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Indigenous Women Helped Revive A Once-Banned Tradition

Grete Bergman had long wanted to get traditional facial markings, a practice for Indigenous women in Alaska that European settlers tried to extinguish.

But in 2016, Bergman became one of the first among the Gwich'in Nation — First Nations peoples whose homelands stretch from northeast Alaska to northwest Canada — to get tattooed, in a return to a centuries-old tradition.

"My dad would have hated it," Bergman said. "He would have looked at me and he would have said, 'What the hell you do that for?'"

Her Alaska Native father, she said, was beaten in school for speaking the Gwich'in language, "because being Native was the worst possible thing you could be."



"I didn't know anyone who had their traditional markings," Bergman said, "and every time I brought it up, I always got the same sort of 'This is taboo. We don't do this.'"

The practice is at least 10,000 years old, but — as with language, food and other Indigenous customs — the practice fell out of use following bans and taboos set by

European colonizers in the 1900s.

So, when Bergman saw a design that she was drawn to, it felt like a calling from her ancestors to reconnect.

"They are strong lines, bold lines — no-fooling-around lines," Bergman, now 46, said.

Bergman went to see Inupiaq artist Sarah Whalen-Lunn, who she'd heard had just completed a yearlong training to learn the art of facial markings.

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Traditional Alaskan Indigenous markings look like three lines — starting from below the bottom lip, drawn down the chin. The meanings and designs vary from one group to another and are specific to the traditions of each group, and the practice is often tied to a rite of passage or significant event.

Before revitalizing Cherokee Nation, Wilma Mankiller had to prove her critics wrong. Before revitalizing Cherokee Nation, Wilma Mankiller had to prove her critics wrong. Bergman was the first person Whalen-Lunn tattooed with the facial

markings.

"When I came over to do your markings, I was nervous," said Whalen-Lunn, 43.

During the process, Bergman held hands with her daughter, who was 7 at the time.

"That moment was a changer for me," Whalen-Lunn said.

Bergman inspired her to get her own markings inked the following year.

"A lot of people are still scared," said Whalen-Lunn. "You all of a sudden became this pillar of strength to me."

The two women are carrying on the skin stitching tradition for their daughters — to show them it's OK to take pride in who you are, said Whalen-Lunn, who is a mother to three daughters.

"It's more than just your appearance. It changes the way that you carry yourself. And we're doing it so that our girls can," she said.

Bergman has two young girls of her own.

"I feel like I've given them something that my grandmother had taken away from her," she said.

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Rodeo Drive, and the Hotel Paseo, Autograph Collection (<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ctdak-hotel-paseo-autograph-collection/>).

Bring on the romance with dinner and a show. Tickets perhaps to “Holiday Sing-Along,” 2:30 p.m., December 18; or “Ax Plays Brahms,” starring pianist Emanuel Ax, 8 p.m., January 13 & 14, 2022 at the Walk Disney Concert Hall (www.laphil.com/events). Or smash hit “Hamilton,” now through February 6, 2022 at the Hollywood Pantages Theatre (<http://www.pantages-theatre.net/>). Better yet, the opera. AIDA plays May 21-June 12, 2022 at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion (<https://www.laopera.org/performances/2122-season-page/>).

As a prelude, arrange a sky

high meal in DTLA. First choice is 71 Above (<https://www.71above.com/>), the highest restaurant west of the Mississippi, on the 71st floor of the US Bank Tower. With 360-views, you'll overlook every rooftop in LA. Reserve one of the “Edge Tables,” directly on the window facing West LA and the Pacific Ocean and enjoy modern American cuisine in a romantic and breathtaking setting. For less formality, enjoy champagne, small plates and hand-crafted cocktails at Perch LA (<https://www.perchla.com/>), a charming French bistro set in a Euro-like 15th floor rooftop garden. If you're into super casual, try the Broken Shaker at Freehand Los Angeles (<https://www.brokenshaker.com/los-angeles>). It's a Miami-esque rooftop eatery atop the Freehand Hotel with nearly 360-degree views and inventive cocktails, burgers and casual fare that made the James Beard semi-finals.

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A fashion fix? Absolutely. For guys, short sleeve flannels, wide brim hats and crisp button-down shirts – untucked – are rocking it. (<https://modernteen.co/spring-fashion-trends-for-teenage-guys-2022/>). For girls (<https://glorytrends.com/category/teen-fashion-trends/>), sneakers with a dress, short jackets, laces and ruffles in unexpected places, and denim, denim, denim. Stores

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5 GIFT WRAPPING TIPS FROM A PRO

By Emily Ochsenschlager

Mia Canada, owner of a gift-wrapping boutique called That's A Wrap! used to be a gift bag person but that all changed after a seasonal job wrapping gifts at a mall 12 years ago allowed her to explore the creative side of wrapping presents.

Canada shares a few tips for making holiday wrapping a cinch — even at the eleventh hour.

Get inspired

Instead of thinking of wrapping gifts as a chore, try to find some inspiration in the task. Canada asks her clients how they want the recipient of their gift to feel when they see it. Should they be happy? Should they

laugh? Feel nostalgic? For those special gifts, Canada considers the wrapping to be a prelude to the gift itself — setting the expectations and echoing the tone of what's inside. For example, Canada drew inspiration from a bride's dress when wrapping a wedding photo album. She pleated a layer of pearlized damask wrapping paper and added a string of imitation pearl decorations to mimic the bride's veil.

Wrapping for kids

For the little ones, Canada suggests a tried-and-true method that she used when her children were younger: use one type of wrapping paper for each child. The wrap-



paper's edge on all sides with just enough to make it around the package, and you'll prevent having too much paper to fold. Cut the excess as needed before you tape. It will then be a cinch when it comes to making crisp corners.

Crease, crease and crease

This is Canada's favorite tip. She runs her forefinger and thumb over each fold and over every edge several times. She uses the meaty part of her fingers to get that perfect crease. Canada likens it to a custom suit for your presents: "Imagine buying a suit off the rack, and then having one that is specifically made for you."

Adornments are everywhere

If tying that perfect puffy bow feels elusive, fear not. Opt for a simple bow and consider placing it slightly off-center for a more modern look. But feel empowered to think outside the bow. Pine cones, evergreen clippings and pine needles can add a seasonal bit of flair to gift wrapping. (Canada said she's used pine needles to make tassels for packages in the past.) Draw inspiration from your surroundings.

ping could be color-coded, or reflect the child's interests. Canada said it helps kids know which gifts belong to whom, and it serves as an easy way to highlight, in wrapping paper form, something that each child loves. If you have a child who loves Hello Kitty, for example, think about using Hello Kitty paper for gifts.

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Don't Miss The Hollywood Christmas Parade!

Live in the Streets of Hollywood Sunday, November 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

By Contributing Writer

Sheryl Underwood Comedian, Actress and Host on the Daytime Emmy award-winning CBS hit television show, *THE TALK*, has been announced as the Grand Marshal of The 89th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade Supporting Marine Toys for Tots, the largest Christmas event in America. The parade will be presented live in the streets of Hollywood, CA on Sunday, November 28, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. PST by Associated Television International and The City of Los Angeles.

Sheryl Underwood is a multi-faceted entertainer, businesswoman and civic champion. She is 23rd International President of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated (comprised of over 120k women leaders), founder of Pack Rat Foundation for Education; and she is the recipient of the Arch of Triumph Award presented by Johnson C. Smith University, an NAACP Image Award, a People's Choice Award and is a former member of the Air Force Reserve. She says this regarding her marshaling duties: "I am truly honored to have been chosen as the Grand Marshal for The 89th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade Supporting Marine Toys for Tots." She adds, "The pandemic has made it very tough for everybody for over a year and a half. I can't wait to get out there on the streets of Hollywood to celebrate with all of you, and to help bring awareness to the important work Marine Toys for Tots does to help those less fortunate during the holiday season. Please, be there! I can't wait to see you!"

Hosted by Erik Estrada, Laura McKenzie, Dean Cain and Montel Williams, with Special Co-Host Elizabeth Stanton, the parade features Hollywood celebrities and movie cars, award-winning bands, dazzling



Photo by William Kidston



Sheryl Underwood

equestrians, twelve FOUR STORY character balloons featuring The Grinch and Kermit the Frog, colorful floats, and humorous specialty acts. Plus, the Viva Panama Float with dancers, the Idaho Potato Truck tour featuring an 18-wheeler

Armed Forces Network around the world. The only exceptions were during World War II from 1942 to 1944 when the parade wasn't presented, and, of course, last year in 2020, when the parade wasn't presented due to the COVID 19 global pandemic. But this year, in 2021, we're thrilled to say we're going to be back live in the streets of Hollywood to celebrate The 89th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade with all of you!"



Erik Estrada and Laura McKenzie

carting a two-story, two-ton potato down Hollywood Boulevard! The parade culminates with the appearance of the Jolly Old Elf himself, Santa Claus and his reindeer, ushering in the holiday season!

Plus, musical legends Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis Jr., action star icon Danny Trejo, Classic TV stars Burt Ward (Robin from "Batman") riding in the original Batmobile, Jerry Mathers and Tony Dow ("Leave It To Beaver") and Tom Arnold ("Roseanne," "True Lies") as well as stars Hunter Clowdus and Karimah Westbrook from The CW's hit series "All American." In addition, the Emmy® Award winning favorite stars from "General Hospital," "Days of our Lives," "The Young and the Restless," and "The Bold and the Beautiful!"

Laura McKenzie, Co-Host and Producer of the Hollywood Christmas Parade said: "Since 1928 the live Hollywood Christmas Parade has been a loved and cherished annual holiday tradition enjoyed by Angelenos, as well as by millions watching the televised airings of the parade nationally on The CW Network and internationally on

To view a sizzle reel of highlights from past Hollywood Christmas Parades, please visit: <https://vimeo.com/user4830612/review/85566731/0e776f5e59>

For parade inquiries, please call the 24/7 Hollywood Christmas Parade Hotline toll free at 1-833-PARADE1 (1-833-727-2331). For updates about The 89th Anniversary of The Hollywood Christmas Parade Supporting Marine Toys for Tots, please visit the parade's official website at www.thehollywoodchristmasparade.org



ETERNALS

By Ryan Silberstein

Seven thousand years. Fiction covers massive timescales. Jack Kirby's *The Eternals* came in the midst of the Cold War, when the United States found itself prosperous, scientific advancements had sent us toward the Moon, and cultural and societal status quos were being challenged. Now, this story is adapted while a generation feels colossal upheaval, rising temperatures, sea levels, and prosperity that has eroded from all but the wealthy. We are confronting a crisis created by our civilization.

Kirby was drawn to the past. Where we come from and where we are going are the same question. We must face both. The present exists as a membrane between the past and future, and we can't know our destiny if we don't understand our origin.

The most interesting aspect of *Eternals* is the involvement of Chloé Zhao. Her breakout indie works *The Rider* and *Nomadland* epitomize naturalism, and explore humans' relationship with

the natural world. Stepping into a story of beings who live for thousands of years and their space god masters seems odd. However, it is this tension which makes *Eternals* stand apart. Zhao's take on these characters revels in the fact that they are obscure. Each of them are allowed to be flawed. As *Eternals* unfolds, each of the core cast is revealed to have made bad, or at least questionable, choices.

There are nine Eternals, all of whom arrive together in Earth's prehistory with Ajak (Salma Hayek) as their leader. This is the main thing that weighs the story down, but the movie feels like we are introduced and reintroduced to characters. Gemma Chan's Sersei functions as the lead, though she fades into the ensemble. Casting mostly works, though Kumail Nanjiani's Kingo sometimes feels like he's in a different movie.

The scale of *Eternals* is matched by its cast of characters. Spanning the course of several millennia, the Eternals take their marching orders from a Celestial, Arishem the Judge (David Kaye). Like another Jack Kirby creation, Ego the Living Planet, Arishem wishes to propagate the stars, albeit with a different strategy. The Eternals are charged with protecting humans from a race called the Deviants. In the comics Deviants are revealed to



be intelligent, with their own society and hierarchy, this film only hints at that. The main contrast between the Eternals and Deviants is that the former never change, even over long spans of time.

This idea of change and adaptability are woven into the look of everything. When the Eternals wield their powers, it is often represented as gold. Gold represents the light touch the Eternals have on human history, only intervening when instructed. In addition, much of *Eternals* is shot during "magic hour" bathing the actors and environment with golden light.

Chloé Zhao's choices evoke epoch-spanning timeline as well as the planetary change right now. The challenge the Eternals face in the film's final act is a stand-in for the global impact of climate change. Human civilization is led by the forces of capitalism. Even if there is no God, there are unseen forces steering destiny. *Eternals* attempts to explain why, and ultimately lands on the side of those with great power taking an interventionist track, but maybe it's too little too late for Earth. Good luck to the next planet.

SPENCER

By Laura Clifford

It is a sign of a strong performance when we forget that we are watching the actor giving it, something Kristen Stewart accomplishes. Peeking up from beneath a blonde bob styled just so and speaking in the clipped, breathy voice that gave Diana an air of ethereality, Stewart creates a woman resorting to a form of madness that is her only freedom from a gilded cage.

Director Pablo Larraín is capping a female trilogy of sorts in his sociopolitical filmography, but this film, takes liberties with reality, Steven Knight's ("Locke") screenplay imagining Diana's inner turmoil. The royal family itself is mostly oppressive window dressing, the Queen (Stella Gonet) only delivering a few lines, Charles (Jack Farthing) tussling with his wife over making William (Jack Nielen) join a pheasant hunt he doesn't want to when not lecturing her about duty, the latter speech seeming woefully dated within Knight's own time period. There is a pacing problem here as well, the film repeating its themes when it should be wrapping.

The opener sets the stage, Sandringham's larder stocked by the military with regimented precision, Head Chef Darren (Sean Harris) commanding his own staff transition with parallel rigidity. Those crates overflowing with lobsters and other delicacies combined with the traditional scale 'check-in' conducted by Major Alistar Gregory (Timothy Spall), a 'bit of fun' equating added poundage on leaving with a successful weekend, is the bulimic Diana's first nightmarish obstacle. As this occurs, we see Diana, driving herself toward Sandringham in a sporty Porsche but getting lost in an attempt to find her old family home, her lateness an obvious bone of contention.

The film leans on symbols – a beloved old scarecrow named Bertie wearing Diana's dad's old coat, the 'pretty but dumb' pheasants 'bred for the gun,' Charles' Christmas gift of the same pearl necklace going to both Diana and Camilla Parker Bowles (Emma Darwall-Smith), the heavy bedroom drapes Diana is chastised for leaving open (photographers) which are literally sewn shut, the ghost of Anne Boleyn (Amy Manson) – and Diana's small rebellions. The oppression and claustrophobia of these three days registers loudly and clearly when we witness Maggie (Sally Hawkins) rolling a full clothes rack down the hall, each outfit labeled with the time and day it should be worn. And yes, when Diana switches



things up, she'll actually hear about it. And when her dresser Maggie, someone Diana considers a friend, is sent back to London, Diana demands her return (and will be thanked by Maggie with the gift of love, shocks and laughter).

On Christmas Day Diana secretly breaks tradition with gifts to William and Harry (Freddie Spry), both having questioned why they have to open presents the night before unlike 'normal' people. Christmas night features Diana's getaway ('I need a pair of Wellies and a torch.'), where she sinks into the

dilapidated stairs of the Spencer estate on the way to her childhood bedroom, dancing about hallways with younger versions of herself. But Boxing Day brings her ultimate, maternal rebellion, posing as one of those ill-fated birds.

Stewart is mesmerizing throughout, her own fashionable self transformed in Jacqueline Durran's recent period costumes. Her glum expression reflects a prisoner, bursting into radiance in moments of freedom. "Spencer" the movie isn't a slam dunk, but Larraín's unusual approach brings a breath of fresh air into the genre.

PIA MIA DEBUTS CHRISTMAS RELEASE

By Contributing Writer

Critically acclaimed multi-platinum recording artist, singer, songwriter and actress Pia Mia (@PiaMia 7.2 million Instagram followers) has just released her first holiday EP “CHRISTMAS”, now available across all platforms. Recorded in a studio decked out in full Christmas décor and accompanied by a full orchestra and choir, the three new tracks feature the global pop star’s signature sweet and soulful voice which has established her name in the

music industry where she continuously releases timeless pop smashes for listeners around the world. The original tracks entitled “Home”, “Unwrap Me”, and “New Year” combine her stirring vocal talents with warm and upbeat melodies that are sure to become holiday classics for years to come.

The new holiday EP, produced and arranged by Derrick “Bigg D” Baker and Canon Lamb, features new music from Pia

Mia who has been on the hustle and grind as an independent artist. The new music comes fresh off the heels of her EP “My Side” which marked a change in musical tonality with smooth R&B-tinged hooks. She also recently released the fun and bombastic club anthems “Princess” (which included one of the first ‘virtual’ music videos shot during COVID) and “Hot” which featured Sean Paul and Flo Milli.

On the acting front, Pia Mia is set to co-star in the upcoming psychological thriller ISAAC opposite Dove Cameron (Apple’s “Schmigadoon!”) and RJ Mitte (AMC’s “Breaking Bad”) slated for a 2022 release. She had her first co-starring role in the fan-favorite feature film AFTER (currently available on

Blue-Ray / DVD), which featured her 2019 hit single “Bitter Love” on AFTER’s official soundtrack with over 6 MILLION streams to date.



Born and raised on the tropical island of Guam in the West Pacific, Pia Mia fell in love with music and performing at an early age. She joined school and community musicals and theater and began to post covers of her musical performances on YouTube. Almost instantaneously becoming a viral sensation, Pia moved to Los Angeles and signed with Grammy Award-winning producer, Babyface. In 2013, Pia Mia performed a cover of Drake’s song “Hold on We’re Going Home” for Drake, Kanye West, and the Kardashians. That same year, Ryan Seacrest debuted her

independent single, “Red Love.” At the age of 17, she formed Wolfpack Entertainment, a recording label, signing herself as its first artist, and then signed with Interscope Records. Billboard Magazine named Pia Mia one of eight “acts who will help define 2014.” She released her debut EP, The Gift, which including the track “On My Mind”, and collaborated with Chance the Rapper for the soundtrack to the original motion picture Divergent.

After millions of streams with hits featuring G-Eazy, Tyga and Chris Brown,

Pia has garnered international praise for her one-of-a-kind style, consistently topping high-profile best dressed lists, including Vogue. She has modeled for numerous independent such as Nasty Gal, Pink Dolphin, and Missguided, to name a few. If that wasn’t enough, she was selected as the first-ever Fashion Director for Madonna’s Material Girl clothing brand. Today, she has over 7.2 million Instagram followers (@PiaMia).

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By Contributing Writer

PERSONAL COMPUTER SKILLS FOR EVERY MODERN WORKER



you need to know. There are several computer programming languages and all of them have different purposes and applications.



We live in a digital age. Most work is done on computers. This means workers should know how to work with these programs and have skills. Browsing the internet and posting on social media doesn't count. You need a more in-depth knowledge. Luckily, you can learn your way around most apps and software. Here are essential personal computer skills.

Microsoft Office

One of the most essential computer skills is the Microsoft office package. You've probably used MS Word for writing and Excel for making tables, but these programs offer so much more. They will make your daily tasks and operations more organized, so you can be more productive at work.

You should also learn to work with similar programs from other publishers and software companies.

Email and Digital Calendars

Email is one of the most popular and most preferred means of communication in the modern world. You should know how to create clean emails, organize your inbox, import contacts, and automate emails.

Also, you should know how to work with digital calendars like G Suite, MS Outlook, Calendly, and other similar programs.

Basic Computer Coding

Computer coding may seem intimidating, but it's one of the basic IT skills

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GREETINGS FROM IOWA

By Iden Eliopoulos

These Iowa Cocktails Make You Want To Come Back To Decorah...

In Decorah, a trendy college town in Iowa, residents enjoy their drinks and calming farmland ambiance. The local watering hole, La Rana Bistro, may be another weekend meetup for these folks, but city slickers coming into town will be surprised. It's no order-a-drink-watch-tv-and-leave type of bar. It has a small-town kind of friendliness—regional Iowa cocktails and intimate lighting that could make anyone feel like a local.

Iowa is a funny state in the way its people act almost like a boomerang. Even if you leave, you always seem to come back. People are noticing this trend, along with the state's high living standards causing a mass migration to the state. But when you visit, you will just want a little flavor of that

small-town environment and to meet some locals.

The people crave peace, quiet and a place to relax. A personal, southern-style bar like La Rana welcomes everyone. After a long day's work, families love to come together here. Though a unique bar from my perspective, it perfectly fits the Decorah lifestyle.

Here are the two highest recommended cocktails from both the bistro owners and locals.

1. The Frog, Ingredients: Jigger of Vodka Lemonade, Cranberry Juice, Lime Wedge

They keep it simple This is as simple as they make it: a rocks glass with a mixed drink and small, minimalist lime garnish. The drink itself is light and refreshing, as are most citrus beverages. The Frog's little dash of cranberry gives it some pizzazz and a



The "Frog"

- pleasant, fruity flavor profile.
2. Pomegranate Margarita Ingredients: Margarita Mix, Pomegranate Juice, Lime Wedge

Instructions

Fill a rocks glass with some ice. Fill halfway with pomegranate juice, then top off with margarita mix. Garnish with a lime wedge and enjoy.

The layer here gives the drink some aww while still keeping the Iowan theme of simplicity. Unlike The Frog, there's more juice resulting in the fruitiness shining quite a bit more. The Pomegranate Margarita's flavor is more robust and sour. I asked for the zero-proof version. I saw this cocktail in many hands, and it seemed to be the crowd favorite—at least with the group of folks I met.

Like the Pomegranate Margarita, every drink can be made alcohol-free. I even saw families coming in and ordering their kids these sorts of beverages. With everyone knowing each other, customization requests are an obvious consequence. But this

aspect I believe is the most comforting part of La Rana. It's too close-nit for anyone to stay anonymous. You come in as a stranger and leave a friend—and getting the perfect cocktail helps too.



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PARDON A TURKEY? HAVE A VEGAN THANKSGIVING

By Alice Carbone Tench

My editor recently asked, “What do you miss about eating meat?” in a comment next to an essay for my upcoming cookbook memoir, *Eating Again* (publishing February 2022, with Heliotrope Books), where I mentioned a special rabbit recipe that my grandmother Silvana would make.

Having been a vegetarian for a while, I had never dug deeper into my past as a meat-eater and asked myself that question. Surprisingly, the answer came fast and clear: I didn’t miss meat, I missed the innocence of childhood in early 1980s Avigliana, the small town at the foothills of the Italian Alps where I was born and raised.

When we didn’t know how the industrialization of animal farming was inhumane and a threat to the environment, when it was okay not to know any better.

I don’t regret my awareness and understanding, as I can channel those feelings in my commitment to cooking plant-based recipes. Creating new sustainable holiday traditions that my daughter will be able to pass on without renouncing ingredients, scents, spices, or textures.

My editor’s question came back to me this summer, when I spent 10 weeks in Italy, where my parents and my 99-year-old grandmother still live. There I was eating cheese, and a lot of it: mozzarella, burrata, asiago, sheep



Lentil and Black Bean Meatloaf

ricotta, you name it. On a practical level, it was often the only alternative to not eating meat. What was it about dairy that I couldn’t give up? I suspected it wasn’t about the food.

It was about my maternal

grandparents in the mountains, where I spent every summer growing up from seven to eighteen. It was about how much my grandfather Arigo loved toma (aged cheese from the Alps), fontina from the Aosta Valley, and Parmigiano. It became a family joke that he could even grate Parmigiano on his caffè latte. It was about the memories of a life still untouched, a life devoid of the struggles I would ultimately go through when I left the mountains—before I began my journey of recovery from eating disorders.

When we returned home to Los Angeles, I embarked on a mission to let go of old ideas about “good food” and explore the plant-based world with a new eye. I wanted to eliminate cheese from our diet because of the suffering animals

go through for dairy production, for a bit of cheese, gelato, or butter. But as a recovering anorexic and bulimic I must be careful when it comes to cleanses and eliminations. Not expecting the same flavors, I turned this project into an adventure, a discovery, a creative endeavor, rather than a drastic food regime.

As tends to happen in life, when I am ready for a change, things line up for it to happen. I had heard of homemade cashew cheese, oat butter, nutritional yeast and aquafaba (the liquid from a can of chickpeas or the water you cook them in), but I had never tried cooking or baking with any of them until I was ready for the challenge. Maybe it’s the season change, maybe it’s the effect of motherhood, but I am fully embracing the new while honoring the old.

Aquafaba, it turns out, became a key ingredient in my Italian-inspired lentil and black bean meatloaf, that I will be serving for Thanksgiving, with sautéed rapini.

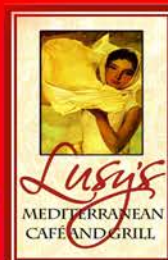
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TOP 5 SKI DESTINATIONS IN CALIFORNIA

By Barbara Beckly

Heavenly is by far the most popular resort in Lake Tahoe and it's not hard to see why. Aside from the massive 4,800 ac of terrain and the spectacular views of Lake Tahoe, the resort has a real party atmosphere at the base with endless entertainment off the slopes and casinos nearby. Above all, given its size and for a Vail-owned resort, Heavenly offers one of the best value ski vacations thanks to the wide variety of accommodation that keeps prices competitive. Combine this with some of the best snow quality and groomers in Tahoe.

Although Squaw Valley and Alpine Meadows are technically separate ski areas, they are covered by the same lift ticket which means a massive 6,000 ac of terrain for you to explore and can be accessed by shuttle. Squaw Valley is notorious for its incredible snowfall and immense blue and black runs. The base village is a lot of fun and easy to walk around with a great selection of restaurants and bars. But with such a reputation comes crowds. Alpine Meadows on the other hand is often overlooked which means far fewer skiers and quieter slopes than Squaw. Both Squaw Valley and Alpine Meadows have lower



elevation compared to other Tahoe resorts which can be a problem when it warms up and rain becomes more common. Despite this, Squaw Valley remains an iconic ski resort and Alpine Meadows is fantastic if you're looking for great terrain without the crowds!

Boasting the highest peak of any Californian ski resort and over

3,500 ac of terrain, Mammoth Mountain is, well, Mammoth! Combining rustic charm with a modern resort village along with tons of snow and a nice selection of terrain that offers something for everyone, Mammoth is an excellent choice for families and groups. It's the closest good skiing to Las Vegas and all the people in Southern California but holidays and big powder weekends can bring large crowds. The demand also makes it a relatively expensive place to ski. Luckily, the town of Mammoth Lakes nearby provides an even wider variety of lodging, including budget-friendly options, in a friendly small-town atmosphere.

If you want the steepest slopes and the deepest powder, Kirkwood is the place for you. This 2,300 ac ski area draws in flocks of diehard skiers and snowboarders who come for the extreme terrain. With 65 different trails to try out, you'll

have plenty of exploring to do. There are fewer crowds but that also means there are less parking spaces so get there early or else you might be refused entry! One little thing that brings Kirkwood down is the cost of eating as prices have gone up since Vail took over, so it's best to dine elsewhere.

Northstar has one of the best base villages in the area so if your budget allows, you'll definitely enjoy being pampered here with upscale dining, lodging and shopping options and plenty of fun activities to do. The resort is also great for families because you can easily pop that little ones into a kids ski school program. All that being said, Northstar's limited parking spots can be a nightmare, especially on weekends but during the week, you'll find that the efficient lift system gets everyone moving around the mountain in no time. The trick with Northstar is to time it right.



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Jaime Callica

"King of Christmas" On His THREE Upcoming Holiday Films

By Contributing Writer

Born and raised in Toronto, Ontario, Jaime Callica is the hottest thing out of Canada having fast become one of Hollywood's rising stars.

King of the holiday-film genre, Callica can next be seen in three separate Christmas



films - OWN's A CHESTNUT FAMILY CHRISTMAS (NOVEMBER 30th release) opposite Meagan Holder, Lifetime's MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS BABY (NOVEMBER 27th release) opposite Kelly Rowland, and CBS's A CHRISTMAS PROPOSAL (DECEMBER 12th release), opposite Adam Rodriguez, all slated for a 2021 release. Additionally, Callica is set to return for Season 2, Part 2 in Tyler Perry's BET drama series "Ruthless" (a spin-off of fan favorite "The Oval"), on NOVEMBER 26th. He also most recently starred in two films perfectly timed to Halloween - Disney+'s remake of the classic film UNDER WRAPS and Netflix's horror thriller HYPNOTIC, opposite Jason

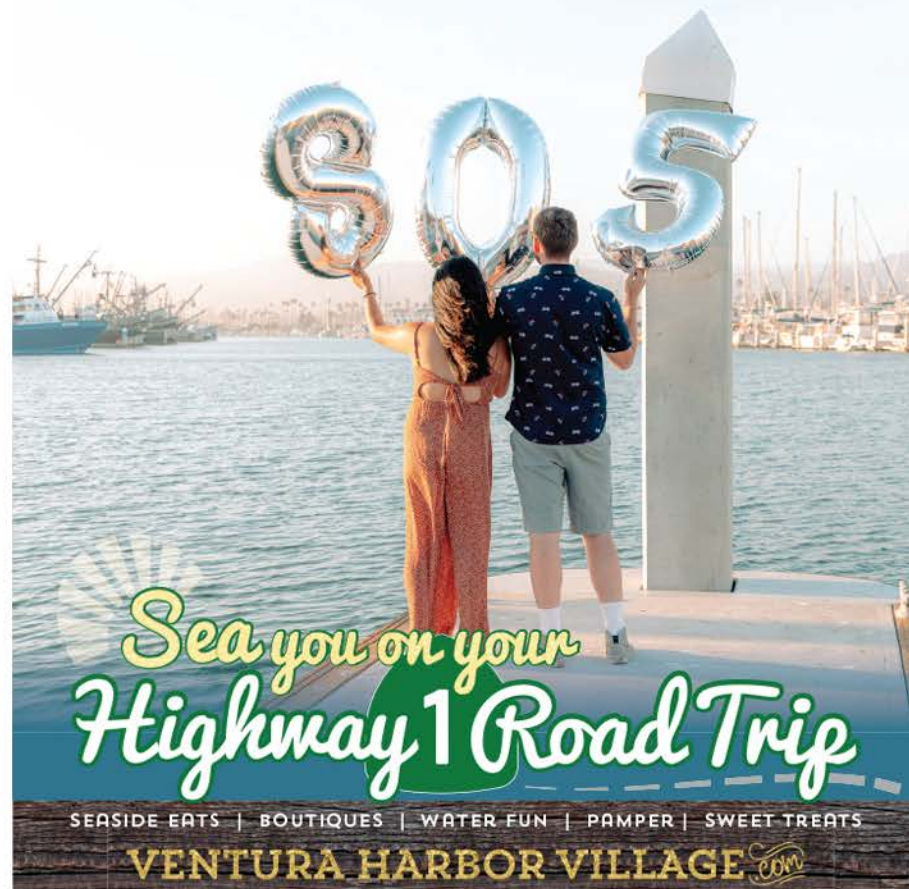
O'Mara, Dulé Hill, and Kate Siegel, which recently premiered across 130 countries and tracked on their "Top 10 List" for most watched film.

Born and raised in Toronto by a single Trinidadian mother of mixed Chinese,

Indian and Spanish ancestry, acting wasn't always at the forefront of Jaime's mind, but he was always a performer. From a young age, he was inspired by the pop stars he saw on screen and decided to take dance classes, specializing in tap and jazz. He graduated on to martial arts, becoming a black belt at 13 (though he had to wait for his official belt until age 16), and eventually, through a mishap by running late to class, found himself joining and competing on the track team. When pursuing colleges, Callica settled on criminology in Vancouver, before eventually transitioning

into business. He always had a knack for numbers, and soon was buying condos, townhouses and businesses to call his own. But the acting bug struck suddenly one day - and realizing life is all about taking chances - he dove into the high-risk career in the entertainment industry. Within a year he sold his businesses, started taking acting classes, doing background work and whatever he could, and made the official move to Los Angeles. With over 35 credits in just 4 years, he hasn't looked back.

Now splitting his time between Los Angeles and Vancouver, when he's not filming, Jaime likes to spend his time working with causes that focus on helping single moms, or parents with disabilities.



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to one type of exercise as it will make you bored. Once you are bored with exercise, there is a

high possibility that you will stop exercise. On that note, mix your workout with other activities,

such as jog, walk, hike and aerobic.

You can also vary your bike exercise by adding extra movements such as lunge and dumbbells. Put some variety into your exercise bike workout. This additional step will make your bike workout more interesting without compromising the benefits of the exercise. During the dumbbell movements, your heart rate will still be maintained at the exercise rate thus the workout continues.

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Make an effort to log your exercise as from there you can monitor and increase the intensity of your workout. The log should have information on the duration, load, and the pace. The variation in the cycling pace from fast to medium to fast will give a challenge to your exercise. Remember to stay within your desired heart rate and not to over challenge yourself. If you do the variation, you should get a good exercise by only spending a 20 minutes of your time doing the cycling.

For a fat burn exercise, a 20 minutes session is the minimum to get the fat burnt. The division of the session can be a three minutes warm up and a three minutes warm down giving you 14 minutes to do the exercise.



There are numerous advantages that a bike exercise can offer. They are fat burn, cardiovascular, and muscle building. With these advantages, you should consider using the exercise bike as one of the machines in your exercise routine. However, do not restrict yourself

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5 DOG CHRISTMAS OUTFITS FOR THE HOWL-IDAY SEASON GET INSPIRED WITH THESE GREAT DIY COSTUMES

By Meredith Allen

If your dog is the type who enjoys being the center of attention, well then we have some great Christmas outfit ideas. Your dog will have everyone saying "Oh How Cute!" from the moment they walk in the door. Find out how to get your guests gushing over your canine this holiday season!

Ah, Christmas. It's that most wonderful time when everyone gets involved in the holiday cheer, including pets. According to a poll taken by the American Humane Association, 63% of dog owners give their four-legged pal a present at Christmas time, and 40% hang a dog-friendly stocking.

This year, why not take the merriment one step further and get your favorite pup into some festive holiday duds? Not only are dog Christmas outfits adorable, they are also sure to bring plenty of joy to friends and family at a time when everyone is in the spirit.

Here we'll share some popular Christmas outfits for dogs, and some DIY tips for how to make them at home.

How to DIY Dog Christmas Outfits

Here's the great thing about Christmas outfits -- you don't have to spend a fortune to get your dog into one. Most can be made using items from around the house or cheap supplies from the craft store.

Always remember, however, to make sure that your dog's Christmas outfit is safe and comfortable. Never dress your dog in anything that could cause injuries or

irritation, and avoid embellishments that could be chewed up or swallowed. When it comes to pet costumes, the simplest are usually the safest.

Reindeer

Rudolph the Red Nose... Canine? Yes indeed, this is one of the most popular dog Christmas outfits out there. To make this outfit on the cheap, purchase some brown pipe cleaners from the craft store, fashion them into antlers, and attach to a snug-fitting headband. Then, glue a red pom-pom onto



the center of the headband for the nose. A few bells attached to your dog's collar will help your Ru-dog jingle all the way.

Christmas Elf
Every pet parent loves to see their dog as a little helper, and this folksy get-up is easy to make. Use a green t-shirt for the elf's clothes, and make a pointy hat out of green felt from the craft store. Attach a red pom-pom to the end of the hat and you can start assigning your dog some elfish duties.

Santa Claus

Or Santa Claws, or Santa Paws, if you prefer. This most famous Christmas character makes for one cute costume. Dress your dog in a red t-shirt or sweatshirt for Santa's coat and add a belt around the waist. Make a pointy hat out of red felt from the craft store, and attach a white pom-pom to the end. Finish with a little white felt trim around the shirt and hat to make this outfit

Santa-rific.

Angel

Whether your dog is a perfect angel or not, they will radiate goodness in this classic Christmas ensemble. The halo and wings can both be made out of white pipe cleaner, or you could make the wings out of felt or paper. Attach the wings to a belt that can be buckled around your dog's mid-section, and there you have it -- your own personal angel.

Christmas Present

Every dog is a gift, and every dog can look like one come Christmas time. All you really need for this costume is a red or green t-shirt decorated with ribbon and a bow. You could also purchase festive felt from the craft store and use pipe cleaner to shape it into something that more closely resembles a present. Just don't try to get your dog into an actual box!

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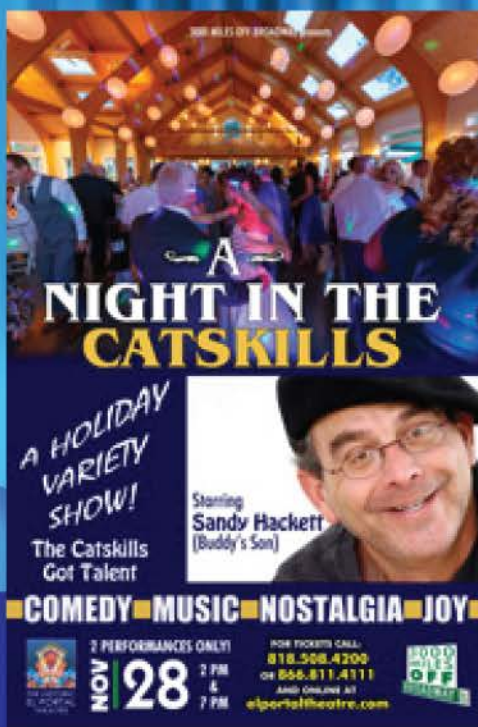
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Plants Are Ideal For Your Bathroom

By Contributing Writer



air cleansing, it undoubtedly has become a favorite selection for most of the house owners.

Boston fern

When talking about the hanging plant, this one is a low maintenance option. It's perfect in all kinds of pots. The feathery fern drapes beautifully and it is one of the very best plants in your humid bathroom.

Phalaenopsis orchid

Another plant option is Phalaenopsis orchid. Orchid loves a high humidity atmosphere so it blossoms very well into the bathroom where very little natural sunlight.

Zygocactus

This plant is lovely, draping from a window or high shelf, and will provide a lovely burst of shade during autumn and winter. Remember you should not place it a place where they can be knocked easily.

Zanzibar plant

This is one of the easiest plant to grow in your bathroom. It tolerates the light so there isn't any need to place it near the window.

Calathea

Keep this plant in the intermediate indirect sunlight and modest to the greatly moist atmosphere and its sure that it is going to blossoms very well.

Snake plant

The ever-popular snake plant is great to add as it survives in the moist atmosphere and it avoids low and bright indirect sunlight.

Monstera

This plant always looks stunning and is a house plant that easily adjusts and survives in any sort indoor atmosphere. Therefore it can be added into your bathroom.

These plants not only style your bathroom's interior but make the inner surrounding bit healthier.

Which plants are ideal for your bathroom?

Whether it's a small-sized bathroom or a big one, bringing greenery in form of plants cleanses the air and welcomes the nature in the area that often is heat. But not all types of indoor plants blossom into the humid rooms as they don't get sufficient sunlight. If you would like to include an indoor plant into your one or all the bathrooms, there are several varieties that professional interior designers have shortlisted.

Peperomia

This plant is lovely because of its colour and texture. It's easy to grow the plant in your bathroom, depending on the light levels. Away from the unswerving sunlight, they survive very well; though don't like being too wet so will work favourably in a properly ventilated bathroom. You may pick up foliage into the darker greens and even reds to mix up the colour.

Japanese maple

Not completely indoors, it's a terrific way to get the best of both worlds, growing plants outdoor and enjoying it from your bathroom inside. Floor to ceiling glass window permits tree, timber, and texture into your bathroom whilst it basks under the sun's bright light into your private patio.

Golden pothos

If it's harder to defy a good long-winded plant, this one will make itself and all its vines in your bathroom, where it's going to blossom in a humid atmosphere.

Peace lily

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When David Saunders, 98, died of COVID-19 in late August, his family donated his body to Med Ed Labs for medical and science research. But KING-TV in Portland, Oregon, reports that Med Ed sold the cadaver to Jeremy Ciliberto, the organizer of the Oddities and Curiosities Expo, which travels around the country and charges spectators \$500 to observe in person the autopsy and dissection of a human body. When investigators alerted Mike Clark, the funeral director in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who had prepared Saunders' body for donation, he was mortified: "I was totally horrified ... he and his family thought that his body was going for the advancement of medical students." Instead, it went to a Marriott ballroom, where participants were invited to examine and touch the body -- which might still have been infectious. Ciliberto says he can "guarantee" that the departed and his family knew what his body would be used for, but a Med Ed spokesman says the event organizer was "beyond dishonest."

In Winnipeg, Manitoba, a heist went wrong on Oct. 31 when thieves broke into a vacant house to steal a furnace. The Winnipeg Police Service told the CBC that neighbors reported smelling natural gas, and when officers responded, they saw two unconscious people inside the home. The thieves, who had been "overcome by the noxious gas fumes" after the gas line became dislodged, regained consciousness outside and were questioned, but, because this is Canada, were later released without charges.

Islamic police in Karo, Nigeria, arrested 26-year-old Aliyu Na Idris on Oct. 26 because he was trying to sell himself for 20 million nara, or about \$49,000, Oddity Central reported. He works as a tailor, but said, "The decision to sell myself was due to poverty. I plan to give my parents 10 million nara when I eventually get a buyer." Police said what he did was "forbidden in Islam," but he was released the day after his arrest and said the police only gave him advice.

The New York Earth Room was created in 1977 by artist Walter De Maria and consists of a second-floor apartment at 141 Wooster Street that is filled with ... dirt. The room's caretaker, Bill Dilworth, waters and rakes the dirt regularly, Oddity Central reported, and welcomes up to 100 visitors a day. "The artist

never attached any meaning to it," Dilworth said. Admission is free to view the 250 cubic yards of soil, but people are not allowed to take photographs or touch the dirt.

Tahonee Fickes, 20, chose the closest weapon at hand to assault Kimberly Pittman, 52, inside a Walmart in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, on Oct. 7. A criminal complaint filed on Oct. 27 charges that Fickes "threw a cold chicken" at Pittman, striking her on the back of the head, according to The Smoking Gun. Fickes and Pittman are not related, and police have not determined a motive for the chicken hit. Fickes is facing an unrelated child endangerment charge as well.

The U.S. Navy revealed that its \$3 billion nuclear-powered attack submarine USS Connecticut managed to run into an undersea mountain on Oct. 2 in the South China Sea, CNN reported. The Connecticut was able to make it to Guam under its own power, and the Navy said its nuclear reactor was unharmed, but 11 seamen suffered minor injuries. In response to the incident, Vice Adm. Karl Thomas determined that "sound judgment, prudent decision-making and adherence to required procedures in navigation planning, watch team execution and risk management could have prevented the accident," and released the sub's top officers from their posts. But David Sandwell, a professor of geophysics, said less than half the sea floor is mapped in that area. "It's not surprising that you could run into something."

In International Falls, Minnesota, the city council voted in late October to stop dressing up the 26-foot-tall statue of Smokey Bear that stands in the center of (where else?) Smokey Bear Park, Minnesota Public Radio reported. The residents of the city have adorned Smokey for decades with seasonal attire, such as fishing gear during the summer or earmuffs, mittens and a 25-foot-long scarf during winter months. But when Mayor Harley Droba talked with other Minnesota towns with giant statues (Paul Bunyan in Bemidji, the Jolly Green Giant in Blue Earth), he learned that they "thought it was kind of crazy" that Smokey was getting dressed up. Council member Mike Holden said he would miss decorating Smokey, but "they don't want the importance of Smokey the Bear to be degraded."

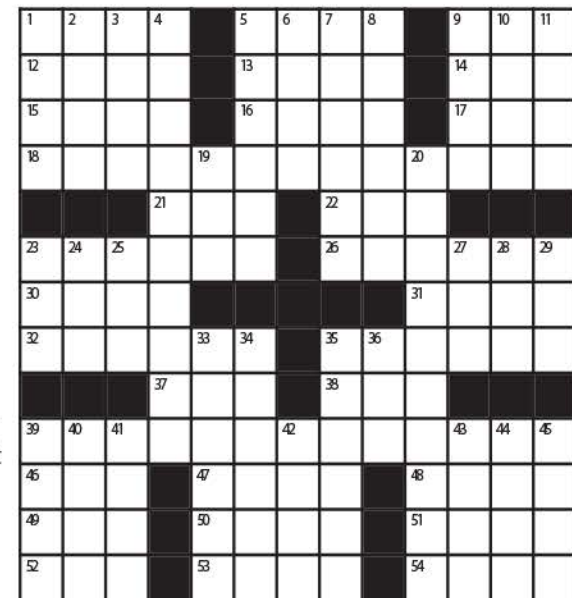
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47. Swollen heads
48. Type of lens
49. Decorative vase
50. Smuggler
51. Light brown color
52. WSW's opposite
53. Finless fishes
54. Humorous piece

Down

1. Thickener
2. Unspecified amount
3. Footnote note
4. Stairway outside a building
5. Bubba Gump's forte
6. Rebel without a cause
7. Chemical warfare gas
8. Ill - ___ gains



9. Palm starch
10. Strong and unyielding
11. Kennedy and Turner
19. Kind of shot
20. Uses a special font to emphasize something
23. "Medium" like perception
24. Yes, Captain!
25. Blast material
27. Earthling
28. Down Under avian
29. Baby seat
33. Cluster
34. Sea anchor
35. Seals
36. Shrew
39. Stick together
40. Synthetic thread
41. Not any
42. Hang around
43. Punch
44. Actress, Spelling
45. It's not clean

Bad Dad Jokes

What do you call a fake noodle?
An impasta



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THE MOST EXPENSIVE HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR KIDS (IF YOU CAN AFFORD IT)

By Pam Froman

Children are naturally excited upon receiving gifts. There is nothing as pleasing than the look of pure joy on a child's face when he or she gets a gift. While a child may not necessarily appreciate the cost of a gift, that does not stop parents with deep pockets from bestowing their little ones with the most outrageous gifts.

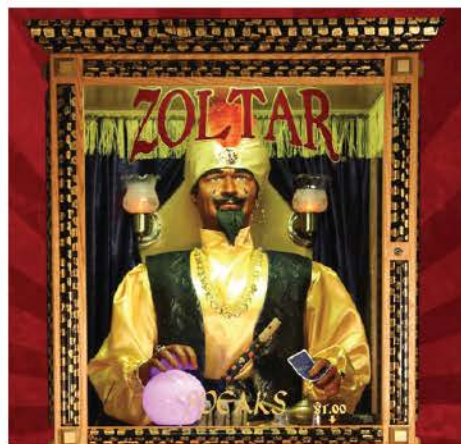
Take a look at some of the most expensive gifts that have been and can be gifted to the little ones. Flights of Fantasy Playhouse - \$230,000 that's a whopping price, seeming fit enough for a large playhouse your child's size. The exclusive Flights of Fantasy playhouse may put a large hole in your pocket, but it is every bit a dream come true house for kids who are dreamers and seek their own playing space.

Tumble Outpost - \$97,000 A huge play area that is guaranteed to keep children

occupied for hours outdoors, the Tumble Outpost is every child's delight. It has a fire pole, double rock-climbing walls, a lookout tower, and a small play area. In addition, it also has a slide. If your house has a garden big enough to house the Outpost, then this is a good, albeit very expensive gift for your child.

Seven Foot Robby Robot - \$49,999 Yes, you have heard it right. If your kid loves robots and often visualizes operating and interacting with one, there is no better gift than this seven feet long Robot. With super gizmo features and consoles, we are pretty sure that kids will love to take one home and own him up.

Superplexus - \$30,000 This immensely popular sphere is an indulgence for the rich. Built with an in-built marble to guide through a complicated wooden track, the luxurious Superplexus is for the young



explorers. Thirty grand no big deal? Then go for it.

LEGO life-sized Batman - \$27,000 If your child is a superhero fan, there's no better gift than the LEGO life-sized Batman. Standing tall at 6 feet 6 inches, this toy only has 3 separate parts that need to be assembled.

Mini Ferrari - \$25,000 Is your child crazy about cars? Particularly something like Ferrari? Look no further if you can

afford it. Indulge him or her with this mini-Ferrari. The toy car is big enough for a kid to ride in.

Grand Victorian Mansion - US\$ 22,000 Themed playhouses are in! This Victorian mini-mansion has window boxes, a brass knocker, a skylight, a stained-glass window, a doorbell, and a wraparound porch. Inside, the walls are sponge painted, and there is a fireplace mantel and a loft along with hardwood floors. The loft can be accessed using a ladder.

Zoltar (The Fortune Teller) - \$ 8,999.95 Who does not like to have their fortune told? The future holds immense mysteries for us. Zoltar the fortune teller offers 16 different spoken fortunes and 23 printed fortunes. Zoltar also nods his head, apart from making other head movements.

LEGO Star Wars Ultimate Collectors' Millennium Falcon - \$ 6,949.99 Young boys and girls go ga-ga over the Legos. A collectors' edition toy, this offering from LEGO will surely blow your child's mind away. Should you have enough money to be able to afford these pricey gifts, go for it!



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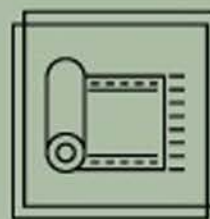
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HOW TO MAKE THE HOLIDAYS BETTER FOR YOUR KIDS

By Rachel Ehmke



It's easy for children to be smitten with the magic of the holidays. Fun presents. Extra sweets. A vacation from school—there's a lot to like. But with the freedom and excess of the season, sometimes kids can get a little carried away. For most families, there will be a point when the kids get overtired and cranky, or greedy about presents, or would rather play a video game than talk to Grandma. Here are some tips to keep kids happy and ready to enjoy whatever the season brings.

1. Gifts, gifts, gifts: Getting presents is a high point of the holidays for any kid, but they shouldn't be the only focus. As adults we know that giving presents can be just as rewarding as getting them, and we shouldn't wait to teach that lesson to our children.

Even when kids are too young to buy a present, they can still make one, or help you pick out something. Some of my best holiday memories are of helping my father look for the perfect gift for Mom, or combing the mall to look for presents with my siblings as we got older. Volunteering, participating in a local toy drive, or giving each of your kids a little money to give to a charity of their choice are all great ideas for getting children in a more generous mood.

Also, remember that the best gifts that you give your children probably won't be the material ones. Taking time for the whole family to get together to play a game, watch a movie, or decorate sugar cookies—these are the things that kids remember as they get older.

2. Let them help out: There's a lot of extra work to do around the holidays — putting up decorations, cooking big dinners, throwing parties. The Martha Stewart in all of us can take over, but it's important to take a step back and make sure our kids are included, too.

Children can help set the table, decorate

because they give us a break from the everyday, but that can also make them stressful, especially for kids who find routine comforting. Try to keep some things constant. Kids still need snack time, they still need special attention from you, and they still need a chance to unwind before bedtime.



At family gatherings when they notice the kids are "getting antsy," psychologist Rachel Busman says she and her sister give them their baths, get them into pajamas, and turn on a movie. "We know when they need to wind down, and no one judges us for excusing ourselves from the table to do these things," she says. "In fact, my sister and I enjoy some great conversations during this time."

the house, and wrap presents. If they're too young to wrap, they can help by holding down the paper or getting the tape ready — there's always something kids can do. And at holiday time, the preparations are often as fun and as meaningful as the end product. Plus, this way kids won't feel left out — or be glued to the iPad for hours.

4. Remember they're kids: Some holiday traditions depend on kids being on their best behavior: lengthy services, parties with lots of strangers, elaborate meals that may not appeal to picky eaters. Try to keep those to a minimum and customize festivities for your kids' frustration level. Don't schedule more than one demanding event in a day, and make sure to include physical activity and plenty of downtime. Your kids will be grateful — and so will you.

3. Keep routines: We love the holidays

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EASY WAYS TO TEACH YOUR KIDS TO GIVE BACK THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

By Katherine Lee

1. Send Toys Back With Santa.

A fun take on donating toys, I purchased a bag from Etsy to send toys that we no longer use back with Santa for other boys and girls. Getting my kids to part with some of their toys, no matter how unused, will be a difficult task but a great lesson for them.



2. Say Thanks to the People Who Go All Out With Holiday Décor. How many times have you driven by a house with holiday decor that brings more joy to your kids than you ever thought possible? Probably a lot. How many times have you let the homeowners know how much joy they've brought to your family? Probably never (if you're like me).

3. Have your kids decorate cards to send to the people who go above and beyond in their holiday decor to spread happiness everywhere. Whether it's the house with the inflatable Olaf snowman or the exceptional Christmas light show, grab their address next time you drive by and send them some snail mail. I can guarantee it will bring joy right back to them. Maybe even bake some cookies and leave them with the notes on their



doorstep.

4. Buy Gifts for Another Family. You may be familiar with the idea of "adopting" a family

during the holidays. If not, this is where you are paired with a family in need, and you purchase holiday gifts on their list. A number of



local non-profit organizations have programs like this during the holidays, so your best bet to get involved is to research or call local organizations in your community and ask. You will then be matched with a family, ideally with kids of similar ages to yours, and shop for the gifts on their wish lists. You don't actually meet the family, but it is a great way to get kids in the spirit of giving back to others.

5. Make Care Kits for People Who are Homeless. In many places, it's getting very cold. And there are still many people without

homes who need basic necessities. Having care kits in your car to safely hand out to someone you see in need can make a big difference in their day. Pick up things like toothbrushes, toothpaste, gloves, hats, socks, tissues, and lip balm to stick into a freezer bag or drawstring bag to hand out as needed. Include a holiday card with a kind message. Learning the joys of giving at an early age will transcend into a routine that will certainly make the world a better place.

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Learn to Recycle Your Fashion

By Contributing Writer

“Almost everyone is fashion-conscious, even those who “don't really care about fashion” have a fashion statement. Fashion trends, like culture, differ from one another, and so making it hard for a specific one to stand out.”

Incorporating fashion in your life can be quite costly. Especially nowadays, trends just keep on popping out from everywhere like wild mushrooms. When one trend sprouts, another dies, thus, what you bought



three months ago may already be unfashionable. That's how quickly your fashion assets become expenses. It helps to read a couple of false eyelashes reviews just to get up to speed with fashion.

One thing that is a common problem of people, particularly women, is waking up and having trouble choosing what to wear.

They would say that they have nothing to put on when in fact, their closet overflows with different types of clothing and accessories. But worry no more because with the use of your creativity, your old clothes may turn into a new one.

Have you ever thought about wearing something out of recycled materials? It might seem a bit silly and you may think it is cheap, but in reality, this can be beneficial both to you and your environment. Here are some things that you can make out of your old fashion wears.

Statement T-shirts. Tees with big, bold letters printed on it never really gets old. One thing you can do with your old t-shirt is to print your favorite statement on it.

Long to short. Some of your jeans might already wear out especially at the bottom part. What you can do is cut to turn it into shorts. From there, you can do some designs to make it fashionable again.

Scarf to bag. A big scarf can be folded in to shape and all you have to do is sew the sides. Make handles out of another scarf or you can use long beaded necklaces to use it as the bag strap. Add some cute patches and you have a new bag.

Tweak your flip flops. Give your plain, old flip flops a new look by sticking some colorful beads and buttons on it.

Accessorize with paper. Old magazines can be used in making accessories. Just cut, roll, put them in a string and tie the knot.

Clothing is one of the basic needs of the people, but as earth constantly gets polluted, the resource needed to produce clothing vanishes. Reduce, reuse, recycle and turn your old clothes into fashionable new ones!

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