Tina Fey Honored for Winning Mark Twain Prize

The Thirteenth Annual Kennedy Center Mark Twain Prize award show honors Tina Fey, a multiple Grammy, Golden Globe and Writers’ Guild award winner, for her work as an actor, writer and producer for 30 Rock, Saturday Night Live and more. Taped at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, this 90-minute special features a star-studded cast of Fey’s friends and colleagues, including Steve Carell, Jimmy Fallon, Jon Hamm, Jennifer Hudson, Steve Martin, Seth Meyers, Lorne Michaels, and Betty White. “Like Mark Twain, Tina Fey offers her brilliance unconditionally,” says Kennedy Center Chairman David M. Rubenstein. Airs Friday, December 31, at 9:30 p.m. Our New Year’s Eve programming is loaded with great humor, including encore presentations of Bill Cosby: The Mark Twain Prize at 8 p.m., and George Carlin: The Mark Twain Prize at 11 p.m.
'Tis the Season

I t's the holiday season; more accurately, it's the season of holidays. Around the globe, December is a month of celebration. Holiday programming from WUSF Public Media invites you to join the celebration.

This month, WUSF TV viewers can enjoy the splendid tradition of the National Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony; retrace Jesus’ steps in the Holy Land; and experience holiday music by Faith Hill, Andrea Bocelli, the Annie Moses Band and a host of other great performers. On top of that? A multicultural mosaic of musicians will sing the anthems of many faiths at the Music Center of Los Angeles. The Sesame Street gang will search for a missing menorah. The Nutcracker will kick up his heels in classic and re-imagined ballet performances. On Classical WSMR 89.1 the Choir of King’s College, Cambridge will sing A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. Travel across the United States with jazz on New Year’s Eve with Toast of the Nation from the Kennedy Center to Lincoln Center, and night spots in Chicago, Denver and San Francisco on WUSF 89.7. Enjoy!

Our new antenna is in place and Classical WSMR 89.1 will be a full-power radio station offering the best in classical music around the clock. Classic music lovers—from Sarasota, Tampa, St. Petersburg and from around the world—can listen to the station online at any time. We invite you to do so!

This season of holidays comes only once a year. Our loyal supporters give to us all year long. Our recent Fall Membership Campaign was our most successful ever. We welcomed more than 1,500 new members and raised a little over $430,000 for WUSF 89.7’s new format of news and information and all night jazz. The generosity of our listeners never ceases to amaze us. Thanks to you, we can continue to provide the valuable programming you’ve come to depend on. That gives all of us at WUSF Public Media a reason to celebrate!

You’ve given so much to us. Our holiday programming is one way we give back. As you gather with your friends and family to share the pleasures and joy of the season, we hope our inspired programming will add to your joy. Happy holidays from all of us!

JoAnn Urofsky General Manager
From the WUSF Director of Business and Finance

WUSF Public Media now includes 3 broadcast stations – your NPR station WUSF 89.7, Classical WSMR 89.1 and WUSF TV. I thought it seemed like a good time to explain how our fundraising and budgeting works.

All contributions to WUSF Public Media entities are processed by the USF Foundation. Each station has its own revenue and expense budget and a separate Foundation account for processing donor gifts. Donor contributions can be designated to support one or all the stations. On-air fundraising is conducted separately on each station with the funds raised during the on-air campaign supporting that station only.

There is one thing you may notice the stations sharing, and that’s the on-air staff. You’ll hear our hosts on TV and on the two radio stations. This is a tribute to their talent and versatility as well as the necessity to be as efficient as possible.

Allow me to thank you for your support. We appreciate it and take our stewardship responsibilities very seriously. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact me at 813-974-8690 or dyearwood@wusf.org.

David Yearwood, Director of Business and Finance, WUSF Public Media

WUSF Happenings

Perlman Music Program Returns

Experience Itzhak Perlman and an acclaimed faculty mentor young students during The Perlman Music Program/Suncoast’s Sarasota Winter Residency, December 28, 2010-January 8, 2011. WUSF Public Media is proud to sponsor this exciting program founded by Toby Perlman and offering unparalleled musical training for young students from around the world. The Program offers many events including orchestra and chorus rehearsals, master classes, and works-in-progress recitals; all take place on the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus and are free to the public. The program culminates with the “Celebration Concert” at the Sarasota Opera House, January 8, 2011. Tickets for the concert are $35, $55 and $75, and can be reserved at 941-366-8450, Ext 1. For more information, visit PerlmanMusicProgramSuncoast.org or call 941-955-4942.

iPad Winner!

Tom Voigt from New Port Richey is a proud WUSF 89.7 listener and member and the winner of the iPad we raffled during the Fall Membership Campaign in October. Tom’s new iPad is pre-loaded with podcasts of his favorite shows airing on WUSF 89.7.

WSMR Studio Update

We expect to have our state-of-the-art WSMR 89.1 studios, on the campus of the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, open and operating by the end of the year. The performance studio will be used for live, on-air broadcasts in order to bring more beautiful classical music to the community.
Shalom Sesame: Chanukah: The Missing Menorah
It’s time to celebrate Chanukah! Grover is bringing the latkes but Anneliese loses her menorah. Can her friends find the missing menorah in time? Airs on WUSF Kids 16.2; Sunday, December 5, 10 a.m.

The National Christmas Tree Lighting 2010
features performances by top entertainers and concludes with the traditional lighting of the National Christmas Tree by the president and first family. Airs Monday, December 20, 10 p.m.

Faith Hill, Joy to the World: A Soundstage Special
Faith Hill, backed by David Campbell’s orchestra, sings holiday favorites, including “O Come All Ye Faithful,” “Joy to the World,” and “Silent Night.” Airs Wednesday, December 15, 15 p.m.

Three Faiths, One God: Judaism, Christianity and Islam examines the shared religious beliefs and practices of Jews, Christians and Muslims, concluding with the father of Daniel Pearl, the murdered Wall Street Journal reporter, who opens a dialogue of reconciliation. Airs Sunday, December 19, 9 p.m.

L.A. Holiday Celebration
Featuring performances from the 50th annual celebration at the Music Center of Los Angeles. Performers from diverse backgrounds express the joy of the season, reflecting the cultural mosaic of Los Angeles and our nation. Airs Monday, December 20, 10 p.m.

America’s Children’s Holiday Parade
is packed with PBS KIDS stars, including Miss Rosa, Mr. Steve, Sid the Science Kid, Cat in the Hat, Buddy the Dinosaur, Curious George, Maya, and more. The spectacle of colorful floats, terrific marching bands, giant helium balloons, and great performers will thrill the whole family. Airs Friday, December 24, 6 p.m.

Prima Princessa Presents the Nutcracker
Prima Princessa, the cartoon fairy ballerina, takes pre-school children to a live performance of The Nutcracker by England’s celebrated Birmingham Royal Ballet. Prima Princessa narrates the story so children can understand the plot and even learn a few ballet dance moves. Airs Friday, December 24, 7 p.m.

Great Performances: “Dance in America: The San Francisco Ballet’s Nutcracker”
The Nutcracker continues to delight audiences with its charming story, dazzling choreography, and Tchaikovsky’s unforgettable score. Helgi Tomasson’s inventive interpretation transposes the settling to San Francisco in 1915, and features entrancing sets and costumes. Airs Friday, December 24, at 8 p.m.

Tonic Sol-Fa: Greatest Time of the Year
This concert of holiday favorites highlights the foursome’s musical artistry, showmanship and trademark humor. Their stage performance is intertwined with behind-the-scenes footage showcasing group’s camaraderie and chemistry. Airs Friday, December 24, at 10 p.m.

Christmas with the Annie Moses Band
This all-sibling group entertains with a mix of holiday classics, performed with unforgettable originality and verve. It’s an eclectic blend of classical, jazz and pop music drawing from the family’s four-generation musical journey. Airs Friday, December 24, at 11 p.m.
Radio Holiday Programming Highlights

WSMR 89.1

Judas Maccabaeus by Handel We celebrate Hanukkah with Handel’s oratorio featuring the story of the noble-minded Judas Maccabaeus – the hero of Jewish independence. Dec. 2, 4 p.m.

Story of the Bells Step back in time just a bit with us for an encore of Story of the Bells. Karl Haas, the Radio Hall of Fame’s only ‘classical music’ inductee hosts this all-time holiday favorite. Dec. 24, 4 p.m.

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols The legendary live music and spoken-word broadcast from the chapel of King’s College in Cambridge, England performed by the 30-voice King’s College Choir. Dec. 24, 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Evening Masterwork with Russell Gant: Handel’s Messiah Robert Shaw with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus. Dec. 24, 7 p.m.

The Metropolitan Opera Radio Broadcast An archive broadcast featuring Smetana’s delightful comedy The Bartered Bride which originally aired December 2, 1978. James Levine, celebrating his 40th Anniversary at the Met this season, conducts a legendary cast that included Teresa Stratas (Marenka), Nicolai Gedda (Jeník), Jon Vickers (Vasek), and Martti Talvela, (Kecal). Dec. 25, 1 p.m.

New Year’s Day from Vienna The Vienna Philharmonic presents its ever popular annual New Year’s Day concert from the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna. You’ll hear your favorite waltzes, polkas and more – a festive way to begin the new year. Jan. 1, 11 a.m.

WUSF 89.7

Hanukkah Lights 2010 A perennial NPR favorite for nearly two decades, acclaimed authors explore Hanukkah stories. Hosted by NPR’s Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz. Dec. 5, 11 a.m.

Swinging in the Holidays Saturday Night Jazz with Bob Seymour celebrates the season with favorites and some fun, original holiday songs by a variety of great jazz performers. Dec. 18, 10 p.m.

Paul Winter Solstice Concert From the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City, Paul Winter, one of the original world musicians, explores the solstice tradition in cultures near and far. Dec. 21, 9 p.m.

Jazz Piano Christmas XXI Featuring 5 amazing, jazz artists Monty Alexander, Helio Alves, Freddy Cole, Renee Rosnes, and Jessica Williams. Felix Contreras hosts. Dec 23, 9 p.m.

Jonathan Winters’ A Christmas Carol Comedian Jonathan Winters presents a distinctive reading of Dickens’ holiday classic. Dec. 24, 8 p.m.

Piano Jazz - Holiday Memories with Michael Feinstein On this special program, Feinstein shares some of his favorite tunes and memories of the season. Dec 25, 9 p.m.

Toast of the Nation Count down, sing along, and dance to live music all night long. Travel from coast to coast with four celebrations of the new year at midnight from time zone to time zone. Rhonda Hamilton anchors from NPR in Washington, D.C. Dec. 31, 8 p.m.
**Monday through Friday**

- Classical Music with Russell Gant
- Classical Music with Bethany Cagle
- The Diane Rehm Show
- Fresh Air
- The Story
- Talk of the Nation
- The World
- All Things Considered
- Marketplace
- BBC News
- Florida Matters
- Jazz at Lincoln Center
- Jazz Set
- All Night Jazz
- Krista Tippett on Being
- Latino USA
- Weekend Edition
- Wait Wait Don't Tell Me
- Whad'ya Know
- Prairie Home Companion
- The Splendid Table
- Studio 360
- On the Media
- All Things Considered
- Best of Our Knowledge
- The Tavis Smiley Show
- All Night Jazz

**Saturday continued**

- Snap Judgment
- Sound Opinions
- Conversations World Cafe
- Fresh Air Weekend
- All Things Considered
- Prairie Home Companion
- Riverwalk Jazz
- Piano Jazz
- Jazz with Bob Seymour
- All Night Jazz

**Sunday**

- All Night Jazz
- Krista Tippett on Being
- Latino USA
- Weekend Edition
- Wait Wait Don't Tell Me
- Whad'ya Know
- Prairie Home Companion
- The Splendid Table
- Studio 360
- On the Media
- All Things Considered
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- The Tavis Smiley Show
- All Night Jazz

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**DECEMBER TV HIGHLIGHTS**

**Great Performances “Andrea Bocelli and David Foster: My Christmas”** Two music superstars join forces to create a stellar holiday concert. Bocelli’s vocals soar in Foster’s lush arrangements of “White Christmas,” “Oh Holy Night,” and other classics. Guests include Natalie Cole, Mary J. Blige, the Muppets, and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Airs Wednesday, December 1, at 8 p.m.

**The New Play Piano in a Flash** Scott “The Piano Guy” Houston shares his “Three Steps to Piano Success” to any viewer who wants to have fun playing the piano. The celebrated music educator makes it easier than ever for beginners to get off the sidelines and into the game of music-making. Take notes! Airs Saturday, December 4, at 4 p.m.

**Flight of Faith: The Jesus Story** This documentary captures the spectacular geography of the Holy Land from an aerial perspective, focusing on the path of Jesus’ life and ministry. Beginning at Nazareth and then crossing the Judean Desert to Jesus’ birthplace, the story offers a fresh perspective on the “greatest story ever told.” Airs Wednesday, December 22, 10 p.m.
Wednesday 1st
8:00pm Great Performances
“Andrea Bocelli and David Foster: My Christmas”
10:00pm Echoes of Creation
Thursday 2nd
8:00pm John Sebastian Presents: Folk Rewind
10:00pm Roy Orbison: In Dreams
Friday 3rd
8:00pm Victor Borge:
100 Years of Music & Laughter
9:30pm Celtic Woman: A Christmas Celebration
Saturday 4th
8:00pm Magic Moments – The Best of 50s Pop
10:00pm John Denver: A Song’s Best Friend
Sunday 5th
8:00pm Ed Sullivan’s Rock and Roll Classics – The 60s
10:00pm Magic Moments – The Best of 50s Pop
Monday 6th
8:00pm Rick Steves’ Iran
9:30pm John Denver: A Song’s Best Friend
Tuesday 7th
8:00pm Magic Moments – The Best of 50s Pop
10:00pm Lower Your Taxes! Now & Forever with Ed Slott
Wednesday 8th
8:00pm Big Band Years
10:00pm Carole King and James Taylor
Live at the Troubadour
Thursday 9th
8:00pm Viewer Favorites
12:00am Viewer Favorites
Friday 10th
8:00pm Viewer Favorites
12:00am Viewer Favorites
Saturday 11th
8:00pm Viewer Favorites
12:00am Viewer Favorites
Sunday 12th
8:00pm Viewer Favorites
12:00am Viewer Favorites
Monday 13th
8:00pm Rick Steves’ Europe “Norway’s West: Fjords, Mountains and Bergen”
8:30pm Rudy Maxa’s World “London”
8:00pm Girl With a Pearl Earring
8:30pm Emotional Rescue
9:00pm Lark Rise to Candleford
9:30pm Art Wolfe’s Travels to the Edge
“Mongolia: Mountain to Steppe”
9:30pm Travelscope “Guatemala – Seeking the Past in Tikal and Yaxha”
10:00pm National Christmas Tree Lighting 2010
Tuesday 14th
8:00pm Lark Rise to Candleford
9:00pm Doc Martin “The Admiring”
10:00pm MI-5 “Wicked Game”
Wednesday 15th
8:00pm Martin Yan’s Hidden China
“Exploring the Naxi Culture”
8:30pm Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions
“Cruising the Danube”
9:00pm This Old House “Auburndale Project” Part 8 of 16
9:30pm Hometime “Stone Cottage – Laundry Room”
10:00pm Faith Hill, Joy to the World: A Soundstage Special
Thursday 16th
8:00pm Nature “Prince of the Alps”
9:00pm Wild! “Wildlife Filmmakers: The Most Dangerous Game”
9:50pm Wild!
“Sea Turtles: The Ancient Mariners”
Friday 17th
8:00pm History Detectives
8:30pm Antiques Roadshow
“Simply the Best”
10:00pm Globe Trekker “Paris City Guide 2”
Saturday 18th
8:00pm The Legendary Bing Crosby
9:00pm Saturday Night Movie
“Free Willy” (1993)
Sunday 19th
8:00pm NOVA
“Quest for Solomon’s Mines”
9:00pm Three Faiths, One God: Judaism, Christianity and Islam
Monday 20th
8:30pm Rick Steves’ Europe
“Stockholm”
8:30pm Rudy Maxa’s World
“Uzbekistan”
9:00pm Art Wolfe’s Travels to the Edge
“iceland: Earth, Air, Fire and Water”
9:30pm Travelscope “Williamsburg, Virginia – America’s Historic Triangle”
10:00pm L.A. Holiday Celebration 2010
Tuesday 21st
8:00pm Lark Rise to Candleford
9:00pm Doc Martin
“The Holly Bears a Prickle”
10:00pm MI-5 “The Witness”
Wednesday 22nd
8:00pm Martin Yan’s Hidden China
“Life in Shangri-la”
8:00pm Nature
“Christmas in Yellowstone”
9:00pm Great Lodges of the National Parks, Part 1 of 2
10:00pm Great Lodges of the National Parks, Part 2 of 2
Friday 24th
8:00pm Great Performances
“Dance in America: San Francisco Ballet’s Nutcracker”
10:00pm Tonic Sol-Fa: Greatest Time of Year
Saturday 25th
8:00pm American Masters
“Tony Bennett: The Music Never Ends”
9:30pm American Masters
“Carol Burnett: A Woman of Character”
Sunday 26th
8:00pm NOVA “Absolute Zero: The Conquest of Cold”
9:00pm NOVA “Absolute Zero: The Race for Absolute Zero”
10:30pm Emperors of the Ice
Monday 27th
8:00pm Rick Steves’ Europe
“Helsinki and Tallinn: Baltic Sisters”
8:30pm Rudy Maxa’s World
“South Africa: Cape Town”
9:00pm Travelscope “Madhya Pradesh, India - The Heart of India”
9:30pm Travelscope “Madhya Pradesh, India - India’s Rural Heart”
10:00pm Southwestern Gems: Our Desert National Parks
Tuesday 28th
8:00pm Lark Rise to Candleford
9:00pm Doc Martin “Nowt So Queer”
10:00pm MI-5 “Darkest Hour”
Wednesday 29th
8:00pm This Old House “Auburndale Project” Part 10 of 16
9:30pm Hometime “Stone Cottage – Countertops”
10:00pm Wild American Forest
Thursday 30th
8:00pm Nature
“Born Wild: The First Days of Life”
9:30pm Wild!
“Return of the Prime Predators”
9:50pm Wild!
“The Nature of Aggression”
Friday 31st
8:00pm Bill Cosby:
The Mark Twain Prize
9:30pm Tina Fey: The Mark Twain Prize
11:00pm George Carlin: The Mark Twain Prize

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Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season from all of us at WUSF Public Media