

KMST Holiday Specials 2016

Thursday, November 24 - Thanksgiving Day

11:00am - 1:00pm Turkey Confidential APM

Host Lynne Rossetto Kasper comes to the rescue of Thanksgiving cooks, kitchen helpers, and dinner guests alike on the biggest cooking day of the year.

A Thanksgiving morning tradition, Lynne answers listener questions throughout this live, two-hour program. Previous "Turkey Confidential" specials have included everything from a cross-country trucker cooking his Thanksgiving dinner on the manifold to a panicked first-time cook who didn't realize a turkey needs to be thawed. Lynne handles all questions with wit, expertise and laughter.

1:00pm - 3:00pm Giving Thanks APM

Classical music is the heart and soul of *Giving Thanks*, with no clichés about pilgrims and pumpkin pies between pieces. Instead, host John Birge presents a contemporary celebration of the spirit of gratitude, with this year's special guest, Chef Jacques Pepin.

Whether you are listening in the kitchen, on the road, or relaxing after their feast, "Giving Thanks" provides the warmth of great music and memorable words.

Tuesday, December 13

1:00pm - 2:00pm Advent Voices APM

Advent is a time of quiet contemplation and waiting. It's waiting for darkness to become light and for hopes to be realized. Throughout the centuries Advent has been observed musically in sacred and secular ways. Join Lynne Warfel for an hour of the most beautiful vocal music inspired by and written for Advent.

Wednesday, December 14

1:00pm - 2:00pm Welcome Christmas APM

The perennial Christmas favorite from VocalEssence, one of the world's premiere choral groups. An hour of traditional carols and new discoveries.

Thursday, December 15 APM

1:00pm - 2:00pm* *Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir APM

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Friday, December 16

1:00pm - 3:00pm* *Paul Winter's 36th Annual Winter Solstice Celebration NPR

Celebrate the Return of the Sun -- and the Warming of the heart with Paul Winter's Annual Winter Solstice Celebration. On the darkest night of the year, we head back to New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine to hear The Paul Winter Consort and the glorious Cathedral Pipe Organ. The performance brings traditional holiday favorites and new sounds from around the world with special guests Ivan Lins and Renato Braz. Hosted by John Schaefer.

9:00pm - 10:00pm* *Joy to the World: A Holiday in Pink NPR

The internationally acclaimed "little orchestra" Pink Martini bedecks the airwaves with festive holiday songs from across the globe. From timeless classics to rarely heard gems, hear a multi-denominational, multi-cultural jubilee, overflowing with enough holiday spirit to warm your entire family. Hosted by *All Things Considered's* Ari Shapiro.

Sunday, December 18

11:00am - 12:00pm* *Marketplace Takes Care of Holiday Business APM

The Marketplace Weekend team examines where the holidays meet money. Host Lizzie O'Leary is joined by a number of special guests to explore that intersection, tell some stories, and help you financially navigate the holiday season.

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Monday, December 19

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Christmas in Baroque Malta WFMT

The Rose Ensemble's celestial voices team up with a Baroque band to present this unique seasonal program of glorious 17th-century music from Italy, preserved in the Cathedral archives on the Island of Malta, and now being heard for the first time in hundreds of years. Imagine the splendor of the great Baroque churches of Venice and Rome, resounding with choral music as opulent and ornate as the buildings themselves. Now imagine that same music lost forever in Italy but miraculously preserved for centuries on the Island of Malta. The Rose Ensemble takes us on a fascinating journey to celebrate these musical treasures in a seasonal program featuring lush harmonies, prophetic poetry, a tender lullaby, and shepherds' songs bursting with exaltation. Joined by a band of period instruments, the voices of The Rose Ensemble invite us to spend Christmas in Malta, and welcome the season with Baroque majesty and joy!

8:00pm - 9:00pm

Song Travels NPR

Join Michael Feinstein for an hour of yuletide cheer and music. This edition of Song Travels journeys from Hollywood's vintage silver screen to New York City's iconic Birdland club. The Michael Feinstein Big Band performs selections from the classic movie White Christmas, and Feinstein shares rare recordings from some of his favorite performers.

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1:00pm - 2:00pm

A Chanticleer Christmas APM

A one-hour program of holiday favorites, new and old, presented live in concert by the superb 12-man ensemble known as "an orchestra of voices."

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Tinsel Tales NPR

In keeping with a well-loved NPR holiday tradition, hear the third collection of extraordinary Christmas stories that will transport you to unexpected places.

Audie Cornish, Ken Harbaugh, Nina Totenberg and other voices from NPR's past and present tell stories of the season in this hour-long special. Some tales are funny; some are touching; some are insightful or irreverent or nostalgic or surprising. You might recognize them from our broadcast archives — or you might fall in love with them for the first time. Hosted by Lynn Neary

8:00pm - 9:00pm

Carols and Cheer APM

Scott Blankenship and Matt Culloton team up again in 2016 to review their favorite carols for the holiday season. Utterly “sing-a-long-able”, their top picks will include the best of the Christmas season as performed by the leading artists and ensembles of today.

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Hollywood Holiday APM

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Wednesday, December 21

1:00pm - 2:00pm

An Afro Blue Christmas NPR

Join us for a very special holiday concert with Howard University's premiere vocal ensemble Afro Blue and special guest pianist Cyrus Chestnut. Hear the a-capella group perform a variety of holiday songs including African-American spirituals, jazz and pop tunes, and classical repertoire. The joyous celebration includes one-of-a-kind arrangements on traditional holiday songs plus new compositions...music perfect for the holidays and the spirit of Christmas. Hosted by Michele Norris.

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Saturday, December 24

7:00pm - 8:00pm ***A Christmas Carol***

Staff and faculty of Missouri S&T and KMST come together in our own production of Charles Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol." This is a production not to be missed!

8:00pm – 10:00pm

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Hosted by Michael Barone, this is a live service of spoken-word and music (choral and organ) broadcast from the chapel of King's College in Cambridge, England. The 30-voice King's College Choir performs the legendary Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols service of Biblical readings and music.

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Hanukkah Lights

A perennial NPR favorite with all new Hanukkah stories. Authors include R.L. Maizes and others. Hosted by Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz.

Thursday, December 28

7:00pm - 8:00pm ***Candles Burning Brightly NPR***

A one-hour celebration of Hanukkah, the Jewish Festival of Lights with an exploration of Chanukah foods and traditional activities ... and plenty of music.

Saturday, December 31

11:00pm - 5:00am ***Toast of the Nation NPR***

An NPR tradition every New Year's Eve since the 1970s, Toast of the Nation is the perfect audio complement for the occasion. It's festive jazz you can party to all night long. Spirited, improvised, and swinging, each segment stops in a special venue, throughout the country.

Sunday, January 1, 2017

8:00pm - 10:00pm ***New Year's Day from Vienna 2017 NPR***

The Vienna Philharmonic presents its ever popular annual New Year's Day concert from the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna. You'll hear your favorite waltzes, polkas and more -- a festive way to start off the New Year. Presented by NPR Music.