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## 60th annual feast steeped in Renaissance fare

The Arts Council of Big Sky is proud to present the 27th annual **Madrigal Dinner**, slated for Thursday, December 5th, at 5pm in the Missouri Ballroom at Big Sky Resort. This event is considered by many as the traditional opening of the holiday season and is one of the highlights for the Big Sky community. The event is a joint production between the Arts Council and the Montana State University School of Music.

Tickets for the Madrigal Dinner can be purchased in advance for \$100 per person, which includes a fantastic three-course dinner prepared by the chefs at Big Sky Resort, as well as festive music from the Montanans, the MSU Brass Quintet and Voces Luminis ensemble. Please visit the Arts Council website to purchase tickets online. The event is usually sold out so tickets are by advanced online reservation only.

“The Madrigal dinner has become a Big Sky holiday tradition since we started it more than 25 years ago,” said Arts Council Executive Director Brian Hurlbut. “We’re excited to again partner with the resort to

bring this festive event to the community.”

The evening begins with a no-host bar at 5pm, followed by seating for the dinner promptly at 6pm, in preparation for the Ceremonial Procession of the Lord and Lady of the Manor and their guests. Olde English customs are the theme throughout the evening, including fanfares introducing the Ceremonial Procession, the Wassail Bowl and Christmas Toast, the Boar’s Head Procession and the Flaming Pudding Dessert. The MSU Montanans serenade guests throughout the evening and the Voces Luminis ensemble presents a concert finale. The dinner closes with the audience joining the students in singing familiar carols. This year marks the 60th annual Madrigal Dinner, produced by the MSU School of Music, and the 27th year the production has traveled to Big Sky.

**BTW: Bozeman Dinners are SOLD OUT!**

The Arts Council of Big Sky is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing cultural and artistic performances to the Big Sky Area. For more information, call (406) 995-2742 or visit [www.bigskyarts.org](http://www.bigskyarts.org).

## Cirque holiday spectacle comes to Brick

Just in time for the holiday season, American Bank’s “Broadway in Bozeman” series delivers another stage showcase with **Cirque Dreams Holidayze** at Brick Breeden Fieldhouse. The family friendly show comes to the

Gallatin Valley on Monday, December 2nd and begins at 7pm.

*Cirque Dreams Holidayze* dazzles with a brilliant and whimsical family holiday spectacular. This annual tradition

wraps a Broadway-style production around an infusion of contemporary circus arts. As lights dim and the music swells, audiences will have visions of sugarplums dancing in their heads as a fantastical cast of holiday storybook characters come to life on stage. With an original

musical score, twists on holiday classics sung live, and with new sets, scenery and storylines, this ultimate holiday gift for the entire family is sure to put a twinkle in your eye!

And looking to the new year, mark your

calendars for a universal tale of fame, fortune and all that jazz with *Chicago: The Musical*. The next “Broadway in Bozeman” performance event will take place February 26th, 2025. Tickets are on sale now with

additional details to be announced.

General admission tickets range \$47.50–\$72.50 for adults and \$30 for youth ages 3–12 and are available in advance at [www.montana.edu/brickbreeden](http://www.montana.edu/brickbreeden) or at the Fieldhouse box office.



## Doc Series examines controversial border policy

On Thursday, December 5th, at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture, the Bozeman Doc Series continues with the Montana premiere of the critically-acclaimed new documentary, **Separated**. The film screens at 7pm.

Academy Award-winning filmmaker Errol Morris’ deeply unsettling exposé reveals the machinations behind the U.S. Department of Justice’s “zero tolerance” program, resulting in the separation of sons and daughters from their mothers and fathers, with the goal of deterring immigrants from crossing the southern border.

Based on NBC News Political and National Correspondent Jacob Soboroff’s book, *Separated: Inside an American Tragedy*, Morris merges bombshell interviews with government officials and artful narrative vignettes tracing one migrant family’s plight. Together they show that the cruelty at the heart of this policy was its very purpose. The most heartbreaking of Morris’ films to date, *Separated* is a masterwork of moral clarity and emotional potency.

Errol Morris’ films have won many awards, including an Oscar for *The Fog of War*, the Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance

Film Festival for *A Brief History of Time*, the Silver Bear at the Berlin International Film Festival for *Standard Operating Procedure*, and the Edgar from the Mystery Writers of America for *The Thin Blue Line*. *Separated* world-premiered at the Venice International Film Festival this summer to widespread critical acclaim.

“Blood-boiling... *Separated* finds Morris back in *The Fog of War* mode: angry, engaged and determined to expose an injustice too monumental to be ignored – despite so many Americans’ efforts to do just that.” – *Variety*

“Illuminating and riveting... A documentary giant turns his camera on an American shame in *Separated*.” – *Los Angeles Times*

“Scathing... As forensic and cool-headed as a deeply pissed-off documentary can get... *Separated* is not a partisan work, more a humanist one.” – *Time Out*

Doors open at 6:30pm. Tickets are available at the door or before the show online at [www.bozemandocseries.org](http://www.bozemandocseries.org), where you can also buy Season Passes and 7-film punch cards, learn more about the series, and view trailers for upcoming films. The series will continue every other Thursday through April.

## Delve into history of year-end festivities

Bozeman’s Museum of the Rockies is once again offering its educational and visually stunning **Season of Light** in the Taylor Planetarium as 2024 draws to a close.

From Yule logs to Christmas trees and luminaries to Santa Claus, the winter solstice is a time for celebrating the light. Take part in a journey through the many holiday traditions that have been passed down through the centuries and learn how they’ve helped to make the winter season more festive.

*Season of Light* shows daily at 3pm, with an additional showing at 11am on Saturdays and Sundays, through January 6th. These screenings are included with Museum admission or membership. *Please note: the Museum will close at 3pm on Dec. 24th and will be closed on Christmas Day.*

Again this year, MOR will host special “**Homestead Holiday**” events in enhancement of limited, after hours *Season of Light* viewings on Friday and Saturday, December 6th–7th and 13th–14th. All will begin at 6pm. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for youth ages 5-17 and free for younger children.

Celebrate the winter holiday season at the enchanting Tinsley House. Immerse yourself

in the festive spirit with a dazzling seasonal show in the Taylor Planetarium, craft your own Victorian-inspired holiday card, and revel in the joyous melodies of classic Christmas carolers. Warm up with delectable seasonal treats and embrace the magic of the holidays in this beautifully historic setting.

Also on display at MOR is exhibit *Dragons, Unicorns & Mermaids: Mythic Creatures*. Included with Museum admission or membership. The exhibit will be on view through Jan. 5th.

Coming in the new year – *SUE the T. rex Experience* opens Feb. 7th. 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, ‘Homestead Holiday’ tickets and gift membership opportunities, visit [www.museumoftherockies.org](http://www.museumoftherockies.org).

## Spirited downtown celebration invites all to stroll

Back with its 44th annual event and Downtown Bozeman’s greatest tradition, the **Christmas Stroll** will take place Saturday evening, December 7th 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, engage with local non-profits, or do some 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, an Endeavor Ballooning Flight for 2, 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](http://www.downtownbozeman.org). Finally, a big congratulations to Jessie Reitan, whose artwork was selected for this year’s official event poster!

## Enjoy an artful snowy season waltz downtown

‘Tis the season for celebratory gatherings, gifting and holiday cheer! Returning for its annual snowy season event, the **Winter Art Walk** takes over the streets of Downtown Bozeman on Friday, December 13th from 6–8pm. Many galleries will feature artists’ openings and receptions and often provide hors d’oeuvres and complimentary refreshments. It’s also a wonderful chance to meander downtown, take in some art and culture, and do some holiday shopping.

The seasonal Art Walk follows the hugely popular Christmas Stroll, but local shoppers are encouraged to mark their calendars for this art-centered evening of culture, community and holiday gift giving. With gallery hosts

aplenty, you’re sure to find something for that friend or family member with an artful eye. Log on to [www.downtownbozeman.org](http://www.downtownbozeman.org) for information on participating galleries and further event details. The evening gathering is FREE and open to the public. This is the final Art Walk event until next summer, so don’t miss out!

A member of the Downtown Bozeman Partnership, the purpose of the DBA is to promote Downtown Bozeman as a center of business, culture and entertainment; to conduct and promote activities and events that build a strong local economy; and to contribute to the well-being, growth and vitality of Downtown Bozeman.

**Homestead Holiday**  
Friday & Saturday,  
December 6, 7, 13, 14 | 6 - 9 p.m.  
\$10/child age 5 - 17, \$15/adult

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Purchase Tickets via the QR Code or go to [museumoftherockies.org/holiday](http://museumoftherockies.org/holiday)

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## Holiday “Cakes for Kids” feed returns with centennial event

Halls decked with boughs of holly and twinkling lights, it's time for the 100th annual “Cakes for Kids” event at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. Presented by Bozeman Kiwanis, the morning feast will be held Saturday, December 7th from 7am–1pm. Join the festivities and enjoy pancakes, ham, fixings, beverages and more holiday fun including a visit with Santa.

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. Tickets are available from Bozeman Kiwanis members or at the door. So, round up the family and don't miss the fun at this anticipated community gathering. You'll leave with full bellies and heightened spirits! Made possible with the generous support of local businesses and sponsors, the event continues to grow in popularity as it celebrates its landmark 100 years serving

Gallatin Valley families during the holiday season.

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](http://www.BozemanKiwanis.com) or find them on social media. •

## Emerson hosts naughty noir, festive family shows

It's the most wonderful time of the year as local venues transform their spaces into festive wonderlands full of activities and cheer. On Friday and Saturday, December 6th and 7th, the Emerson Center of Arts & Culture opens its doors for two full days of holiday celebration.

A seasonal escape for the grown-ups, the saucy and seductive variety show *Holiday Noir* returns with performances at 8pm each night. Get ready to laugh, cheer, hoot n' holler as the Emerson decks its halls with boughs of naughty. The event will have your sleigh bells jingling and ring-ting-tingling as the curtain

raises. Bozeman's favorite naughty and spirited performance will feature an assortment of legendary local performers. This premier comedic, burlesque, holiday-themed show is just for adults 18+. Book your sitters early and join for an evening you won't forget!

Saturday will also feature a Club Noir after party in the ballroom with DJ, food, drinks, photo ops, *Holiday Noir* performers and a few other saucy surprises. Tickets sold separately so Friday attendees can join the fun as well. Holiday Noir tickets begin at \$35 with an optional Golden Package for a chance to win incredible experiences and items. After party tickets

are an additional \$15.

The Crawford theater will also be buzzing with the highly anticipated return of *'Tis the Season*, a fabulous assortment of local youth performance groups. The show will be held on Saturday from 11am–3pm. Galleries will be open with their work for sale and fun activities for the kids.

Find additional event details and ticketing access at [www.theemerson.org](http://www.theemerson.org). Located at 111 S Grand Ave., the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture serves as a primary resource for the arts, arts education, and cultural activities in Southwest Montana. •

## Step back in time with live holiday radio shows

For one festive week only, Small Batch Arts presents stage production *A Montana Radio Holiday 1955* at Reynolds Recital Hall on the Montana State University campus. Performances will take place December 18th–22nd at 7pm each night. Two matinee performances will also take place on Dec. 21st 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 Valley and popular holiday swing tunes as sung by the fabulous Gallatin Gals (The GGs). Following the success of that program, the decision was made to research and develop additional

holiday programs set in a time significant to Montana history.

Like tree rings, holidays provide a telling record of the good years, the lean years, and the years marked by significant events. In their 2021 production, “A Montana Radio Holiday 1944,” the performances looked back at the years when gas was rationed and car tires were impossible to find. Audiences traveled the rails of the Jawbone Line through the heart of Montana on the Milwaukee Railroad's magnificent passenger train, the Olympian. This year, the talented troupe of storytellers brings us forward to 1955 with more stories, jingles and holiday swing tunes from the era sung by the fabulous Gallatin Gals.

Directed by Joel Jahnke, the production features a script by M. Douglas MacIntyre and Maggie Petersen, Music Director Jake Fleming and composed/arranged by Erik Pearson.

General admission for *A Montana Radio Holiday 1955* is \$19. Advance tickets may be purchased through [www.smallbatcharts.org](http://www.smallbatcharts.org). Reynolds is located in Howard Hall off of S 11th Ave., just across from the MSU Duck Pond. Seating is limited.

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. •

## Blue Slipper play puts spin on beloved Dickens classic

Livingston's Blue Slipper Theatre plays host to a special holiday run of *Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol* this month. Performances are set for December 6th–22nd. Friday and Saturday shows will begin at 8pm, with Sunday matinees to follow at 3pm.

Jacob Marley was Scrooge's business partner in life, and the closest thing he had to a friend. In death, he returns to issue Scrooge a warning, serving as a manifestation of the consequences of greed. He has earned his punishment due to the sins he committed in life and explains that Scrooge can expect the same, unless he changes his ways.

Marley's presence kick starts a

series of events that lead to Scrooge's transformation, and it also instills into the story a sense of urgency right from the beginning as Marley explains the depth of his suffering. He is weighed down by the chain of his sins – the links are forged of cashboxes, padlocks, ledgers and steel purses, things the greedy businessman valued most highly when he was alive and which now constitute a fitting sort of eternal comeuppance. Marley informs Scrooge that he too has fashioned himself a chain, though his is invisible, and consists of an additional seven years' worth of greed.

Part of Marley's punishment has been to watch Scrooge make the same mistakes he did, unable to

warn him, and although Marley is granted no means of escaping his own fate, he capitalizes on the opportunity to warn his only friend.

From Tom Mula, the play was inspired by his desire to rehab *A Christmas Carol*, the annual theatrical standby, after performing the role of Scrooge on Chicago stages for nearly a decade. Katie Mangett directs the local production, who helmed last year's hit *Tiny Beautiful Things*.

Tickets for *Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol* are \$20 or \$15 for students/seniors and are available at [www.blueslipper.org](http://www.blueslipper.org). Seating at the Blue Slipper, located at 113 E Callender St, is limited. Please call (406) 222-7720 for more information. •

## Broadway star featured in Ellen holiday production

The Ellen Theatre welcomes New York stage veteran Michael DeVries in the role of Daddy Warbucks for the upcoming holiday musical *Annie*. Performances will begin December 11th and run through Dec. 22nd. Tickets are on sale now.

This heartwarming family show is the winner of seven Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and has become a worldwide phenomenon. The all-singing, all-dancing comedy features a live 16-piece orchestra playing some of the greatest musical theatre hits of all time, including “It's a Hard Knock Life,” “Maybe,” “Easy Street,” “I Don't Need Anything But You,” and the anthem of optimism, “Tomorrow.” Little orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts amidst the gloomy yet wondrous state of 1930s New York City.

Mr. DeVries has enjoyed a stellar career including playing Mr. Snow in *Carousel* at both the Kennedy Center and Hollywood Bowl, along with an impressive list of Broadway shows such as *Annie Get Your Gun* with Patti LuPone, Cornelius in *Hello Dolly*, Gus/Growltiger in *Cats*, Captain Lenox in *The Secret Garden*, and an astounding ten-year run in the musical hit *Wicked*. National tours

include Andre in *Phantom of the Opera*, Harry in *Mama Mia*, and Dr. Dillamond in *Wicked*. Added to this impressive list are many regional productions and performing twice at Carnegie Hall.

The Ellen Theatre production of *Annie*, featuring a 16-piece live orchestra, opens Dec. 11th and runs for ten evening and matinee performances, with a closing date

of Dec. 22nd. Tickets to this holiday production range \$38 to \$64.

Wine, beer and concessions will be sold in the lobby one hour before each event. Ticketing and further information about these performances and upcoming events is available at [www.theellen-theatre.org](http://www.theellen-theatre.org). For additional inquiries, call the box office at (406) 585-5885. •

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## BFS screens family dramedy, Yellowstone wolf doc

Bozeman Film Society continues its latest season with a screening of the critically acclaimed family dramedy, *Goodrich*. The event will be held at Downtown Bozeman's Ellen Theatre on Friday, December 27th. Directed by Haley Meyers-Shyler, the film will screen at 7pm.

Andy Goodrich's (Michael Keaton) life is upended when his wife and mother of their nine-year-old twins enters a 90-day rehab program, leaving him on his own with their young kids. Thrust into the world of modern parenthood, Goodrich leans on his daughter from his first marriage, Grace (Mila Kunis), as he ultimately evolves into the father Grace always wanted. The film is Rated R with a run time of 111 minutes.

“Keaton's nuanced performance in this smart, tender comedy proves that Hollywood still has room for complex, emotionally rich leading men.” – Rex Reed, *Observer*

Following on Wednesday, January 8th is the Montana premiere of documentary *Mollie's Pack*, nearly 30 years to the day of the wolves' return to Yellowstone. The film screens at 7pm at the Ellen and will include a special panel with wolf biologists Doug Smith and Mike Phillips, editor Avela Grenier, plus Emmy Award-winning filmmaker, Grizzly Creek Films founder, direc-

tor/producer Thomas Winston.

On January 12, 1995, wolves returned to Yellowstone, 50 years after their extirpation. Mollie Beattie, director of the US Fish & Wildlife Service, carried the first Canadian-born wolf into the Park's experimental acclimation enclosure, Alpha Female Wolf No. 5. From that day forward, their lives would be forever connected. This is the true story of Mollie's Pack.

*Mollie's Pack* is a gripping feature documentary told with primary 16mm film footage that was thought to be forever lost, alongside in-depth interviews with the key players at the center of the historic Yellowstone Wolf reintroduction. The narrative follows the interconnected stories of Mollie Beattie and Wolf No.5 – the alpha female of the Mollie's Pack. It's a modern American epic that has never been told – and Grizzly Creek Films has exclusive access to the people and the footage to bring it to life on screen. Not Rated, the film runs 90 minutes.

*Goodrich* and *Mollie's Pack* screen on Dec. 27th and Jan. 8th, respectively, at the Ellen. Wine, beer and concessions will be available prior to the screenings. Find ticketing access and learn more about the current season at [www.bozemanfilmsociety.org](http://www.bozemanfilmsociety.org) – and Keep 'Em Flickering! •

## Shane's spirited variety show return

One of the Shane Lalani Center for the Art's most popular productions, *Holiday Vaudeville*, returns for its 16th annual presentation with performances set for December 13th–22nd in Livingston. Just in time for the most festive time of the year.

This high-energy variety show takes a rollicking romp through the cherished chestnuts of the season. Show 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 the whole family, and virtually guaran-

teed to get you in the spirit!

This year's *Holiday Vaudeville* runs for two weeks only – from Dec. through 22nd. Performances take place in the Dulcie Theatre. Show times are Friday and Saturday evenings at 8pm, and Sunday afternoons at 3pm. A special Thursday night show is set for Dec. 19th at 8pm. Tickets are \$23 for adults, \$17 for seniors/students/veterans, and \$11 for youth 17 & under. Make reservations at [www.theshanecenter.org](http://www.theshanecenter.org) or call the box office at (406) 222-1420.

*Holiday Vaudeville* 2024 is generously sponsored by Conley's Books & Music, Colin & Seabring Davis, A Silent Feather Massage, and Yellowstone Valley Lodge & Grill. •

## Elves greet passengers for North Pole adventure

The Livingston Film Series is delighted to present a special free holiday screening of *The Polar Express* on Monday, December 23rd. The film begins at 7pm at the Shane Lalani Center for the Arts.

Directed by Robert Zemeckis and based on children's author Chris Van Allsburg's modern holiday classic of the same name, *The Polar Express* follows Billy (Hayden McFarland), who longs to believe in Santa Claus but finds it quite difficult to do so in the face of his family's dogged insistence that all of it, from the North Pole, to the elves, to the man himself – is just a myth. Everything changes on Christmas Eve, when a mysterious train visits Billy in the middle of the night,

promising to take him and a group of other children to the North Pole for a visit with Santa. The train's conductor (Tom Hanks) and passengers help turn Billy's crisis of faith into a journey of self-discovery.

Continuing its latest season of screening independent features, documentaries, local films and vintage classics, doors open at 6:30pm with screenings to follow at 7pm. Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Concessions available. For more information, please visit [www.theshanecenter.org](http://www.theshanecenter.org).

The Livingston Film Series is generously sponsored by Marilyn Clotz & Mary Ann Bearden and Donald B. Gimbel. •

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1 Bozeman Art Museum Boosters Art Show 1pm Bozeman Library Bozeman Art Museum '89ers Sunday Open House 1pm BAM Yellowstone Ballet: The Nutcracker 2pm Willson Auditorium Crafternoon: Needle Felting 2pm B Library Public Skate 3pm Bottcher Rink Fairgrounds Celtic Jam 3:15pm Valhalla Meadery Estella Scrooge 6:30pm Warren Miller Performing Arts Center - Big Sky Thanksgiving Sunday Social 7pm The Attic - Livingston West Dakota Stutter 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Colter John 7pm Norris Hot Springs Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles

2 Unified Development Code Open House 12pm MSU - SUB Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center Pint Night 4pm MAP Brewing Inaugural Montana Teen Wellness Expo 4pm Norm Asbjornson Hall, MSU Wild Trivia 6pm WildRye Distilling Ski Movie Mondays 6pm Neptune's - LV Documentary Film Night: Pencils vs Pixels 6pm Bozeman Public Library Bacchus Trivia 7pm Bacchus Pub Cirque Dreams Holiday 7pm Brink - MSU Legion Karaoke 9pm American Legion Public Skate 11:15pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink - Fairgrounds

3 Community Car Seat Checks 2pm Bozeman Public Safety Center Newcomer Orientation 5pm Bozeman Dharma Center Bluegrass Jam Night 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Trivia 6pm Colombo's Pizza Always Trivia 6pm It Will Always Be That Way Lounge Last Best Trivia! 6pm Last Best Place Brewing Co. Bozeman Backgammon Club 6pm Gute Laune Wurstbar in The Rialto Stories Beyond Borders 6pm Midtown Event Space 406 Trivia 6pm 406 Brewing Co. - Manhattan Edis 6:30pm Ted's Montana Grill Comedy: YouTube sensation Kaiser Leib and emerging local talent 6:30pm Bunkhouse Brewery Tango dancing with free lessons 7pm Grey Dog Bar VNEA Pool League 7pm Eagles Bar Color Green 8pm Live From The Divide Bone Dry Comedy Hour Open Mic 8pm Last Best Comedy Bingo 8pm Molly Brown

4 Cookbooks and Coffee 10:30am Bozeman Library Public Skate 11:15am Ressler Motors Ice Rink - Fairgrounds Lunch with the Women We Love 12pm MSU SUB Alumni Lounge Bozeman Brewery Historic District Northside Holiday Stroll! 4pm Northside Bozeman Fiber Arts 4pm Bozeman Public Library Left Exit 5pm Gallatin River Lodge Jody and the Woodflowers 5:30pm Bridger Brewing - Bozeman Ella Cole 6pm Tune Up Bar Shiny Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary Unified Development Code Open House 6pm Gallatin High School - GHS Bath Bomb Making Class 6pm MilkThistle Skincare & Massage Lost Canyons 6pm MAP Brewing Bridger Trivia 6:30pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Open Mic and Open Jam 6:30pm Grey Dog Bar Waypoint Trivia 7pm The Big Sky Waypoint Trivia Night 7pm The Big Sky Waypoint UC Boulder Professor of Animal Ecology Joanna Lambert 7pm Shane Center - LV Western Dance Hall w/ Ugly Sweaters 7pm Armory Music Hall Jazz Holiday with the One O'clock Jazz Ensemble 7:30pm MSU Reynolds Hall Open Jam 8pm Murray Bar - Livingston Hannah Jo Lally 8pm Eagles Bar Trivia 8pm Molly Brown The Hooligans 9pm Tune Up Bar

5 Thursday's Table 1pm Bozeman Public Library Annual Gardiner Holiday Stroll 4pm Gardiner, MT Ornament Decorating 4:30pm The Springs Living Live Bluegrass 5pm The Perk on Park 2024 Madrigal Dinner 5pm Missouri Ballroom - Big Sky Resort Are Hobbits Real? w/ Dr. Paige Madison 5:30pm Museum of the Rockies Drink + Draw 6pm Valhalla Meadery Katie Hall 6pm Tune Up Bar Unified Development Code Open House 6pm Hope Lutheran Church Katie Hall 6pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Karaoke 7pm Grey Dog Bar Aaron Banfield 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Thursday Night Out! 7pm Last Best Comedy Author Kevin Grange 7pm Elk River Books - Livingston Bozeman Doc Series: Separated 7pm Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture Jacob Roundtree 8pm Bozeman Taproom Dick McCumber w/ Jake Heidrich 8pm Old Saloon - Emigrant 1 Year Anniversary Party - with Willy on the Wire 9pm Grey Dog Bar Estelle & The North Black Band 9pm Tune Up Bar Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar Tyler Potter 9pm Haubrau The Contractors 9pm The Filling Station Karaoke & DJ 9:30pm American Legion - Bozeman



DAVE & ALLY "ACT II" MORNINGS

8 Santa's Workshop 11am PInspiration Bozeman Silver Moon Market 11am Gallatin County Fairgrounds - GCF MBC's production of The Nutcracker 12pm Willson Auditorium Author Craig Johnson 12pm Elk River Books - Livingston Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 3pm Blue Slipper Theatre - Livingston Public Skate 3pm Bottcher Rink - GCF Fairgrounds Celtic Jam 3:15pm Valhalla Meadery Paint Your Pet 4pm Bunkhouse Brewery MBC's production of The Nutcracker 4pm Willson Auditorium Chandler Huntley 5pm Sage Lodge - S of Livingston Mathias 5pm Gallatin River Lodge Bottlecap 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar Multimedia Series is FREE & Open to the Public! 7:30pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall

9 Unified Development Code Open House 12pm Virtual Event Spinner Rings Class 1pm Beth Aimee Jewelry Studio Friends of the Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center Pint Night 4pm MAP Brewing Belgrade Mobile Food Distribution 5pm Peace Lutheran Church - Belgrade Santa in the market - photos w/ Santa 5pm The Merry Piglets Mexican Grill Wild Trivia 6pm WildRye Distilling Ski Movie Mondays 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Dancing with the Last Best Stars 6pm Willson Auditorium Sacajawea Audubon Society's Special Holiday Program 6pm Emerson Center Holiday Wreath Workshop 6pm Gallatin Gateway Community Center Bacchus Trivia 7pm Bacchus Pub Legion Karaoke 9pm American Legion - Bozeman Public Skate 11:15pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds

10 MBC Open House For children 4pm Montana Ballet Company First Aid & STOP THE BLEED® Classes - Sign-up Required 4pm Belgrade Library Bluegrass Jam Night 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Trivia 6pm Colombo's Pizza Always Trivia 6pm It Will Always Be That Way Lounge Last Best Trivia! 6pm Last Best Place Brewing Co. Bozeman Backgammon Club 6pm Gute Laune Wurstbar in The Rialto 406 Trivia 6pm 406 Brewing Co. - Manhattan FREE Financial Skill Building with Homeward 6pm Virtual Event Tango dancing with free lessons 7pm Grey Dog Bar VNEA Pool League 7pm Eagles Bar Bingo 8pm Molly Brown

11 Cookbooks and Coffee 10:30am Bozeman Library Public Skate 11:15am Ressler Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds Chamber: Business During Hours 4pm AC Hotel Bozeman Downtown Fiber Arts 4pm Bozeman Public Library Phil Madwell 5pm Gallatin River Lodge Aaron Banfield 5:30pm Bridger Brew - BZN Special Holiday Green Drinks 5:30pm Pilgrim Congregational Church UCC FREE Financial Skill Building with Homeward 6pm Virtual Event Jakob Alexander 6pm Tune Up Bar Shiny Trivia 6pm SHINE Beer Sanctuary Unified Development Code Open House 6pm Gallatin County Fairgrounds Edis 6:30pm MAP Brewing The BROADCAST! Broad Beta's live storytelling night 6pm Uphill Pursuits Bridger Trivia 6:30pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Open Mic / Jam 6:30pm Grey Dog Bar Story Mansion All-Ages String Jam 7pm Story Mansion Trivia Night 7pm The Big Sky Waypoint Hyalite APA First Pour Party 2024 7pm Bridger Brewing - Bozeman Broadway Musical ANNIE 7:30pm Ellen Open Jam 8pm Murray Bar - Livingston Mathias 8pm Eagles Bar Trivia 8pm Molly Brown Ben Larson and the Grownass Men 9pm Tune Up Bar

12 Thursday's Table 1pm Bozeman Public Library Sip N' Paint 5pm The Springs Living Live Bluegrass 5pm The Perk on Park Bozeman Ice Climbing Festival presents: Apres Climb 5pm Emerson Center for Arts and Culture Merry Mocktails & Makes 5pm Belgrade Community Library FREE Financial Skill Building with Homeward 6pm Virtual Event Brice Ash 6pm Tune Up Bar Drink + Draw 6pm Valhalla Meadery Unified Development Code Open House 6pm Sacajawea Middle School Jack Gilk 6pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Karaoke 7pm Grey Dog Bar Thursday Night Out! 7pm Last Best Comedy Reuben Sinnema 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs The Broadway Musical ANNIE 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre The Best of REEL ROCK 7:30pm Emerson Center for Arts and Culture Brian Kassay 8pm Bozeman Taproom Jackson Holte 8pm Old Saloon - Emigrant The Dirty Dirty 9pm The Filling Station Mathias 9pm Tune Up Bar Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar Ralph Petty 9pm Haubrau Karaoke & DJ 9:30pm Legion - Bozeman

15 Cookies With Santa 10:30am PInspiration Bozeman Crafternoon: Needle Felting 2pm Bozeman Library Crafternoon: Folded Star Ornament 2pm Bozeman Public Library Bozeman Symphony Presents: Holiday Spectacular 2:30pm Willson Auditorium Holiday Vaudeville 3pm Shane Center - LV Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 3pm Blue Slipper Theatre - Livingston Broadway Musical ANNIE 3pm The Ellen Public Skate 3pm Bottcher Rink Fairgrounds Bozeman Silent Book Club 3pm Bzn Library Celtic Jam 3:15pm Valhalla Meadery Paint & Sip - Moonlit Lone Peak 4pm Audrey's Pizza & Freefall Brewery Maggie Hickman 5pm Sage Lodge Mercedes Carroll 5pm Gallatin River Lodge Montana Ballet - The Nutcracker 5pm Warren Miller Center - Big Sky Bozeman Ice Climbing Festival presents: Apres Climb 5pm Emerson Center Jazz Jam Session-The Alex Platt Trio 6pm Red Tractor Pizza "Beyond the Climb" With Marcus Garcia, Local Legends Dinner + Wrap Party 6pm Emerson Center for Arts and Culture The Pickin Pear 7pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon North Fork Crossing 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Savannah Wood 7pm Norris Hot Springs Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

16 Friends of the Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center Pint Night 4pm MAP Brewing Wild Trivia 6pm WildRye Distilling Ski Movie Mondays 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Board Game Night 6pm Bozeman Public Library Bacchus Trivia 7pm Bacchus Pub Legion Karaoke 9pm American Legion - Bozeman Public Skate 11:15pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds

17 Bluegrass Jam Night 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Trivia 6pm Colombo's Pizza Always Trivia 6pm It Will Always Be That Way Lounge Last Best Trivia! 6pm Last Best Place Brewing Co. Bozeman Backgammon Club 6pm Gute Laune Wurstbar in The Rialto 406 Trivia 6pm 406 Brewing Co. - Manhattan Tango dancing with free lessons 7pm Grey Dog Bar VNEA Pool League 7pm Eagles Bar Bingo 8pm Molly Brown

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19 Thursday's Table 1pm Bozeman Public Library Live Bluegrass 5pm The Perk on Park Jakob Alexander 6pm Tune Up Bar Drink + Draw 6pm Valhalla Meadery www.twang 6pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Memorial Lights at The Light Park 6pm Belgrade Senior Center A Montana Radio Holiday 1955 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall Mathias 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Karaoke 7pm Grey Dog Bar A Celebration of Poets 7pm Elk River Books - Livingston The Broadway Musical ANNIE 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Lalani Center - Livingston Brendan Nolan 8pm Bozeman Taproom Brian Kassay 9pm Tune Up Bar Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar Karaoke & DJ 9:30pm American Legion - Bozeman



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22 Quilting Sessions 2pm Bozeman Public Library Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms Roots in the Sky @ Christmas 2024: Visions of a Child 2pm Holy Rosary Catholic Church Holiday Vaudeville 3pm Shane Lalani Center - Livingston Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 3pm Blue Slipper Theatre - Livingston The Broadway Musical ANNIE 3pm The Ellen Theatre Public Skate 3pm Bottcher Rink - GCF Fairgrounds Celtic Jam 3:15pm Valhalla Meadery Luke Flansburg 5pm Gallatin River Lodge A Montana Radio Holiday 1955 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall Emma & the Ledge 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

23 Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms A Montana Radio Holiday 1955 3pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall Friends of the Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center Pint Night 4pm MAP Brewing Belgrade Mobile Food Distribution 5pm Peace Lutheran Church - Belgrade Board Game Night 6pm Bozeman Public Library Wild Trivia 6pm WildRye Distilling Ski Movie Mondays 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston - FREE - Livingstone Film Series: \*The Polar Express\* - FREE - 6:15pm Shane Center - Livingston Bacchus Trivia 7pm Bacchus Pub Legion Karaoke 9pm American Legion - Bozeman Public Skate 11:15pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds

24 Three course Christmas Eve Dinner at Fielding's 4pm Fielding's - Kimpton Armory Bluegrass Jam Night 6pm Neptune's Brewery - Livingston Trivia 6pm Colombo's Pizza Always Trivia 6pm It Will Always Be That Way Lounge Last Best Trivia! 6pm Last Best Place Brewing Co. Bozeman Backgammon Club 6pm Gute Laune Wurstbar in The Rialto 406 Trivia 6pm 406 Brewing Co. - Manhattan Tango dancing with free lessons 7pm Grey Dog Bar VNEA Pool League 7pm Eagles Bar Bingo 8pm Molly Brown



26 Live Bluegrass 5pm The Perk on Park Mathias 6pm Tune Up Bar Drink + Draw 6pm Valhalla Meadery UTC Fight Night: The Ultimate Tying Championship 6pm Bozeman Fly Supply August Ore 6pm Bridger Pub & Grill - 3 Forks Jesse the Ocelot 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Karaoke 7pm Grey Dog Bar Brendan Nolan 8pm Old Saloon - Emigrant The Hooligans 9pm Tune Up Bar Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar Karaoke & DJ 9:30pm American Legion - Bozeman

29 Crafternoon: Needle Felting 2pm Bozeman Public Library Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms Public Skate 3pm Bottcher Rink - GCF Fairgrounds Celtic Jam 3:15pm Valhalla Meadery Chandler Huntley 5pm Sage Lodge - S of Livingston Mercedes Carroll 5pm Gallatin River Lodge Songwriter's Showcase 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Brian Kassay... Solo Musical Mad Man 7pm Chico Saloon Bridger Mountain Big Band 7pm Eagles Bar

30 Jakob Alexander 4pm Bridger Bowl Bridger Pre-torchlight procession and fireworks Spaghetti Dinner 4pm Bridger Bowl SAVVY 4pm Bridger Bowl Friends of the Gallatin National Forest Avalanche Center Pint Night 4pm MAP Torchlight Parade & Fireworks 5pm Bridger Bowl Game Night 6pm Bozeman Public Library Wild Trivia 6pm WildRye Distilling Ski Movies 6pm Neptune's Brewery LV Bacchus Trivia 7pm Bacchus Pub Noche de Invierno | Noche Latina, 8pm Midtown Event Space Dead Sky's Grateful NYE Run w/ North Fork Crossing 8pm The Elm Legion Karaoke 9pm American Legion - Bozeman Public Skate 11:15pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds

31 Countdown to Noon Year's Eve 10am Emerson Center NYE Apres All Day 3pm Sky Shed @ Kimpton Armory Phil Madwell 5pm Giltin Rvr Ldg Bluegrass Jam 6pm Neptune's Brewery - LV Trivia 6pm Colombo's Pizza Trivia 6pm Always Be That Way Lounge Trivia! 6pm Last Best Place Brewing Co. New Years Eve FIGHT NIGHT! 6pm Kimpton Armory Hotel Backgammon Club 6pm Gute Laune-Rialto 406 Trivia 6pm 406 Brewing Co. - Manhattan Uncle Lucius 7pm The Elm Tango dancing 7pm Grey Dog Bar VNEA Pool League 7pm Eagles Bar DJ Habes 8pm Sky Shed-Kimpton Armory The Dead & Down and Desperate Electric Western Disco 8pm The Rialto Bingo 8pm Molly Brown Willy On The Wire 9pm Murray Bar - LV The Dirty Shame 9pm Chico Saloon Rocky Mtn Pearls 9pm Old Saloon-Emgrnt Daniel Kosel and Madrona Road 9pm Sacajawea Bar - Three Forks Icarus 9pm Haubrau NYE Party w/ Fool's Gold 10pm The Jump

1 Public Skate 11:15am Ressler Motors Ice Rink - GCF Fairgrounds Trivia 8pm Molly Brown Open Jam 8pm Murray Bar - Livingston

2 Drink + Draw 6pm Valhalla Meadery Peter King 7pm Bozeman Hot Springs Karaoke 9pm Eagles Bar Brendan Nolan 9pm Tips Up - Big Sky



**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

**6** Virtual Fossil Fridays 9am Virtual Event  
 Car Seat Checks 2pm Bzn Safety Center  
 Lena Schiffer 5pm Sage Lodge – S of Livingston  
 Chandler Huntley 5pm Sacajawea Bar – 3 Forks  
 Noë! Concert 5:30pm Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
 Celtic Music 5:30pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Wheatfield Theater: Morgan Irons 5:30pm Old Main Gallery  
 Katie Hall 5:30pm Willie's Distillery – Ennis  
**PORTRAIT: A Factions Ski Film presented by the MSU Ski Team** 6pm MSU Procrastinator Theater  
 Open Acoustic Jam 6pm American Legion – Livingston  
 Jacob Rountree 6pm Tune Up Bar  
 Homestead Holiday Tinsley 6pm Museum of the Rockies  
 The Road Agents 6pm Norris Hot Springs  
 Her Gift, Her Creation 6pm Warren Miller Center – Big Sky  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza  
 Jon Axline and Leah Tiscione 7pm Elk River Books – LV  
 Stand-Up With Kevin McCaffrey 7pm Last Best Comedy  
**HOLIDAY NOIR** 7pm Emerson Crawford Theater  
 Noë! Concert 7:30pm Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
 Great Falls Americans vs Ice Dogs 7:30pm Haynes Pavilion  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper – LV  
 Jessica Eve w/ Nick Kozub 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
 Cole Decker and The MFR 8pm The Westerner – Gateway  
 Holiday Noir 8pm Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture  
 Tanner Laws 8pm The Jump  
 The Beagles 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Street Milk 9pm Grey Dog Bar  
 Stand-Up With Kevin McCaffrey 9pm Last Best Comedy  
 Reuben Sinnema 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
 Millennial Trivia 9pm Ponderosa Social Club  
 Karaoke Plaza 9pm Plaza Bar – Three Forks  
 Ian Thomas & Band of Drifters 9pm Chico Hot Saloon  
 Mathias 9pm Haufbrau  
 The Disruptors 9pm Eagles Bar  
 Milton Menasco Foundation Fundraiser 9pm Filling Station

**13** Virtual Fossil Fridays 9am Virtual Event  
 Bridger Bowl Projected Opening Day 9am  
 Chandler Huntley 5pm Sage Lodge  
 Cole Decker 5pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks  
**Big Sky Christmas Stroll** 5pm Big Sky Town Center  
**Bozeman Ice Climbing Festival presents:**  
 Après Climb 5pm Emerson Center for Arts and Culture  
 Celtic Music 5:30pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Open Acoustic Jam 6pm American Legion – Livingston  
 Ella Cole 6pm Tune Up Bar  
 Homestead Holiday - Tinsley House 6pm Museum Rockies  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza  
 Of The Trees 7pm The Elm  
 Kent Johnson 7pm Norris Hot Springs  
**The Broadway Musical ANNIE** 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre  
**Bozeman Symphony Presents: Holiday Spectacular** 7:30pm Willson Auditorium  
**Bear Canyon Singers and Dancers plus movies** 7:30pm Emerson Center for Arts and Culture  
 Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Lalani Cente – Livingston  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper LV  
 Tyler Potter and Kent Garwick 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
 Clint Anderson & The Montana Gazette 8pm The Westerner – Gallatin Gateway  
 Public Skate 8pm Bottcher Rink – GCF Fairgrounds  
 Raise The Roof 8pm The Jump  
 Montana Deluxe 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Lost Canyons 9pm Tune Up Bar  
 Shockable Rhythm 9pm Grey Dog Bar  
 Raven Roshi 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
 Millennial Trivia 9pm Ponderosa Social Club  
 Brendan Nolan 9pm Long Branch Saloon – Ennis  
 Tim Rooney 9pm Haufbrau  
 Flavatown 9pm Eagles Bar

**20** Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms  
 Chandler Huntley 5pm Sage Lodge – S of LV  
 Brendan Nolan 5pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks  
**Happy Hour Open Mic** 5pm Last Best Comedy  
 Celtic Music 5:30pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Open Acoustic Jam 6pm American Legion – Livingston  
 Ella Cole 6pm Tune Up Bar  
 Kid's Night Out 6pm Pinspiration Bozeman  
 White Elephant Bingo 6pm Willie's Distillery – Ennis  
**A Christmas / Barney's Barrel** 6:30pm Emerson Center  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza  
**A Montana Radio Holiday 1955** 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall  
 Women of Paradise 7pm Pine Creek Lodge – LV  
 Bells of the Bridgers Concert 7pm Pilgrim Church UCC  
**The Broadway Musical ANNIE** 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre  
**Roots in the Sky @ Christmas 2024: Visions of a Child** 7:30pm Hope Lutheran Church  
 Edis & The Sidekicks 8pm The Jump  
 Holiday Vaudeville 8pm Shane Lalani Center – Livingston  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper – LV  
 Peter King Trio 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
 Ian Thomas Band of Drifters 8pm The Westerner – Gateway  
 Public Skate 8pm Bottcher Rink – GCF Fairgrounds  
 Dilly Dilly Band 9pm Eagles Bar  
 Sorryimolive 9pm The Filling Station  
 The Hooligans 9pm Tune Up Bar  
 Lost Canyons 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Daze Between 9pm Grey Dog Bar  
 Millennial Trivia 9pm Ponderosa Social Club  
 Karaoke Plaza 9pm Plaza Bar – Three Forks  
 Jacob Rountree 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
 The Dirty Shame 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
 Love Darts 9pm Haufbrau

**27** Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms  
 Mathias 5pm Sage Lodge – S of Livingston  
 Tom Susanj 5pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks  
 Celtic Music 5:30pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Brendan Nolan 5:30pm Willie's Distillery – Ennis  
 Open Acoustic Jam 6pm American Legion – Livingston  
 Ella Cole 6pm Tune Up Bar  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm Red Tractor Pizza  
 Goodrich 7pm The Ellen Theatre  
**Broadway's Next Hit Musical presents "The Phony Awards,"** 7:30pm Warren Miller Performing Arts Center – Big Sky  
 Rocky Mountain Pearls 8pm The Jump  
 Jaden Decker 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
 Public Skate 8pm Bottcher Rink – GCF Fairgrounds  
 Tyler Potter & The Last Minute Surprise 8pm The Westerner – Gallatin Gateway  
**3rd annual SPARKLE SPECTACULAR 2024** 8pm The Rialto  
 Rick Winking 9pm Tune Up Bar  
 Blake Brightman Band 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Millennial Trivia 9pm Ponderosa Social Club  
**Roadrunner... Jerry Garcia Band Tribute** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
 49er Live DJ Last Friday 9pm 49er Diner – Livingston  
 Shake and Bake 9pm Haufbrau

**3** Celtic Music 5:30pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Public Skate 8pm Bottcher Rink – Fairgrounds  
 Karaoke Plaza 9pm Plaza Bar – Three Forks  
**Jackson Holte & The Highway Patrol** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
 Millennial Trivia 9pm Ponderosa Social Club  
 The Dirty Shame 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Fritz Road 9pm Grey Dog Bar

**7** Winter Farmers' Market 9am Gallatin County Fairgrounds –  
 Montana Raptors Meet & Greet 10:30am Museum Rockies  
 'Tis the Season 11am Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture  
**Bridger's Fundraiser & Silent Auction** 12pm Red Tractor  
 MSU Bobcat Football 2nd round game 1pm Bobcat Stadium – MSU  
 MBC's production of The Nutcracker 2pm Willson Auditorium  
 Jazz in the Library 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
**44th Annual Christmas Stroll** 4:30pm Downtown Bozeman  
**Krampusnacht 2024** 5pm Steep Mountain Teahouse  
 Rod Morrison 5pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks  
**Homestead Holiday at the Tinsley House** 6pm Museum of the Rockies  
**Holiday Hullahaloo & Convoy Watch Party** 6pm Belgrade Library  
 BINGO 6pm Eagles Bar  
**SUB Madrigal Dinners! are SOLD OUT!** 6:30pm MSU – SUB  
**Billet Team Showcase** 7pm Last Best Comedy  
 MBC's production of The Nutcracker 7pm Willson Auditorium  
**HOLIDAY NOIR** 7pm Emerson Crawford Theater  
**ATLiens** 7pm The Elm  
**Wind Symphony Concert w/ Dr. Wonki Lee & Masato Kumoi,** saxophones 7:30pm Gallatin High School – GHS  
**Western Roots Country Dancing** 8pm Bourbon  
**Tom Petty Christmas w/ The Waiting** 8pm The Attic – Livingston  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper – Livingston  
**Live Music | Salty Gravy** 8pm Valhalla Meadery  
 Lena Schiffer Trio 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
**Zechariah Peabody Band** 8pm The Westerner – Gallatin Gateway  
**John Floridis Benefit Gallatin Food Bank** 8pm Live From The Divide  
**Holiday Noir** 8pm Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture  
**Bad Neighbor** 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
**Latin Night – DJ Big Lou** 9pm Grey Dog Bar  
 Lexi Nye 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
**Colour Blind** 9pm Tune Up Bar  
**Ian Thomas and Band of Drifters** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
**West Dakota Stutter** 9pm Haufbrau  
**The Disruptors** 9pm Eagles Bar

**14** A Chico Christmas 9am Chico Hot Springs Resort  
 Santa Paws 10am Heart of the Valley Animal Shelter  
**Jingle 5k Fun Run And Ugly Contest** 10am Belgrade  
**Public Skate** 12pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink – Fairgrounds  
**NCAA Division I Quarter Finals – 1pm?** Bobcat Stadium  
**A Circus Carol** 2pm Petra Academy  
**Jazz in the Library** 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
**Crochet and Knitting Workshop** 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
**Bozeman Symphony Holiday Spectacular** 2:30pm Willson Auditorium  
 Lena Schiffer 5pm Sage Lodge – S of Livingston  
**Belgrade Holiday Hoopla** 5pm Downtown Belgrade  
**Bozeman Ice Climbing Festival: Après Climb** 5pm Emerson Center  
**Homestead Holiday at the Tinsley House** 6pm Museum of the Rockies  
 Bingo 6pm Eagles Bar  
**Billet Team Showcase** 7pm Last Best Comedy  
**A Circus Carol** 7pm Petra Academy  
**West Dakota Stutter** 7pm Norris Hot Springs  
**Cactus Cuts** 7pm Pine Creek Lodge – LV  
**Ballroom Dance Bozeman's Holiday Party Dance!** 7pm Tamarack Ballroom – Bozeman Senior Center  
**Dan Henry (One Man Band)** 7pm The Jump  
**The Broadway Musical ANNIE** 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre  
**Bozeman Symphony: Holiday Spectacular** 7:30pm Willson Auditorium  
**Kendal Mountain Film Festival** 7:30pm Emerson Center for Arts  
**Western Roots Country Dancing** 8pm Bourbon  
**Holiday Vaudeville** 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts – Livingston  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper Theatre – Livingston  
 Madeline Hawthorne 8pm The Rialto  
 Lenka Swenson Trio 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
**Wonky Willa Fall Tour** 8pm Club Zebra  
 Flavatown 9pm Eagles Bar  
**Damion and Josh Trio** 9pm The Filling Station  
 Taylor Burlage 9pm Tune Up Bar  
 Pickin Pear 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
 Andrew Olivo 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
 Brendan Nolan 9pm Haufbrau

**21** Winter Farmers' Market 9am Gallatin County Fairgrounds  
 Santa's Workshop 11am Pinspiration Bozeman  
**Bozeman Yule Festival and Christmas Market** 12pm Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF  
**Public Skate** 12pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink – GCF Fairgrounds  
**NCAA Division I Football Semi Finals- 1:30pm** Bobcat Stadium – MSU  
 Holiday Sleigh Rides 2pm Bodhi Farms  
**Jazz in the Library** 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
**Bells of the Bridgers Christmas Concert** 3pm Pilgrim Church UCC  
**Jó! A Celebration of the Winter Solstice** 3pm Valhalla Meadery  
**A Montana Radio Holiday 1955** 3pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall  
 Tessa Lou & Luke Williams 5:30pm Willie's Distillery – Ennis  
 Brendan Nolan 6pm Grand Hotel – Big Timber  
 Bingo 6pm Eagles Bar  
**A Montana Radio Holiday 1955** 7pm MSU Reynolds Recital Hall  
 Band of Drifters 7pm Pine Creek Lodge – LV  
 Savannah Wood 7pm Norris Hot Springs  
**The Broadway Musical ANNIE** 7:30pm The Ellen Theatre  
**Roots in the Sky-Visions of a Child** 7:30pm Big Sky Chapel – Big Sky  
**Western Roots Country Dancing** 8pm Bourbon  
**Holiday Vaudeville** 8pm Shane Lalani Center for the Arts – Livingston  
 Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol 8pm Blue Slipper Theatre – LV  
 Cole Decker Duo 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
**10 Foot Tall and 80 Proof** 8pm Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks  
**Kyle Hunter & The Mountain Standard** 8pm The Westerner – Gateway  
**BUT & The Love Darts** 9pm The Filling Station  
 Dilly Dilly Band 9pm Eagles Bar  
**Ticket Sauce** 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
**The Waiting** 9pm Tune Up Bar  
 John Metx 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
**The Dirty Shame** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
**Outdoor Recess** 9pm Haufbrau  
**Whiz BANG! Intoxicating Comedy** 9:30pm Last Best Comedy

**28** Winter Farmers' Market 9am Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF  
**Public Skate** 12pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink – GCF Fairgrounds  
**Jazz in the Library** 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
**Holiday Sleigh Rides** 2pm Bodhi Farms  
**Cory Johnson** 5pm Sage Lodge – S of Livingston  
**New Year's Eve Eve Eve Family Dance & Contra Dance** 5:30pm Tamarack Ballroom – Bozeman Senior Center  
**Michael Armstrong** 5:30pm Willie's Distillery – Ennis  
**Cajun Moon** 6pm Red Tractor Pizza  
 Bingo 6pm Eagles Bar  
**The Glitch Mob** 8pm The Elm  
**Western Skies** 8pm The Westerner – Gallatin Gateway  
**3rd annual SPARKLE SPECTACULAR 2024** 8pm The Rialto  
**Mercedes Carroll w/ Doc Wiley and Jason Uihmann** 8pm Old Saloon – Emigrant  
**Meyer'd Down Duo** 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston  
**Holding for Hux** 9pm Tune Up Bar  
**Roadrunner... Jerry Garcia Band Tribute** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
 Brendan Nolan 9pm Bozeman Taproom  
**West Dakota Stutter** 9:30pm Haufbrau

**4** Winter Farmers' Market 9am Gallatin County Fairgrounds  
 Community Dual GS #1 10:30am Bridger Bowl  
**Public Skate** 12pm Ressler Motors Ice Rink – Fairgrounds  
**Jazz in the Library** 2pm Bozeman Public Library  
 Bingo 6pm Eagles Bar  
**Edis and Whiskey and Water** 7pm The Jump  
**Matt Wallin & His Nervous Breakdown** 7pm Pine Creek Lodge – LV  
**Jackson Holte & The Highway Patrol** 9pm Chico Hot Springs Saloon  
**Brian Kassay** 9pm Murray Bar – Livingston

**THE Eagles Club**



**DECEMBER**

**WED. @ 8pm** **WEEKENDS @ 9pm**

4th- Hannah Jo Lally 6/7- The Disruptors  
 11th- Mathias 13/14- Flavatown  
 18th- Luke Flansburg 20/21- Dilly Dilly Band  
 25th- CLOSED 27/28- TBA

Sunday's- Bridger Mountain Big Band @ 7pm  
 Tuesday's- VNEA Pool League @ 7pm  
 Thursday's- Karaoke @ 9pm  
 Saturdays- BINGO @ 6pm

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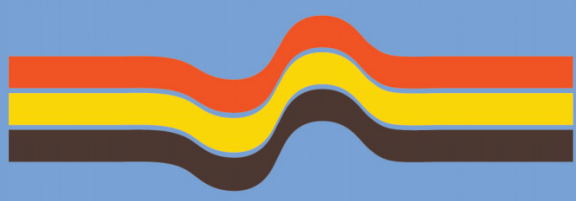
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## Hot Springs' poolside tunes, songwriter showcase

The snowy skies fail to deter live music lovers from the outdoor performance space at Bozeman Hot Springs. The venue features a poolside stage with weekly showcases of regional and traveling acts every Thursday and Sunday at 7pm. Enjoy the area's best musicians this month.

Next up is **West Dakota Stutter** on December 1st. Featuring some of Bozeman's most seasoned musicians, the multi-piece delivers a fun, folk-rock sound with originals and cuts from the members' previous projects.

**Aaron Banfield** follows on Dec. 5th. Featured in a wide array of local bands like BoZambique and PermaFunk, he plays a little bit of everything, from folk to rock. Banfield combines his amazing guitar skills with some impressive vocals for the enjoyment of every audience.

Enjoy a performance from **Bottlecap** on Dec. 8th. Featuring vocals, guitars, bass, drums and keys, this five-piece jam band psychedelic group is quickly making an impression on the local music scene.

**Reuben Sinnema** warms up the audience on Dec. 12th. The local singer/songwriter writes

Americana/Country/Folk songs. His solo acoustic sets draw influence from a range of artists, from Hank Williams Sr. to the Ramones.

Catch a Dec. 15th show by **North Fork Crossing**. Their genre resides somewhere in a strange untapped musical realm between traditional bluegrass, psychedelic rock, Americana and folk. The quintet are drawn to bluegrass reaching a younger generation, priding themselves on their unique sound being the "evolution of string band music."

**Mathias** returns to the Hot Springs on Dec. 19th. With powerful vocals and a percussive guitar style, he's known for his dynamic live performances full of acoustic folk, rock, and funk tunes.

Performing Dec. 22nd is **Emma & the Ledge**. The duo skillfully creates a sound that's luminous and atmospheric, yet energizing enough to send an audience to their feet. Their music weaves together blues, alternative, rock, folk and independent styles utilizing a mix of acoustic and electric guitars.

**Jesse the Ocelot** follows the holiday with a Dec. 26th show. 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.

The Hot Springs hosts a special **Songwriter's Showcase** on Dec. 29th. Presented in collaboration with the Yellowstone Women's Music Collective, enjoy a night of the Gallatin Valley's best female singer/songwriters. Performers include Maren Stubenvoll, Edis Kittrell, Ella Rae Cole and Lena Marie Schiffer.

And looking to the new year, **Peter King** performs Jan. 2nd. The Dead Yellers' frontman gears his original lyrics around the human condition, love, war and self-control. His originals tell the story of honest, blue collar life in a small town. King's influences range from the lonesome classic country sound to that of a DIY punk rock group.

Bozeman Hot Springs is located just south of Four Corners. Visit [www.bozemanhotsprings.com](http://www.bozemanhotsprings.com) for operating hours and further event details. •

## Chico hosts holiday gathering, live Saloon music

The familiar 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.

Opening the month is **Ian Thomas & Band of Drifters** on December 6th and 7th. The group plays modern American roots music and encourage audiences to dance. Based mostly in Montana and Tennessee, the band also includes players from all over the country, keeping the music varied in arrangement, instrumentation and regional influences. The Drifters' sets draw from country, folk and blues traditions with an emphasis on original songs, done in the old style.

Rock, rhythm & blues artists **Gary Small & the Coyote Brothers** follow Dec. 13th and 14th. If you love blues, rockabilly, surf, and plain ole good times music, then you're in the right place – they're known as "Purveyors of Good Boogie Music." The Coyote Bros are a diverse band defined by its rockabilly, blues, cajun, surf, reggae, and anything else they deem cool.

Also on Dec. 14th, the resort hosts **A Chico Christmas** from 9am–5pm. Enjoy festive activities, exclusive discounts, and the chance to win exciting door prizes. As the day winds down, join for a Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony, accompanied by carolers spreading the magic of the season.

Events will include Christmas yoga at the spa and a wreath making class at 10am (book latter through Deep Creek Outdoor), Christmas stories by the fire at

10am, noon and 4pm, a sip & paint class at 2pm (book through Deep Creek) with tree lighting and carolers set for 5pm. Western dress-up photo fun will be held at the Horse Barn throughout the day.

A special Sunday show Dec. 15th features **Pickin' Pear** at 7pm. They combine their non-traditional stylings and traditional instruments to create an original mix of modern American music. The duo takes the banjo and ukulele down the road of folk, rock and bluegrass.

Veterans of the local live music scene, **Brandon Hale & the Dirty Shame** are back at it on Dec. 20th and 21st. The outlaw country band has been a staple of the Montana live music scene for decades, known for their cutting originals and unique spins on songs by the likes of Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Johnny Cash, among others. They released a new album aptly titled *The Dirty Shame* last year.

Check out **Roadrunner** on Dec. 27th and 28th. Featuring guitarist Tyler James, Andrew Miscoe on keys, drummer Bob Johnson, and bassist Max Eaton, the foursome brings the music of the Jerry Garcia Band to life!

Bird Dog **Brian Kassay** brings a solo Sunday performance on Dec. 29th at 7pm. The local musician mixes guitar, violin, keyboard and harmonica in creation of his unique, live-looping performances.

**The Dirty Shame** return to the Saloon on Dec. 31st for a special encore show on New Year's Eve. Ring in '25 with a night of celebratory outlaw country.

Live Saloon music begins at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Chico Hot Springs is located in Pray, 20 miles south of Livingston. For more information, visit [www.chicohotsprings.com](http://www.chicohotsprings.com). •

## Attic celebrates holidays with lively concerts

Downtown Livingston's favorite live music spot brings in acts to suit every palate – and plenty of cocktails to go with 'em! Here's a look at some of the upcoming artists heading up to The Attic.

First up this month is a special **Thanksgiving Sunday Social** show on December 1st. The friendly song swap and jam will feature sets by the likes of Sean Devine, Blake Brightman, WC Huntley, Audrey Hall, Kevin Toll and Scott Martin, with a special appearance by the Old Blue Pickup Band. Doors at 6pm ahead of the 7pm show. Free admission. Feel the rhythm of the holiday

season with the **Tom Petty Jingle Jangle Christmas Show** on Dec. 7th featuring music by **The Waiting**.



The Bozeman-based roadhouse rock n' roll band celebrates the music of Tom Petty. Expect a blend of his smash hits with the Heartbreakers, a sampling from his solo albums, and even some of his collaborations with the Traveling Wilburys, delivered with fiery live energy. Doors at 7pm with the music to follow at 8pm. Tickets are \$15 in advance, or \$20 day of.

Advanced ticketing information for other upcoming Attic shows is available at [www.theatticmontana.com](http://www.theatticmontana.com). The Attic is located at 110 N Main in Livingston, just above Whiskey Creek Saloon. •

## Nights of variety, dance & music in Big Sky

Big Sky's Warren Miller Performing Arts Center offers Southwest Montana audiences plenty of opportunities to experience live stage entertainment this winter season.

Enjoy a celebration of talented women with **Her Gift, Her Creation** on Friday, December 6th. The evening of creativity, community and personal expression begins at 6pm.

Founder and director Klaudia Kosiak came up with the idea several years ago to organize, celebrate and empower the many talented women of Big Sky through artistic expression. Now, the event is one of the most anticipated of the year. With support from Kosiak's friends Jill Bough and Liz McRae, the three recruited female artists of all ages to participate. "I want to promote women in Big Sky who are just liv-

ing everyday life but want to do something special with their talents," Kosiak said. "Many are hesitant at first, but this evening is so special and once they perform for the first time, they often want to do it again."

Montana Ballet Company fronts a special performance of **The Nutcracker** on Sunday, Dec. 15th. The holiday spectacular begins at 5pm.

First performed in Russia in 1892, this legendary ballet has captivated audiences worldwide for generations. MBC's production is one of the region's largest artistic collaborations, bringing together talented dancers, local and national choreographers, guest artists, live musicians and expert designers. Audiences will be enchanted by the new choreography, theatrical elements and magic of this iconic ballet.

Late this month, a night of improv is set for Friday, Dec. 27th, with **Broadway's Next Hit Musical**. The show begins at 7:30pm.

Where audience suggestions shape every moment. In this lively, laugh-filled event, spontaneous audience ideas inspire catchy songs and side-splitting comedy. After the audience's favorite song wins, the cast performs a fully improvised musical featuring colorful characters, witty dialogue, plot twists and tunes you'll hum all the way home.

And looking to the new year, **Aparna Nancherla** fronts a night of stand-up on Sunday, Jan. 5th. The laughs begin at 7:30pm.

Celebrated for her dry wit and unique blend of existential and absurd humor, the comedienne captivates audiences with her insightful take on life. Her comedy spans stand-up, television, film and podcasting, with roles on *BoJack Horseman*, *Search Party*, *The Great North* and *The Standups*. Her recent book, *Unreliable Narrator*, praised by *Los Angeles Times* as "achingly poignant," showcases her distinctive comedic voice. Named one of "The 50 Funniest People Right Now" by *Rolling Stone*, Nancherla redefines modern comedy with sharp insight and a whimsical twist.

For further information or to purchase tickets for these performances and other upcoming events, visit [www.warrenmillerpac.org](http://www.warrenmillerpac.org). •

## Chamber ensemble delivers wintry performances

Chamber choir Roots in the Sky will present a trio of upcoming concerts in celebration of the holiday season. **Visions of a Child** performances will take place December 20th–22nd. It will premiere at Bozeman's Hope Lutheran Church on Friday at 7:30pm, followed by a Saturday show at Big Sky Chapel at 8pm, then closing with a 2pm Sunday matinee at Holy Rosary Church in Bozeman.

The holiday performances will provide a wintry reflection on the Nativity, childhood and parent-child relationships. The program will include: *Seek him that maketh the seven stars* by Jonathan Dove; *Winter's Vow* by Juhli Bansal; *In Winter's House* by Joanna Marsh; *Drop Down, Ye Heavens* by Anna Lapwood; *Visions of a Child (A Pueblo Lullaby)* by Jerod Impichchaaha' Tate; *Seinte Mari moder milde* by James MacMillan; and *Mass Transmission* by Mason Bates. Matthew O'Sullivan will join on organ.

Advance tickets for *Visions of a Child* are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students for each Bozeman show, or \$25 or \$10 for the Big Sky performance, at [www.rootsinthesky.org](http://www.rootsinthesky.org). Donation-enhanced supporter tickets also available. Visit the host website to learn more about the project and for details about future performances.

Roots in the Sky works to unite the best vocal artists, from a multitude of backgrounds, through the presentation of historical and contemporary choral music in the greater Gallatin Valley of Montana. The ensemble has established itself as Montana's premier chamber choir through a commitment to presenting thoughtfully curated performances of choral works – especially compositions by living composers and historically marginalized voices – that respond to the complexities of life in the 21st century and the world in which we are living. •

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As all MBC *Nutcracker* performances are known to sell out. Purchase tickets early to join the celebration at [www.montanaballet.org](http://www.montanaballet.org) or by calling (406) 582-8702. All seating is reserved. •

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## Eagles' snowy season calendar brings the heat

The winter season has begun, delivering plenty of opportunities to warm up 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.

Singer/songwriter **Hannah Jo Lally** shows off her talents on December 4th. From the back roads of Eastern Washington, enjoy an evening of country cuts and distinctive originals. She draws influence from the likes of Suzy Bogguss and Charley Pride, Waylon Jennings and Mary Chapin Carpenter, among others.

**The Disruptors** deliver a pair of shows on Dec. 6th and 7th. The high energy band does their darndest to get audiences singing along with their wide selection of rock n' roll tunes from the '60s to now.

Take in the acoustic stylings of local favorite **Mathias** on Dec. 11th. With powerful vocals and a percussive guitar style, he's known for his dynamic live performances full of acoustic folk, rock, and funk tunes.

Billings-based **FlavaTown** will bring down the house on Dec. 13th. The multi-piece is known for their brand of flavorful old school soul, R&B and funk pop grooves. The band features Scott Morales, Alex

Nauman, Erik Olsen, Gabe Bonvicino and Isaiah Morales.

On Dec. 14th, party down with **Flagstone**. Order up a drink from the bar and get ready to let your hair down with a selection of tunes from this energetic ensemble.

**Luke Flansburg** fronts a solo show on Dec. 18th. 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.

The following weekend sees the return of **Dilly Dilly** on Dec. 20th and 21st. The lively shows will feature a selection of your favorite rockin' hits and plenty of room to dance.

Exercise your pipes with the voted 'Best' **Karaoke Night** in town, sponsored by Bozeman's Best Entertainment Group, setting up at FOE every Thursday. Sing your heart out and cheer on your friends! Sign-ups start at 9pm.

The Eagles hosts **BINGO Night** on Saturday evenings, with the game beginning at 6pm. Grab your friends and dobber of choice for a chance to win some extra bucks.

Make sure to check out **Bridger Mountain Big Band** on Sunday nights. The ensemble performs 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 social media for performance announcements.

Acoustic Wednesdays start at 8pm and weekend bands are on at 9pm. Head downtown for some great live music or stop into the Eagles for a cold one when the next hankering hits. •

## Winter shows attract Pine Creekers

Pine Creek Lodge is filling their winter calendar with a number of shows for those looking to visit their favorite venue as the snowy season settles in. Events have moved indoors but the music will be as enjoyable as ever.



First up, **Cactus Cuts** perform on December 14th. The five-piece Americana folk band draws inspiration from the harmonious melodies of the Milk Carton Kids and the virtuosic guitar stylings of Doc Watson. The band weaves together intricate acoustic arrangements, compelling storytelling and lush vocal harmonies that are the perfect musical combination of modern bluegrass and old-time Americana. Their debut EP, *Lies Are Sweet*, is available now.

On Dec. 20th, the Lodge presents another in its "Women of Paradise" series – an evening to celebrate the talented singer/songwriters of their namesake Valley. The evening will feature sets by **Shelly Besler**, **Blake Brightman** and **Hannah Jo Lally**. Dinner to be served. See venue website for additional details.

Treasure State favorites **Band of Drifters** return with a Dec. 21st performance. The group plays modern American roots music and

encourage audiences to dance. Based mostly in Montana and Tennessee, the band also includes players from all over the country, keeping the music varied in arrangement, instrumentation and regional influences. The Drifters' sets draw from country, folk and blues traditions with an emphasis on original songs, done in the old style.

And looking to a new month, **Matt Wallin & His Nervous Breakdown** perform Jan. 4th. Frontman of His Nervous Breakdown tells stories about the trials and hardships of farm life and oil boomtowns, to starting a family and following your own path. His music paints musical pictures with writing that reflects the character of Corb Lund, Waylon Jennings and Vic Chestnutt. Wallin's catalog hits on ethereal parts of human life: love, connections and regret, all interwoven into the fabric of his artistry. His sophomore album, *Puppet Strings*, released earlier this year.

Advance tickets for these shows are available now, but space is limited. All music begins at 7pm. Please visit [www.pinecreeklodgemon-tana.com](http://www.pinecreeklodgemon-tana.com) to learn more about these and other upcoming off-season shows. •



## YBC presents annual holiday showcase

Yellowstone Ballet Company's 33rd annual production of Tchaikovsky's holiday classic **The Nutcracker** stars Lucas Segovia in a second performance on Sunday, December 1st, at 2pm at the Willson Auditorium. He will perform the roles of the Nutcracker Prince and the Cavalier.

Originally from Buenos Aires, Segovia joined Ballet Argentina as a soloist under Julio Bocca's direction. He was promoted to Principal Dancer shortly after and was the only dancer performing a solo piece in Bocca's farewell performance for over 300,000 people and broadcasted on national TV.

As for knowing when he wanted to dance, Segovia said, "It caught me by surprise. It was a matter of luck. I didn't start dancing until I was 16 after a female friend convinced me to watch some dancing." Watching the dancing, Segovia realized something. "It wasn't a girly thing. There were a lot of guys taking classes, and the teacher was a man. I thought, 'Why not? I'll give it a try.' In countries where cultures are not so stimulated it's harder to say, 'I want to be a dancer' and make a living doing it. But I was able to do it."

When asked what dance means

to him, Segovia said, "Passion. The reason that I'm in this country and far away from my family is passion. It's a way for me to express myself." This passion has taken Segovia to major theaters in the United States, Spain, France, Italy, Greece, Russia and Cuba, among other places.

Segovia has also danced with The Joffrey Ballet for six seasons, performing in virtually the entire repertoire of the company as a soloist or principal dancer. He has danced works by Balanchine, Robbins, Twyla Tharp, Mark Morris, Christopher Wheeldon, Wayne McGregor, Alexei Ratmansky, William Forstye and Annabelle Lopez Ochoa, among many others.

Throughout his career Segovia has danced in more than 400 cities around the globe, performing in some of the most important venues for dance in the world and has been awarded with the Premio Clarin, the most prestigious recognition for the Arts in Argentina.

Joining Segovia is Bozeman native Molly Groeschl. Enhancing the production is a large cast from Yellowstone Ballet Academy, Raison d'être Dance Project, the School of Classical Ballet Company, Billings, and Circus Center of Bozeman

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To encourage families to attend, every adult ticket purchase qualifies for a free child's ticket. Children can come as a *Nutcracker* character and compete for one of three gift certificates from the Rocky Mountain Toy Company. The costume contest will occur during intermission and every participant will receive a small gift.

YBC is under the artistic direction of founder Kathleen Rakela, a recipient of the Montana Arts Council Fellowship for the Performing Arts. The innovative company has been featuring local, national and international dance talent in Montana since 1990. Rakela also runs the Yellowstone Ballet Academy. Her students have received scholarships to world-class ballet training centers and have danced professionally around the world.

Reserved tickets for YBC's *The Nutcracker* are available at [www.yellowstoneballet.info](http://www.yellowstoneballet.info) or with cash or check at the door. It is advised to get your tickets early as last year the matinee was sold out. For questions, email [YellowstoneBalletCo@gmail.com](mailto:YellowstoneBalletCo@gmail.com), text (406) 219-6915 or call (406) 222-0430. •

## John Floridis fronts food bank benefit show plus more Live acts at LFTD

Settle in for an intimate musical experience with Live from the Divide, a local venue whose space allows audiences to be a part of the performance with a regular lineup of national acts and regional favorites.

California-based quartet **Color Green** is next up with a December 3rd show. In a very short time, the group has developed a word-of-mouth reputation as a dynamic and unpredictable live act, grounding their cosmic jams in earthy melodies and drawing from '60s SoCal folk-rock, '70s classic rock, '80s underground rock, '90s psychedelic dance-rock and any other sound that catches their ears. They capture a wild, mercurial quality on new album *Fool's Parade*, a meditation on loss, grief, confusion, frustration and the clarity to which they all lead.

A special benefit show follows on

Dec. 7th featuring **John Floridis & Friends**. Proceeds from the evening will directly support the Gallatin Valley Food Bank. Joining the singer/songwriter will be percussionist Ed Stalling and cellist Jennifer Slayden, along with special guest Cade Slayden of North Fork Crossing.

The trio will perform material from Floridis' two seasonal releases *December's Quiet Joy* and *The Peaceful Season*, both featuring his fingerstyle acoustic guitar arrangements of traditional Christmas/Winter melodies, as well as original compositions. They'll also include seasonal vocal tunes, both original and by other artists such as Bruce Cockburn, Patty Larkin, Ben Harper and John Gorka. The songs feature lyrics speaking to the journey from darkness to light, seasonally, emotionally and spiritually.

Viral sensation **Odie Leigh**

delivers a Dec. 18th performance to Bozeman. Years after posting what she calls "that silly joke song" on TikTok, the budding artist has continued to transform and evolve as an artist – from what she calls "acoustic, ethereal folk sad girl music" to a harder-edge tunes that flirt with early Aughts pop-punk-tivism. That trajectory culminates in her first LP, *Carrier Pigeon*. She teamed up with a producer/musician Derek Ted to infuse the 10-track suite with a hard-edged sound and plenty of fun. Available now.

All shows begin at 8pm, with doors one hour prior. Tickets are sold night of, but these small shows are known to sell out quickly! Advance tickets are available at [www.livefromthedivide.com](http://www.livefromthedivide.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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## Symphony marks season with festive spectacular

Bozeman Symphony rings in the holiday season with its annual **Holiday Spectacular** during this final month of the year. Performances will be held December 13th–15th. The opening show will be held on Friday at 7:30pm, followed by two presentations on Saturday at 2:30pm and 7:30pm, as well as a closing matinee on Sunday at 2:30pm. All will be held at the Willson Auditorium in Downtown Bozeman.

The annual tradition promises a festive celebration filled with timeless classics, jazzy holiday favorites and a joyful sing-along, guaranteed to delight audiences of all ages.

Under the direction of Maestro Norman Huynh, the Symphony will be joined by guest vocalist Paige Rasmussen, an acclaimed musician and Bozeman native, along with the Bozeman Symphonic Choir. Together they will present an unforgettable holiday experience that captures the warmth and wonder of the season.

Rasmussen, a multi-talented musician, songwriter, producer and filmmaker, has performed across the United States in major musical hubs like Los Angeles, San Francisco, Las Vegas and Nashville. The lead singer and manager of Paige & the People's Band, she's shared the stage with renowned artists such as Mike McCready, Brandi Carlile, Taylor Hawkins, Pat Benatar and The Doobie Brothers, among others. Her unique vocal style – described

as a blend of Aretha Franklin and Bruce Springsteen – adds a soulful touch to the concert's festivities.

"There's no finer way to get into the holiday spirit than gathering together to experience the joy of live symphonic music," said Huynh. "Our *Holiday Spectacular* promises to bring you everything you love about the season – music, memories, and a sense of community."

The program will feature a delightful mix of holiday favorites, including "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "Selections from the Nutcracker Suite," "Chanukah Suite," "The Polar Express Suite" and "Auld Lang Syne." Rasmussen will enchant with "Mary Did You Know," "Carol of the Bells," "Joy to the World" and "Sleigh Ride." The Bozeman Symphonic Choir will captivate with "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and the whimsical "Twelve Days After Christmas."

To meet the popular demand for this annual tradition, the Bozeman Symphony will offer four *Holiday Spectacular* performances to experience the joy of the season. Performances will be held Dec. 13th–15th at the Willson Auditorium in Downtown Bozeman. Individual tickets are available for purchase online at [www.bozemansymphony.org](http://www.bozemansymphony.org) or by phone at (406) 585-9774. Tickets at the door based on availability. Tickets begin at \$30 with student-discounted tickets available. •



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# Hunt for Christmas tree with friends & family

With the holiday season in full swing, locating the family tree is a great opportunity to enhance the communal spirit. **Christmas tree permits** are available for purchase for those who neglect to erect theirs the day after Thanksgiving.

Those with a permit may cut a Christmas tree anywhere on the Custer Gallatin National Forest except at cabins, campgrounds, picnic areas, trailheads, wilderness or riparian areas, natural landmarks,

timber sales and areas where trees have been planted for reforestation purposes.

General guidelines for cutting a tree include:

- Stump height: 6 inches maximum (lower the better)
- Do not remove the top of the tree; cut down the entire tree
- No cutting of five-needle pines (i.e. 5 needles in one cluster)
- Limber Pine and White Bark Pine trees are NOT permitted; If unsure,

please check with your local ranger district about tree species identification and restrictions

- If snow is on the ground, remove it from around the stump so you can accurately measure the stump and tree height
- Be Alert! There are many dead and dying trees that could fall at the slightest disturbance
- Trees help protect watersheds, provide habitat for wildlife, and contribute to beautiful scenery; keep

these values in mind when selecting a tree

- After cutting your tree, attach the purchased permit to a lower limb near the trunk for transporting home
- A permit can also be purchased for gathering personal-use boughs, but no cutting from Hemlock or Cedars. Permits, maps, forest road access updates and more are available through the website
- When preparing for the day, dress in layers for changing weather condi-

tions, grab a snack and water, always let another know where you are headed and enjoy spending time outdoors with friends and family

Purchase your permit online at [www.recreation.gov/tree-permits](http://www.recreation.gov/tree-permits) (search 'Custer Gallatin' or 'Montana'). Limit of three. Please contact any Custer Gallatin National Forest office with additional questions or inquiries. For general forest information, visit [www.fs.usda.gov/custergallatin](http://www.fs.usda.gov/custergallatin).

# MSU wins Can the annual Griz/Cats in support of food bank pantry

by Anne Cantrell, MSU News Service  
Montana State University and Gallatin Valley communities donated the equivalent of 652,876 pounds of food this holiday season to the Gallatin Valley Food Bank and MSU's Bounty of the Bridgers food pantry as part of the 25th annual **Can the Griz** food drive.

Can the Griz – and the corresponding Can the 'Cats food drive in Missoula – is an off-field competition 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 Gallatin Valley community won the contest.

MSU and the Gallatin Valley community donated 234,866 pounds of food and \$418,010, according to Kim Cleary in the MSU Office of Student Engagement, which coordinates Can the Griz. Each dollar donated is counted as one pound of food for the contest, resulting in a total this year of 652,876 pounds for the Gallatin Valley community. The Can the 'Cats food drive in Missoula brought in the equivalent of 649,278 pounds of food for the Missoula Food Bank, Cleary said.

"We are so grateful to the community for supporting Can the Griz," Cleary said. "At its core, this

competition is about getting food on the tables of people in our community, and it has done just that; so many individuals and families will be fed thanks to the generosity of others. We offer our deepest thanks to all who contributed."

Last year, MSU and Bobcat supporters donated the equivalent of 596,877 pounds of food to the Gallatin Valley Food Bank for the community, the result of combining pounds and dollars together for the contest, though Cleary noted it wasn't enough to top UM's corresponding food drive, which brought in 870,192 pounds. MSU and the Gallatin Valley community have won the competition 20 out of the 25 years it has been held.

Donations to Can the Griz help the Gallatin Valley Food Bank, as well as MSU's Bounty of the Bridgers food pantry, year-round. The Gallatin Valley Food Bank is one of the HDRC Food and Nutrition Programs' initiatives. Bounty of the Bridgers, housed in MSU's Student Wellness Center, is a student-driven initiative to combat food insecurity for students, faculty and staff.

Donations to the food bank may still be made. Donation information is available at [www.canthegriz.org](http://www.canthegriz.org).

# The Adaptive Wisdom of Birds

For its special holiday program, Sacajawea Audubon Society will host wildlife photographer Tom Murphy for a presentation entitled **"A Look at the Adaptive Wisdom of Birds"**. The event will take place on Monday, December 9th at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture. The evening begins at 7pm.

Murphy has made photographs in wild places around the world. Birds are our constant companions everywhere and he works to illustrate their behavior. His questions are what are they and who are they? How are they able to prosper on every continent? They have evolved to negotiate our

complex earth in amazing ways with adaptations involving feathers, nest building, migratory route finding, feeding behaviors, flight and other activities we still don't understand. Not only are these traits interesting and compelling – they are also beautiful.

Murphy grew up outdoors on a cattle ranch in western South Dakota. After moving to Livingston in 1978 to be near Yellowstone Park, he was the first person licensed, in 1986, to teach photography in the Park. He has written and illustrated twelve books, including a set of the seasons of Yellowstone and *Birds: Masters of the Air*,

*Land & Water*. Featured in the PBS Nature film, *Christmas in Yellowstone*, his winter photography is also highlighted in a new film biography, released this month. He donates his work to conservation groups helping preserve wildlife and wild land.

Program attendees have the opportunity to enter a raffle to win Bridger Bowl season passes. A pair of winners will be drawn at the end of Murphy's presentation. All proceeds support Sac Audubon's Bridger Raptor Project.

This event is free and open to the public, with donations encouraged. Find additional information at [www.sacjawaeadubon.org](http://www.sacjawaeadubon.org).

# Bridger begins season with slopeside

Bridger Bowl is getting a head start on the new year with its annual **Torchlight Parade** on Monday, December 30th. After a day of skiing, enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner and marvel as the Bridger snowsports instructors snake down the hill holding torchlights followed by a fantastic fireworks display in the base area. Dinner begins at 4pm in the Jim Bridger and Saddle Peak lodges with the parade and fireworks starting at nightfall. Cost is \$9 for children and \$18 for adults. Live music will be provided by Savvy and Jakob Alexander. Bozeman Brewing Co. will be on hand with sudsy brews and swag.

Bridger has also announced the early 2025 return of its **Community**

**Dual GS Series**, open to citizen racers of all ages and boards – alpine skis, tele skis, or snowboards. Compete against your friends! Take one run on the blue course and one run on the red course. Best of two timed runs. Upcoming races are set for Jan. 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 19th and Feb. 23rd. A bonus race, the Spring Equinox GS, will take place March 15th. Registration precedes course inspection at 10:30am and race time from 11am–2pm. Awards to follow in Jim Bridger Lodge at 4pm with fantastic door prizes. Competitors are granted entry into the March 15th Grand Prize Drawing. Cost is \$20 per event.

Bridger Bowl operates a FREE ski bus service to and from the mountain,

with multiple pick-up times daily. Operating weekends only, the bus picks up at MSU's Strand Union Building and the Gallatin County Fairgrounds' Park n Ride lot on Tamarack St. throughout the entire ski season. Additionally, Eagle Mount Shuttle operates its own transportation service for disabled skiers and riders Friday–Sunday. Find a request form through Bridger's website.

The ski area is located on the east slope of the Bridger Mountain Range. For season pass information, bus schedule and upcoming event details, visit [www.bridgerbowl.com](http://www.bridgerbowl.com). **Bridger's projected Opening Day is Friday, December 13th.**

# Winter adventure films, talks highlight Ice Fest

The **Bozeman Ice Festival** returns to Southwest Montana for its 28th annual event, Wednesday through Sunday, December 11th–15th. Events will include local premieres of adventure film, presentations by famed alpinists, *Après Climb* featuring Bridger Brewing's exclusive release, as well as outdoor clinics and so much more! Nightly

events will be held at the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture. Here's a look at a few of the highlights.

Broad Beta's live storytelling night, **The BROADCAST!**, will be held at Uphill Pursuits on Dec. 11th at 6pm, prior to the main events at the Emerson. Join for dinner, drinks, raffle and four short, incredibly

inspiring, wild and heartfelt presentations about the lives and adventures of some amazing mountain women. Presenters include Shayna Unger, Nicole Edwards, Lindsey Hamm and Quinn Mawhinney. For women and gender queer folks. Free admission.

The first adventure films will premiere on Dec. 12th in the Emerson

Crawford Theater. **The Best of Reel Rock** will screen at 7:30pm. The program will feature a curated selection of the many films and shorts presented over the years, sure to inspire!

For two decades, Reel Rock has been sharing the biggest stories from the world of climbing, celebrating the human side behind the sport's greatest adventures and achievements. Founded in 2005 by Josh Lowell, Peter Mortimer and Nick Rosen – creators of the iconic feature documentaries *Valley Uprising*, *The Dawn Wall* and *The Alpinist* – Reel Rock has grown into the premier global platform for award-winning climbing films.

The following night brings the inspiring stories, insights and images from the projects of four alpinists on Dec. 13th. Deaf climbers **Scott & Shayna** (*Seeing Beyond*), alpine misadventurer **Sam Hennessey** (*Near & Far*), Piolet d'Or recipient **Graham Zimmerman** (*A Fine Line*) and world speed climber **Timmy O'Neill** (*Soundscape*) will present. Live entertainment by Bear Canyon Singers & Dancers precede the presentations at 7:30pm.

Dec. 14th sees the **Kendal Mountain Film Festival** and an evening with the crew at 7:30pm. Over 40 years ago, the festival held its first event, promising mountain art, seminars, films, photography

and – importantly – "two bars." As the event grew in stature and popularity it attracted greater audience numbers, plus a veritable 'who's who' from the world of climbing and mountaineering. The Festival became renowned as a launchpad and international showcase for mountain and outdoor film, premiering or screening such classics as *The Bat and the Wicked*, *Five Days One Summer*, *Hard Grit*, *Touching the Void* and *Free Solo*.

And of course, **Après Climb** will be held in the Emerson Ballroom from 5–7:30pm every night of the festival. Meet with sponsors and athletes, troll for belay partners, and enjoy dinner with food available from local food suppliers. Don't miss out on a pint of the special signature brew from Bridger Brewing. And don't forget your tickets for the legendary Black Diamond Stoke Package for all the gear and apparel needed to be an ice climber!

The festival closes with the Local Legends Dinner and Wrap Party featuring a *Beyond the Climb* short film screening and presentation by climber and coach Marcus Garcia on Dec. 15th. See host website for additional details.

Ice Fest tickets are on sale now at [www.bozemanicefest.com](http://www.bozemanicefest.com), where you can find further event information and clinic registration.



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