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## **CAL PERFORMANCES AT HOME HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2020**



### **STREAM PREMIERE**

**Friday, November 27, 7pm (PST)**

*Following the premiere, this performance will be available to view for on-demand viewing for two weeks, from November 28 to December 12, 2020 at 11:59pm PST.*

**Yo-Yo Ma & Kathryn Stott: *Songs of Comfort and Hope***

Yo-Yo Ma, *cello*  
Kathryn Stott, *piano*

### **Program:**

Wu Tong, arr. Ding Doudou /Far Away Mountain (遠山)  
Schumann/*Fünf Stücke im Volkston*, Op.102  
Harry Sdraulig/*Fantasia on Waltzing Matilda*  
Traditional American, arr. Caroline Shaw/Shenandoah

Traditional Irish, arr. Britten/The Last Rose of Summer

Traditional Irish, arr. Kreisler/Londonderry Air (Danny Boy)

Rachmaninoff/"Vocalise"

Wu Tong, arr. Li Xun/Ding Doudou/Rain Falling from the Roof (檐头雨)

DeFalla/*Siete canciones populares españolas*

Parra, arr. Jorge Calandrelli /Gracias a la vida

Piazzolla/Le Grand Tango

**Tickets:** \$15 for a single viewer, \$30 for two viewers, and \$60 per household viewing. Free for UC Berkeley students.

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### LIVESTREAMED EVENT

Saturday, December 12, 10am-12noon (PST)

### Family Fun Day with *The Hard Nut*

#### Program:

For the December holidays, Cal Performances is teaming up with the Mark Morris Dance Group for a Family Fun Day centered around *The Hard Nut*, choreographer Mark Morris's witty, lavish, gender-varied homage to Tchaikovsky's original score, *The Nutcracker*.

The festive event includes a *Dance with the Mark Morris Dance Group* class for all ages to learn excerpts of the *Snow* and *Flowers* dances from *The Hard Nut* to a holiday sing-along with Mark Morris Dance Group Music Director Colin Fowler and a hot chocolate and cookie recipe swap.

Family Fun Day is part of a larger week of programming from the Mark Morris Dance Group called [MMDG Holiday Special: Home for the Holidays](#), which will also include Dance for PD (Parkinson's Disease) classes and outdoor caroling. The full schedule will be announced on November 27.

**Tickets:** Free; advance registration required after November 27 at [markmorrisdancegroup.org/mmdg-holiday-special/](http://markmorrisdancegroup.org/mmdg-holiday-special/)

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**LIVESTREAMED EVENT**

**Thursday, December 17, 5pm (PST)**

**Friday, December 18, 7pm (PST)**

**Saturday, December 19, 1pm (PST)**

*This program will not be available for later viewing.*

**Manual Cinema's *Christmas Carol*** (Cal Performances Co-Commission)

**Program:**

Manual Cinema broadcasts holiday spirit with this livestreamed adaptation of Charles Dickens' timeless *A Christmas Carol*. Manual Cinema's *Christmas Carol* is a Cal Performances co-commission, and will be performed live from the company's studio in Chicago. The company has created a new production tailored for home viewing, one that's poignantly resonant with our current lives. In it, an avowed holiday skeptic, Aunt Trudy has been tasked with presenting her family's annual *Christmas Carol* puppet show from the isolation of her studio apartment—over a Zoom call while the family celebrates Christmas Eve under lockdown. But as Trudy becomes more absorbed in her own version of the story, the puppets take on a life of their own, and the family's holiday call transforms into a cinematic adaptation of Dickens' classic ghost story. Manual Cinema's production features hundreds of paper puppets, miniatures, silhouettes, and an original music score performed live.

Following the Saturday, December 19 matinee, performance ticketholders will be welcomed to "Puppet Time," a behind-the-scenes "meet the artists" event for audiences of all ages. Manual Cinema's artistic directors will take viewers back-stage in their studios to share the numerous theatrical mediums and devices utilized to perform Manual Cinema's *Christmas Carol*, with a live chat Q&A as well.

**Tickets:** \$15 for a single viewer, \$30 for two viewers, and \$60 per household viewing. \$5 tickets are available for UC Berkeley students.

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**STREAMING EVENT**

**Thursday December 31, 2am (PST)-Saturday, January 2, 4am (PST)**

*This program will not be available for later viewing.*

**New Year's Eve Musical Celebration**

**Program:**

Nathalie Joachim hosts an evening of performances by the artists who have made the *Cal Performances at Home* fall 2020 season possible. Cal Performances' *New Year's Eve Musical Celebration* boasts original performances all recorded especially for this occasion. Soloists, recitalists, jazz artists, and chamber ensembles featured in the fall online streaming series such as Tessa Lark, the Tetzlaff Quartet, David Finckel and Wu Han, Yo-Yo Ma and Kathryn Stott, Leif Ove Andsnes, the Dover Quartet, Darcy James Argue's Secret Society, and Matthew Whitaker have each contributed special musical selections to usher in the year 2021.

**Tickets:** \$15 for a single viewer, \$30 for two viewers, and \$60 per household viewing. \$5 tickets are available for UC Berkeley students.

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**Ticket Information**

Tickets for the fall 2020 series of *Cal Performances at Home* are \$15 for a single viewer, \$30 for two viewers, and \$60 for household viewing (three or more viewers). \$5 single event tickets are available for UC Berkeley students.

Full access to all Fall 2020 *Cal Performances at Home* content is complimentary for Cal Performances donors at the \$225 level and above.

Currently registered UC Berkeley undergraduate and graduate students can purchase a [\\$15 Student Streaming Pass for](#) access to all performances and events on the Fall 2020 *Cal Performances at Home* online streaming series.

Tickets are available at [calperformances.org](http://calperformances.org) and by phone at (510) 642-9988.

\*Please note that this is not a complete calendar of events, it is specifically a round-up of holiday-themed events. For a complete calendar of events see the [\*Cal Performances at Home Fall Calendar\*](#).

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