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Let it stream! Our 2020 holiday entertainment guide for Chicago, 35 choices in all, both live and on your screen

This we know: It will be a quiet Christmas this year. Empty stages, shuttered box offices, Handel's "Messiah" even more do-it-yourself than normal. "The Nutcracker" sadly missing. A planned live performance of "Jacob Marley's Christmas Carol" in Milwaukee scrapped by rising COVID cases.

But it's the holiday season, and we'll make the best of it. The Tribune offers our usual guide to seasonal entertainment, albeit most of it online and streaming for 2020. There are a few live events too. And make no mistake, there's still some gifts on this list.

"Eleanor's Very Merry Christmas Wish — The Musical" is a [holiday show](#) that debuted last year at the Greenhouse Theater Center and tells the story of a rag doll named Eleanor, who lives in the North Pole and writes a letter to Santa wishing for a home of her own. *Streaming via InPlayer Nov. 27 to Dec. 27; tickets \$25-\$85 at www.eleanorswish.com.*

