

What's Available NOW On

“Encanto” (Dec. 24)

From “Zootopia” collaborators Jared Bush and Byron Howard comes this animated fantasy about a family that lives in a magical place called Encanto that imbues each of them with extraordinary powers — except for Mirabel (voice of Stephanie Beatriz). When she learns that the magic surrounding the Encanto is in danger, she decides she might be her family’s last hope. (ORIGINAL)



“Tron: Legacy” (Available now)

Jeff Bridges reprises his role from almost 30 years earlier — and, thanks to digital effects, doesn’t look a day older in certain scenes — in this visually dazzling 2010 sequel to the Disney fantasy. His character’s son (Garrett Hedlund, “Mudbound”) plunges into the inner world of a video game to find out what happened to Dad. Bruce Boxleitner also returns from the original film.



“Mickey and Minnie Wish Upon a Christmas” (Available now)

When Mickey and the gang are separated as Christmas approaches, a mysterious jolly man shows up to tell them about the Wishing Star, which may be the answer to bringing everyone together for the holiday in this animated short that originally aired on Disney Junior.



“Mr. Popper’s Penguins” (Available now)

Jim Carrey’s co-stars aren’t merely for the birds in this 2011 comedy-fantasy based on a long-popular children’s book: They actually are birds, who get a huge assist from computer animation. Popper (Carrey) is stunned to inherit several penguins and isn’t sure what to do with them, until he sees what bonding agents they are for him and his children (Maxwell Perry Cotton, Madeline Carroll).



Grand finales



Carol

Questions:

- 1) In addition to Carol Burnett, who was the only cast member of “The Carol Burnett Show” who remained for the entire 12-year run?
- 2) HBO viewers were startled by the 2007 finale of this Emmy-winning drama, which ended with an abrupt jump to black as if the broadcast had been interrupted. Can you name it?
- 3) In the series finale of “The Mary Tyler Moore Show,” nearly everyone at WJM was fired. Who was the only person who escaped the ax?
- 4) What long-running NBC sitcom ended with a bartender telling a late-arriving customer “We’re closed”?
- 5) How did the sitcom “Newhart”

- 1) Vicki Lawrence
- 2) “The Sopranos”
- 3) “Idiot anchorman”
- 4) Ted Baxter
- 5) “Cheers”
- 6) Series star Bob Newhart reprised his earlier role as psychologist Bob Hartley from “The Bob Newhart Show,” waking up in bed with TV wife Emily (Suzanne Pleshette) and telling her he had a strange dream about running a New England inn.

COVID-19 Vaccine

Other vaccine events offered in December:

Location: Center for Human Development

Time: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm every Friday with the exception of New Year’s Eve in addition to Christmas Eve.

Additional options: Scheduled appointments available throughout the week.

Vaccines offered: 1st dose, 2nd dose, 3rd doses and booster vaccines. All Covid vaccine configurations will be available including pediatric vaccination. Other pediatric and adult immunizations also available at CHD.

CDC General Vaccine Info:

COVID-19 vaccines are effective

COVID 19-vaccines are effective and can reduce the risk of getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Learn more about the different COVID-19 vaccines.

COVID-19 vaccines also help children and adults from getting seriously ill even if they do get COVID-19.

While COVID-19 tends to be milder in children than adults, it can make children very sick, require hospitalization, and some children have even died. Children with underlying medical conditions are more at risk for severe illness compared to children without underlying medical conditions.

Getting children ages 5 years and older vaccinated can help protect them from serious short- and long-term complications.

Getting everyone ages 5 years and older vaccinated can protect families and communities, including friends and family who are not eligible for vaccination and people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

Booster Information from CDC:

Fast Facts Everyone age 18 and older is eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine booster beginning Nov. 20, 2021. Some people are strongly advised get a booster dose to protect themselves and others. You can choose which vaccine to get. The COVID-19 vaccines are extraordinarily effective at preventing serious illness, hospitalization and death. That said, we are seeing immunity drop over time, especially in people over age 50 and those with compromised immune systems who are more likely to experience severe disease, hospitalization and death. For these people, another dose boosts their immunity, sometimes greater than what was achieved after the primary, two-dose series. Health experts strongly recommend people over age 50, people over 18 who live in long-term care facilities, and anyone who received one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine get a booster dose. Younger, healthy people may also get a booster dose to protect themselves and others. A booster will re-build neutralizing antibodies that strengthen the body’s ability to fight getting a breakthrough case. Even if you’re not at high risk, you could be infected and then pass it on to others, such as children too young to be vaccinated, the elderly, or people who are immunocompromised. Booster doses help people maintain strong immunity to disease longer. The first vaccine series built up the immune system to make the antibodies needed to fight the disease. Over time, the immune response weakens. A booster dose stimulates the initial response and tends to result in higher antibody levels that help people maintain their immunity longer. Boosters take about two weeks to bring up the immune response. This continues to be studied, but we can reliably say it takes two weeks to bring the immune response up to or better than that after the primary series.

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