

HOLIDAY AT THE MOVIES

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December 23

Children's Open House & Movies All Day!!

10:15 a.m. Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas.

Under a thick carpet of green-dyed yak fur and makeup, Jim Carrey stars in this live-action movie of Dr. Seuss's holiday classic. The perfectly pitched back-story explains how the Grinch came to hate Christmas, with a heart "two sizes too small." The wackiness of Whoville architecture and the Grinch's lair are marvelous. Cindy Lou Who, the thoughtful imp, rallies her village to recapture the pure spirit of Christmas and melts the gift-stealing Grinch's cold, cold heart. Universal Studios 2002. Rated PG for some crude humor. 104 minutes

12:30 p.m. The Snowman . By Raymond Briggs

A young boy's snowman comes to life on Christmas Eve and takes him to meet Santa Claus at the North Pole. This British animated short film is crafted with a colored-pencils-on-paper look, like fluffy, hand-drawn illustrations. Children will be entranced by the story of a small boy in rural England whose lovingly constructed snowman comes to life and takes him flying over the white-blanketed landscapes, in a beautiful rotoscoped (traced) sequence based on live-action flying footage. Sony Pictures, 1982. Rated G. 26 minutes

1:15 p.m. Merry Madagascar.

The Zoosters are back in an all-new holiday adventure. When Santa and his reindeer crash onto the island of Madagascar it's up to Alex, Marty, Gloria, Melman and those wacky penguins to save Christmas. Dreamworks 2009. Rated G. 30 minutes

2:00 p.m. Home Alone.

Eight-year-old Kevin McCallister has become the man of the house, overnight! Accidentally left behind when his family rushes off on a Christmas vacation, Kevin gets busy decorating the house. But he's not decking the halls with tinsel and holly. Two bumbling burglars are trying to break in, and Kevin's rigging a battery of booby traps to welcome them! 20th Century Fox 1999. Rated PG for mild violence and coarse language. 103 minutes

4:00 p.m. Toot & Puddle: I'll be home for Christmas. By Hollie Hobbie

It's almost time for Christmas at Woodcock Pocket and Puddle is ready to bake fruitcake, make paper chains, and decorate the house and tree. But Toot is stranded in a winter storm far away. How will Puddle's best friend get back home by Christmas Eve? The answer involves a little bit of magic and some unexpected help from another holiday traveler. National Geographic Video 2006. Rated G. 46 minutes

5:00 p.m. A Garfield Christmas.

Jon's spirited grandmother visits in "A Garfield Christmas," about a family get-together that covers all the nice holiday stuff and, of course, lots of bickering, pouting, and jealousy. As long as Garfield gets his Yuletide lasagna, however, all is right with the world. 20th Century Fox 2004. Rated G. 23 minutes