



Last Tango in Halifax Holiday Special Sundays, December 17 & 24

8:00pm Packed with shocks and surprises, this heartwarming drama continues the compelling story of childhood sweethearts, reunited after nearly 60 years apart, as they and their families negotiate the highs and lows of life and relationships.



Call the Midwife Holiday Special Monday, December 25

9:00pm Join the Midwives as they battle snow, ice, power cuts and frozen pipes to provide patient care during the coldest winter in 300 years. Valerie helps a young couple who experience a traumatic birth and Sister Julienne tries to reunite a family.

Tune in Monday-Friday

5:00pm Nightly Business Report
5:30 BBC World News America
6:00 PBS NewsHour

Saturdays - starting December 16

11:00am Sara's Weeknight Meals
11:30 Cook's Country
12:00pm Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television
12:30 Pati's Mexican Table
1:00 Antiques Roadshow
2:00 Rick Steves' Europe
3:00 Martha's Cooking School
3:30 Martha Bakes
4:00 The Great British Baking Show
5:00 This Old House
5:30 Ask This Old House

Watch the new ValleyPBS 24/7 PBSKids Channel on 18.2 | Comcast 395 for quality educational programming.

Valley Create has moved to channel 18.3 | Comcast 396 with all its cooking, travel and how-to programming.

Valley World is still on 18.4 | Comcast 394 with its award-winning news and public affairs programming.

Friday, December 1

7:00pm Washington Week

8:00 Great Performances *The Moody Blues: Days of Future Passed Live* Experience the 50th anniversary performance of the band's seminal album.

10:00 The Best of ValleyPBS Call to support the shows you love on ValleyPBS at 1-800-801-6500 or visit valleypbs.org.

11:30 David Gilmour: Live from Pompeii Join the Pink Floyd singer-guitarist for a spectacular concert.

Saturday, December 2

5:00am Eat to Live with Joel Fuhrman How to lose weight and lower blood pressure and cholesterol without drugs.

7:00 Memory Rescue with Daniel Amen, M.D. Ways to supercharge your memory and remember what matters most to you.

9:00 New Play Piano in a Flash: 3 Steps to Piano Success Inspires beginners to enjoy happy,

fulfilling music-making.

11:00 Suze Orman's Financial Solutions for You Suze Orman provides advice to help individuals find financial solutions.

1:00pm Shen Yun Learn about the world's premier classical Chinese dance and music company, plus find out how to get tickets to see them live.

2:00 Il Volo Notte Magica The superstar trio and Placido Domingo perform in Florence.

3:30 Victor Borge: 100 Years of Music and Laughter A collection of the entertaining performer's funniest and most memorable skits.

5:00 American Masters Bob Hope The entertainer's personal archives shed light on his life.

7:00 Christmas with Daniel O'Donnell Daniel O'Donnell and special guests perform seasonal favorites in Dublin.

8:00 Young Hyacinth Chart the early life of the remarkable Hyacinth in this prequel to Britcom *Keeping Up Appearances*.

9:00 Ethan Bortnick: Generations of Music

Special guests join the talented young virtuoso for a concert spanning generations and genres. Find out how to get tickets to see Ethan in concert.

10:30 70's Soul Superstars Patti LaBelle hosts an all-star reunion of the legends of 1970's Motown, R&B and soul.

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9:00 Ken Burns: America's Storyteller *American Sampler* The documentaries and short series of filmmaker Ken Burns are showcased.

11:00 Rock, Rhythm and Doo Wop Early rock and roll legends reunite.

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5:00 The Carpenters: Close To You & Christmas Memories This music-filled documentary traces the Carpenters' career.

7:00 The Big Band Years A nostalgic look at hit makers and songs of the 1930s and '40s.

9:00 Great Performances *Hitman-David Foster and Friends* The legendary producer is celebrated with performances by Celine Dion, Josh Groban and other stars.

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Tuesday, December 5

7:00pm Pavlo Live from Kastoria International recording artist Pavlo returns to Greece to perform old favorites and new classics.

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Wednesday, December 6

7:00pm Tommy Emmanuel *A Music Gone Public Special* Performances around the country showcase one of

the world's best acoustic guitarists, plus learn how to get tickets to see him in Fresno.

8:30 How Not to Die with Michael Greger, MD Learn how to protect yourself from 10 causes of premature death and disease with a plant-based diet.

10:00 Eat to Live with Joel Fuhrman How to lose weight and lower blood pressure and cholesterol without drugs.

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7:00pm Washington Week

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Monday, December 11

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Tuesday, December 12

7:00pm Outside with Greg Aiello Travel to wild destinations rarely seen on television.

7:30 Rick Steves' Europe Vienna

8:00 Finding Your Roots Southern Roots Questlove, Dr. Phil and Charlayne Hunter-Gault discover tales of their family.

9:00 Finding Your Roots The Vanguard Author Ta-Nehisi Coates, filmmaker Ava DuVernay and author and activist Janet Mock trace their roots.

10:00 Frontline Putin's Revenge Pt. 1 The inside story of Vladimir Putin's conflict with the United States.

11:00 Remembering Leonard Nimoy An intimate journey into Leonard Nimoy's life.

Wednesday, December 13

7:00pm Valley's Gold Pomegranates & Persimmons Explore two of the most overlooked items in the produce aisle.

7:30 California's Golden Parks



8:00 Nature Soul of the Elephant Ironically, every dead elephant with its ivory intact is a reason to celebrate. It means an elephant died of natural causes, not bullets.

9:00 NOVA Secret Tunnel Warfare A plan to plant explosives in tunnels under German trenches during World War II.

10:00 Supernature - Wild Flyers Defying Gravity Pt. 1/3 Explore the basic principles of flight.

11:00 Nature Soul of the Elephant R 8pm

Thursday, December 14

7:00pm Road Trip with Huell Howser

8:00 Doctor Blake Mysteries The Price of Love When a soldier is killed during a routine training exercise, Doctor Blake investigates soldiers and their wives involved in a promiscuous circle of swapping partners.

9:00 Death in Paradise In the Footsteps of a Killer It's DI Jack Mooney's first official case in paradise.

10:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries Dead Man's Chest Buried treasure and pirate legends bubble to the surface.

11:00 Globe Trekker Food Hour: The Story of Chocolate

Friday, December 15

7:00pm Washington Week

8:00 Celtic Thunder Christmas Outstanding live performances pay homage to "Winter Wonderland" and more holiday favorites.

9:00 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir Featuring Rolando Villazon Celebrate the holidays with the renowned Mormon Tabernacle Choir. This season's cross-cultural spectacular features the world's leading tenor, Rolando Villazon, and seasonal favorites.

10:00 Christmas at Concordia: Gather Us In, O Child of Peace Concordia College re-imagines the Christmas message with music embracing peace and reconciliation.

11:00 Festival of Carols with Sylvia McNair Grammy-winning soprano Sylvia McNair and the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir.

Saturday, December 16

6:30pm Valley's Gold

7:00 Lawrence Welk Show Salute to Nat King Cole

8:00 Keeping Up Appearances

8:30 As Time Goes By

9:00 Still Open All Hours

9:30 Midsomer Murders Blood Wedding The maid of honor at a high-society wedding is murdered. *Non-standard length*

11:05 Masterpiece Mystery! Sherlock Season 4: The Lying Detective Sherlock faces a chilling enemy.

12:30am Rick Steves' Europe The Making Of Rick Steves' Europe

Sunday, December 17

10:30am Market to Market

11:00 America's Heartland

11:30 California's Bountiful

1:00pm Changing Season: On the Masumoto Family Farm A daughter joins her father, slow food advocate and sansei David Mas Masumoto, on the family farm.

2:00 Lidia Celebrates America Homegrown Heroes Celebrate our veterans who now cultivate the land.

3:00 Harry's Arctic Heroes Features four wounded British soldiers in their attempt to make the first unsupported trek to the North Pole by wounded servicemen.

4:00 Who Killed the Princes in the Tower? A close look at whether or not Richard III killed his nephews.

5:00 Secrets of Westminster Behind the gothic walls of the Houses of Parliament.

6:00 PBS NewsHour Weekend

6:30 Articulate with Jim Cotter Premiere: The Very Fortunate Daniel Handler Author of the popular children's books - *A Series of Unfortunate Events*.

7:00 Father Brown The Curse of Amenhotep The young wife of Sir Raleigh Beresford dies mysteriously after seeing the coffin of Amenhotep, an Egyptian mummy.

8:00 Last Tango in Halifax Holiday Special Pt. 1/2 Celia and Alan, are stranded when Alan's car is stolen.

Catch up with Victoria Season 1

9:00 Masterpiece Victoria: Doll 123 The young Victoria struggles to take charge.

11:00 Who Killed the Princes in the Tower? R 4pm

12:00am Secrets of the Tower of London Unlock doors to secret rooms in the Tower of London.

Monday, December 18

7:00pm Secrets of the Tower of London R 12/17

8:00 Antiques Roadshow Richmond Pt. 1

9:00 Antiques Roadshow Richmond Pt. 2

10:00 Great Performances The Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy Interviews and performance footage highlight why Broadway is fertile territory for Jewish artists.

11:30 Rick Steves' Europe Best of Israel

Tuesday, December 19

7:00pm Rick Steves European Christmas

8:00 Finding Your Roots Funny Business Comedic guests Garrison Keillor, Amy Schumer and Aziz Ansari take a look at their family trees.

9:00 Finding Your Roots *The Impression* Comedian Larry David and politician Bernie Sanders trace their roots.
10:00 Frontline *Putin's Revenge Pt. 2* How the U.S. struggled to confront Vladimir Putin over Russian involvement in the 2016 election.
11:00 Independent Lens *Supergirl* A young girl navigates adolescence while attempting to succeed at powerlifting.

Wednesday, December 20

7:00pm Valley's Gold *Holiday Special* Host Ryan Jacobsen takes a look at Valley holiday traditions.
7:30 California's Gold *Poinsettias*
8:00 Nature: The Story of Cats *Part 1: Asia to Africa* Discover how the first cats arose in the forests of Asia and later conquered the savannah of Africa.
9:00 NOVA *Bird Brain* Discover the genius of bird intelligence.
10:00 Supernature - Wild Flyers *Masters of the Sky Pt. 2/3* The extremes of true flight power.
11:00 Nature: The Story of Cats R 8pm

Thursday, December 21

7:00pm California's Gold *Nacimientos*
8:00 Doctor Blake Mysteries *A Difficult Lie* When a reporter's body is discovered on the 18th hole at the local golf course, Blake is called in to investigate.
9:00 Death in Paradise *Murder in the Polls* The Saint Marie mayoral elections are thrown into disarray when one of the candidates is stabbed to death.
10:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries *Deadweight* Phyrne investigates a gang leader's death.
11:00 Globe Trekker *Tough Trains: Bolivia*

Friday, December 22

7:00pm Washington Week
8:00 Happy Holidays with the Boston Pops This music special showcases the best of the New England holiday season with the Boston Pops and Tanglewood Festival Chorus.
9:00 Christmas at Belmont 2017 Sheryl Crow hosts as 700 student musicians perform seasonal favorites.
10:00 St. Thomas Christmas: So Bright The Star Familiar traditional carols and innovative contemporary selections.
11:00 Eric Idle's The Entire Universe Explore the history of the entire universe with Professor Brian Cox, a chorus of singers and dancers.

Saturday, December 23

6:30pm Valley's Gold
7:00 Lawrence Welk Show *Christmas (1966)*
8:00 Keeping Up Appearances
8:30 As Time Goes By
9:00 Still Open All Hours
9:30 Midsomer Murders *Shot at Dawn* A rivalry among two families turns violent. *Non-standard length*
11:05 Masterpiece Mystery! *Sherlock Season 4: The Final Problem* Long-buried secrets are revealed.
12:30am Rick Steves' Europe *Burgundy:*

Profound France

Sunday, December 24

10:30am Market to Market
11:00 America's Heartland
11:30 California's Bountiful
12:00pm Valley's Gold
12:30 California's Gold *Holiday Star*
1:00 California's Gold *Nacimientos*
2:00 Jordan Smith 'Tis the Season Jordan Smith highlights his Christmas album.
3:00 Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas A performance of timeless holiday favorites.
4:00 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir *Featuring Santino Fontana with the Sesame Street Muppets*
5:00 Happy Holidays with the Boston Pops R 12/22
6:00 PBS NewsHour *Weekend*
6:30 Articulate with Jim Cotter *Janet Echelman Looms Large* Janet Echelman's giant net sculptures and Justin Bettman's fine art photography.
7:00 Father Brown *The Invisible Man* The circus returns to Kembleford and local waitress Laura is held to her promise given in jest the year before to marry the clown or the hypnotist.
8:00 Last Tango in Halifax *Holiday Special Pt. 2/2* A twist of fate means Alan is forced to confront his fears.

Catch up with Victoria Season 1

9:00 Masterpiece *Victoria: Bocket Hall* Victoria grows into her royal role and ponders marriage.
10:00 Masterpiece *Victoria: The Clockwork Prince* Albert pays a visit against the queen's wishes.

11:00 Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir *Featuring Rolando Villazon* R 12/15
12:00am Christmas at Belmont 2017 R 12/22

Monday, December 25

7:00pm California's Gold *Holiday Star*
7:30 California's Gold *Holiday Classic: Cornish Christmas*
8:00 Antiques Roadshow *Naughty or Nice*
9:00 Call the Midwife *Holiday Special* Sister Julienne tries to reunite a family.
10:30 Pollyanna A young orphan uses her charm & captures the hearts of family, friends and strangers.

Tuesday, December 26

7:00pm Outside with Greg Aiello Travel to wild destinations rarely seen on television.
7:30 Rick Steves' Europe *Salzburg & Surroundings*
8:00 The Sultan and the Saint Explore how St. Francis of Assisi and the Sultan of Egypt risked it all to end the Crusades.
9:00 Secrets of Spanish Florida *A Secrets of the Dead Special* The history of America's Spanish colonists who settled in Florida in 1565.

11:00 Secrets of the Dead *Jamestown Dark Winter*
Forensic anthropologists excavate the early American colony.

Wednesday, December 27

7:00pm Valley's Gold *Citrus* In this episode, host Ryan Jacobsen learns of the varieties of citrus and how temperatures make these crops vulnerable.

7:30 California's Golden Parks

8:00 Nature: The Story of Cats *Part 2: Into The Americas* Follow cats into the Americas, from the lynx and the mountain lion, to the rise of the domestic cat.

9:00 NOVA *Day the Dinosaurs Died* Scientists explore the impact of the asteroid that killed off the dinosaurs.

10:00 Supernature - Wild Flyers *Crowded Skies Pt. 3/3* See why survival in the sky depends on more than beating gravity or mastering flight.

11:00 Nature: The Story of Cats R 8pm

Thursday, December 28

7:00pm The Hmong Story and the Secret War
Questions about the Secret War in Laos during the Vietnam War and the circumstances that brought the Hmong to America are explored. Brought to you by Wells Fargo Bank, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, Clovis Veterans Memorial District and ValleyPBS.

8:00 Doctor Blake Mysteries *For Whom The Bell Tolls* A fireman, Cec Drury's brother, falls from the Ballarat Fire Station bell tower in front of Mei Lin.

9:00 Death in Paradise *Erupting in Murder* The

death of scientist Stephen Langham on the side of a live volcano proves a difficult case to crack for Humphrey and the team.

10:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries *Murder a la Mode* Phryne unexpectedly finds herself amidst a crime scene.

11:00 Globe Trekker *Art Trails of the French Riviera*

Friday, December 29

7:00pm Washington Week

8:00 Real Rail Adventures: Swiss Winter Magic
The marvels and visual splendors of the Swiss rail system.

9:00 American Masters *Bob Hope* R 12/2

11:00 Mary Tyler Moore: A Celebration View dozens of classic TV and movie clips and hear comments from Moore's co-stars and Moore herself.

Saturday, December 30

5:00am The Best of ValleyPBS Call to support the shows you love on ValleyPBS at 1-800-801-6500 or visit valleypbs.org.

4:00pm The Great British Baking Show
Chocolate

5:00 This Old House

5:30 Ask This Old House

6:00 PBS NewsHour Weekend

6:30 Valley's Gold *Citrus* R 12/27

7:00 Lawrence Welk Show *New Year's (1970)*

8:00 Keeping Up Appearances

8:30 As Time Goes By

For Kids



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Enjoy movies from *Wild Kratts*, *Curious George*,
The Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About That
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Tune in starting December 11

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December 2017 Program Listings

9:00 Still Open All Hours

9:30 Midsomer Murders *Left For Dead* A psychic discovers a couple murdered in their home.

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Sunday, December 31

5:00am The Best of ValleyPBS Call to support the shows you love on ValleyPBS at 1-800-801-6500 or visit valleypbs.org.

6:00pm PBS NewsHour Weekend

6:30 Articulate with Jim Cotter *Ian Brennan and the Democratization of Music* Music producer Ian Brennan believes that cultural colonization by English-speakers needs redress.

7:00 Father Brown *The Sign of the Broken Sword* A major is murdered on an army base by a legendary broken sword during commemorations of the men killed during the evacuation of Dunkirk.

8:00 Masterpiece *Victoria: An Ordinary Woman* Courtship at court leads to second thoughts.

9:00 Live From Lincoln Center *New York Philharmonic New Year's Eve Bernstein on Broadway* Ring in 2018 with special guests celebrating the legacy of the legendary Leonard Bernstein.

10:30 Tom Jones *A Soundstage Special* The iconic singer performs "Delilah," and new material. Alison Krauss appears.

11:30 Paul Simon: *The Concert in Hyde Park* Join the legendary musician on a trip through his extensive songbook in this 2012 London concert.



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Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year!