



# Movie Descriptions – December 2019

Saturdays at 7:00pm in Event Center (unless noted)

Reshown on Channel 1851 the following day at 12:30 pm, 7:00 pm, and 10:30 pm

## **Dumbo (2019)**

**Stars:** Colin Farrell, Michael Keaton, Danny DeVito

**Plot:** Struggling circus owner Max Medici enlists a former star and his two children to care for Dumbo, a baby elephant born with oversized ears. When the family discovers that the animal can fly, it soon becomes the main attraction – bringing in huge audiences and revitalizing the run-down circus. The elephant’s magical ability also draws the attention of V.A. Vandevere, an entrepreneur who wants to showcase Dumbo in his latest, larger-than-life entertainment venture.

**Date:** Saturday, December 7th

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 112 Minutes

## **The Upside (2017)**

**Stars:** Kevin Hart, Bryan Cranston, Nicole Kidman

**Plot:** Phillip is a wealthy quadriplegic who needs a caretaker to help him with his day-to-day routine in his New York penthouse. He decides to hire Dell, a struggling parolee who’s trying to reconnect with his ex and his young son. Despite coming from two different worlds, an unlikely friendship starts to blossom as Dell and Phillip rediscover the joy of living life to the fullest.

**Date:** Saturday, December 14th

**Rated:** PG-13

**Run Time:** 126 Minutes

## **The Three Musketeers (1993)**

**Stars:** Charlie Sheen, Kiefer Sutherland, Chris O’Donnell

**Plot:** D’Artagnan travels to Paris hoping to become a musketeer, one of the French king’s elite bodyguards, only to discover that the corps has been disbanded by conniving Cardinal Richelieu who secretly hopes to usurp the throne. Fortunately, Athos, Porthos, and Aramis have refused to lay down their weapons and continue to protect their king. D’Artagnan joins with the rogues to expose Richelieu’s plot against the crown.

**Date:** Saturday, December 21st

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 105 Minutes

## **My Favorite Spy (1951)**

**Stars:** Hedy Lamarr and Bob Hope

**Plot:** While headed to Tangier to purchase a microfilm containing important war secrets, foreign spy Eric Augustine is captured by the authorities. Burlesque comedian Peanuts White, a dead ringer for Augustine, is recruited by the government to take over Augustine’s mission. White is briefed, dressed to look exactly like Augustine, and thrust into the world of espionage and international intrigue. In Tangiers problems arise when he meets Lily, Augustine’s sweetheart and mastermind of the spy ring.

**Date:** Monday, December 23rd

**Rated:** Not Rated

**Run time:** 93 Minutes

**Christmas with the Kranks (2004)**

**Stars:** Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis, Dan Aykroyd

**Plot:** Finally alone for the holidays, Luther and Nora Krank plan to eschew the Christmas traditions and take a cruise in the Caribbean instead. This doesn't sit well with their Christmas-obsessed neighbors Vic Frohmeyer and Walt Scheel who are determined to win the annual "best decorated street" competition, and the Kranks soon find themselves social outcasts because of their lack of Christmas spirit.

**Date:** Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 99 Minutes

**Downton Abbey (2019)**

**Stars:** Matthew Goode, Maggie Smith, Elizabeth McGovern

**Plot:** Excitement is high at Downton Abbey when the Crawley family learns that King George V and Queen Mary are coming to visit. But trouble soon arises when Mrs. Patmore, Daisy, and the rest of the servants learn that the king and queen travel with their own chefs and attendants – setting the stage for an impromptu scheme and other shenanigans.

**Date:** Saturday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

**Rated:** PG

**Run Time:** 122 Minutes

# Documentary Films – December 2019

Sundays at 7:00pm in Event Center (unless noted)

Reshown on Channel 1851 the following day at 1:00, 7:00, and 10:30p.m. (unless noted)

## **Title: Walt Disney**

**Description:** A polarizing figure – though true believers vastly outnumber his critics – Disney’s achievements are indisputable. He created one of the most beloved cartoon characters in history: Mickey Mouse, conceived the first-ever feature length animated film, *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*, pioneered the integration of media and marketing with thousands of branded products, and conceived Disneyland, the world’s first theme park and a three dimensional realization of his own utopian universe. This unprecedented look at the life and legacy of one of America’s most enduring and influential storytellers features rare footage from the Disney archives, scenes from some of his greatest films, and interviews with biographers and historians, animators and artists who worked on *Snow White* and other early films, and designers who helped create Disneyland.

**Shown: Sunday, December 1st**

**Run Time: 240 Minutes**

## **Title: The Lost Book of Nostradamus**

**Description:** Nostradamus, history’s greatest prophet, is credited with predicting some of the world’s most shocking events hundreds of years before they ever took place. Now, The History Channel, reveals a recently unearthed manuscript containing cryptic predictions that may have been written and illustrated by the famed prophet. The book *Prophecy of the Roman Popes* lay hidden for over 400 years until its recent discovery and may contain new predictions (including the crisis in the Middle East and the apocalypse). This documentary examines the book to shed new light on Nostradamus’ most famed prophecies and uses forensic analysis to determine its authenticity.

**Shown: Sunday, December 8th**

**Run Time: 94 Minutes**

## **Title: Horses: The Story of Equus**

**Description:** In this documentary three horses that all come into the world on a single evening at the same farm – a black, bay, and a chestnut – face differing futures. All the horses are quickly sold, but each finds a different life waiting for it. The black horse flees his owners and escapes to live a free life in the wilderness. The bay horse is groomed to be a performer, to jump and prance at horse shows. The chestnut horse, meanwhile, is trained to race.

**Shown: Sunday, December 15th**

**Run Time: 45 Minutes**

**Title: Christmas Unwrapped: The History of Christmas**

**Description:** Every December 25 Christians throughout the world join together in celebration of Christ's birth. But where do these various Christmas traditions come from? Why for instance is the holiday marked by the giving and receiving of gifts? And who came up with the idea of a Christmas tree? In this special presentation take an enchanting journey through the past of one of the world's most recognized holidays. Trace the emergence of the modern-day Christmas celebration from pagan festivals such as the Roman Saturnalia and learn how British settlers in the New World transformed the patron saint of children into the enduring figure of Santa Claus.

**Shown: Sunday, December 22nd**

**Run Time: 50 Minutes**

**Title: This is Bob Hope**

**Description:** During his eight-decade career Bob Hope was the only performer to achieve top-rated success in every form of mass entertainment: vaudeville, Broadway, movies, radio, television, popular song, and personal appearances, including his annual USO Christmas military tours and hosting the Academy Awards more times than anyone else. A comedy innovator, Hope invented the topical monologue that later became a late-night TV staple and comedy tropes like talking while backing up. He refined a spontaneous, conversational, improvisational style of comedy as a vaudeville master of ceremonies that created a blueprint for acerbic standup comics. This documentary presents a candid look at a remarkable life with unprecedented access to Hope's personal archives.

**Shown: Sunday, December 29th**

**Run Time: 115 Minutes**