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Western Reserve Public Media Gets Festive With Holiday Specials

Kent, Ohio—Nov. 21, 2019—Western Reserve Public Media presents its 2019 holiday programming schedule on PBS *Western Reserve* (WNEO 45.1/WEAO 49.1) and *Fusion* (WNEO 45.2/WEAO 49.2).

Shows that are airing this season for the first time are marked with an asterisk. Visit <http://westernreservepublicmedia.org/schedule.htm> for additional air dates and times.

Evening Holiday Programming on PBS Western Reserve and Fusion

Tuesday, Dec. 3

7 PM *Fusion*

Getting to the Nutcracker

Enjoy a behind the scenes look at what it takes each year to produce the Nutcracker Ballet.

10:30 PM *Fusion*

The Magic of Christmas in Alsace*

Enjoy a magical Christmas in the small towns and villages of the Alsace region of France.

Tuesday, Dec. 10

7 PM *Fusion*

Making a New American Nutcracker

Narrator Neve Campbell interviews the creative team behind the reimagining of the holiday tale.

Thursday, Dec. 12

7 PM *Fusion*

Hope College Christmas Vespers*

Enjoy a holiday tradition for many families from West Michigan and around the country.

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Friday, Dec. 13

10 PM

PBS Western Reserve

A Chef's Life Holiday Special

Vivian Howard hosts her own vision of the season's celebrations with peanut brittle and much more.

Saturday, Dec. 14

9 PM

Fusion

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10 PM

Fusion

The Great British Baking Show Christmas Masterclass*

St. Lucia buns, mincemeat and marzipan couronne, French galette and Genoa cake are served.

Monday, Dec. 16

9 PM

PBS Western Reserve

Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir Featuring Kristin Chenoweth*

The Tabernacle Choir and Kristin Chenoweth showcase favorite holiday music, dancing and storytelling.

Wednesday, Dec. 18

8 PM

Fusion

Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir Featuring Kristin Chenoweth*

The Tabernacle Choir and Kristin Chenoweth showcase favorite holiday music, dancing and storytelling.

Thursday, Dec. 19

7 PM

Fusion

Jordan Smith 'Tis the Season

Jordan Smith, season nine winner of NBC's The Voice, highlights his Christmas album in concert.

Friday, Dec. 20

10 PM

PBS Western Reserve

Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir Featuring Kristin Chenoweth*

The Tabernacle Choir and Kristin Chenoweth showcase favorite holiday music, dancing and storytelling.

Saturday, Dec. 21

7 PM

Fusion

Crane Candlelight Concert: Go Tell It on the Mountain*

The Crane Chorus and the Crane Symphony Orchestra present a very special holiday concert.

8 PM

Fusion

Purdue 85th Anniversary Christmas Show*

The Purdue Varsity Glee Club and the University Choir perform holiday favorites and sacred music.

9 PM

Fusion

The Magic of Christmas in Alsace*

Enjoy a magical Christmas in the small towns and villages of the Alsace region of France.

Sunday, Dec. 22

7:30 PM Fusion

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Monday, Dec. 23

9 PM PBS Western Reserve

Christmas at Belmont*

Celebrate the holiday season and the musical diversity of Belmont University's School of Music.

Tuesday, Dec. 24

7 PM Fusion

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10 PM PBS Western Reserve

A Classic Christmas with the Bach Festival Society*

The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park, Fla., performs traditional holiday carols.

11 PM PBS Western Reserve

St. Thomas Christmas: Comfort & Joy*

The festive performance showcases the university's world-class vocal and instrumental ensembles.

Wednesday, Dec. 25

8 PM PBS Western Reserve

Lucy Worsley's 12 Days of Tudor Christmas*

Historian Lucy Worsley discovers that much of what we enjoy in contemporary Christmas has Tudor origins.

Fusion

Christmas at Belmont*

Celebrate the holiday season and the musical diversity of Belmont University's School of Music.

9 PM PBS Western Reserve

Call the Midwife Holiday Special*

Mother Mildred and the Nonnatus House team go to the Outer Hebrides due to a nursing shortage.

9 PM Fusion

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The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park, Fla., performs traditional holiday carols.

Tuesday, Dec. 31

8 PM PBS Western Reserve

Live from Lincoln Center, New York Philharmonic New Year's Eve 2019: Sondheim Celebration*

Ring in the New Year with the New York Philharmonic performing Stephen Sondheim's most beloved works.

Wednesday, Jan. 1

8 PM Fusion

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Mother Mildred and the Nonnatus House team go to the Outer Hebrides due to a nursing shortage.

Children's Holiday Programming on PBS Western Reserve

Sunday, Dec. 1

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*

Nature Cat is visited by the spirits of Nature Past, Present and Future on Christmas Eve.

Monday, Dec. 2

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas

The Wild Kratts receive an alert that their favorite creatures are disappearing around the globe!

8 AM PBS Western Reserve

Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*

Nature Cat is visited by the spirits of Nature Past, Present and Future on Christmas Eve.

9:30 AM PBS Western Reserve

Let's Go Luna!: Luna's Christmas Around the World

The kids get stuck at the South Pole and learn about holiday traditions from all over the world.

Noon PBS Western Reserve

The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About Christmas!

The Cat in the Hat, Nick and Sally help a lost reindeer find his way home in time for Christmas.

1 PM PBS Western Reserve

Peg + Cat + Holidays

"The Christmas Problem," "The Hanukkah Problem" and "The Penguin Problem" feature math for kids.

2 PM PBS Western Reserve

Let's Go Luna!: Luna's Christmas Around the World

The kids get stuck at the South Pole and learn about holiday traditions from all over the world.

3 PM PBS Western Reserve

Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*

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5 PM PBS Western Reserve

Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas

The Wild Kratts receive an alert that their favorite creatures are disappearing around the globe!

Tuesday, Dec. 3

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas

Curious George and the Man with the Yellow Hat have a great time preparing for Christmas.

Wednesday, Dec. 4

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*

Nature Cat is visited by the spirits of Nature Past, Present and Future on Christmas Eve.

Thursday, Dec. 5

6:30 AM PBS Western Reserve

Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas

Curious George and the Man with the Yellow Hat have a great time preparing for Christmas.

Friday, Dec. 6

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas

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Tuesday, Dec. 10

12:30 PM PBS Western Reserve

The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About Christmas!

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Wednesday, Dec. 11

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Thursday, Dec. 12

7:30 AM PBS Western Reserve

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Tuesday, Dec. 17

9:30 AM PBS Western Reserve

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2 PM PBS Western Reserve

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Thursday, Dec. 19

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About Christmas!

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Monday, Dec. 23

7 AM PBS Western Reserve

Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas

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Thursday, Dec. 26

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| 9 AM | PBS Western Reserve | <p>Let's Go Luna!: Luna's Christmas Around the World
The kids get stuck at the South Pole and learn about holiday traditions from all over the world.</p> |
| 2 PM | PBS Western Reserve | <p>Let's Go Luna!: Luna's Christmas Around the World
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Friday, Dec. 27

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| 7 AM | PBS Western Reserve | <p>Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*
Nature Cat is visited by the spirits of Nature Past, Present and Future on Christmas Eve.</p> |
| 2:30 PM | PBS Western Reserve | <p>Nature Cat: A Nature Carol*
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About Western Reserve Public Media

Western Reserve Public Media is the business name of Northeastern Educational Television of Ohio, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

A trusted community resource, Western Reserve Public Media uses the power of commercial-free television and related services to enrich the lives of people through high-quality programming and educational services that teach, illuminate and inspire. It serves the largest population of Ohio's eight PBS member stations.

PBS Western Reserve (WNEO 45.1 / WEAO 49.1), a service of the organization, is the only broadcast television service that reaches all of Northeast Ohio. It is available to 4.9 million people in the Cleveland and Youngstown designated market areas. In an average month, more than 1 million people tune in. The organization also operates two standard definition channels: Fusion (WNEO 45.2 / WEAO 49.2) and MHz Worldview (WNEO 45.3 / WEAO 49.3).

Our Educational Services Department provides technology training and educational content to over 24,000 educators and over 300,000 K-12 students, plus Ready To Learn Services to over 100,000 preschool children's parents and child-care providers.

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