

Holiday Broadcasts on Shortwave

Version 2 (Issued 18 December)

Saturday 19 December 2020 to Sunday 3 January 2021

I am collating a list of programming on shortwave over the forthcoming holiday period. The programmes listed are predominantly, but not necessarily, seasonal. Regular weekly music programming *where no special advance programme information has been provided* are not included in this list, but please refer to my **Music on Shortwave** list. Here is an updated edition of this compilation, which will further updated and redistributed if and when more information becomes available. I hope that you find it useful.

Additions and corrections are most welcome to alan-roe-swl@randa33.co.uk

With thanks to all sources as mentioned below and to the **Broadcasts in English** booklet published by the **British DX Club** and to the **World of Radio** website compiled by **Glenn Hauser**, for current frequency information.

Best wishes for Christmas and a Happy New Year

Alan Roe, Teddington, UK

Changes in v1.0 * Initial compilation

Changes in v2.0 * Added KTWR broadcasts at various times between 1026-1315 daily 19 Dec to 26 Dec
* Added SDXA broadcasts via Channel 292 at 1000 on 25, 26 Dec and at 1200 on 1 Jan
* Added additional R Japan broadcasts on 26 & 29 Dec - 2 Jan at 0445/0510, 1110/15, 1410/15
* Added additional R Romania Int (Romanian Service – Radio Concert Season playlist) for broadcast on 20 Dec at 0200, and a possible (to be confirmed) playlist for 27 Dec at 0200
* Added transmissions of Encore Classical Music for dates between 19 and 25 Dec.

Saturday 19 December

0510-0530: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – J-MELO

6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France

We'll be showcasing J-pop cover songs with three artists. We kick off with Marty Friedman, a guitarist originally from the United States. After falling in love with Japanese music, he moved his base to Japan and has been performing here ever since. Our second guest is Kitagawa Rio, who is a member of the pop idol group Morning Musume.'20. She is a new member who joined last year. And for our third guest, we have Funaki Musubu, who is a member of the pop idol group Angerme. She has taken part in many overseas performances, and has an extensive fan base around the world. We provide their special interviews and studio lives. (This program was [previously] broadcast on December 5, 2020.)

(*NHK World R Japan website*)

0540-0600: NHK World R Japan (French Service) – J-MELO

7450 via France, 13840 via Madagascar

[Programme same as at 0510-0530 above, but with French language voice-over]

(*NHK World R Japan website*)

- 0800-0900: Channel 292 - *Uncle Bill's Melting Pot***
 9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
 In episode 195, we listen to klezmer and some unusual arrangements of Hanukkah music.
(Bill Tilford)
- 0900-1000: Channel 292 - *Texas Radio Shortwave***
 6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
 Rebroadcast of 2019 Pre-Christmas Music Special
(TRSW press release)
- 1057-1130: KTWR (TWR Asia) – *Special Christmas programmes***
 9910 via Guam/DRM
 Special Christmas broadcast in English
(Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website)
- 1100-1200: Channel 292 – *R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music***
 6070 and 9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
 Playlist includes (amongst others):
 Mozart: Magic Flute Overture, K620
 Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No.1, No.2 & No.3
 JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea
 Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor
(R Tumbril website)
- 1110-1130: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – *J-MELO***
 11825 via Singapore
 [See 0510-0530 above for details]
(NHK World R Japan website)
- 1206-1300: BBC WS – *Music Life***
 11850 via Singapore, 12065 via Oman, 15310 via Oman
 This festive edition of Music Life mixes the contemporary with the legendary.
 St. Vincent is an artist, songwriter and producer from Texas, now based in LA. After playing with the Polyphonic Spree and Sufjan Stevens, she formed her own band in 2006. She's since released six albums including Love This Giant, a collaboration with David Byrne, and she completely shreds on the guitar! Vagabon is a Cameroonian-American multi-instrumentalist, singer, and producer described as an "indie rock game changer".
 Together they'll discuss feeling the pressure to do something different, what American identity is how it shows in their work, and whether they make things music to make people think, or move their feet. Following the discussion, Vagabon will be taking us through a playlist she's called 'Music To Cook To' – a perfectly timed playlist to cook sprouts to - featuring music from the likes of James Blake, Mary Lattimore, and Sharon Van Etten.
(BBC WS website)
- 1300-1400: Channel 292 - *From The Isle of Music***
 6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
 This week, we present a musical retrospective of Candido Camero, and important innovator in the evolution of the usage of Afro-Cuban percussion who passed away November 7 at the age of 99 years.
(Bil Tilford)
- 1410-1430: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – *J-MELO***
 6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
 [See 0510-0530 above for details]
(NHK World R Japan website)

- 1800-1900: Channel 292 - Texas Radio Shortwave**
3955 via Rohrbach, Germany
Rebroadcast of 2019 Pre-Christmas Music Special
(*TRSW press release*)
- 2030-2100: NHK World R Japan (French Service) – J-MELO**
9855 via Madagascar
[Programme same as at 0510-0530 above, but with French language voice-over]
(*NHK World R Japan website*)
- 2230-2300: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
9955 via WRMI, USA
Programming for the 12th December 2020 - 2nd January 2021
Christmas and New Year's Special 2020. (Listen at: <https://archive.org/details/2020Christmas>)
Music: Donald Trump (mash up) - Elton John - Boney M - Kate Bush - Band Aid Comedy: Santa Is Indian! / Jack Dee hates Christmas shopping.
(*HRI Facebook page*)
- 2232-2300: BBC WS – Heart and Soul**
3915 via Singapore, 5845 via Singapore, 5960 via Oman, 6150 via Philippines,
6195 via Singapore, 7300 via Oman
Black Jesus: The identity and colour of Jesus – and why it matters - has taken on a new significance in this year of protest and change. Seeing Jesus as a dark skinned Palestinian rather than blonde European is both historically accurate and theologically important, but it's not a new idea. Robert Beckford, one of the UK's prominent black theologians, wants to explore the impact Black Theology has had, the implications for the church and whether seeing Jesus as black is having a revival due to the influence of black lives matter.
(*BBC WS website*)
- 2330-2400: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
7780 via WRMI, USA
[See 2230-2300 above for details]
(*HRI Facebook page*)

Sunday 20 December

- 0030-0100: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
7730 via WRMI, USA
Programming for the 12th December 2020 - 2nd January 2021
Christmas and New Year's Special 2020. (Listen at: <https://archive.org/details/2020Christmas>)
Music: Donald Trump (mash up) - Elton John - Boney M - Kate Bush - Band Aid Comedy: Santa Is Indian! / Jack Dee hates Christmas shopping.
(*HRI Facebook page*)
- 0100-0200: WRMI – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music**
5010 and 5850 via WRMI, USA
Playlist includes (amongst others):
Mozart: Magic Flute Overture, K620
Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No.1, No.2 & No.3
JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea
Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor
(*R Tumbril website*)

0200-0255: R. Romania Int (Romanian Service) – Radio Concert Season

5910, 7420

Airing of the first half of the (two-hour) Radio Concert Season programme broadcast on Radio România Muzical (Romanian domestic service). Full playlist (for the 2 hours, but only first 55 minutes will be aired) is: Recordings by the National Radio Orchestra. Presented by Sorina Goia. Integral program Ludwig van Beethoven. Recordings from the Golden Sound Library. Overture Coriolan op. 62 (conductor George Georgescu), Concert no. 1 op. 15 in C major for piano and orchestra (soloist Valentin Gheorghiu, conductor Iosif Conta), Ninth Symphony op. 125 in D minor for soloists, choir and orchestra (Academic Radio Choir, soloists Elisabeta Neculce-Cartis, Martha Kessler, Valentin Teodorian, Gheorghe Crasnaru, conductor Igor Markevitch), Romance op. 50 in F major for violin and orchestra (soloist Eugen Sârbu, conductor Alexandru Samoilă)
(*RRM website*)

0230-2330: Various Stations/times – AWR WaveScan

- 0230-0300 WRMI, USA: 5800, 7780
- 0300-0330 WRMI, USA: 9395
- 0300-0330 KVOH, USA: 9975
- 0430-0500 WWCR, USA: 4840
- 0600-0630 V of Hope Zambia: 9680, 11680
- 0930-1000 WRMI, USA: 5950
- 1030-1100 WRMI, USA: 5850 ???
- 1130-1200 WRMI, USA: 15770
- 1200-1230 IRRS Shortwave: 9510 via Romania?
- 1430-1500 WRMI, USA: 9955
- 1530-1600 Adventist World R: 9955 via Tajikstan
- 1600-1630 Adventist World R: 9580 via Armenia, 17730 via Madagascar
- 1800-1830 V of Hope Zambia: 4965, 6065
- 2200-2230 Adventist World R: 11990 via Guam (KSDA)
- 2300-2330 WRMI, USA: 7780

On Wavescan beginning December 20: Christmas Music Around the World, with Christmas songs from England, Ireland, China, Greece, South Africa, Paraguay and India.
(*WRMI Facebook page*)

0300-0400: WRMI - Texas Radio Shortwave

5800 via WRMI, USA

Rebroadcast of 2019 Pre-Christmas Music Special

(*TRSW press release*)

0430-0500: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int

9955 via WRMI, USA

[See 0030-0100 above for details]

(*HRI Facebook page*)

1032-1100: BBC WS – Heart and Soul

6195 via Singapore, 9580 via Singapore, 11945 via Singapore

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(*BBC WS website*)

- 1026-1315: KTWR (TWR Asia)/various times – *Special Christmas programmes***
- 1026-1056: 13800 via Guam/DRM
 - 1057-1130: 9910 via Guam/DRM
 - 1246-1315: 7500 via Guam/DRM
- Special Christmas broadcast in English
(Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website)
- 1500-1600: SpaceLine – *From the Isle of Music***
9400 via Bulgaria
This week, we present a Navidad Cubana with Cuban Christmastime music from the past several decades.
(Bil Tilford)
- 1700-1800: Channel 292 – *R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music***
9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
Playlist includes (amongst others):
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Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No.1, No.2 & No.3
JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea
Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor
(R Tumbril website)
- 2006-2100: BBC WS – *Music Life***
11810 via Woofferton, 12095 via Ascension
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And our host this week is Ahmed Gallab, also known as Sinkane, who's a Sudanese-American musician and singer based in New York, who blends Funk, Jazz, Dance, and Pop. His latest album 'Dépaysé' is about self-discovery as an immigrant in the USA.
Together they'll discuss feeling the pressure to do something different, what American identity is how it shows in their work, and whether they make things music to make people think, or move their feet. Following the discussion, Vagabon will be taking us through a playlist she's called 'Music To Cook To' – a perfectly timed playlist to cook sprouts to - featuring music from the likes of James Blake, Mary Lattimore, and Sharon Van Etten.
(BBC WS website)
- 2200-2300: Channel 292 – *R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music***
3955 via Rohrbach, Germany
[See 1700-1800 above for details]
(R Tumbril website)
- 2300-2400: WBCQ The Planet – *Uncle Bill's Melting Pot***
7490 via WBCQ, USA
In episode 196, we listen to some unusual Christmastime music (including some parodies) from various countries.
(Bil Tilford)

2330-2400: WBCQ The Planet – Hobart Radio Int
6160 via WBCQ, USA
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Christmas and New Year's Special 2020. (Listen at: <https://archive.org/details/2020Christmas>)
Music: Donald Trump (mash up) - Elton John - Boney M - Kate Bush - Band Aid Comedy: Santa Is Indian! / Jack Dee hates Christmas shopping.
(*HRI Facebook page*)

Monday 21 December

0100-2330: Various Stations/times – AWR WaveScan

- 0100-0130 WRMI, USA: 7780
- 0230-0300 WRMI, USA: 9955
- 0330-0400 WRMI, USA: 5985
- 0430-0500 WRMI, USA: 5985
- 0800-0830 WRMI, USA: 5850, 5950, 7730
- 1415-1445 WRMI, USA: 9955
- 1730-1800 Vof Hope Zambia: 4965, 6065
- 2300-1900 WRMI, USA: 9955 ???

On Wavescan beginning December 20: Christmas Music Around the World, with Christmas songs from England, Ireland, China, Greece, South Africa, Paraguay and India.
(*WRMI Facebook page*)

0132-0200: BBC WS – Heart and Soul

5945 via Armenia, 12095 via Singapore

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(*BBC WS website*)

0200-0300: WRMI - R Emma Toc

5950 via WRMI, USA

0200-0230: World Service including recording of Falklands Islands Broadcasting service at time of invasion in 1982, a recording of the Dutch boarding of Radio Caroline in 1989, and recording of a fictional radio station - Radio Morania

0230-0300: Sunny Jim's Trance Journey music programme

(*Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc*)

0300-0400: WRMI – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music

5950 via WRMI, USA

Playlist includes (amongst others):

Mozart: Magic Flute Overture, K620

Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No.1, No.2 & No.3

JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea

Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor

(*R Tumbril website*)

1026-1315: KTWR (TWR Asia)/various times – Special Christmas programmes

- 1026-1056: 13800 via Guam/DRM
- 1057-1130: 9910 via Guam/DRM
- 1246-1315: 7500 via Guam/DRM

Special Christmas broadcast in English

(Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website)

Tuesday 22 December

0030-2000: Various Stations/times – AWR WaveScan

- 0030-0100 WRMI, USA: 7730
- 0130-0200 WRMI, USA: 5010, 5850??? 7780
- 0300-0330 WRMI, USA: 9955, 5800???
- 0430-0500 WRMI, USA: 5985, 9955
- 1930-2000 IRRS Shortwave: 7290 via Romania or Bulgaria?

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(WRMI Facebook page)

0100-0200: WBCQ The Planet – From the Isle of Music

7490 via WBCQ, USA

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Special Christmas broadcast in English

(Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website)

1300-1400: 100 Years of Radio from Funkerberg Königs Wusterhausen

5960 via Austria (100Kw)

On the 22th December from 2 pm to 3 pm [13 UTC to 14 UTC] will be a transmission on 810 kHz from Königs-Wusterhausen in Germany. As I know they will use a T-antenna from freestanding towers, not the big mast. https://www.senderfotos.de/wp-content/gallery/koenigs_wusterhausen/20120317_koenig_swusterhausen_07.jpg. The big mast contains a wire antenna for 177 kHz and was the backup of Zehlendorf. <https://www.senderfotos.de/senderfotos-national/brandenburg/konigs-wusterhausen/>
It can also be heard on shortwave 5960 kHz.

(Marco via Ydun's Medium Wave Info <https://mediumwave.info/2020/12/>)

1300-1400: WRMI – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music

15770 via WRMI, USA

Playlist includes (amongst others):

Mozart: Magic Flute Overture, K620

Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No1, No.2 & No.3

JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea

Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor

(R Tumbril website)

- 1900-2000: Channel 292 – *From the Isle of Music***
 6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
 This week, we present a Navidad Cubana with Cuban Christmastime music from the past several decades.
 (*Bil Tilford*)
- 2000-2100: Channel 292 – *Uncle Bill's Melting Pot***
 6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
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 (*Bil Tilford*)
- 2300-2400: WRMI - *R Emma Toc***
 9955 via WRMI, USA
 2300-2330: World Service including recording of Falklands Islands Broadcasting service at time of invasion in 1982, a recording of the Dutch boarding of Radio Caroline in 1989, and recording of a fictional radio station - Radio Morania
 2330-2400: Sunny Jim's Trance Journey music programme
 (*Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc*)

Wednesday 23 December

- 0130-2400: Various Stations/times – *AWR WaveScan***
- 0130-0200 WRMI, USA: 9955 ???
 - 2330-2400 WRMI, USA: 9955
- On Wavescan beginning December 20: Christmas Music Around the World, with Christmas songs from England, Ireland, China, Greece, South Africa, Paraguay and India.
 (*WRMI Facebook page*)
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 - 1246-1315: 7500 via Guam/DRM
- Special Christmas broadcast in English
 (*Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website*)
- 2100-2200: WRMI - *This is a Music Show***
 7780kHz via WRMI
 TIAMS Top 25 of 2020 (Part 1). Time to count down the best finds of the year! Vote here for your favourite songs: <https://forms.gle/X7VzZvd9meKSLv8G9> (Part 2 on 30/31 December)
 (*TIAMS announcement via WOR iog mail list*)

Thursday 24 December

- 0030-0200: Various Stations/times – *AWR WaveScan***
- 0030-0100 WRMI, USA: 7730
 - 0130-0200 WRMI, USA: 7780, 5950????, 9395???
- On Wavescan beginning December 20: Christmas Music Around the World, with Christmas songs from England, Ireland, China, Greece, South Africa, Paraguay and India.
 (*WRMI Facebook page*)

- 0100-0130: WRMI - R Emma Toc**
 9955 via WRMI, USA
 World Service including recording of Falklands Islands Broadcasting service at time of invasion in 1982, a recording of the Dutch boarding of Radio Caroline in 1989, and recording of a fictional radio station - Radio Morania
(Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc)
- 0200-0300: WRMI - This is a Music Show**
 5850kHz via WRMI
 TIAMS Top 25 of 2020 (Part 1). Time to count down the best finds of the year! Vote here for your favourite songs: <https://forms.gle/X7VzZvd9meKSLv8G9> (Part 2 on 30/31 December)
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- 0300-0400: WRMI – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music**
 5800 via WRMI, USA
 Playlist includes (amongst others):
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 Erik Satie: Trois Gymnopedies: No1, No.2 & No.3
 JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea
 Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor
(R Tumbril website)
- 0830-0900: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
 5850 7730 via WRMI, USA
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 Christmas and New Year's Special 2020. (Listen at: <https://archive.org/details/2020Christmas>)
 Music: Donald Trump (mash up) - Elton John - Boney M - Kate Bush - Band Aid Comedy: Santa Is Indian! / Jack Dee hates Christmas shopping.
(HRI Facebook page)
- 1026-1130: KTWR (TWR Asia)/various times – Special Christmas programmes**
- 1026-1056: 13800 via Guam/DRM
 - 1057-1130: 9910 via Guam/DRM
- Special Christmas broadcast in English
(Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website)
- 1300-1400: WRMI – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music**
 15770 via WRMI, USA
 [See 0300-0400 above for details]
(R Tumbril website)
- 1500-1630: BBCWS - A Festival of Nine Lessons And Carols**
 1500-1600 Scheduled frequencies are 7485 via Singapore, 9410 via Oman
 1600-1630 Scheduled frequencies are 7445 via Madagascar, 7485 via Singapore,
 12065 via UAE, 17640 via Ascension
 (Frequencies may be extended later or earlier to accommodate the transmission)
 This service marks for many people around the world the beginning of Christmas. It is based around nine Bible readings, which tell the story of the loving purposes of God. They are interspersed with carols old and new, sung by the world famous Choir Of King's College Cambridge, who also lead the congregation in traditional Christmas hymns. Produced by Tim Allen for the BBC World Service.
(BBC WS website)

1900-2300: NDR - *Gruß an Bord ("Greetings on board")*

Pt 1 = 1900-2100: 6030 via Armenia, 6080 via Nauen, 9570 via Austria, 9740 via Nauen,
9800 via France, 11650 via France

Pt 2 = 2100-2300: 6145 via Nauen, 6155 via Armenia, 9590 via France, 9675 via Austria
9740 via Nauen, 9830 via France

<https://www.ndr.de/nachrichten/info/programm/Gruss-an-Bord-So-empfangen-Sie-die-Sendung,grussanbord624.html>

Google translates (& edited): NDR Info sends the "Greeting on board" from 2005 to 2200 CET. This is followed by the transmission of the Christmas Mass from the church of St. Mary Magdalene in Bochum-Wattenscheid from 2200 to 2315 CET. Then you will hear the second part of "Greetings on Board" until midnight CET. This is how you receive the broadcast. It has tradition and exudes a very special pre-Christmas mood:

(NDR website at <https://www.ndr.de/nachrichten/info/programm/Gruss-an-Bord-So-empfangen-Sie-die-Sendung,grussanbord624.html>)

Friday 25 December

0200-1030: Various Stations/times – AWR WaveScan

- 0200-0230 WRMI, USA: 9955
- 0330-0400 WINB, USA: 9265 ????
- 1000-1030 WRMI, USA: 5850 ???

On Wavescan beginning December 20: Christmas Music Around the World, with Christmas songs from England, Ireland, China, Greece, South Africa, Paraguay and India. (*WRMI Facebook page*)

0400-0500: WBCQ - Texas Radio Shortwave

7490 via WBCQ, USA

Texas Christmas Music Special featuring music by Texas artists including Beto y Los Fairlanes, Eric Johnson and Van Wilks, and Marcia Ball.

(*TRSW press release*)

1000-1100: Channel 292 – Swedish DX Association Special Broadcast

9670 via Rohrbach, Germany

SDXF's weekend program on shortwave: Also this year, the Swedish DX Association offers a special broadcast on shortwave during the Christmas and New Year holidays. The 60-minute program has been compiled by the well-known Göran Lindemark and it presents, among other things, an exclusive interview with George Wood about his time at Radio Sweden. We also hear a couple of examples of his musical favorites.

Other features include a rerun of a radio station in Bolivia and information on how to listen via the association's KIWI receiver in Parkalompolo. Anyone who submitted a report on SDXF's most recent broadcast can expect to be mentioned in the Mailbox.

SDXF appreciates listener reports and comments on the program content. They can be sent to gsl@sdxf.se.

(*Christer Brunström/Thomas Nilsson via Manuel Mendez and Christian Ghibaudo*)

1026-1130: KTWR (TWR Asia)/various times – Special Christmas programmes

- 1026-1056: 13800 via Guam/DRM
- 1057-1130: 9910 via Guam/DRM

Special Christmas broadcast in English

(*Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website*)

1506-1515: BBC WS - Her Majesty the Queen's Christmas Message

Scheduled frequencies are 7485 via Singapore, 9410 via Oman

Coverage of Her Majesty the Queen's traditional Christmas message to the Commonwealth.

(*BBC WS website*)

1900-2000: Channel 292 - Texas Radio Shortwave
3955 and 6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
Texas Christmas Music Special featuring music by Texas artists including Beto y Los Fairlanes, Eric Johnson and Van Wilks, and Marcia Ball.
(*TRSW press release*)

2000-2100: Channel 292 – R Tumbril: Encore Classical Music
6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
Playlist includes (amongst others):
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JS Bach: Partita - II Double & VII Tempo di borea
Mendelssohn: Allegromolto appassionato from Violin Concerto in E minor
(*R Tumbril website*)

Saturday 26 December

0100-2400: Various Stations/times – AWR WaveScan

- 0100-0130 WRMI, USA: 7780
- 0400-0430 WRMI, USA: 9955
- 1600-1630 KVOH, USA: 17775 suspended????
- 2330-2400 WRMI, USA: 9955

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6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France
We'll have two all-male groups on our show -- FANTASTICS from EXILE TRIBE and SUPER★DRAGON. FANTASTICS from EXILE TRIBE was formed in 2016. It is led by Sato Taiki and Sekai, members of another group EXILE which has a huge following in Japan. SUPER★DRAGON is a dance and vocal group, comprised of members between the ages of 16 and 21. We provide their special interviews and live studio performances. (This program was [previously] broadcast on December 12, 2020.)
(*NHK World R Japan website*)

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7450 via France, 13840 via Madagascar
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(*Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc*)

- 0800-0900: Channel 292 – Uncle Bill's Melting Pot**
9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
In episode 196, we listen to some unusual Christmastime music (including some parodies) from various countries.
(*Bil Tilford*)
- 0900-1430: Channel 292 - 100Kw Marathon**
6070 via Austria (100Kw)
 - 0900: HitAm 6045
 - 0930: SM Radio Dessau
 - 1000: Jake FM
 - 1030: Decade AM
 - 1100: Radio PowerRumpel
 - 1130: DARC
 - 1200: Uncle Bills Melting Pot / From The Isle of Music
 - 1300: SATzentrale-Dein Technikradio
 - 1330: Radio Klein Paris
 - 1400: Korches Radio(via <https://www.smradiio-dessau.de>)
- 1000-1100: Channel 292 – Swedish DX Association Special Broadcast**
9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
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(*Christer Brunström/Thomas Nilsson via Manuel Mendez and Christian Ghibaudo*)
- 1057-1130: KTWR (TWR Asia) – Special Christmas programmes**
1057-1130: 9910 via Guam/DRM
Special Christmas broadcast in English
(*Mike Sabin, TWR and <https://ktwrdrm.blogspot.com> website*)
- 1110-1130: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – J-MELO**
11825 via Singapore
[See 0510-0530 above for details]
(*NHK World R Japan website*)

- 1206-1300: BBC WS – Music Life**
11850 via Singapore, 12065 via Oman, 15310 via Oman
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(BBC WS website)
- 1410-1430: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – J-MELO**
6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
[See 0510-0530 above for details]
(NHK World R Japan website)
- 1430-2000: Channel 292 - Marathon (repeat)**
3955 via Rohrbach, Germany
- 1430: HitAm 6045
 - 1500: SM Radio Dessau
 - 1530: Jake FM
 - 1600: Decade AM
 - 1630: Radio PowerRumpel
 - 1700: DARC
 - 1730: Uncle Bills Melting Pot / From The Isle of Music
 - 1830: SATzentrale-Dein Technikradio
 - 1900: Radio Klein Paris
 - 1930: Korches Radio
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- 2030-2100: NHK World R Japan (French Service) – J-MELO**
9855 via Madagascar
[Programme same as at 0510-0530 above, but with French language voice-over]
(NHK World R Japan website)
- 2230-2300: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
9955 via WRMI, USA
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Christmas and New Year's Special 2020. (Listen at: <https://archive.org/details/2020Christmas>)
Music: Donald Trump (mash up) - Elton John - Boney M - Kate Bush - Band Aid Comedy: Santa Is Indian! / Jack Dee hates Christmas shopping.
(HRI Facebook page)

2232-2300: BBC WS – Heart and Soul

3915 via Singapore, 5845 via Singapore, 5960 via Oman, 6150 via Philippines,
6195 via Singapore, 7300 via Oman

From Santa To Shanghai: Situated 6km south of the Arctic Circle, Rovaniemi is the capital of Lapland. It's also the "official home of Santa Claus": the location where any letter (over 500,000 every year) addressed to Santa will arrive. As Santa's village lies eerily quiet due to Covid, all focus – and hope – lies on his official Post Office, and the letters that continue to stream through the door from children across the world. Presenter Steven Rajam – not to mention his six-year old daughter - still believes in Christmas, even if we're locked down thousands of miles away. He tells the story of the global Santa tourism boom, the myths, fantasies and traditions that Santa represents across different cultures, and why for all its commerce, maybe "the home of Santa" still speaks to something deep inside all of us...

(BBC WS website)

2230-2400: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int

7780 via WRMI, USA

[See 2230-2300 above for details]

(HRI Facebook page)

Sunday 27 December

0030-0100: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int

7730 via WRMI, USA

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0200-0255: R. Romania Int (Romanian Service) – Concerts from the Radio Romania archive

5910, 7420

There may be an airing of the first half of the (two-hour) programme broadcast on Radio România Muzical (Romanian domestic service) from previous Friday evening (ie the slot that normally contains the Radio Concert Season programme. If so, the full playlist (for the 2 hours, but only first 55 minutes would be aired) is: Memorable concerts from the Radio Romania archive • Director Jeanine Costache. * The concert held on March 29, 2019 by the National Radio Orchestra, conducted by Tianyi Lu. Soloist pianist Alexandra Dariescu. Aaron Copland - Skyline from "Music for a Great City", Nadia Boulanger - Fantasy for piano and orchestra, Antonin Dvořák - Symphony no. 9 op. 95 in E minor "From the New World"; * SoNoRo Festival. Selections from the concert held on November 5, 2019 at the Radio Hall. Protagonists: violinists Nicolas Dautricourt, Mihaela Martin, Meghan Cassidy, violinist Răzvan Popovici, cellist Justus Grimm, double bassist Zoran Markovic, pianists Diana Ketler and Enrico Pace and flutist Janne Thomsen. Erik Satie - "A Pear-Shaped Piece" for piano four hands, Jean Sibelius - En Saga op. 9 for flute, clarinet, two violins, viola, cello and double bass.

NOTE: This is unconfirmed – there may be a repeat airing of an earlier Radio Concert Season programme instead!

(RRM website)

0200-0300: WBCQ - Texas Radio Shortwave

6160 via WBCQ, USA

Texas Christmas Music Special featuring music by Texas artists including Beto y Los Fairlanes, Eric Johnson and Van Wilks, and Marcia Ball.

(TRSW press release)

- 0430-0500: WRMI – *Hobart Radio Int***
 9955 via WRMI, USA
 [See 0030-0100 above for details]
 (*HRI Facebook page*)
- 0900-1600: The Mighty KBC - *special one-off European broadcast***
 6095 via Nauen (125 Kw)
 • 0900-1000 Dave Mason
 • 1000-1200 Eric van Willegen
 • 1200-1400 Emperor Rosko
 • 1400-1600 Ron O'Quinn
 (*Mighty KBC Facebook posts*)
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 6195 via Singapore, 9580 via Singapore, 11945 via Singapore
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 (*BBC WS website*)
- 1400-1700: Radio Classic Sunday**
 3920 via Zwolle (R Piepender)
 • 1400-1500 René van Elst
 • 1600-1700 Jan Staphorst
 • 1700-1800 Mart Walther
 (*Radio Classic Sunday webpage*)
- 1500-1600: Spaceline – *From the Isle of Music***
 9400 via Bulgaria
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 (*Bil Tilford*)
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 (*BBC WS website*)

- 2100-2300: The Mighty KBC - *Special broadcast***
 6080 (assumed via Armenia) (100Kw)
 Details unknown at present – probably Eric van Willegen with The Giant Jukebox
 (*Mighty KBC Facebook posts*)
- 2300-2400: WBCQ The Planet – *Uncle Bill's Melting Pot***
 7490 via WBCQ, USA
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 (*HRI Facebook page*)

Monday 28 December

- 0132-0200: BBC WS – *Heart and Soul***
 5945 via Armenia, 12095 via Singapore
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 (*BBC WS website*)
- 0200-0300: WRMI - *R Emma Toc***
 5950 via WRMI, USA
 0200-0230: World Service including recording of Falklands Islands Broadcasting service at time of invasion in 1982, a recording of the Dutch boarding of Radio Caroline in 1989, and recording of a fictional radio station - Radio Morania.
 0230-0300: Sunny Jim's Trance Journey music programme
 (*Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc*)
- 0432-0500: BBC WS - *CrowdScience***
 7285 via Oman, 9915 via Madagascar, 12095 via Oman-sla
 At Christmas, is there a better gift than knowledge? Well, aside from a lifetime supply of chocolate, some would say probably not. Which is why CrowdScience cooked up its own version of 'secret Santa', with members of the team setting one another the challenge to answer surprising questions from all over the world.
 Are humans the only animals to exercise? Can you get colder than absolute zero? Why are sounds louder at night? When it comes to food dropped on the floor, is there such thing as the "three second rule"? And, does honey really have healing properties? Producers and presenters from the CrowdScience team speak to all manner of experts, from zoologists through to material scientists to find the answers.
 (*BBC WS Website*)

1132-1200: BBC WS - CrowdScience
6195 via Singapore, 9580 via Singapore, 11945 via Singapore
[See 0432-0500 above for details].
(BBC WS Website)

1832-1900: BBC WS - CrowdScience
7265 via Madagascar, 7445 via Madagascar, 9410 via UAE, 9915 via Woofferton, UK,
11810 via Ascension, 15400 via Ascension
[See 0432-0500 above for details].
(BBC WS Website)

Tuesday 29 December

0100-0200: WBCQ The Planet – From the Isle of Music
7490 via WBCQ, USA
This week, we give you an hour you can enjoy with your sweetie with romantic music from Cuba from the past 50 years.
(Bil Tilford)

0445-0500: NHK World R Japan – Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces
6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France
Kosode - Design of Mandarin Ducks and Waves on Black Figured Satin
This kimono was made in the latter half of the 17th century. It was an era of peace during which townspeople prospered and kimono fashion flourished, reaching new heights. Many books of pattern samples were published, and people browsed these patterns before ordering their own unique kimonos. The dynamic arc design of this kimono is typical of those times. (This program was [previously] broadcast on January 9, 2020.)
(NHK World R Japan website)

1115-1130: NHK World R Japan – Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces
11825 via Singapore
[See 0445-0500 above for details]
(NHK World R Japan website)

1415-1430: NHK World R Japan – Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces
6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
[See 0445-0500 above for details]
(NHK World R Japan website)

1900-2000: Channel 292 – From the Isle of Music
6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
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2300-2400: WRMI - R Emma Toc
9955 via WRMI, USA
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2330-2400: Sunny Jim's Trance Journey music programme
(Information from Jim at Radio Emma Toc)

Wednesday 30 December

- 0445-0500:** **NHK World R Japan – *Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces***
6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France
Mount Fuji Plaque in cloisonné by Sousuke Namikawa
We feature a 19th century cloisonné picture of Mount Fuji. A cloisonné is made by attaching enamel, a kind of glass, to a metal base using heat. The piece was made by Sousuke Namikawa, one of Japan's most renowned cloisonné craftsmen, for exhibition at the 1893 World Expo. The work, with the picture of Mt. Fuji emerging from the clouds, looks like a painting. It conveys one of Japan's most ardent wishes of those times. (This program was [previously] broadcast on July 11, 2019.)
(*NHK World R Japan website*)
- 0700-0800:** **Channel 292 - *R Emma Toc***
6070 via Rohrbach, Germany
0700-0730: World Service including recording of Falklands Islands Broadcasting service at time of invasion in 1982, a recording of the Dutch boarding of Radio Caroline in 1989, and recording of a fictional radio station - Radio Morania
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- 1115-1130:** **NHK World R Japan – *Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces***
11825 via Singapore
[See 0445-0500 above for details]
(*NHK World R Japan website*)
- 1415-1430:** **NHK World R Japan – *Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces***
6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
[See 0445-0500 above for details]
(*NHK World R Japan website*)
- 2100-2200:** **WRMI - *This is a Music Show***
7780kHz via WRMI
TIAMS Top 25 of 2020 (Part 2). Time to count down the best finds of the year! Vote here for your favourite songs: <https://forms.gle/X7VzZvd9meKSLv8G9> (Part 1 on 23/24 December)
(*TIAMS announcement via WOR iog mail list*)
- 2200-2300:** **Channel 292 – *PopShop Radio***
9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
Special "All-Singing, All-Dancing" Northern Soul Show (beamed to N. America)
(*PopShop Rado website*)
- 2300-2400:** **Channel 292 – *PopShop Radio***
3955 via Rohrbach, Germany, 6070 via Rohrbach Germany
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(*PopShop Rado website*)

Thursday 31 December

- 0100-0130:** **WRMI - *R Emma Toc***
9955 via WRMI, USA
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 6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France
The Twelve Divine Generals
 The Twelve Divine Generals is a set of Buddhist statues sculpted in the 13th century. Originating in India, they were regarded as divine guards who together would defend all directions at all times. Each one is unique and looks as if it could be from a cartoon. We have a look at their appeal. (This program was [previously] broadcast on February 14, 2019.)
 (NHK World R Japan website)
- 0830-0900: WRMI – *Hobart Radio Int***
 5850 7730 via WRMI, USA
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 6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
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 (NHK World R Japan website)
- 2300-0100: Channel 292 - *Welcome to 2021***
 3955 via Rohrbach, Germany, 6070 via Nauen (100Kw), 9670 via Rohrbach, Germany
 Special programme with contributions from Radio Ohne Namen, Radio PowerRumpel, Radio Decade AM, Alt Universe Top 40, Uncle Bills Melting Pot, VORW Int, SM Radio Dessau, Encore Classical Music, and From The Isle of Music.
 (Press release by Bill Tilford)

Friday 1 January

- 0400-0500: WBCQ - *Escape from 2020!***
 6160 via WBCQ, USA, 7490 via WBCQ, USA
 This one-hour special simulcast produced by Bill Tilford with time donated by Allan and Angela Weiner will feature segments from five programs you can hear on WBCQ - music from Marion's Attic, The Lumpy Gravy Radio Show, Uncle Bill's Melting Pot and From the Isle of Music plus a short radio play by Tom Call Theater.
 (Press release by Bill Tilford)

- 0445-0500: NHK World R Japan – *Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces***
6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France
Merrymaking under Blossoms
The pair of early 17th century folding screens depicts revelers enjoying the spring beneath the cherry blossoms. We also see women dressed as men giving a type of performance that was popular at the time. This women-only blossom viewing party seems suggestive of the coming of peace after so many years of civil war. (This program was [previously] broadcast on March 14, 2019.)
(*NHK World R Japan website*)
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- 1200-1400: Studio 52 - *Happy New Year Show***
5990-nau
No further details at present
(*Studio 52 webpage*)
- 1415-1430: NHK World R Japan – *Plug-in Japan: The Magic of Japanese Masterpieces***
6165 via Tashkent, 11925 via UAE
[See 0445-0500 above for details]
(*NHK World R Japan website*)

Saturday 2 January

0510-0530: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – J-MELO

6185 via Austria, 7245 via Vatican, 7445 via France

Today's show features Moriguchi Hiroko and SILENT SIREN. Moriguchi Hiroko debuted as a singer in 1985, singing the theme song for "Mobile Suit Zeta Gundam," which is a nationally cherished anime series in Japan. She is a talented singer with a repertoire not limited to pop songs. She is also trying her hand at holding jazz concerts. SILENT SIREN is an all-female band made up of four members. All of them have worked as fashion models for magazines. And so, they have won popularity with their cute looks and musical talent. We bring you their special interviews and live studio performances. (This program was [previously] broadcast on October 10, 2020.)

(*NHK World R Japan website*)

0540-0600: NHK World R Japan (French Service) – J-MELO

7450 via France, 13840 via Madagascar

[Programme same as at 0510-0530 above, but with French language voice-over]

(*NHK World R Japan website*)

0800-0900: Channel 292 – Uncle Bill's Melting Pot

9670 via Rohrbach, Germany

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1100-1200: Radio SE-TA2 - Quarterly high-power broadcast

6095 via Nauen

No further details at present

(*Radio SE-TA2*)

1100-1400: Studio 52 - Hitmix Radio/Radio 60! joint broadcast

6045 via Nauen

"The technical specialty of this transmission for the specialists of our listeners will be the "flying" change of the transmitter while the running show at 12:05 UTC. Because of organizational reasons (Radio SeTa2 used this 100kW-transmitter on 6095kHz until 12:00 UTC) we will start at 11:00 UTC on 6045 kHz with a other 125kW-transmitter. At 12:05 UTC the 100kW-transmitter will be run for a few seconds parallel with modulation on 6045 kHz. The 125kW-transmitter then will be switched off and we use the 100kW-transmitter until the end of the transmission 14:00 UTC."

(*Studio 52 webpage*)

1110-1130: NHK World R Japan (English Service) – J-MELO

11825 via Singapore

[See 0510-0530 above for details]

(*NHK World R Japan website*)

- 1206-1300: BBC WS – *Music Life***
 11850 via Singapore, 12065 via Oman, 15310 via Oman
 Experimental sitarist, singer, and producer Ami Dang Baltimore is from Baltimore in the US. Her sound fuses North Indian classical with ambient electronics . She'll be asking the group today all about the importance of not knowing where a song will end up, persevering with a project even when it's not going well, and how relations with family can inspire stories of positivity and tragedy.
 Talking about those subjects is: Elisita Punto, a producer and composer who was part of the band MKRNI from Santiago, Chile. Nazar is a producer who draws on deep subject matter with his music, including his father's role in the Angolan civil war. And Tuna Pase an artist, lecturer, ethnomusicologist, and engineer born in Istanbul now based in Barcelona.
 Following the discussion, Futuro Fossil AKA Elisita Punto shares her "far-stretching, yet still close" playlist, featuring tracks from the likes of Dominique Dumont, former Music Life host Kelsey Lu, and today's host, Ami Dang.
 (*BBC WS website*)
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- 1906-2000: BBC WS – *New Year's Concert***
 6195 via Sao Tome, 7265 via Madagascar, 7445 via Madagascar, 9410 via UAE, 11810 via Wooferton, 12095 via Ascension
 From the BBC Studios in Maida Vale, London, Georgia Mann introduces the BBC World Service New Year's Concert 2021 featuring three of the BBC New Generation Artists scheme, some of the world's most promising young musicians with established international careers!
 After joining the BBC NGAs scheme in 2016, 29-year old Egyptian soprano Fatma Said has become one of the most sought after singers of her generation, praised for the lyricism and purity of her voice. She crosses cultures in her repertoire feeling at ease in both Western Classical music and works by Egyptian composers, as well as in traditional Middle-East songs. Also known for her commitment to humanitarian causes, Fatma's received an honorary award from Egypt's National Council for Women and she's the first Egyptian opera singer ever to be given the state's Creativity Award, one of the country's highest accolades.
 Born in 1995 in London, current NGAs member Timothy Ridout has taken his instrument, the viola, to new heights. He's praised for his golden, dark, assured tone, his perfect intonation, his broad palette of colours... and a charisma beyond his years.
 And former NGA member Trish Clowes brings her unique brand of Jazz to this event too! After joining the scheme in 2012, this prodigiously talented 36-year old British saxophonist and composer has mesmerised her audiences both in the UK and abroad thanks to her mercurial and imaginative improvisations, which no doubt we'll hear in this concert.
 (*BBC WS website*)
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 9855 via Madagascar
 [Programme same as at 0510-0530 above, but with French language voice-over]
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- 2330-2400: WRMI – Hobart Radio Int**
 7780 via WRMI, USA
 [See 2230-2300 above for details]
 (*HRI Facebook page*)

Sunday 3 January

- 1206-1300: BBC WS – New Year’s Concert**
 11850 via Singapore, 12065 via Oman, 15310 via Oman
 From the BBC Studios in Maida Vale, London, Georgia Mann introduces the BBC World Service New Year’s Concert 2021 featuring three of the BBC New Generation Artists scheme, some of the world’s most promising young musicians with established international careers!
 After joining the BBC NGAs scheme in 2016, 29-year old Egyptian soprano Fatma Said has become one of the most sought after singers of her generation, praised for the lyricism and purity of her voice. She crosses cultures in her repertoire feeling at ease in both Western Classical music and works by Egyptian composers, as well as in traditional Middle-East songs. Also known for her commitment to humanitarian causes, Fatma’s received an honorary award from Egypt’s National Council for Women and she’s the first Egyptian opera singer ever to be given the state’s Creativity Award, one of the country’s highest accolades.
 Born in 1995 in London, current NGAs member Timothy Ridout has taken his instrument, the viola, to new heights. He’s praised for his golden, dark, assured tone, his perfect intonation, his broad palette of colours... and a charisma beyond his years.
 And former NGA member Trish Clowes brings her unique brand of Jazz to this event too! After joining the scheme in 2012, this prodigiously talented 36-year old British saxophonist and composer has mesmerised her audiences both in the UK and abroad thanks to her mercurial and imaginative improvisations, which no doubt we’ll hear in this concert.
 (*BBC WS website*)

2006-2100: BBC WS – *Music Life*

11810 via Woofferton, UK, 12095 via Ascension

Experimental sitarist, singer, and producer Ami Dang Baltimore is from Baltimore in the US. Her sound fuses North Indian classical with ambient electronics . She'll be asking the group today all about the importance of not knowing where a song will end up, persevering with a project even when it's not going well, and how relations with family can inspire stories of positivity and tragedy.

Talking about those subjects is: Elisita Punto, a producer and composer who was part of the band MKRNI from Santiago, Chile. Nazar is a producer who draws on deep subject matter with his music, including his father's role in the Angolan civil war. And Tuna Pase an artist, lecturer, ethnomusicologist, and engineer born in Istanbul now based in Barcelona.

Following the discussion, Futuro Fossil AKA Elisita Punto shares her "far-stretching, yet still close" playlist, featuring tracks from the likes of Dominique Dumont, former Music Life host Kelsey Lu, and today's host, Ami Dang.

(BBC WS website)