

Ballarat  
*Carols by  
Candlelight*

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2024 Program and Songbook



# Event Information

## Pre-Show Entertainment

5pm - 7pm

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City of Ballarat Municipal Brass Band - Gate 3

### Kids Zone

Kelly Sports - Oval

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### On Stage

Dragons - Kryal Castle

Ballarat Vocal Studio

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# Main Concert

7.30pm - 9.30pm

Christmas on Broadway	Jason Wasley, Reuben Morgan, Sarah Landy, Jess Wilkinson
Jingle Bell Rock	Jess Wilkinson
Do You Hear What I Hear	BCMA Singers
White Christmas	Freya and Tom McGowan
Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer	Kryal Castle Performers
Jingle Bells	Kryal Castle Performers
This Christmas	FEET – Ballarat Clarendon College
O Come All Ye Faithful	Joe Lacey
All I Want For Christmas is You	Layne Frawley
Good King Wenceslas	Jason Wasley
Little Drummer Boy Medley	Ballarat Grammar Pipe Band
I Saw Mummy Kissing Santa Claus	Bella Leech, Eugenie McDonald
Santa Claus is Coming to Town	Joey Appleton
Santa Baby	Jess Ryan
Happy Christmas (War is Over)	Room 51 – Ballarat Grammar
Angels We have Heard on High	Georgina Kemp
The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting)	Sarah Landy
O Holy Night	Reuben Morgan with the School String players
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	Reuben Morgan
Silent Night	Georgina Kemp
The First Noel	Jason Wasley, Sarah Landy
The Holy City	Jason Wasley
We Wish You a Merry Christmas	Full Cast





# Carols by Candlelight Cast



## *Julia Zass - MC*

Julia Zass has been a media personality for over 16 years. Having worked in breakfast radio, she's no stranger to bringing her upbeat view to a range of topics. She has a love of hosting events and festivals across Victoria and loves to see regional businesses thrive with her assistance in events.



## *Gavin McGrath - MC*

After more than a decade and a half working the beat as a newspaper reporter, Gavin McGrath brings an eye (and an ear) for what's newsworthy, interesting and just plain unusual in regional Australia to ABC Local Radio. Growing up in regional South Australia and Victoria, Gavin was a relative latecomer to news journalism. Prior to becoming a staff reporter, he worked within the motoring industry and as a motorsport scribe at racetracks around Australia.



## *Andrew Power - Musical Director*

Andrew is a trumpet player, conductor and educator originally from Melbourne, having completed a Bachelor of Music Performance from the Victorian College of the Arts, and a Master of Teaching from The University of Melbourne. Andrew has performed professionally as a trumpet player around Australia and NZ with the Royal Melbourne Philharmonic Orchestra, Melbourne Opera Company, and the Shirazz Jazz band. Currently Andrew is the Head of Instrumental Music at Ballarat Clarendon College, where he teaches classroom music, trumpet and directs the Graeme Vendy Symphonic Band and Barry Currie Stage Band.



## *Ballarat Memorial Concert Band*

The Ballarat Memorial Concert Band is a community-based concert band for the Ballarat region in Victoria, Australia. The Band was started in about 1920 and at its inception the band was restricted to Returned Soldiers and brass players. The band performs regularly in Ballarat for the Heritage Festival, Christmas time in Sturt st and the Bridge Mall, and has its own stand-alone concerts such as their annual Cabaret. The band can also be booked for private engagements and accepts new members and runs a development band for less-experienced musicians.

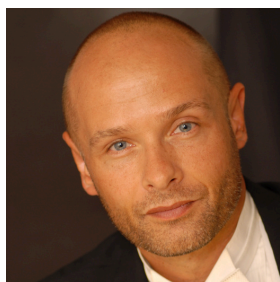


## *Santa*

Santa, one of the most renowned figures worldwide, is delighted to include a stop at Ballarat Carols by Candlelight in his packed schedule. While he spends 364 days a year relaxing, he also loves the excitement of thrill rides and the fun of snowball fights.



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## *Jason Wasley*

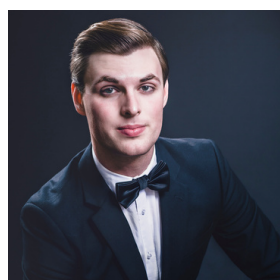
Jason is a Green Room award recipient and was the youngest male ever awarded the prestigious Herald-Sun Aria. He went on to win the National heat of the Placido Domingo world Operalia contest and represented Australia in Vienna.

Jason has performed professionally in Italy, the United Kingdom, Greece, Singapore, China and all around Australia.



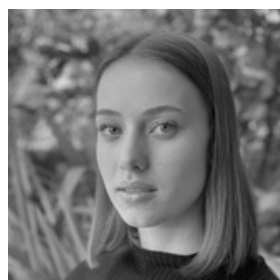
## *Sarah Landy*

Sarah made her professional debut with the Production Company in 2001 performing in 'Mack n' Mabel' alongside Caroline O'Connor. Since then, she has performed continuously in professional theatre throughout Germany, London and Australia. Sarah has now moved to Ballarat and is a dance teacher and vocal tutor. She has also founded the new singing school 'Ballarat Vocal Studio' with partner Jason Wasley in Soldiers Hill.



## *Reuben Morgan*

Born and raised in Ballarat, Reuben has been performing on local and international stages for over 20 years. Reuben has completed his 8th grade AMEB exam in classical singing, as well as training in classical violin and ballet. He also performs regularly on the amateur and independent theatre circuit, as well as serving as the President of the Ballarat Pack. Reuben moonlights as cabaret performer, Vivien Fonteyn.



## *Georgina Kemp*

Georgina has a passion for performing, starting from the young age of eight, when she started singing lessons with Anna Whitehead. She has had numerous successes, including the South Street Aggregate Award for 3 years running, and starred in many school productions at Ballarat Clarendon College. She cannot wait to share her love of all things christmas with you and is grateful for this chance to perform.



## *Jess Ryan*

Jess Ryan is a Ballarat based singer dancer, actress and teacher and holds a Double Degree in Musical Theatre and Education. She has worked both professionally and locally across Melbourne and Ballarat in both corporate settings, musical theatre, and as a director and choreographer.

She works regularly with her band, Twilight Gypsí, which specialises in European jazz and world music.



## *Jess Wilkinson*

Jess has performed with a Lyric Theatre in productions of We Will Rock You, Priscilla Queen of the Desert and Sound of Music. She recently performed a lead role as Doralee Rhodes in BLOCs production of 9to5.



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## *Joey Appteton*

Ballarat-raised Joey is an accomplished performer whose career spans over 25 productions. He trained at the Ballarat Centre of Music and the Arts and the Australian Musical Theatre Academy. Joey has earned acclaim for his diverse range of roles in both musical theatre and dramatic works. Notable performances include Miss Trunchbull in *Matilda* (BGS), Steve/Waiter in *RENT* (BLOC), The Fool in *Wyrd Sisters* (BNT), Rolf Grubber in *The Sound of Music* (Lyric Theatre) and JD in *Heathers* (The BallaratPack)



## *Layne Frawley*

Layne is 16 years old and has been seen on stages in Ballarat since she was 8 in *BLOC*, *Gateway* and *Loreto* performances. Layne is also a regular competitor in Eisteddfods in both singing and dancing, and has received several awards. She was also part of the Carols by Candlelight kids trio in 2020. Layne currently attends Patrick School of the Arts academy in Melbourne, where she has been studying dancing, singing and acting for 2 years, where she strives to achieve her dreams of being a triple threat.



## *Bella Leech*

Bella has had a passion for performing since a young age. Starting her performing career at the age of 10, she has performed in many musicals across Victoria, including *Legally Blonde Jnr.* in Melbourne with Performing Artists Company, and *Mamma Mia!* with BLOC. Her next appearance onstage will be with Ballarat Lyric Theatre, in their production of *Kinky Boots*.



## *Joe Lacey*

Joe has been performing for nearly 30 years. Most recently as Mitch Mahoney in BLOC's 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee in 2023. He was a cast member of Ballarat Lyric Theatre's *We Will Rock You* in 2022 and *Les Miserables* in 2020. In 2019 he travelled with the Australian Shakespeare Company's Graduate Players to perform at the Prague Fringe Festival as Dogberry in *Much Ado About Nothing*.



## *Freya and Tom McGowan*

Freya and Tom are a daughter/dad duo from Ballarat and have performed at many festivals and events including Maldon Folk Festival, Cresfest, Castlemaine Fringe, Newstead Live, Ballarat Begonia Festival and Ballarat Carols. Freya is also passionate about musical theatre and has been fortunate to be part of many local productions over the last 10 years. Freya studies at Ballarat Centre of Music and the Arts.



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## *Eugenie McDonald*

Eugenie started her musical journey from a young age, which led to significant performance opportunities including singing for a Korean movie trailer, performing with prominent jazz identities Lionel Cole and Steve Sedergreen, and playing the lead role in Ballarat Grammar's production of Fame! She is also the singer and keyboardist of the bands Room 51 and The Genie Trio. Eugenie plans to study music and sound engineering.



## *Feet*

Feet are the most senior contemporary band at Ballarat Clarendon College. They play a combination of Pop, Soul & Funk songs. A five-piece rhythm section, 3 singers and 4 horns keep the energy up wherever they play. Feet regularly play at school functions and community events like the Begonia Festival, Ballarat Business Awards and Lions Club Fundraisers. They are delighted to be part of this year's Carols by Candlelight.



## *Room 51*

Room 51 is a Ballarat-based alternative rock band, forming in 2019 through Ballarat Grammar. Previously having performed at venues such as Volta and the WCPA, and at events such as the Ballarat Cyclocross Championship and Summer Sundays, Room 51 has begun production of original music with their first single 'Collide' releasing in July of this year, with more songs set for release in 2025. Please enjoy!



## *Kryal Castle Performers*

This year Kryal Castle celebrated their 50th anniversary of bringing medieval marvel and wonder to audiences young and old. This summer we're excited to be presenting our Superhero program! Discover your very own superhero identity, learn some super skills on our obstacle course, try out some ninja training, all while catching the very best the castle has to offer including jousts, face painting, potion making and more!



## *Ballarat Grammar Pipe Band*

Ballarat Grammar is one of only a handful of schools in Australia that offers Bagpipes and Highland Drumming as part of its extra-curricular activities. The Pipe Band attended their first Australian Pipe Band Championships in 2022, achieving 2nd place in 4B and being crowned as Drumming Champions. The Band will attend the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow next year. It comprises students from Year 4 to Year 12 and is under the direction of Amber Ives (piping) and Ed Roxburgh (drumming).



# Production Team and Crew

## *Ballarat Carols by Candlelight Committee*

President – Megan Poynton  
Secretary – Carolyn Bennett  
Treasurer – Greg Bennett  
Vice President – Bridgette Evans-Barker  
Members – Belinda Eden, Bianca Brehaut, Suzie Ward

## *Production Team and Crew*

Production Manager – Carolyn Bennett  
Technical Director – Tayla Harbour  
Creative Director – Megan Poynton  
Stage Manager – Paula Robinson  
Musical Director – Andrew Power  
Cast Coordinator – Bridgette Evans-Barker  
Front of House Coordinator – Belinda Eden  
Assistant Stage Manager – Tori Heenan-Waters  
Sound Designer – Aaron Rivett  
Sound Production – SLC  
Lighting Designer – Matthew Heenan  
Lighting Production – Mystic Entertainment  
Audio Visual – Mystic Entertainment  
Auslan Presenters - Auslan Stage Left  
MC's – Gavin McGrath and Jules Zass  
Special Guest Appearance – Matt Mercer  
Cafs Coordinator – Serena Eldridge  
Food Van Coordinator – Nicole Bartlett  
Disability Access Coordinator – Suzie Ward  
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Logo Design – Emma Duzhnikova (The Concept Distillery)  
Social Media Design – Bianca Brehaut (Bianca Brehaut Design)  
Website Assist – Lyn Wells  
Photography – Suzie Ward  
Pre-Show Stage Manager – Emma Barlow  
Kryal Castle Coordinator – Elise Heenan  
Slide Operator – Elarin Johnson  
Dancers – Caitlin Ward and Zerelda Rai (Soraya McKee Dance Society)  
String Players – Biju Shimokawa, Benji, Aida Judd, Ash, Vardis Rafiei, Lachlan, Georgia Miller, Reuben Morgan, Lachlan Reid, James Hinde, Poppy Robertson  
Gate Musicians – City of Ballarat Municipal Brass Band  
(President Troy Cheesman, Musical Director Dennis Stevenson)  
Events Team City of Ballarat – Jeff Johnson, Richard Mills  
Venue Manager – Marg Richards



# Volunteers and Support

## *Ballarat Memorial Concert Band*

Andrew Power (MD), Sarah Cameron, Maria McGettigan, Kyle Hackwill, David Grigg, Michelle Scott, Tanya Hale, Julia Sloan, Gemma Ramsay, Rebecca Paton, Jenny Lou, Dennis Stevenson, Alice Marcollo, Hannah Paton, Bronwyn Akers, Alexi de Lauw, Adam Hassell, Paul Stephens, Miranda Featherston, Tim Scott, Marcus Govan, Zoom Beck.

## *Front of House Volunteers*

Nanette Clifton, Imogen Cameron, Andrew Bayliss, Leon Faustini, Hunter Jayne, Christine Bernhardt, Evie Charleson, Ash Bray, Josh Jeganathan, Nilupulie Karunaratne, Elisha Martin, Steven Jones, Jazmine Collins, Judy-Ann Quilliam, Keith Murdoch, Rachael Lynch, Curtis Waight.

## *Back Stage Crew*

Ash Bray, Robbie Tatham, Tanner Versloot, Matt Noble, Darren Garraway, Remy Clarke, Alyssa Moloney, Aida Judd, Elarin Johnson, Emma Barlow, Freya Cosgriff, Jayde Lorient, Riley Haymes, Matthew Heenan.

## *Cafe Volunteers*

Dylan Billington, Catherine Klaver, Wendy Sturgess, Alannah Daniel, Samantha Fitzgerald

## *Pre-Show Performers*

City of Ballarat Municipal Brass Band

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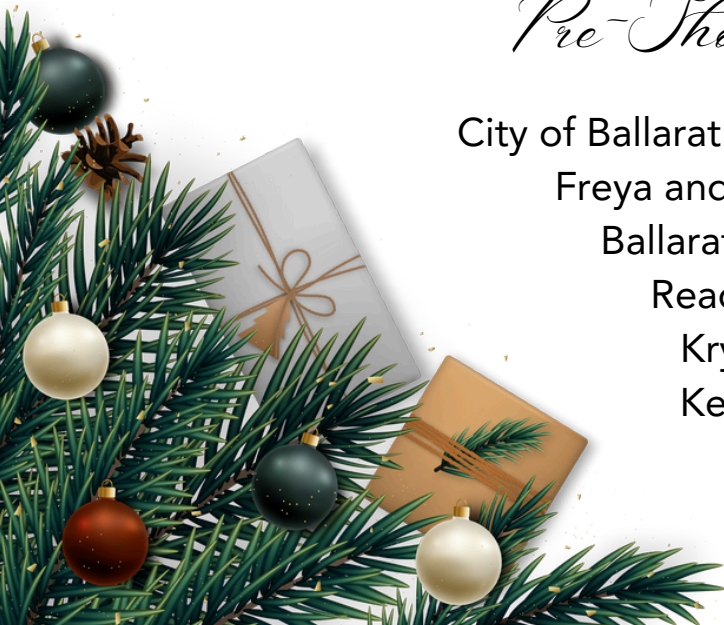
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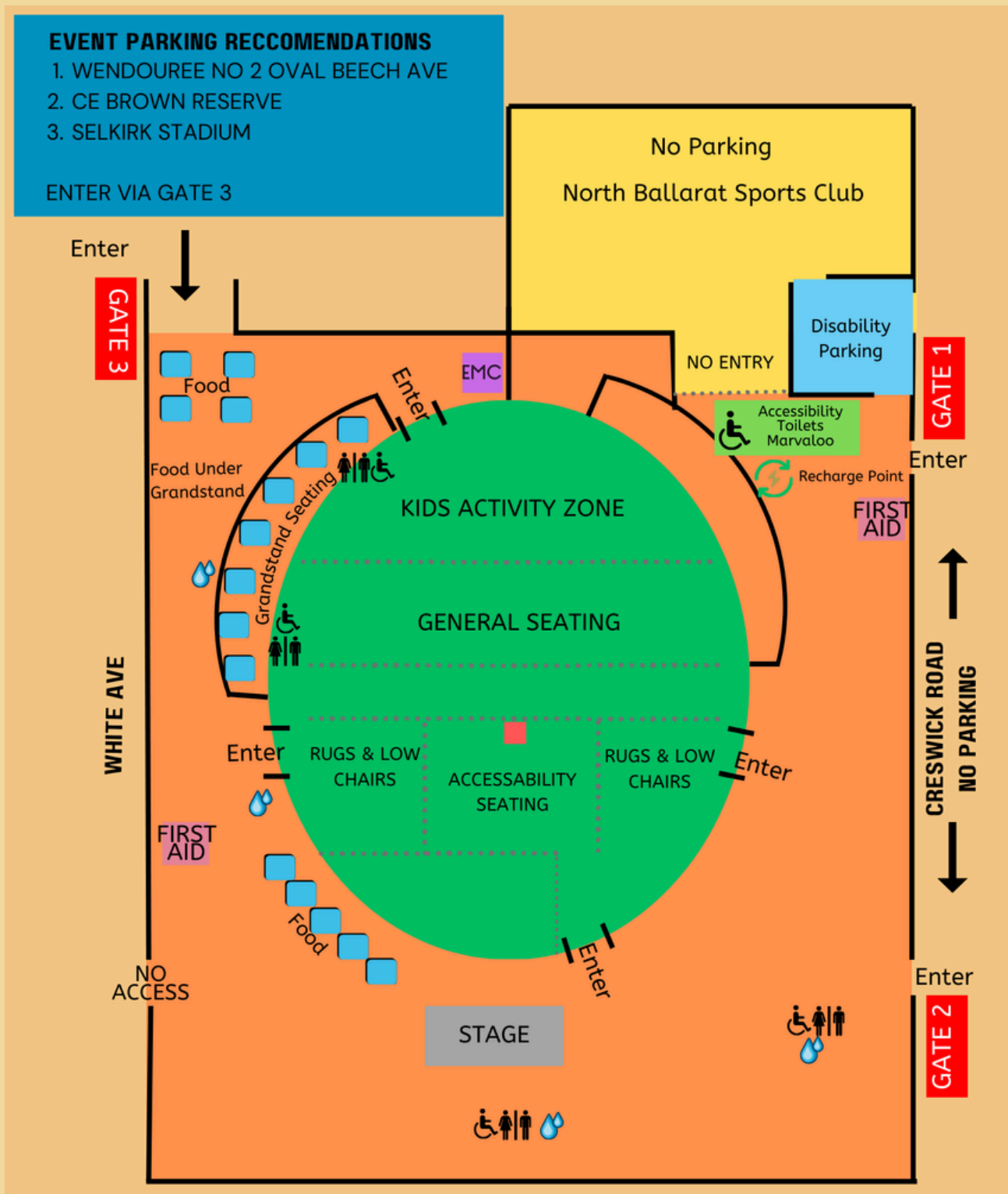
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# Venue Map



For any advice, just flag down one of our 'Carols Crew' volunteers in the yellow high vis vests. They will be happy to assist.

Please aim to keep aisles clear and allow those on rugs and low chairs to sit in the front section of the oval.

Accessible parking and seating is available for those with limited mobility or vision impairment and their families.





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# Sing Along with the Cast



## Jingle Bell Rock

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock  
Jingle bells swing and jingle bells ring  
Snowin' and blowin' up bushels of fun  
Now the jingle hop has begun

Jingle bell, jingle bell, jingle bell rock  
Jingle bells chime in jingle bell time  
Dancin' and prancin' in Jingle Bell Square  
In the frosty air

What a bright time, it's the right time  
To rock the night away  
Jingle bell time is a swell time  
To go glidin' in a one-horse sleigh

Giddy-up jingle horse, pick up your feet  
Jingle around the clock  
Mix and a-mingle in the jinglin' feet  
That's the jingle bell rock







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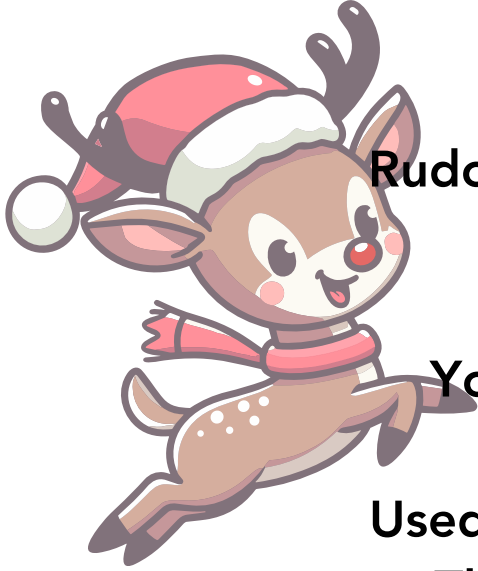


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# Sing Along with the Cast

## Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer



Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer  
Had a very shiny nose,  
And if you ever saw it,  
You would even say it glows.  
All of the other reindeer  
Used to laugh and call him names;  
They never let poor Rudolph  
Join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve,  
Santa came to say,  
Rudolph with your nose so bright,  
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?

Then all the reindeer loved him  
As they shouted out with glee,  
Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer,  
You'll go down in history.







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# Sing Along with the Cast

## Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful,  
Joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him  
Born the King of Angels

O come, let us adore Him (x3)  
Christ the Lord.

God of God,  
Light of Light,  
Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God,  
Begotten, not created:

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
Born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given!  
Word of the Father,  
Now in flesh appearing!

Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above!  
Glory to God  
In the highest:



# Sing Along with the Cast

## Good King Wencesles

Good King Wenceslas looked out,  
on the Feast of Stephen,  
When the snow lay round about,  
deep and crisp and even;  
Brightly shone the moon that night,  
tho' the frost was cruel,  
When a poor man came in sight,  
gath'ring winter fuel.



“Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,  
bring me pine logs hither:  
Thou and I will see him dine,  
when we bear them thither.”  
Page and monarch, forth they went,  
forth they went together;  
Through the rude wind's wild lament  
and the bitter weather.

In his master's steps he trod,  
where the snow lay dinted;  
Heat was in the very sod  
which the saint had printed.  
Therefore, Christian men, be sure,  
wealth or rank possessing,  
Ye who now will bless the poor,  
shall yourselves find blessing.

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# Sing Along with the Cast

## I Saw Mummy Kissing Santa Claus

I saw mummy kissing Santa Claus  
Underneath the mistletoe last night  
She didn't see me creep  
Down the stairs to have a peep  
She thought that I was tucked up  
In my bedroom, fast asleep

Then I saw mummy tickle Santa Claus  
Underneath his beard so snowy white  
Oh, what a laugh it would have been  
If daddy had only seen  
Mummy kissing Santa Claus last night

Oh, what a laugh it would have been  
If daddy had only seen  
Mummy kissing Santa Claus last night



# Sing Along with the Cast

## Santa Claus is Coming To Town



You better watch out  
You better not cry  
You better not pout  
I'm telling you why  
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list  
He's checking it twice  
He's gonna find out who's naughty or nice  
Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping  
And he knows when you're awake  
He knows if you've been bad or good  
So be good for goodness sake

You better watch out  
You better not cry  
You better not pout  
I'm telling you why  
'Cause Santa Claus is coming to town

# OPTUS

# Sing Along with the Cast



## Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song?  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

See Him in a manger laid  
Jesus Lord of heaven and earth;  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
With us sing our Savior's birth.  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!



# Sing Along with the Cast

## Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King,  
peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
join the triumph of the skies;  
with th' angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
risen with healing in his wings.

Mild he lays his glory by,  
born that man no more may die,  
born to raise the sons of earth,  
born to give us second birth.

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"



Christ, by highest heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
late in time behold him come,  
offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
hail th' incarnate Deity,  
pleased as man with man to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel.


Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the new born King!"

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# Sing Along with the Cast

## Silent Night



Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus Lord, at Thy birth



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## The First Noel

The first Noel the angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,  
In fields where they, lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Noel Noel Noel Noel  
Born is the king of Israel

They looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the East beyond them far,  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.

Noel Noel Noel Noel  
Born is the king of Israel

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,  
That hath made heaven  
And earth of naught  
And with His blood  
Mankind hath bought.

Noel Noel Noel Noel  
Born is the king of Israel





# Sing Along with the Cast

## We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.  
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Now, bring us some figgy pudding,  
Now, bring us some figgy pudding,  
Now, bring us some figgy pudding, and bring it out here!

And we won't go until we got some,  
and we won't go until we got some,  
and we won't go until we got some, so bring some out here!

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin.  
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.





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