christmas from the people of Whoville.

Saturday, Dec. 19 on Hallmark



Photo courtesy Brian Douglas

Vocal superstar Mariah Carey not only stars in this heart-warming Christmas tale, she also directs the Hallmark original movie "A Christmas Melody." Kristin (Lacey Chabert) is a single mother with a gift for fashion and design. Forced to leave New York and move back home to Ohio, Kristin and her daughter, Emily (Fina Strazza), find themselves struggling with the adjustment. Making matters worse is Kristin's former high school rival, Melissa (Carey), who does everything she can to make Kristin's life uncomfortable. When handsome local music teacher, Danny (Brennan Elliot), arrives on the scene, magic is in the air, and a Christmas miracle may be just around the corner.

- 2 p.m.** **FX** Movie "The Santa Clause 2" (2002) Tim Allen. After being Santa Claus for a few years, Scott Calvin must find a wife and help his son.
- HALL** Movie "Just in Time for Christmas" (2015) Eloise Mumford. A woman must choose between moving for her dream job or staying to marry her dream man.
- LIFE** Movie "Last Chance Christmas" (2015) Gabriel Hogan. When Prancer injures his hoof, Santa's stable hand must find a fill in to save Christmas.
- 2:30 p.m.** **CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- FAM** Frosty's Winter Wonderland The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.
- 3 p.m.** **FAM** The Year Without a Santa Claus Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- 3:15 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) Maureen O'Hara. A Macy's store Santa Claus raises eyebrows when he claims to be the real Kris Kringle.
- 4 p.m.** **FX** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.

- LIFE** Movie "Twelve Men of Christmas" (2009) Kristin Chenoweth. A high-powered New York public relations executive finds love in a small town in Montana.
- TBN** God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.
- 4:05 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- 4:45 p.m.** **TNT** Movie "Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat" (2003) Mike Myers. A mischievous cat visits siblings when their mother leaves them home alone.
- 5 p.m.** **CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- TBN** Movie "Christmas Miracle" (2012) Dan Payne. Eight strangers learn how to manage various dilemmas by working together.
- 5:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 5:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1984) George C. Scott. An old man who hates Christmas is taught its true meaning and spirit by three ghosts.
- 6 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- LIFE** Movie "Becoming Santa" (2015) Michael Gross. A woman introduces her toy designer boyfriend to her parents, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- 6:30 p.m.** **TNT** Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas The story of the Grinch, who decides to steal Christmas from the citizens of Whoville.
- 7:30 p.m.** **CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** I Want a Dog for Christmas, Charlie Brown Linus and Lucy's younger brother, ReRun, asks Snoopy to invite his brother Spike to visit.
- AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- HALL** Movie "A Christmas Melody" (2015) A single mother moves back to her hometown to start life anew with her young daughter.
- LIFE** Movie "The Spirit of Christmas" (2015) Jen Lilley. A woman falls in love with the spirit of a man who takes human form before Christmas.
- 9:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.
- 10 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- HALL** Movie "Once Upon a Holiday" (2015) Briana Evigan. A royal princess runs off from her obligations for awhile to see how the other half lives.

Sunday, December 20

- 1 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.

- TNT** Movie "Surviving Christmas" (2004) Ben Affleck. A lonely, wealthy executive pays a family to let him spend Christmas with them.
- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "A Christmas Melody" (2015) A single mother moves back to her hometown to start life anew with her young daughter.
- 3 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "All About Christmas Eve" (2012) Haylie Duff. A party planner needs to choose between a vacation and a huge event.
- 3:05 p.m.** **USA** Movie "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946) James Stewart. An angel shows a suicidal banker how important he has been in the lives of others.
- TNT** **Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas** The story of the Grinch, who decides to steal Christmas from the citizens of Whoville.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "A Princess for Christmas" (2011) Katie McGrath. A young woman falls for a dashing prince when she visits England for Christmas.
- 4:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 5 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.
- 6 p.m.** **TNT** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 7 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.
- LIFE** Movie "The Spirit of Christmas" (2015) Jen Lilley. A woman falls in love with the spirit of a man who takes human form before Christmas.
- 8 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Christmas Land" (2015) A woman inherits a Christmas tree farm from her grandmother and decides she must sell it.
- USA** Movie "Santa's Little Helper" (2015) Mike Mizanin. After being fired from his job, a businessman is thrown into an elf competition.
- 9:15 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron-Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.

Monday, December 21

- 1 p.m.** **FAM** **Rudolph's Shiny New Year** Rudolph must find Happy, the missing baby new year, before midnight on New Year's Eve.
- 2 p.m.** **FAM** **Frosty's Winter Wonderland** The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.
- HALL** **Jingle All the Way** A Husky puppy looking for a home at a Christmas tree farm bonds with a young boy.
- 2:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- HALL** **Jingle and Bell's Christmas Star** Jingle the husky pup helps make Christmas special for his new friends.
- 3 p.m.** **HALL** **Jingle All the Way** A Husky puppy looking for a home at a Christmas tree farm bonds with a young boy.
- 3:30 p.m.** **FOOD** **Giada's Holiday Handbook**
- HALL** **Jingle and Bell's Christmas Star** Jingle the husky pup helps make Christmas special for his new friends.

Tuesday, Dec. 22 on Fox



Photo courtesy Fox

The loveable ragtag herd of Arctic animals gets into the Christmas spirit in the half-hour holiday special "Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas." After Sid (John Leguizamo) breaks Manny's (Ray Romano) special Christmas rock, the sloth, his two possum pals and Peaches (Ciara Bravo) make for the North Pole to clear Sid's name off the naughty list. When Manny and Ellie (Queen Latifah) realize their daughter is gone, they set off to find her with the help of Diego (Denis Leary), while Sid and the possums destroy Santa's workshop.

- 4 p.m.** **HALL** **Hollywood Christmas Parade**
- 4:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Snowglobe" (2007) Lorraine Bracco. A mystical snow globe transports Angela into an idyllic Christmas winter wonderland.
- 5:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1994) Lord Richard Attenborough. A young girl's mother hires a department store Santa who proves that he's genuine.
- 6 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron-Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.
- 6:30 p.m.** **EWTV** **Keep Christ in Christmas** A tour behind the scenes of the making of 'Santa's Priority,' a Christmas evangomercial.
- FAM** Movie "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. A man raised as an elf at the North Pole travels to New York to find his true father.
- 8 p.m.** **ABC** **The Great Christmas Light Fight** Twenty families from across America decorate their homes to the extreme for Christmas.
- AMC** Movie "Miracle on 34th Street" (1947) Maureen O'Hara. A Macy's store Santa Claus raises eyebrows when he claims to be the real Kris Kringle.
- HALL** Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas" (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.
- LIFE** Movie "Dear Secret Santa" (2013) Tatyana Ali. A woman receives Christmas cards from an admirer she believes to be someone who's passed.
- 8:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 10 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "Last Chance Christmas" (2015) Gabriel Hogan. When Prancer injures his hoof, Santa's stable hand must find a fill in to save Christmas.

Tuesday, December 22

- 1:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Eve's Christmas" (2012) Elisa Donovan. A wealthy, successful career woman gets a second chance in life with magical wish.
- 3:30 p.m.** **FOOD** **Giada's Holiday Handbook** Giada shows us how to create an elegant feast without spending all day in the kitchen.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "The Christmas Parade" (2014) AnnaLynne McCord. A big-city morning show host finds a renewed Christmas spirit and unexpected love.
- 4:30 p.m.** **FAM** **The Year Without a Santa Claus** Santa decides to take time off because he feels people have lost the spirit of Christmas.
- 5:30 p.m.** **FAM** **Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town** Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- 6 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- LIFE** Movie "Twelve Wishes for Christmas" (2011) Elisa Donovan. When a mysterious lady grants a woman wishes, she must set things right after the fallout.
- 6:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause" (1994) Tim Allen. When a father mistakenly kills Santa Claus, he is magically recruited to take his place.
- 8 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Christmas Land" (2015) A woman inherits a Christmas tree farm from her grandmother and decides she must sell it.
- LIFE** Movie "Dear Santa" (2011) Amy Acker. A young woman finds a letter from a girl asking for a new wife for her dad.
- NBC** **Saturday Night Live Christmas** A compilation of fan-favorite holiday sketches.
- TNT** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.
- 8:30 p.m.** **FOX** **Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas** Sid travels to the North Pole after Manny convinces him he is on Santa's naughty list.
- 8:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
- 9 p.m.** **CMT** Movie "A Christmas Story 2" (2012) Daniel Stern. Its five years later and Ralphie is eyeing a car, but trouble seems to be following him.
- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "A Christmas Melody" (2015) A single mother moves back to her hometown to start life anew with her young daughter.
- LIFE** Movie "The Christmas Gift" (2015) Michelle Trachtenberg. A young journalist searches for the person who sent her a Secret Santa gift as a child.
- TBN** **God Came Near** Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.
- TNT** Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.

Wednesday, December 23

- 1 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "Santa Baby 2: Christmas Maybe" (2009) Jenny McCarthy. Santa's daughter is torn between taking over the family business and running her own firm.
- 2 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Royal Christmas" (2014) Lacey Chabert. Prince Leopold, who has no intention of marrying royalty, falls in love with Emily.
- 2:30 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "A Christmas Carol" (1984) George C. Scott. An old man who hates Christmas is taught its true meaning and spirit by three ghosts.
- 3:15 p.m.** **FAM** Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town Kris Kringle overcomes an evil ruler and delivers toys to children all over the world.
- 4 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Single Santa Seeks Mrs. Claus" (2004) Steve Guttenberg. Santa worries about turning over the reigns to his son, Nick, who hasn't yet found a wife.
LIFE Movie "The Christmas Hope" (2009) Madeleine Stowe. A social worker, whose marriage is shaky, takes in a five-year-old over the holidays.
- 4:15 p.m.** **FAM** Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July During a July vacation, Rudolph and Frosty find themselves in danger.
- 5 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
TBN Christmas Special
- 6 p.m.** **LIFE** Movie "Wish Upon a Christmas" (2015) Aaron Ashmore. A business executive returns home to help a family-run ornament company.
- 6:30 p.m.** **FAM** Frosty's Winter Wonderland The children build Frosty a companion out of snow after noticing how sad he has become.
- 7 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
BBC Doctor Who Santa-shaped assassins herald the approach of a terrible danger from the stars.
FAM Mickey's Christmas Carol The three ghosts of Christmas visit Scrooge McDuck to teach him the spirit of the holiday.
- 7:30 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2007) Tim Allen. Santa Claus prepares for a busy Christmas with his in-laws and the mischievous Jack Frost.
TBS Seinfeld Kramer returns to work when the strike at the bagel shop ends; Frank celebrates Festivus.
- 8 p.m.** **CBS** The I Love Lucy Christmas Special View two colorized episodes of this classic show seamlessly combined into one.
HALL Movie "A Bride for Christmas" (2012) Andrew W. Walker. A woman falls in love, unaware she's been handpicked to help the man win a bet.
LIFE Movie "Twelve Men of Christmas" (2009) Kristin Chenoweth. A high-powered New York public relations executive finds love in a small town in Montana.
- 8:30 p.m.** **NBC** How the Grinch Stole Christmas A Grinch steals everything Christmas from the Whos so they can't celebrate the holiday.
- 9 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Christmas With the Kranks" (2004) Tim Allen. Luther and Nora Krank scramble to create the perfect Christmas for their daughter.
BBC Doctor Who The Doctor must rescue Amy and Rory from a crashing space liner.
NBC How Murray Saved Christmas A cranky deli owner is forced to fill in for Santa and does a wonderful job.
- 9:45 p.m.** **FAM** Movie "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989) Chevy Chase. A man plays host to numerous dysfunctional relatives during the Christmas holidays.

Thursday, Dec. 24 on NBC



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His Holiness Pope Francis leads millions of Roman Catholics in Italy and around the world in the "Christmas Eve Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome." Each year, countless Catholics flock to the holy city to share in the storied Christmas tradition, and while the mass itself is an invite-only event (with tickets often selling out months in advance), many people gather outside in the piazza and watch the sacred vigil on large screens to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

- 10 p.m.** **HALL** Movie "Matchmaker Santa" (2012) Lacey Chabert. A mysterious Santa strands a baker and her boyfriend's best friend in a small town.
LIFE Movie "Holiday Switch" (2007) Nicole Eggert. A woman wonders what her life would be like if she married her high school boyfriend.

Thursday, December 24

- Noon** **COM** Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
LIFE Movie "The Spirit of Christmas" (2015) Jen Lilley. A woman falls in love with the spirit of a man who takes human form before Christmas.
- 1 p.m.** **COM** Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
FAM Movie "Prancer" (1989) Sam Elliott. A girl finds an injured reindeer and decides to nurse it until she can return it to Santa.
- 1:30 p.m.** **TBN** Crabb Family Christmas Seasonal music from the Crabb Family.
- 2 p.m.** **COM** Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
HALL Movie "A Bride for Christmas" (2012) Andrew W. Walker. A woman falls in love, unaware she's been handpicked to help the man win a bet.
LIFE Movie "Holly's Holiday" (2012) Claire Coffee. An unconscious woman awakens to realize a window mannequin has come to life.
- 2:15 p.m.** **TBN** Movie "Christmas in Connecticut" (1945) Barbara Stanwyck. A promotional stunt threatens to expose a columnist's fictitious housekeeping skills.
- 3 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Jingle All the Way" (1996) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A father frantically searches for a last-minute Christmas gift for his son.
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- 4 p.m.** **COM** Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
HALL Movie "One Christmas Eve" (2014) Anne Heche. An abandoned puppy becomes a catalyst for a series of misadventures on Christmas Eve.
- 4:15 p.m.** **TBN** Movie "Holiday Affair" (1949) Robert Mitchum. A man offers to buy a model train set for a boy whose mother cannot afford it.
- 4:20 p.m.** **BBC** Doctor Who The Doctor must rescue Amy and Rory from a crashing space liner.
- 5 p.m.** **AMC** Movie "Scrooged" (1988) Bill Murray. A callous executive learns the true meaning of Christmas when he is visited by ghosts.
COM Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
FAM Disney's Prep and Landing Elves known as Prep & Landing prepare homes around the world for Santa's arrival.
USA Movie "Santa's Little Helper" (2015) Mike Mizanin. After being fired from his job, a businessman is thrown into an elf competition.
- 5:30 p.m.** **FAM** Prep and Landing 2: Naughty vs. Nice Wayne and his estranged brother, Lanny, race to recover classified North Pole technology.
TBN Movie "Christmas Lodge" (2011) Peter Benson. A historic preservationist restores an old lodge and also finds the love of her life.
- 5:40 p.m.** **BBC** Doctor Who A madcap caretaker's mysterious Christmas gift leads Mardge Arwell into a magical world.
- 6 p.m.** **COM** Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special Comedian Jeff Dunham performs a holiday-themed stand-up special with his friends.
FAM Toy Story That Time Forgot Trixie the triceratops helps the gang to return to Bonnie's room.
HALL Movie "Let It Snow" (2013) An executive is conflicted when she is sent to turn a charming lodge into a modern resort.
LIFE Movie "Christmas in the City" (2013) John Prescott. A woman tries to bring out the true meaning of Christmas before it's too late.
- 6:20 p.m.** **HBO** Movie "Black Nativity" (2013) Forest Whitaker. A Baltimore teen travels to New York City to spend Christmas with his estranged family.

(TCM) Movie "It Happened on Fifth Avenue" (1947) Don DeFore. While a family is away for Christmas, a hobo and his friends live in their mansion.

8 p.m. (CW) iHeartRadio Jingle Ball Featuring performances by top recording artists as well as emerging new talent.

(LIFE) Movie "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" (2015) Meredith Hagner. A personal shopper makes it her mission to get one of her clients into the holiday spirit.

(TBS) Movie "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn. A couple struggles to spend Christmas with all four of their divorced parents.

9 p.m. (BBC) Doctor Who

(HALL) Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

10 p.m. (EWTN) A Time to Remember The Christmas story of a boy who develops his singing with a priest.

(LIFE) Movie "Becoming Santa" (2015) Michael Gross. A woman introduces her toy designer boyfriend to her parents, Santa and Mrs. Claus.

(TBN) Movie "A Christmas Snow" (2010) Danny Cahill. Christmas has not been the same for a young woman since her father left.

Saturday, December 26

4 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Angel of Christmas" (2015) Jennifer Finnigan. Susan gets her first big break to write a headline story about a carved wooden angel.

(TBN) God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.

5 p.m. (TBN) Movie "The Christmas Bunny" (2010) Sophie Bolen. A lonely foster child finds a lost, injured rabbit in the woods on Christmas Eve.

6 p.m. (HALL) Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

11 p.m. (TBN) Movie "Christmas Lodge" (2011) Peter Benson. A historic preservationist restores an old lodge and also finds the love of her life.

(EWTN) Christmas With Collin Raye Featuring Andrea Thomas Country music star Collin Raye and Andre Thomas perform cherished Christmas songs.

Sunday, December 27

4 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Hitched for the Holidays" (2012) Joey Lawrence. A man and woman agree to pose as each other's significant other to their families.

8 p.m. (HALL) Movie "A Boyfriend for Christmas" (2004) Kelli Williams. A girl tells Santa she wants a boyfriend for Christmas and he turns up 19 years later.

10 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Christmas at Cartwright's" (2014) Alicia Witt. A single unemployed mom is desperate to find a job to make her daughter's holiday happy.

Monday, December 28

2 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Christmas at Cartwright's" (2014) Alicia Witt. A single unemployed mom is desperate to find a job to make her daughter's holiday happy.

3:30 p.m. (FOOD) Giada's Holiday Handbook The ultimate resource for creative, doable and fun entertaining ideas.

8 p.m. (ABC) Happy New Year, Charlie Brown Celebrate New Year's Eve with the Peanuts; includes 'She's a Good Skate, Charlie Brown.'

Monday, Dec. 28 on ABC



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The Peanuts gang celebrates the New Year in this animated special titled **"Happy New Year, Charlie Brown"** from creator Charles M. Schulz. Charlie Brown is overwhelmed by a book report on Leo Tolstoy's "War and Peace" he was assigned to complete over the winter holidays. He has trouble focusing, as all of his friends are attending Peppermint Patty's huge New Year's Eve party. Can Charlie Brown attend the party and still get a good grade on his book report? Bill Melendez directs and Lee Mendelson produces the special.

(HALL) Movie "I'm Not Ready for Christmas" (2015) Alicia Witt. A woman's world is turned upside down when she suddenly finds that she can no longer lie.

9 p.m. (ABC) Rudolph's Shiny New Year Rudolph must find Happy, the missing baby new year, before midnight on New Year's Eve.

11 p.m. (HALL) Movie "The Christmas Spirit" (2013) Nicolette Sheridan. Following an accident, a woman learns that her body is in a coma but her spirit is awake.

Tuesday, December 29

2 p.m. (HALL) Movie "A Princess for Christmas" (2011) Katie McGrath. A young woman falls for a dashing prince when she visits England for Christmas.

3:30 p.m. (FOOD) Giada's Holiday Handbook The ultimate resource for creative, doable and fun entertaining ideas.

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10 p.m. (TBN) God Came Near Based on Max Lucado's beloved book, God Came Near.

Wednesday, December 30

2 p.m. (HALL) Movie "A Christmas Detour" (2015) Candace Cameron Bure. Two NYC bound travelers find themselves linked when a storm waylays their flight.

4 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Merry Matrimony" (2015) Jessica Lowndes. An advertising executive lands her dream assignment; but is paired with her ex boyfriend.

6 p.m. (HALL) Movie "12 Gifts of Christmas" (2015) Katrina Law. Anna is hired to become a personal shopper for Marc, an uptight corporate executive.

8 p.m. (CW) iHeartRadio Jingle Ball Featuring performances by top recording artists as well as emerging new talent.

11 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Window Wonderland" (2013) Chyler Leigh. As the Christmas season approaches, a woman vies for the position of head window designer.

Thursday, December 31

2 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Window Wonderland" (2013) Chyler Leigh. As the Christmas season approaches, a woman vies for the position of head window designer.

2:30 p.m. (TBS) Family Guy Y2K causes the apocalypse and the Grif-fins must find a new source of food.

4 p.m. (EWTN) Vespers of Thanksgiving

(HALL) Movie "Christmas Under Wraps" (2014) Candace Cameron Bure. A woman loses her job and beau on the same day and reluctantly accepts a job in Alaska.

(TBS) Friends Joey and the gang get invited by Janine to the advance taping of a New Year's special.

6 p.m. (HALL) Movie "Northpole" (2014) Tiffani Thiessen. A boy is called upon to save the Northpole and help his mom believe in holiday magic.

8 p.m. (ABC) Dick Clark's Primetime New Year's Rockin' Eve With Ryan Seacrest Celebrating live from Times Square in New York City.

(FOX) Pitbull's New Year's Revolution Pitbull will be joined by some of his favorite A-list musicians, DJs and celebrities.

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(HALL) Movie "Christmas Land" (2015) A woman inherits a Christmas tree farm from her grandmother and decides she must sell it.

11:30 p.m. (ABC) Dick Clark's Primetime New Year's Rockin' Eve With Ryan Seacrest The countdown to midnight from Times Square in New York continues.

Midnight (BBC) Doctor Who The Doctor saves a town called Christmas from the Time Lord's greatest enemies.

1 a.m. (HALL) Movie "A Christmas Melody" (2015) A single mother moves back to her hometown to start life anew with her young daughter.

1:10 a.m. (ABC) Dick Clark's Primetime New Year's Rockin' Eve With Ryan Seacrest The countdown to midnight from Times Square in New York continues.

Friday, January 1

11 a.m. (ABC) NBC Tournament of Roses Parade Spirited marching bands, majestic floral floats, and high-stepping equestrian units.

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