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Headline-grabbing rescue profiled in Doc Series season premiere

On Thursday, December 2nd, at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture, the Bozeman Doc Series kicks off its seventh season with the award-winning new documentary, **The Rescue**, by Oscar-winning filmmakers Jimmy Chin and Elizabeth Chai-Vasarhelyi. The film screens at 7pm.

The Rescue chronicles the enthralling, against-all-odds story that transfixed the world in 2018: the daring rescue of twelve boys and their coach from deep inside a flooded cave in Northern Thailand. Academy Award-winning directors and producers E. Chai Vasarhelyi and Jimmy Chin keep viewers on the edge of their seats as they use a



wealth of never-before-seen material and exclusive interviews to piece together the high stakes mission, highlighting the efforts of the Royal Thai Navy SEALs and US Special

Forces and details the expert cave divers' audacious venture to dive the boys to safety. *The Rescue* brings alive

one of the most perilous and extraordinary rescues in modern times, shining a light on the high-risk world of cave diving, the astounding courage and compassion of the rescuers, and the shared humanity of the international community that united to save the boys.

The Rescue world-premiered at this year's Telluride Film Festival to widespread critical acclaim and was recently awarded the Grand Prize at the Banff Mountain Film Festival.

"*The Rescue* is a gripping, unsurprisingly moving early account, one that emphasizes the pluck and ingenuity of its heroes and the resilience

and beauty of its survivors."

— *Los Angeles Times*

Following Thursday, Dec. 16th is **Paper & Glue** at 7pm. The doc is a fascinating look at the life and work of renowned street artist JR as he travels the globe creating some of his most monumental and inspiring works.

Single admission to these films is \$10, or \$8 for students. Masks required in the theater.

Tickets are available at the door or in advance at www.bozemandocseries.org, where you can view trailers for upcoming films. •

Downtown Bozeman kicks off ho-ho-holiday season with annual Stroll

The 41st annual **Christmas Stroll**, Downtown Bozeman's greatest holiday tradition, will take place Saturday evening, December 4th from

4:30-7:30pm. Join for festive activities, great food and tons of fun! Bring the whole family to get your picture taken with Santa Claus, watch the lighting ceremony of the downtown decorations, check out the gingerbread house contest display, sing Christmas carols, grab a bite to eat from a local food vendor, visit with representatives from non-profits, or do some Christmas gift shopping. The Christmas Stroll is the place to find it all!

The Christmas Stroll is a community event 100% supported by business sponsors and the sales of the Stroll's timeless



button souvenirs. These buttons grant access to additional Stroll happenings, including pictures with Santa, kids' activities and more. You can support this great event by purchasing an official button for only \$4, allowing the

Bozeman tradition to continue for many holiday seasons to come. Purchase of a button also enters its owners in a drawing for Bridger Bowl lift tickets, Downtown Dollar prize packages and more.

Find a complete schedule of events, list of where to purchase buttons, and further information at www.downtownbozeman.org. The official Christmas Stroll program is set to be included the *Bozeman Daily Chronicle's* Dec. 3rd issue, as well as online. Grab a copy and head downtown! •

Venture back to wartime Montana with radio Christmas showcase

For one festive week only, Small Batch Arts presents stage production **A Montana Radio Christmas 1944** at Reynolds Recital Hall on the Montana State University campus. Performances will take place December 17th and 18th, 21st and 22nd at 7pm each night. Two matinee performances will also take place on Dec. 19th and 23rd at 3pm.

In 2019, "A Bozeman Radio Christmas 1939" looked at the year Bozeman got its first commercial radio station. It featured stories of pioneer holidays in the Gallatin

The audience will travel back to the dramatic years of WWII, but travel will not be easy. It's 1944, gas is rationed, road maintenance has been suspended, car tires are impossible to find, and to save fuel the speed limit has been lowered to 35mph. The solution? Taking the train! And

living in isolation in the bitter winter of 1919 sent a letter to



Santa down the Musselshell River in a bottle and the surprising result. And how a Will Thompson, a tight-fisted merchant in frontier Virginia City, served one of the most spectacularly unfortunate Christmas dinners ever.

These stories and more will be dramatized by a talented troupe of storytellers. Of course there will plenty of music on board and the fabulous GG's will have a brand new slate of holiday songs from the 30s and 40s. Hop aboard!

General admission for *A Montana Radio Christmas 1944* is \$15.50, or \$9.50 for those under 10. Advance tickets may be purchased through www.smallbatcharts.org.

Reynolds is located in Howard Hall off of S 11th Ave., just across from the MSU Duck Pond.

An arm of the Children's Shakespeare Society, Small Batch Arts produces pre-professional and professional art, educational, dance and theatrical events which harken to a time gone by. •

Valley and popular holiday swing tunes as sung by the fabulous Gallatin Gals (The GG's). Following the success of that program, the decision was made to research and develop another holiday program set in a time significant to Montana history.

Over the last year, and with the invaluable assistance of the Montana Historical Society and Gallatin History Museum, *A Montana Radio Christmas 1944* will come to life on the Reynolds Hall stage.

not just any train, the fabled Olympian, the Milwaukee Road's most magnificent passenger train.

During the war the Olympian was converted to a troop train, so the audience will ride the rails with the troops through the heart of Montana hearing stories of Christmas in Montana and how the momentous events of that time affected everyday life:

How in March of 1944 a B-17 bomber and its crew saved Miles City from certain destruction. How the children of a homestead family

Broadway talent celebrates Joni Mitchell's Blue with Live performance

Celebrating the lineage and contemporary voice of the American Roots singer/songwriter, the intimate performance space at *Live From The Divide* offers audiences an experience larger venues cannot.

Secure your tickets for special showcase on Thursday, December 9th. **Katie Boeck Sings Blue: A Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Legendary Album by Joni Mitchell** begins at 8pm. Admission is \$60 in advance. Doors at 7pm.

In June of 1971, Joni Mitchell released what would go on to be her most beloved work, the now leg-



endary album. A deeply honest and vulnerable collection of songs, *Blue*

has been the soundtrack to the lives of so many throughout the past 5 decades as they've navigated their own joys and sorrows in the dance between love and freedom.

In celebration of 50 years since its release, Broadway songstress Katie Boeck (voice of Wendla in the Tony-nominated *Revival of Spring Awakening*, Ave Maria in HBO's *The Newsroom*), is playing and singing the album from start to finish, offering a chance to hear the songs as performed on the record, honoring their original arrangements while interpreting them through her own musical lens and connecting the themes to her own life.

Both a tribute to a musical hero and an exploration of vulnerability and emotional fragility through interwoven narratives, Boeck captures Joni's soaring, hauntingly beautiful textures, and haunting hues in a way that few can emulate.

Tickets are sold at the door, but these small shows are known to sell out quickly! Advance tickets are available at www.livefromthedi- vide.com where you can also find a complete list of upcoming shows. The *Live* studio is located at 627 E Peach St. in Bozeman. •

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Livingston streets light up for inaugural winter celebration

A new holiday tradition is born in Park County. The Explore Livingston Coalition has announced its first ever community event to commemorate the season with the **Light Up Livingston Celebration** on Saturday, December 11th from 4-7pm in Depot Park. Admission is free to the public, but purchase of food and drink by local vendors is encouraged. Downtown shops will also be open for holiday shopping opportunities during the event.

Teaming with nonprofit the Holiday Lights Committee, the Livingston Depot Center, Livingston Parks & Recreation and generous partners with present this new holiday gathering intended to complement beloved holiday events including the Holiday Stroll, Polar Express viewing, Holiday Market and Craft Fairs, and other Livingston classics.

Light Up Livingston will feature family fun including carol singing and talented high school musicians,

candy cane and holiday scavenger hunts, StoryWalk, chalk on the walk, holiday cookie kits from LINKS, and beloved holiday characters for photos. Hot drinks will be served and the Murray Bar will sell libations to spike the hot drinks for adults. Katabatic Brewing will also be selling beer, and the Chef's Table Food Truck will have a menu of gourmet eats. Food will be \$5 per item.

The event will debut a new, densely lit Christmas tree, donated by Ace Hardware, that will be lit for the first time at 5:30 pm. While the downtown snowflake lights and Depot holiday lights will have already been shining,



they will be darkened the day of the event so that in one magical

moment, all Livingston holiday lights will illuminate at once!

The event endeavors to safely celebrate Livingston after a tough few years and draw winter visitors to spend time and money in Livingston. In its pilot year, 'Light Up Livingston' proceeds with the ultimate goal of expanding every year to help boost Livingston's winter economy.

The Explore Livingston Coalition is comprised of members from Livingston's Tourism Business Improvement District in partnership with the Downtown Livingston Business Improvement District and



Convention & Visitors Bureau. The collective provides services, projects, marketing and grants supporting events that bring tourism dollars into Livingston's economy. Learn more at www.downtownlivingston.org and www.explore-livingstonmt.com.

Shane gifts local audiences with beloved vaudevillian variety show

Livingston's Shane Lalani Center for the Arts is delighted to announce the return of **Holiday Vaudeville** from December 10th through 19th.

One of its most anticipated productions, this two-hour variety show is a high-energy romp through the

the whole family, and virtually guaranteed to get you in the spirit!

This year's *Holiday Vaudeville* runs for two weekends only, Dec. 10th-19th. Performances take place in the Dulcie Theatre at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts. Show

www.theshanecenter.org or call the box office at (406) 222-1420.

Committed to community health, the Shane is exercising caution in the return to live indoor programming. A state of the art UV air filtration system has been installed in



cherished chestnuts of the season. Shane producers have assembled yet another intrepid squad of community performers ranging from the sublime to the spastic who will amaze, amuse and mystify with songs, skits and vigorous acts of vaudevillian virtuosity – all served up with a heaping helping of heart. It's fun for

times are Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm and Sundays at 3pm, plus a special Thursday showing at 8pm on Dec. 16th. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and college students, and \$10 for youth 17 and under. Seating is strictly limited for this show; early reservations are recommended. Make reservations at

the theater, and seating is strictly limited to allow for audience distancing. Masks are strongly recommended.

Holiday Vaudeville 2021 is generously sponsored by Conleys' Books & Music, Kirk Michels Architects, Breezytree Floral & Gifts, and Yellowstone Valley Lodge & Grill.

Ellen presentation of Dickens' Christmas Carol fit for the festive

The curtains have risen once again at Bozeman's Ellen Theatre, just in time for the most joyous time of year. The downtown venue features several opportunities to get into the holiday spirit with a twinkling stage favorite.

The Ellen invites audiences to return for its much-loved (and long-missed) holiday production of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. Performances will begin December 3rd and run through Dec. 22nd. Tickets are on sale now. Journey to 19th Century London for this timeless tale and meet Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim and Ebenezer Scrooge. Watch as Scrooge is magically haunted by Jacob Marley, and the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future. Will seeing these visions be enough for a misguided miser to change his ways? There's only one way to find out.

Chase away the holiday humbug with a trip to The Ellen! There's nothing quite like live theatre, and it's sure to be a Christmas to remember with this classic tale, featuring local favorite John Hosking in the role of Ebenezer Scrooge.

Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* (adaptation by Jerry Patch) is presented by Montana TheatreWorks, producers of *Oklahoma!*, *Annie*, *Damn Yankees* and *White Christmas*.

A note to parents: This is a faithful adaptation of the book, which includes visits from four ghosts. Although it is all make-believe, some young children may be frightened by the darker, spooky and supernatural aspects of this play.

Friday and Saturday performances of *A Christmas Carol* begin at 7:30pm, followed by a 3pm Sunday matinee. Three additional shows will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 20th-22nd, at 7:30pm. Tickets to this holiday production range \$18 to \$34.

Wine, beer and concessions will be sold in the lobby one hour before each event. Ticketing and further information about these and other upcoming happenings is available at www.theellentheatre.org. For additional inquiries, call the box office at (406) 585-5885.



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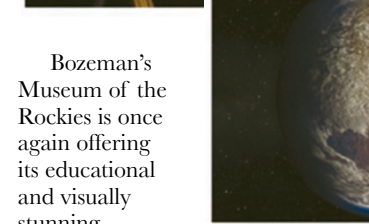
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Experience history of year-end festivities with MOR's Season of Light



Bozeman's Museum of the Rockies is once again offering its educational and visually stunning

Season of Light in the Taylor Planetarium as 2021 draws to a close. Yule logs, Christmas trees, the Hanukkah Menorah, luminaries, and Santa Claus were all taken from different cultures to fill the dark months of the year with more light. Learn about the many holiday customs that make the winter more festive!

Season of Light shows daily at noon and 2pm, through December 31st. These screenings are included with Museum admission or membership. Show times subject to change. *Please note: the Museum will close at 3pm on Dec. 24th and will be closed on Christmas Day.*

On display through Dec. 31st are exhibits *Women of Vision: National Geographic Photographers on Assignment*

and *Environmental Impact II*. Both are included with Museum admission or membership. And coming in the new year – *LUSTER: Realism & Hyperrealism in Contemporary Automobile & Motorcycle Painting* and *Human Plus: Real Lives + Real Engineering* open January 22nd. Stay tuned for details.

Give the gift of membership this holiday season! Share all that you love about MOR with friends and family. Members have the opportunity to experience diverse changing exhibits, the famous Siebel Dinosaur Complex, absorbing planetarium shows, as well as various programs and classes throughout the year.

MOR is now open from 9am-5pm daily. For more information about these exhibits, gift membership and to make a reservation, visit www.museumoftherockies.org.

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Local group maps out “Half a Yellowstone” of potential Wilderness

The Gallatin Yellowstone Wilderness Alliance recently announced the launch of an **interactive map** showing 1.15 million acres of **proposed new Wilderness** on the Custer Gallatin National Forest. “This is incredibly exciting,” said GYWA member Phil Knight. “All told we have mapped an area equal to half of Yellowstone Park of deserving wildlands, that could be designated new Wilderness areas.”

Yellowstone National Park covers 2,221,766 acres nearby.

Called the Gallatin Yellowstone Wilderness Act, the group’s proposal includes well-loved lands from the Continental Divide to the Bighorn River, including parts of the Gallatin Range, Crazy Mountains, Bridger Range, the Absarokas, Beartooths, the Madison Range and the Pryor Mountains.

According to Adam Bronstein, who completed the mapping, “Our wilderness proposal consists of wilderness quality lands identified by the Forest Service, Wilderness Study Areas, Inventoried Roadless Areas, and BLM

lands with Wilderness characteristics.” Clint Nagel of Gallatin Wildlife

Association noted that “Protecting these critical lands ties right into President Biden’s America the Beautiful initiative to combat climate change and counteract species extinction. These lands are some of the best of the best nationwide and should be protected right away.”

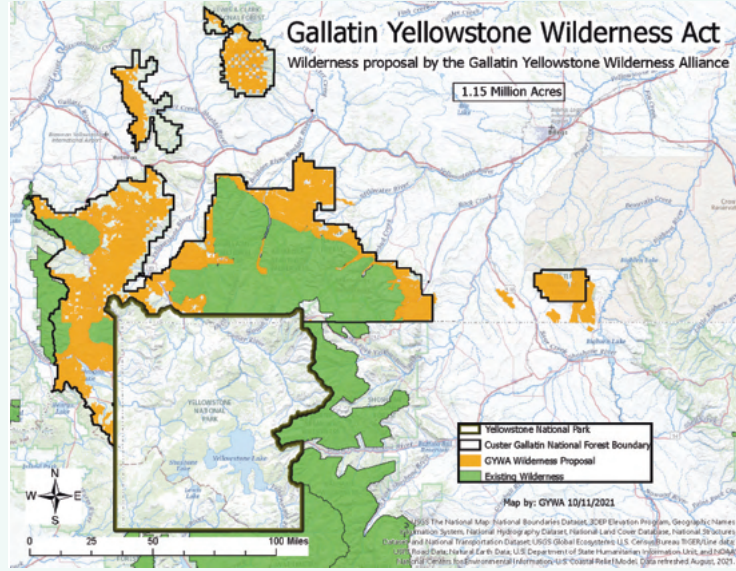
Joseph Scalia, GYWA President, continued, “Our proposal represents an urgent call to protect and safeguard

the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem before it is ultimately consumed and destroyed by the forces of ‘progress.’ The GYE’s wildlife and the wildlands that sustain them could be lost forever if we are not proactive in demanding that lands be protected under the National Wilderness Preservation System.”

Board member Nancy Ostlie said, “the best the Custer Gallatin National Forest could do is one hundred twenty five thousand acres of possible wilderness in their pending forest plan. We have found there is nearly ten times as much possible Wilderness out there.”

Mr. Knight concluded, “We are putting in the legwork and showing what is possible. Congress needs to set aside these spectacular wildlands for the present and the future benefit of America.”

Access the map and learn more about the Gallatin Yellowstone Wilderness Act at www.gallatinyellowstonewilderness.org.



Birds of Yellowstone subject of Sac Audubon holiday program

For its annual holiday program, Sacajawea Audubon Society will host an evening event featuring a presentation by wildlife filmmaker Bob Landis and wildlife biologist Doug Smith.

“**Yellowstone Birds: How Behavior Shapes the Environment**” will be held Monday, December 16th at the Ellen Theatre.

Yellowstone is one of the world’s most unique places. For birds, there are mutual relationships among species in the Greater

Yellowstone Ecosystem. This program



will be both entertaining and informative, and will focus primarily on four bird species and how their behavior impacts Yellowstone’s environment: Trumpeter Swan, Clark’s Nutcracker, Raven

and Golden Eagle. Recent research on these species’ activity has been intense, and serves as an introduction to an upcoming book to be published by Princeton University Press: *Yellowstone Birds* – the first published book of its kind in Yellowstone’s history!

Join virtually or at this special holiday event

at the Ellen Theatre as Bob Landis narrates his captivating videos on bird behavior and Doug Smith shares research updates and conservation concerns on the birds, wolves, elk, and beavers of Yellowstone National Park.

Doors open at 6pm for a social, with the program to follow at 7pm. This program is free and open to the public. A suggested donation of \$5 is appreciated.

If you are an unvaccinated adult or wish to attend the program virtually, register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1643165571202004751>. Sacajawea Audubon Society programs are free and open to the public. Learn more at www.sacajaweaaudubon.org.

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Climbing doc screens as part of Bozeman Ice Fest

Presented in collaboration with the 25th annual Bozeman Ice Festival, Bozeman Film Society will screen adventure documentary *The Alpinist* as part of its 2021-22 season. The special screening event will take place at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture on Saturday, December 11th at 7:30pm.

Marc-André Leclerc climbs alone, far from the limelight. On remote alpine faces, the free-spirited 23-year-old Canadian makes some of the boldest solo ascents in history. Yet, he draws scant attention. With no cameras, no rope, and no margin for error, Leclerc’s approach is the essence of solo adventure. Directed by Nick Rosen and Peter Mortimer, *The Alpinist* is rated PG-13 and runs 82 min.



The film screens at 7:30pm at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture. Reserved tickets are \$15 and available at www.bozemanfilmsociety.org. Visit the website to learn more about the current season.

The Bozeman Ice Festival is set for December 4th–12th with events in and around town. Ice Fest passes as well as tickets for individual events are on sale now at www.bozemanicefest.com, where you can also find further festival information and detailed schedule.

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Symphony dawns new tradition w/ multi-genre 'Holiday Spectacular'

Ring in Christmas with the first annual Bozeman Symphony Presents concert of the season, **"Holiday Spectacular,"** featuring your favorite local vocalists Jeni Fleming and the Bozeman Symphonic Choir. Performances will be held December 11th and 12th at the Willson Auditorium in Downtown Bozeman. The Saturday show will be held at 7:30pm, then again on Sunday at 2:30pm.

This festive performance includes timeless Christmas classics, such as *Sleigh Ride*, *Twelve Days of Christmas*, a *Christmas Carol Sing-Along*, and much more. Bring the whole family to this new Bozeman tradition as your Symphony blends multiple genres for the perfect holiday concert.

For Music Director Norman Huynh, it's simple: "You can't start Christmas without the 'Holiday Spectacular.'" Huynh welcomes all to join for the inaugural event celebrating the magic of the season through music.

Bozeman Symphony welcomes

back vocal superstar Jeni Fleming to the stage for 'Holiday Spectacular' to perform Walter Kent's "I'll be Home for Christmas," Jule Styne's "Let It Snow," and the "Traditional Christmas Song."

Fleming is excited to share her incredible vocal talents once again with the community for this much-anticipated performance.

"Especially in these times, it just feels good to share an experience with my community. But the holidays remind us of our better selves: to spread joy, help those less fortunate, and remind someone you love them. That's what the holiday spirit is, that's what holiday songs remind us to do, and that's what I can offer," said Fleming.

Being a Montana resident with great renown, Jeni knows how important the holiday season is to the Bozeman community, a bustling town of must-attend events in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

"The Bozeman Symphony and Symphonic Choir have been a mainstay of the Bozeman holiday

tradition. But this particular event seems to focus on those things that made us fall in love with the season as children: the nostalgia, magic, and wonder.

Downtown Bozeman's Christmas Stroll, Montana Ballet Company's *The Nutcracker*, The Ellen Theatre's *A Christmas Carol* all have those elements of magic and wonder, and now there'll be a music event that embodies that essence as well," said Fleming.

In the past, the Bozeman Symphony has performed December classical concerts with



holiday themes, including the 2019 Vivaldi's "Gloria" performance where Bozeman was first introduced to Huynh during the Music Director Search Season. It was this performance when now Music Director Huynh first fell in love with Bozeman and the idea for 'Holiday Spectacular' was born.

No matter if you're a first-timer to the Bozeman Symphony or have

been going since its inception – all are welcome to this epic Holiday concert that will bring comfort and joy during this busy time of the year. "You don't want to miss this exciting Christmas tradition," said Huynh.

Pre-concert talks with Huynh will be held at 6:30pm Saturday and 1:30pm Sunday at the Willson and are available to attend with the purchase of your concert ticket. Adult admission for 'Holiday Spectacular' begin at \$27 with discounted student tickets available. Tickets for all Bozeman Symphony performances may be reserved in advance at www.bozemansymphony.org or at the door, based on availability. Those interested may also visit the Symphony offices, located at 1001 W Oak, Ste. 110, or call (406) 585-9774 for further details. •

Bone Dry presents night of comedy with Derek Sheen



Ready your abdominals for a hilarious night of laughs this month. Bone Dry Comedy will present a night with comedian **Derek Sheen** on Thursday, December 9th. The show will be held at the Filling Station with local stand-up Charlie of Doom opening the show at 8pm.

Derek Sheen is a cuddly mess of insecurities and a gifted, one-of-a-kind storyteller. His ability to mine humor from the dark, humid corners of the human condition has made him a cult favorite of comedy nerds around the globe.

Despite a lack of television or

film credits, he has amassed a loyal fan base touring with comedy legends Brian Posehn, Patton Oswalt and Janeane Garofalo. Sheen has released four critically acclaimed albums on Minneapolis-based Stand Up! Records, with Grammy-winning producer Dan Schlissel.

Advance tickets are \$15 at www.eventbrite.com (search "Derek Sheen") or \$20 at the door, depending on availability. Doors at 7:30pm. Sheen will also front shows in Missoula and Helena on Dec. 11th and 12th, respectively. Tickets available through Eventbrite.

Bone Dry Comedy is a collective founded by Rena Thiel and Alex Kaufman. They produce stand-up comedy shows and host regular open mic events in the Gallatin Valley and beyond. Find Bone Dry on social media for the most up to date event announcements. •

Mountaineering legends team for Emerson book presentation

Country Bookshelf will host a unique night of conversation as winter recreation kicks into high gear. **"An Evening of Stories with Rick Ridgeway & Conrad Anker"** will take place Thursday, December 16th at the Emerson Center of Arts & Culture. The night celebrates the launch of Ridgeway's memoir *Life Lived Wild: Adventures at the End of the Map* and begins at 6:30pm.

Rick Ridgeway calculates that he has spent over five years of his life sleeping in tents. Those nights taught him to "distinguish matters of consequence from matters of inconsequence" throughout the rest

of his life. From the first American ascent of K2 to the first known traverse of Borneo, Ridgeway reflects on his journey from outdoor adventurer to unlikely environmental activist. In telling the stories of 26 expeditions to the most remote regions of the world, his newly released memoir, *Life Lived Wild*, chronicles his shift from someone fascinated by wild places to someone dedicated to saving them. It features a colorful cast of characters, including Conrad Anker, Jimmy Chin, Yvon Chouinard, Tom Brokaw and others.

Called "the Real Indiana Jones,"

by *Rolling Stone*, Rick Ridgeway is considered a legend in mountaineering and has mentored many leading climbers. Today he is an active environmentalist who chairs the climate change nonprofit One Earth.

Bozeman resident Conrad Anker is considered one of the world's foremost mountaineers. In 1999, he located George Mallory's body on Everest as a member of a search team looking for the remains of the British climber.

Admission to this evening presentation is \$10 and available through www.countrybookshelf.com. Proceeds benefit the Park County Environmental Council. •

OLLI at MSU panel discusses impact, value of Gallatin Valley nonprofits

From MSU News Service

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Montana State University will host **"Impacts of Nonprofits in our Community"** for a Friday Forum on December 10th. The panel event will take place from noon to 1:30pm virtually. It is free and open to the public.

Bridget Wilkinson, executive director of the One Valley Community Foundation, and Liz Moore, executive director of the Montana Nonprofit Association, will discuss the impact and value of nonprofits in the Gallatin Valley. They will also address the role nonprofits play in the prosperity and vitality of Montana as a whole. According to the National Council of Nonprofits, nonprofit organizations foster civic engagement and leadership, drive economic growth and strengthen the fabric of communities. Attendees

will learn how residents across Gallatin County, Montana and the United States benefit every day from the work of nonprofits in various ways.

Attendees must register in advance and no later than 11am on Dec. 10th. For more information or to register, visit montana.edu/olli/register or call (406) 994-6550. Upon registration confirmation, participants will receive an email with the Zoom link and instructions to join the program.

Friday Forums are offered on the second Friday of each month, September through May, by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at MSU. OLLI at MSU is a program of Academic Technology and Outreach. ATO works across the university to support and advance its land-grant mission through unique and innovative opportunities for outreach and engagement. •

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A special message from ever-weird Cactus Records

The rumors of our death have been *greatly* exaggerated, but we are movin' on up to the west side after the holidays! Let's start here. We're not gone. Not by a long shot. And in a little while we'll be better than ever. We want to get that out there in case you're too lazy to read the rest of this. And, to be honest, who could judge? For the rest of you, here's the long version.

Most of you have heard the story by now. This summer the retail space (not the whole building) where **Cactus Records** has resided for the past 35+ years was put up for sale – for \$1.8 million dollars! That part is true. But from there some of the stories about us around town got mixed up.

Some folks thought this meant that we were closing. Others thought that we, Cactus Records, were the ones selling our space, are leaving by choice, and are keeping the \$1.8 million for ourselves. There was even a rumor that we were reptilians from one of the spiral arms of the Andromeda Galaxy. We assure you

that none of these, especially the last one, is true.

We think that a space that held Cactus Records for so long ought to be a landmark, maybe even a National Park, and therefore valuable beyond calculation. But at \$1.8 million dollars, the price was beyond us, even though record store denizens are a famously wealthy people.

Like it or not, the popularity of our quiet little mountain town is blowing up. And the real estate market has exploded with it. Smaller independent businesses like ourselves, as well as individual members and families throughout our community, are being priced out. That is a huge problem and a whole other conversation, one we can't solve in this writing.

We were left on the hunt for a new home in Bozeman that was in our price range. Of course, our first choice would have been to stay downtown. But, space downtown is both slim and expensive. Like Paris Hilton.



Moving into a new downtown location would be setting us up to have to go through the same thing again in a few years. And then we found a fabulously funky space way across town, between Rooks and the Science Museum, across from the mall. Not only was it available, but it was up for sale! Not the whole building, just the space, at a price we could afford.

And we bought it, meaning we

won't find ourselves without a location again. Unfortunately, as great as the space was when we found it, there were a number of things about it that weren't up to city codes, meaning we couldn't move into it as is. This meant construction. We still don't know when our new space will be ready for us to move in. But we can say this: it will be soon.

Meanwhile, up until recently we

were still in the dark as to when we would have to leave our current home. Which is why we hadn't made any announcements about the move. What we now know, and are able to share with the world, is that Cactus Records & Gifts will be celebrating one last holiday season in our beloved downtown location, so you can come and see why generations of Bozemanians have made Cactus Records their holiday destination for the best gifts, music, apparel, jewelry, cards, and all of the weird stuff you, your family, and the rest of your weirdo friends will need for the holidays.

And then, in 2022, you can come visit us at the new and improved CACTUS 2 (The Electric Boog-a-Loo, The Legend Continues, or whatever you want to name this highly anticipated sequel), when we find out why Jim Morrison of The Doors proclaimed "the West is the Best." And why we say Cactus Records is forever, and soon better than ever! In part because we'll have parking. •

Poolside in December: Hot Springs warmly welcomes local musicians & soakers

It'll be a month to remember at Bozeman Hot Springs. The venue features an outdoor stage with weekly live music showcasing regional and traveling acts every Thursday and Sunday at 7pm. Enjoy a holiday showcase and the area's best musicians this December.

Bozeman-based **Garrett Kuntz** is first up Dec. 2nd. A member of the groovy bluegrass band Fountain Street Theater, he'll bring his banjo-plucking style for this solo show. Kuntz is known for his wealth of guitar-centric set lists.

The seasonal festivities are in full force as the Hot Springs once again presents its annual **Winter Showcase** on Dec. 5th. Highlighting some of the best young bands and choirs in the Bozeman

area, this fourth annual event is perfect for getting everyone into the holiday spirit. Three bands are on the roster this year: Belgrade High Jazz Band, Bozeman High Jazz Band and Rhapsody A Capella.

Dec. 9th features the one and only **Jackson Holte** with a captivating solo show. Frontman of the Missoula-based twangy rock group bearing his name, he will bring an acoustic set of relaxing country music. Expect a healthy blend of originals from the full band and recognizable covers. Also, a little fun fact: he currently holds the title of "coldest show played at the Hot Springs" from his March 2019 set when he played in -30 degree weather.

Check out **Daily Confused** on

Dec. 12th. Playing a groovy mix of alternative rock and funk, this four-piece deems their music as "ski-rock," even though it's perfect for any time of the year. They play originals with a few covers scattered throughout.

Bent Records members **Taylor Burlage** and **James Burne** are next up on Dec. 16th. Playing a mix of originals and classic folk-rock covers, this duo will bring the full band's energetic feel to a more relaxing, soothing environment.

One of Montana's biggest names in country and bluegrass music, **Band of Drifters**, make their return to the Hot Springs Dec. 19th. Led by front man Ian Thomas, they have a familiar country sound made unique with guitar, harmonica and kazoo in their arsenal. The Drifters draw inspiration from a variety of American roots influences and put on one helluva show.

Get in one last outing before family function overload with **Jesse the Ocelot** on Dec. 23rd. A veteran of the Missoula music scene, he's developed his atmospheric loop-based music to take listeners on a journey that they didn't know they needed. He blends color and emotion in creation of layered music with lush harmonies and intense lyrics, paired with atmospheric guitar and sound effect.

One-man-band **Dan Henry** follows the holiday on Dec. 26th. He blends guitar with a blues-fueled sound of harmonica and vocals.



Garrett Kuntz

Combining these, Henry covers a wide variety of genres from reggae to blues, rock, country and folk music, while also providing a hefty stock of original music spanning the genres.

Catch **Jacob Rountree** on Dec. 30th. Bringing an indie rock/folk sound to every performance, Rountree sings songs with contemplative and powerful lyrics that are relatable and help build the soul. This will be a great kickoff to end-of-year celebrations!

Bozeman Hot Springs is located just south of Four Corners. Visit www.bozemanhotsprings.com for operating hours and further event details. •

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Treat visiting family, friends to night of live Eagles music & libations

It's already December and there's plenty of reasons to unwind with a night at Downtown Bozeman's Eagles Bar. The local watering hole remains home to a steady schedule of Wednesday acoustics and weekend jamming. Here's who's helping FOE finish off 2021 with a resounding bang.

Neil Filo Beddow is the month's first acoustical artist with a show on Dec. 1st. He plays original folk rock for the soul, and describes his guitar style as the "West Dakota stutter."

Lace up your comfortable soles for a **Live DJ** set on Dec. 3rd and 4th. The dance floor offers plenty of room to showcase the best moves, whether you've got a partner in crime or are going solo. Music starts at 9:30pm.

The next midweek acoustics will feature the stylings of local favorite **Mathias** on Dec. 8th. With powerful vocals and a percussive guitar style, he's known for his dynamic live performances full of acoustic folk, rock, and funk tunes.

Close 2 Toast take the stage Dec. 10th and 11th. Formed from all the right elements found within the Gallatin Valley comes a band like no other, with songs to warm your heart, make you cry and dance.

Also on Dec. 11th, head up to the ballroom for the next in the **Ibiza Sound Club** monthly dance series. Let loose like no one's watching to



electronic house, progressive, techno and trance music. Music from 8pm to midnight. Admission is \$10. 21+.

Luke Flansburg entertains Dec.

15th. He'll bring a wide variety of music ranging from funk to rock to blues. Also a member of Pinky & the Floyd, Tsunami Funk and MOTH, prepare for a fun set of covers and originals that will span the genres.

Local folk-rockers **Red Glow Buffalo** return Dec. 17th and 18th. The band ignites the audience with exciting shows, fun lyrics, and catchy melodies. They perform originals paired with covers ranging from Snoop Dogg and The Pixies to Stone Temple Pilots and more.

Singer/songwriter **Hannah Jo Lally** shows off her stuff on Dec. 29th. Visiting from Reed Point, enjoy an evening of country cuts and distinctive originals.

Ring in the new year with an energetic **Live DJ** on the final night of the year, Dec. 31st. Celebrate the close of 2021 with music, dancing

and plenty of adult beverages!

Thirsty Thursday belongs to **Living the Dream Karaoke**, setting up at FOE weekly. Sing your heart out and cheer on your friends! Sign-ups start at 9pm.

Make it a date with the **Bridger Mountain Big Band** on Sunday evenings. The ensemble performs regularly at 7pm. The 17-piece jazz orchestra celebrates the music of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, and more, with original arrangements and music of all genres from the 1900s to today. Check them out on Facebook for performance announcements.

Acoustic Wednesdays start at 8pm and weekend bands are on at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Head downtown for some great live music or stop in for a drink any day of the week. •

Bridger Brewing offers season's greetings & growlers

There are plenty of places to gather with friends and family this holiday season, Bridger Brewing being one of the most accommodating for parties large and small. Live music takes place mid-week and patrons can support local nonprofits by sipping a pint on Mondays. Here's a look some December happenings.

Enjoy live Music & Mussels in the tasting room on Wednesdays from 5:30-8pm.

Local musician **Tim Rooney** will provide the tunes on Dec. 1st. Come listen to some bluesy country/rock and sip on your favorite Bridger flavor.

Moonlight Moonlight follow Dec. 8th. Enjoy the music styles of jazz, funk, latin and more with a in-house performance by this Bozeman ensemble.

Bozeman three-piece **Honey & Rye** are set for Dec. 15th. The folk group is known for its lush

vocal harmonies paired with fiddle, bass, and guitar.

Bridger Brewing kicks off the week with {Pints with Purpose} from 5-8pm: \$1 of every pint sold is donated to a featured local nonprofit. Enjoy a house-brewed pint and support these orgs in the process!

Bridger hosts **Montana Food Bank** on Dec. 6th. The organization operates around the state with the mission to end hunger in Montana through food acquisition and distribution, education and advocacy.

Proceeds from Dec. 13th will benefit **Bozeman Library Foundation**. The organization provides financial support to increase and enhance the quality of services, programs and community events offered by the Library.

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Moonlight Moonlight

Spirited pancake feed reconvenes in support of local youth

It's that time again! Bozeman Kiwanis will present the 97th annual **"Cakes for Kids"** event at Gallatin County Fairgrounds on Saturday, December 4th from 7am to 1pm. Join the festivities and enjoy pancakes, ham, fixings, beverages and more holiday fun.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and the same for every two children. This family event directly benefits

area youth programs with 100% of the profits supporting the community. It also marks Kiwanis' centennial serving the Gallatin Valley. Tickets are available from Bozeman Kiwanis members or at the door. So, round up the family and don't miss the fun at this sorely missed community gathering. This event is made possible with the generous support of local businesses and sponsors.

The "Cakes for Kids" event supports Bozeman Kiwanis' many local outreach initiatives, including the summer Sandbox Project and Eliminate, which through Kiwanis International has made great strides to eliminate maternal neonatal tetanus.

For more information about the Bozeman Kiwanis Club please go to www.BozemanKiwanis.com or find them on social media. •

ELM features NYE with Kitchen Dwellers, more touring acts

With the summer tour and festival schedule long behind us, live music aficionados can take comfort in a regular schedule of indoor events at the ELM. The Bozeman venue will continue to bring national acts Southwest Montana this winter season. Here's a look at just a few of the upcoming happenings.

Prof brings his "Home Alone Tour" to Bozeman on Thursday, December 16th. J. Plaza, Andrew Thomas and Willy Wonka will open the show at 7:30pm. Advance tickets are \$22.

Prof's initial releases *Liability* and *Pookie Baby* catapulted the hip-hop artist onto the scene, which saw him headlining large capacity shows and releasing videos viewed by the millions. His imaginative artistry revealed his numerous talents as a rapper, singer, performer, actor, visual artist and more. Although it was Prof's energy and persona that grabbed his audience's attention, it was his artistic range that held onto it.

Following on Dec. 18th is **Reggie Watts** with a Saturday night show. Music starts at 8pm. Advance tickets start at \$35.

The internationally renowned musician, comedian, writer and actor currently stars as the band leader on CBS's *The Late Late Show with James Corden*. Using his formidable voice, looping pedals, and his vast imagination, Watts blends and blurs the lines between music and comedy, wowing audiences with performances that are 100% improvised. As a solo performer, Watts' brand of musical-comedy fusion has led to sold out headlining tours in the U.S. and Europe.

It's a New Year's double-header featuring the **Kitchen Dwellers** on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 30th and 31st. Music begins at 8pm both nights. Advance tickets start at \$30.

The local four-piece has transcended traditional genre bound-

aries, blending virtuosic bluegrass wizardry with ecstatic rock and roll energy and adventurous psychedelia. With their latest full-length release, *Muir Maid*, the group seamlessly blends the past, present and future of string band music to create their most daring and collaborative work yet. Produced by The Infamous Stringdusters' Chris Pandolfi, *Muir Maid* is built around live performances that capture the intoxicating energy of band's concerts and showcase their dazzling musicianship, airtight harmonies and transportive storytelling. Recent singles "Stand at Ease" and "Hey You" are also available now.

Looking to the new calendar, comedic personality **Steve-O** brings a pair of shows as part of his "Bucket List Tour" on Tuesday, January 4th. Late show starts at

7pm, followed by a late night set at 10pm. Advance tickets start at \$45.

Since his *Jackass* days with Johnny Knoxville, Steve-O has had continued success as a New York Times best-selling author with the release of his memoir, *Professional Idiot*. He's also established himself as a force in the world of stand-up comedy. Steve-O is thrilled to be releasing his new, profoundly multimedia, and wildly explicit comedy special, direct to his fans at steveo.com. It's called "Gnarly" for good reason.

The ELM is located at 506 N 7th in the heart of Bozeman. Peruse current happenings and buy advance tickets at www.logjampresents.com/theELM. Concerts are all-ages. Follow on Facebook and Instagram for the most up to date event announcements. •

Neil Beddow brings talents to KKC w/ dining room tunes

Sustenance isn't limited to the menu at Kountry Korner Café. The longtime choice for a Four Corners meal also hosts local musicians with weekly performances in its dining area. Here's a look at who you can catch in the coming weeks.

Take in the talents of **Donnie's Inferno** every Friday night at 5:30pm. Performing a blend of crowd favorites like "Honky Cat" and "Taxman," these guys will add to the ambience while you enjoy your end-of-week meal. The trio keeps a rotating list of about 200+ songs ranging in stylistic content from "Tumbling Tumbleweeds" to "You Sexy Thing" by Hot Chocolate. No music after 1980!

Saturday evening belongs to **Neil Filo Beddow** with weekly performances at 5:30pm. He plays original folk rock for the soul, and describes his guitar style as the "West Dakota stutter." His recent release *Under the Umbrella* is available now.

Rich Mayo performs every Tuesday at 6pm. Known for his stylistic versatility, Rich is an exceptional guitarist, vocalist and harmonica



Neil Filo Beddow

player. He is a founding member of local group Dos Mayos whose unique arrangements of Latin, jazz, blues and Americana span the decades. His solo sets draw inspiration from numerous genres, creating an Americana mix any audience is sure to enjoy.

For more information about upcoming events, call (406) 586-2281 or visit www.kountrykormontana.com. •

Long-adored Americana duo reunite for holiday showcase

The stage is back in regular use at Downtown Bozeman's Ellen Theatre. Montana TheatreWorks' presentation of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* returns this month, plus a special holiday performance by a favorite legacy duo. On Wednesday, December 8th, Chris Cunningham and John Hermanson take the stage once again as **Storyhill**. Music begins at 7:30pm.

The beloved Billboard-charting folk/Americana duo with Bozeman roots returns home for a special holiday show, featuring songs from their acoustic Christmas album, *Bethlehem*. Celebrating over 30 years of playing together, the concert will also serve as a welcome home party for Hermanson, who recently returned to Bozeman after 20-plus years in St. Paul, MN. Together he and Cunningham will be sharing hol-

iday classics, fan favorites and songs from their forthcoming album set for a 2022 release. Known for their smart story songs and passionate harmonies, they have been likened to some of the greatest songwriting duos - Simon & Garfunkel, the Indigo Girls, The Everly Brothers and The Jayhawks. All seats are \$29.

Coming soon to the Ellen: Scottish folk group **Talisk**, a festive **Gypsy Jazz Night**, **International Guitar Night**, comic **Paula Poundstone** and a performance by the **Montana Mikado**.

Wine, beer and concessions will be sold in the lobby one hour before each event. Ticketing and further information about these and other upcoming happenings is available at www.theellentheatre.org. For additional inquiries, call the box office at (406) 585-5885. •

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~ Kwanzaa ~
Kwanzaa is an African American and Pan African celebration of family, community, and culture. It is a week-long cultural festival from December 26th to January 1st.
Kwanzaa was initially established to unite African Americans with their African roots and heritage. Nguzo Saba is a collection of seven principles that guide the holiday. They are central to Kwanzaa as a different principle, emphasized each day during the celebration.
Celebrants often dress in traditional Pan-African clothing and decorate their homes with African artwork. Kwanzaa was created in 1965 by Dr. Maulana Karenga, a major figure in the Black Power movement.
Dr. Karenga's intention was to provide African Americans with a link to their ancestral heritage. Karenga aimed to bring African Americans together as a community by combining various aspects of other celebrations such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, and African Yam Festivals.

~ Christmas ~
Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. For modern Christians it also starts a 12-day Christmas season that begins on December 25th and ends on January 5th.
Churches celebrate Christmas with services on Christmas Eve and often midnight masses. While the holiday is religious in origin, many cultures, even those without Christian ideologies, celebrate this holiday.
This celebration often centers around Santa Claus, a mythical figure dressed in a red suit, based on Saint Nicholas.
Tradition has it that on Christmas morning, Santa brings gifts for children who have been good and coal for those who have been naughty.

~ Chanukah ~
(Hebrew: חנוכה) Chanukah is an eight day Jewish festival, also known as the festival of lights.
On each day a Menorah (an eight branched candelabra) is lit with an ascending number of candles to match the day.
The reason for Chanukah is based on the story of the Maccabees battle with the Greeks. It is told that one pure bottle of olive oil lasted for eight days in the Holy Temple. It should have lasted only for the first day.

~ Winter Solstice ~
The Winter Solstice marks the shortest day and the longest night of the year as the Northern Hemisphere is angled the farthest away from the Sun on this day.
Jupiter and Saturn meet on the winter solstice. With Jupiter and Saturn reaching a once-in-centuries conjunction and the Moon skimming several planets, see a series of astronomical close encounters from December 18 to 25.
Rare 'Christmas Star' Appears December 21: Astronomy Says About the Biblical 'Star of Bethlehem' The conjunctions involved the constellation Leo the Lion, the planet Venus, the planet Jupiter and the star Regulus.



~ New Year's Day ~
New Year's Day marks the start of a new year on the Gregorian calendar.
This calendar was first introduced by Pope Gregory XIII in 1582 and began to be used in Britain and its colonies in 1751.
It is a solar calendar which maintains synchrony with the tropical year. This holiday is celebrated every year on January 1st.

1 Happy Hanukkah!
Women: A Century of Change 9am MOR
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Tom Rooney 6pm Bridger Brewing
Game Night Live Trivia 6pm SHINE
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Post #14 Bingo 7pm American Legion
Matt Miller 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
KGVM Spotlight 7pm KGVM 95.9
Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar
Casual Sets 8pm Last Best Comedy
Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown
Honey & Rye 8pm The Jump
Neil Filo Beddow 8pm Eagles Bar

Hanukkah

2 Happy Hanukkah!
Environmental Impact II 9am MOR
Members-Only Special Appreciation Days 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm MSC
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Snow & Avalanche Safety Workshop 6pm Belgrade Library
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Garrett Kuntz 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
Bozeman Doc Series presents The Rescue 7pm Emerson Center
BINGO Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Bridger Creek Boys 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
BHS Band Concert 7:30pm Gallatin High School
Annie & Levin Improv 8pm Last Best Comedy
Jacob Rountree 8pm The Jump
Bucket Night 8pm Bar IX
Cole & The Thornes 9pm Bozeman Taproom
Karaoke w/ Living the Dream 9pm Eagles Bar

5 Happy Hanukkah!
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
the Rockies
Brunch 10am Mts Walking Brewery
Shelly Bestler Kersbergen & Tony Polecastro 11am Pine Creek Lodge
MBC's 38th Annual Nutcracker 2pm Montana Ballet Company
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 3pm Ellen Theatre
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Hot Springs Winter Showcase 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

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6 Happy Hanukkah!
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series 10am Montana Science Center
Public Skate 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Pints with Purpose: MT Food Bank 4pm Bridger Brewing
Madrigal Dinner 5pm Buck's T-4 Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Trivia Night 6pm Wildrye Distilling
Garrett Kuntz 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza
Trivia Night 7pm Bacchus Pub
Trivia 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Sunrise Karaoke 9pm American Legion

7 December 7, the planet Venus is predicted to reach its greatest brightness for this apparition.
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
SIN Night 4pm Blend Wine Bar
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café
Bingo Night 7pm Rocking R Bar
GHS Choirs 7:30pm Gallatin High School
SMS Jazz Band 7:30pm Sacajawea Middle School
Open Mic // Bone Dry Comedy Hour 8pm Last Best Comedy
Bingo Night 8pm Molly Brown

8 December 8, the bright planet Jupiter will appear above the waxing crescent Moon.
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Moonlight Moonlight 6pm Bridger Brewing
Game Night Live Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary
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Storyhill Holiday Concert 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Luke Flansberg 7:30pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar
Casual Sets 8pm Last Best Comedy
Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown
Mathias 8pm Eagles Bar

9 December 9, comet Leonard appearing above the west-northwestern horizon about 30 minutes after sunset
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Jackson Holte 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
BINGO Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Moonlight Moonlight 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
BHS & GHS Orchestras 7:30pm Gallatin High School
Derek Sheen 7:30pm Filling Station
Daniel Kosel 8pm The Jump
Bucket Night 8pm Bar IX
Jesse Atkins 9pm Bozeman Taproom
Karaoke w/ Living the Dream 9pm Eagles Bar

12 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Brunch 10am Mountains Walking Brewery
Brunch Live Music - Blake Brightman 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Sunday FUNDay: Hope & the Holidays 12pm Bozeman Brewing Co.
Bozeman Symphony Holiday Spectacular 2:30pm Willson Auditorium
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 3pm Ellen Theatre
Holiday Vaudeville 3pm Shane Center for the Arts
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Daily Confused 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

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Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Museum Buddies 10am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series 10am Montana Science Center
Public Skate 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Pints with Purpose: Bozeman Library Foundation 4pm Bridger Brewing
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Yellowstone Birds: How Behavior Shapes Environment 6pm Ellen Theatre
Trivia Night 6pm Wildrye Distilling
Weston Lewis 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza
Trivia Night 7pm Bacchus Pub
Trivia 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Sunrise Karaoke 9pm American Legion

14 The Geminid meteor shower is predicted to peak early on the morning of Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021.
The best time to look should be after moonset after 2:59 am
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
SIN Night 4pm Blend Wine Bar
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café
Bingo Night 7pm Rocking R Bar
GHS Gala 7pm Gallatin High School
Open Mic // Bone Dry Comedy Hour 8pm Last Best Comedy
Bingo Night 8pm Molly Brown

15 Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
December Learning Lunches: How to Use LinkedIn Learning 12pm Virtual Event
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Honey and Rye 6pm Bridger Brewing
Game Night Live Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary
Taylor Burlage 6pm Wildrye Distilling
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Post #14 Bingo 7pm American Legion
Katie Hall 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
KGVM Spotlight 7pm KGVM 95.9
Maddie Poppe: Acoustic Christmas Tour 7:30pm Warren Miller PAC
Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar
Casual Sets 8pm Last Best Comedy
Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown
Luke Flansburg 8pm Eagles Bar

16 Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am MOR
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
An Evening of Stories with Rick Ridgeway & Conrad Anker 6:30pm Emerson Ballroom
Not James Taylor 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
BHS Gala 7pm Gallatin High School
BINGO Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Prof 7pm The ELM
Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Center for the Arts
Bucket Night 8pm Bar IX
Dan and Abbi 9pm Bozeman Taproom
Karaoke w/ Living the Dream 9pm Eagles Bar

19 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Brunch 10am Mountains Walking Brewery
Brunch Live Music - Ryan Acker 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 3pm Ellen Theatre
Holiday Vaudeville 3pm Shane Center for the Arts
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944 3pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Band of Drifters 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar
Roots in the Sky: Mother and Child 7:30pm Big Sky Chapel

20 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series 10am Montana Science Center
Public Skate 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Trivia Night 6pm Wildrye Distilling
Jacob Rountree 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza
Trivia Night 7pm Bacchus Pub
Trivia 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Sunrise Karaoke 9pm American Legion

21 Winter solstice 2021 in Northern Hemisphere will be at 8:58 am
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
SIN Night 4pm Blend Wine Bar
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Adult Education Workshop 5pm Gallatin Conservation District
Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café
Bingo Night 7pm Rocking R Bar
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Open Mic // Bone Dry Comedy Hour 8pm Last Best Comedy
Bingo Night 8pm Molly Brown

22 Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am MOR
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
December Learning Lunches: How to Use LinkedIn Learning 12pm Virtual Event
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Game Night Live Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Post #14 Bingo 7pm American Legion
Taylor Burlage 7pm Nordic Brew Works
Cole Decker 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar
Casual Sets 8pm Last Best Comedy
Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown

23 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944 3pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Jesse the Ocelot 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
BINGO Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Bucket Night 8pm Bar IX
Jacob Rountree 9pm Bozeman Taproom
Karaoke w/ Living the Dream 9pm Eagles Bar

26 Kwanzaa
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Brunch 10am Mts Walking Brewery
Brunch Live Music - Daniel Kosel 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Dirt Farmers 6pm Red Tractor Pizza
Dan Henry 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

27 Kwanzaa
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series 10am Montana Science Center
Public Skate 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Trivia Night 6pm Wildrye Distilling
Under the Umbrella 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza
Trivia 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7pm Bacchus Pub
Black Magic 7:30pm Warren Miller PAC
Sunrise Karaoke 9pm American Legion

28 Kwanzaa
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
SIN Night 4pm Blend Wine Bar
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Rich Mayo 6pm Kountry Korner Café
Bingo Night 7pm Rocking R Bar
Black Magic 7:30pm Warren Miller PAC
Open Mic // Bone Dry Comedy Hour 8pm Last Best Comedy
Bingo Night 8pm Molly Brown

29 Kwanzaa
Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Game Night Live Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Post #14 Bingo 7pm American Legion
The French Dispatch 7pm Ellen Theatre
Trivia Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Matt Vander Sande 7pm Bozeman Taproom
Trivia Night 7:30pm Rocking R Bar
Casual Sets 8pm Last Best Comedy
Trivia Night 8pm Molly Brown
HJ Lally 8pm Eagles Bar

30 Kwanzaa
Torchlight Parade
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Not James Taylor 7pm Bourbon
Jacob Rountree 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs
BINGO Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Kitchen Dwellers 7pm The ELM
Bucket Night 8pm Bar IX
Ryan Supola 9pm Bozeman Taproom
Karaoke w/ Living the Dream 9pm Eagles Bar

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3 Happy Hanukkah!
 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
 Environmental Impact II Museum of the Rockies
 9am
Women: A Century of Change
 9am Museum of the Rockies
Members-Only Annual Sale and Special
Appreciation Days 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series
 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 2:15pm Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Holiday Art Market
 4:30pm Biome Slow Craft Collective
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Book Signing for Holiday Stroll
 5pm Wheatgrass Books
Donnie's Inferno 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Taylor Burlage Live 6pm Blend Wine Bar
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar
 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
An Evening of Artistry by the Talented Women of Big Sky 6pm Warren Miller PAC
Trivia Night 7pm Bar IX
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
Open Mic Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Friday Night Jazz 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
Exit 288 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Stand-up with Emma Arnold
 8pm Last Best Comedy
Swamp Dawg 8pm The Jump
House DJ 9pm Eagles Bar

4 A total solar eclipse will occur on Saturday, December 4, 2021. The full eclipse will begin at around 12.30 pm with the maximum eclipse at 1.03 pm. The eclipse will end at 1.36 pm. A solar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between Earth and the Sun, thereby totally or partly obscuring the image of the Sun for a viewer on Earth.
97th Annual Cakes for Kids
 7am Gallatin County Fairgrounds
Sensory Saturday 8am Museum of the Rockies
Environmental Impact II 9am Museum of the Rockies
Santa Baby 10am Starlite Bozeman
Beer Release 10am Mountains Walking Brewery
HealthCare Connections Bus 10am Bozeman Public Library
Brunch Live Music - Taylor Burlage
 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Holiday Art Market 11:30am Biome Slow Craft Collective
Movement Workshops with Nervous Theatre
 11:30am Yellowstone Theological Institute
Holiday Open House 12pm Bridger Aerospace
Poker Tournament 12pm Cat's Paw
Public Skate 12pm Haynes Pavilion
Holiday Tea Party 3pm Starlite Bozeman
Christmas Stroll 4:30pm Downtown Bozeman
Kate & the Alley Kats 4:30pm Wild Joe's Coffee Spot
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Sleigh What? Family Improv 5pm Last Best Comedy
Neil Beddow 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Exit 288 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
MBC's 38th Annual Nutcracker
 7pm Montana Ballet Company
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Live Music 8pm Tune Up Basement Bar
Whiz BANG! 8pm Last Best Comedy
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STILGONE & ONE LEAF 8:30pm Filling Station
House DJ 9pm Eagles Bar
Live DJ 10pm Rocking R Bar

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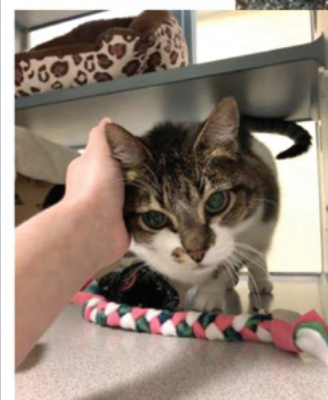

10 Projected Opening Day Bridger Bowl
 Environmental Impact II Museum of the Rockies
 9am
Women: A Century of Change
 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series
 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Friday Forum: Impacts of Nonprofits in our Community 12pm Virtual Event
Public Skate 2:15pm Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Friends Pop-Up Used Book Sale
 3:30pm Bozeman Public Library
Holiday Art Market 4:30pm Biome Slow Craft
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Donnie's Inferno 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Skate with Santa 5:45pm Gallatin Fairgrounds
Winter Art Walk 6pm Downtown Bozeman
Over the River and Through the Woods:
Opening Reception 6pm Visions West Gallery
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar
 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Science Night In 6pm Montana Science Center
Trivia Night 7pm Bar IX
Holiday-Party Dance 7pm Bozeman Senior Center
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
Open Mic Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Friday Night Jazz 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
BlackWater Band 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Western Skies Band 8pm The Jump
Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Center for the Arts
Not James Taylor 9pm J & Company Bar
Close 2 Toast 9pm Eagles Bar
Sunrise Entertainment 9pm Sacajawea Bar

11 Environmental Impact II Museum of the Rockies
 9am
KGVM Flea Market/ Craft Fair
 9am Gallatin Labor Temple
STEAM at the Science Station
 10am Montana Science Center
Beer Release 10am Mountains Walking Brewery
Brunch Live Music - HJ Lally 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Movement Workshops with Nervous Theatre
 11:30am Yellowstone Theological Institute
Poker Tournament 12pm Cat's Paw
Public Skate 12pm Haynes Pavilion
Sleigh What? Family Improv 1pm Last Best Comedy
Live Music Upstairs 1pm Bozeman Public Library
Light Up Livingston 4pm Livingston Depot Center
Christmas at Oasis Grooming 4pm Oasis Grooming
Holiday Art Market 4:30pm Biome Slow Craft Collective
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Neil Beddow 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
BlackWater Band 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
The Alpinist 7:30pm Emerson Crawford Theater
Dickens' A Christmas Carol 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Bozeman Symphony Holiday Spectacular
 7:30pm Willson Auditorium
Live Music 8pm Tune Up Basement Bar
Whiz BANG! 8pm Last Best Comedy
Ride Me Down 8pm The Jump
Sunrise Karaoke 8pm Friendly Tavern
Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts
Close 2 Toast 9pm Eagles Bar
Live DJ 10pm Rocking R Bar

THE Eagles Club
 Wednesday, December 1 - Neil Beddow
 Friday & Saturday - December 3 & 4 - House DJ
 Wednesday, December 8 - Mathias
 Fri. & Sat., December 10 & 11 - Close To Toast
 Wednesday, December 15 - Luke Flansburg
 Fri. & Sat. - December 17 & 18 - Red Glow Buffalo
 Christmas Eve close @ 4pm - Closed Christmas Day
 Wednesday, December 29 - HJ Lally
 Friday, December 31 - NEW YEARS EVE - House DJ
 Thursdays: Karaoke Living the Dream at 9 pm
 Sundays: Bridger Mountain Big Band at 7pm
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17 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
 Environmental Impact II Museum of the Rockies
 9am
Women: A Century of Change
 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series
 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 2:15pm Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Donnie's Inferno 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar
 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Trivia Night 7pm Bar IX
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944
 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
Open Mic Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Friday Night Jazz 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
Brickhouse Band 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
Dickens' A Christmas Carol
 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Weston Lewis and the Juicebox Band
 8pm Filling Station
Holiday Vaudeville
 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts
Red Glow Buffalo 9pm Eagles Bar

18 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
 Bozeman Winter Farmers' Market
 9am Gallatin County Fairgrounds
Environmental Impact II
 9am Museum of the Rockies
Women: A Century of Change 9am Museum of the Rockies
STEAM at the Science Station
 10am Montana Science Center
Beer Release 10am Mountains Walking Brewery
Brunch Live Music - Jackson Holte 11am Pine Creek Lodge
Movement Workshops with Nervous Theatre
 11:30am Yellowstone Theological Institute
Poker Tournament 12pm Cat's Paw
Public Skate 12pm Haynes Pavilion
Sleigh What? Family Improv 1pm Last Best Comedy
Live Music Upstairs 1pm Bozeman Public Library
Live Music 5pm Sage Lodge
Miracle Pop-Up Bar 5pm Happy Box
Neil Beddow 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Sippin' Santa Pop-Up Bar 6pm Kitty Warren Social Club
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
Vibe Quartet 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
A Montana Radio Christmas 1944
 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall
Brickhouse Band 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
Dickens' A Christmas Carol
 7:30pm Ellen Theatre
Live Music 8pm Tune Up Basement Bar
Whiz BANG! 8pm Last Best Comedy
Sunrise Karaoke 8pm Friendly Tavern
Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts
Red Glow Buffalo 9pm Eagles Bar
Live DJ 10pm Rocking R Bar

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25 Christmas Day Merry Christmas!


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31 Happy New Years Eve
 Regal Cinemas Regal Gallatin Valley
 Environmental Impact II Museum of the Rockies
 9am
Women: A Century of Change
 9am Museum of the Rockies
Preschool Science Series
 10am Montana Science Center
Adult Puck Lunch 11am Haynes Pavilion
Stick and Puck 11:15am Haynes Pavilion
Public Skate 2:15pm Haynes Pavilion
Open STEAMlab 3pm Montana Science Center
Donnie's Inferno 5:30pm Kountry Korner Café
Uncorked & Unplugged 7pm Blend Wine Bar
Friday Night Jazz 7pm Red Tractor Pizza
Open Mic Night 7pm Pine Creek Lodge
Kitchen Dwellers
 7pm The ELM
Groovewax
 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon
NYE Fireworks 9pm Big Sky Resort
House DJ 9pm Eagles Bar

How to view Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn in December
 The waxing crescent Moon will appear near Venus on the evening of December 6, Saturn on December 7, and Jupiter on December 8. The three planets will appear next to each other in the western twilight sky.
Venus is our Solar System's neighbor and the brightest planet in Earth's sky. The shining planet will be at its brightest on December 5th.
Jupiter is the largest planet in the Solar System, and a great sight to view along with some of its larger moons. If you have a telescope, Jupiter and its largest four moons, Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto, should be visible on a clear night. The planet will appear about 37 degrees above the southern horizon, pretty close to Venus.
Saturn is the faintest planet out of the three, it can be easily spotted in December in the evening twilight. Saturn will be to the right of Jupiter at 31 degrees above the south-southwestern horizon, shining with its distinct golden color.
When will Comet Leonard be best visible?
 The Comet Leonard will get closest to the Earth and will be best visible on December 12, 2021. It will pass by our planet at a distance of 34 million km (21 million mi). As the comet will be positioned between the Sun and the Earth at this moment, its magnitude can even reach 1 due to the effect of forward scattering. This means that you'll be able to see Comet Leonard through binoculars or even with the naked eye!
 When the comet reaches maximum brightness, it will have a dust tail and a gas tail. The dust tail will be shaped like a spike; this will happen because on December 8, the Earth will cross the orbital plane of the comet, and observers will view the dust tail edge-on. The viewing angle will cause the tail to narrow and brighten a bit.
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Bozeman community collects 654,000+ lbs of food, wins 'Can the Griz'

From MSU News Service
Weeks of substantial donations from Montana State University and the Gallatin Valley communities collected the equivalent of 654,126 pounds of food this holiday season for the Gallatin Valley Food Bank and MSU's Bounty of the Bridgers food pantry as part of the 22nd annual **Can the Griz** food drive. Can the Griz – and the corresponding 'Can the Cats' food drive in Missoula – is an off-field competition

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- Diapers size 3 and up
- Baby Wipes

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Donations during off-peak hours are encouraged (8 am- 12:00 pm or after 2:30 pm).



between MSU and the University of Montana to see which school can collect the most donations for its local food bank. This year, MSU and the Bozeman community won the contest. MSU and the Bozeman community donated 204,469 pounds of food and \$449,657, accord-

ing to Kim Cleary in the MSU Office of Student Engagement, which coordinates Can the Griz. Pounds and dollars are added together for the contest, resulting in a total of 654,126 pounds for the Bozeman community. The Can the Cats food drive in Missoula brought in the equivalent of 583,009 pounds of food for the Missoula Food Bank, Cleary said. Last year, MSU and the Bozeman community donated 150,290 pounds of food plus approximately \$252,893 to the Gallatin Valley Food Bank, while donations from UM and the Missoula community totaled 213,412 pounds of food plus approximately \$208,447. Bozeman and the MSU community have won the competition 18 out of the 22 years it has been held. "We are thrilled that MSU and the Gallatin Valley communities came out on top

this year and are back to our winning ways," Cleary said. "At the end of the day, both the Bozeman and Missoula communities win, as the food donated and money raised does an incredible amount of good for the families in need. We are proud of our Bozeman and MSU communities and appreciative of their help and kindness." The donations from Can the Griz will help the Gallatin Valley Food Bank, as well as the Bounty of the Bridgers food pantry, provide food for families in the community through the spring and summer. The Gallatin Valley Food Bank is one of the HRDC Food and Nutrition Programs' Initiatives. The Bounty of the Bridgers, housed in the Office of Health Advancement, is a student-driven initiative to combat food waste and food insecurity on the MSU campus for students, faculty and staff. •

MBC's original staple *The Nutcracker* returns to Willson

Celebrating 38 years in Bozeman, the one and only original, MBC's *Nutcracker*, returns to the Willson Auditorium on Dec. 4th & 5th. Montana Ballet Company is thrilled to welcome back exceptional guest artists from the world-renowned New York City Ballet, Sebastián Villarini-Vélez and Indiana Woodward, performing the celebrated roles of Snow King and Queen and Sugar Plum and her Cavalier in the 38th annual presentation of *The Nutcracker*. Villarini-Vélez and Woodward will share the stage with Soren Kisiel, co-director of *Broad Comedy*, MBC's own company dancers, and over 100 dancers from the community. Performances are set for December 4th and 5th at Bozeman's Willson Auditorium. Two Saturday shows will be held at 2pm and 7pm, followed by a Sunday matinee at 2pm. Another highlight of this charming production is the live orchestra. Maestro Lee Mills, Associate Conductor of the Seattle

Symphony and four-time winner of the Solti Foundation U.S. Career Assistance Award, will conduct the Bozeman Symphony playing Tchaikovsky's beloved score. MBC's *Nutcracker* was first performed in the lobby of First Security Bank in 1983. Over the years, the first weekend in December has become synonymous with the Bozeman Christmas Stroll and MBC's *Nutcracker*, a cherished holiday tradition for countless performers and their families and friends, as well as the thousands of audience members who share in the experience year after year. MBC's production of *The Nutcracker* is one of the largest artistic collaborations in the region featuring the talents of master choreographers, distinguished guest artists, accomplished dancers, live musicians, seasoned stage technicians, costume and lighting designers, and a host of dedicated volunteers. MBC's *Nutcracker* is a treat for the entire family. For tickets, contact the Montana Ballet



Company at (406) 582-8702 or online at www.montanaballet.org. All seating is reserved. Ticket prices range from \$20 to \$65. Direct any additional questions to info@montanaballet.org. Season after season, MBC, a 501(c)(3) non-

profit organization, produces quality performances, enchanting audiences with new and updated artistry of dance, choreography, music and design. MBC's 38th annual production of *The Nutcracker* promises to be dazzling! •

Party down at Chico Saloon with dance-worthy live bands

The bone-chilling cold of a Montana winter is best remedied with a soak in the natural waters at Chico Hot Springs. The local resort offers accommodations for overnight visitors and features regular entertainment in the Saloon. Check out the upcoming live music schedule. **Exit 288** is next up on December 3rd and 4th. The high-energy group performs every-

thing from classic and contemporary rock, to blues, country and all that's in between. **Exit 288** connects with the audience and creates a fun and exciting atmosphere. The band's music is carefully selected to get people involved in the party and to keep the dance floor hopping! **BlackWater Band** bring the noise on Dec. 10th and 11th. The rock n' roll variety

group will have you off your feet and on the dance floor in no time, so order a drink at the bar and get that liquid motivation flowing! **Brickhouse Band** offer up their seasoned talents on Dec. 17th and 18th. The Billings-based performers will be sure to pack the dance floor with rockin' crowd favorites and other jams. Grab a drink from the bar and boogie down! It's the end of another long year and **GrooveWax** will help with the festivities New Year's Eve and Day, Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st. The Gallatin Valley band is comprised of former Jamelution members Cindy Damjanovich, Junior Damjanovich, and Nik Damjanovich, plus SaddleTramp's Gary Peterson. They play rock, country and blues.



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