

PREMIERE HIGHLIGHTS FOR **December** ON TALKING PICTURES TV

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Mon 2nd Dec 06:00

Trouble Brewing (1939)

Comedy, directed by: Anthony Kimmins. Stars: George Formby, Googie Withers, Gus McNaughton. Ealing comedy in which an eager newspaper reporter goes undercover to expose a gang of counterfeiters.



Fri 6th Dec 22:00

and Tues 10th Dec 22:00

Scars of Dracula (1970)

Horror, directed by: Roy Ward Baker. Stars: Christopher Lee, Jenny Hanley, Dennis Waterman. At a remote castle Count Dracula's reign of terror begins. Villagers set fire to the castle but bats kill women & children in the church.

Sat 7th Dec 17:50

The Man Who Haunted Himself (1970)

A man renounces his business principles after a near-fatal car accident. Friends see him in strange places and a girl he hardly knows claims a relationship with him.



Sat 7th Dec 16:00

The Land That Time Forgot (1975)

Adventure, directed by Kevin Connor, based on the Edgar Rice Burroughs novel. Stars: Doug McClure, John McEnery, Susan Penhaligon. Shipwreck survivors drift to an island inhabited by pre-historic monsters.

Mon 2nd Dec 16:40

and Thurs 5th Dec at 20:05

IWM: Break In (1956)

A dramatised training film for the Military Police showing the correct procedures for solving a crime.



Sun 8th Dec 14:00

Ha'penny Breeze (1951)

Drama, directed by: Don Sharp. Stars: Edwin Richfield, Don Sharp, Gwyneth Vaughan. David returns to his Suffolk home after World War II with a scheme to revive the village.

Mon 2nd Dec 22:00

Bunny Lake is Missing (1965)

Mystery, directed by: Otto Preminger. Stars: Keir Dullea, Carol Lynley & Laurence Olivier. A woman reports that her young daughter is missing but there seems to be no evidence that she ever existed.



Sun 8th Dec 16:00

The March Hare (1956)

Comedy, directed by: George More O'Ferrall. Stars: Peggy Cummins, Terence Morgan, Wilfrid Hyde White. Sir Charles Hare loses his all at Ascot, but his aunt has a scheme to help.

Wed 4th Dec 19:15

Bless This House (1972)

Comedy, directed by Gerald Thomas. Stars: Sidney James, Diana Coupland & Sally Geeson. Middle-aged homeowner Sid Abbot just wants to get on with building his illegal whisky still.



Sun 8th Dec 18:35

Maytime in Mayfair (1949)

Musical, directed by: Herbert Wilcox. Stars: Anna Neagle, Michael Wilding, Thora Hird, Tom Walls, Peter Graves. Penniless Michael is left a Mayfair fashion salon. His plans to sell change when he meets Ellen the manager.



The Nanny on Talking Pictures TV

Stars: Bette Davis, Nora Gordon, William Dix, Wendy Craig, Pamela Franklin, Alfred Burke, Jill Bennett, Maurice Denham, James Villiers. Directed by Seth Holt. Bette Davis gives a chilling performance as the family nanny in this Hammer Horror, calmly keeping a neurotic household together. However, when her young charge returns from the institute he was sent to after his sister died – a murder he is accused of – events take a sinister turn. Is the

nanny pursuing a murderous agenda, or is the boy lying? Compelling supporting performances are given by Wendy Craig as the boy's mother and Jill Bennett as the suspicious aunt. However, it is William Dix who steals the limelight as the 'disturbed' boy, and the interplay between Dix and Davis is enthralling, as Davis alternates between the household mainstay in public and a lethal menace in private. **Airs: Sat 14th Dec at 10pm.**





Mystery and Imagination on Talking Pictures TV

Stars: Robert Eddison, Patience Collier, Lucy Fleming, Ian Holm, Denholm Elliot, Susan George, Bernard Archard, Corin Redgrave, Joan Hickson, Bernard Archard, Hildegard Neil, Freddie Jones, Peter Sallis, Mel Martin, Isobel Black and Patrick Mower. Five series of this British television series of classic horror and supernatural dramas were broadcast from 1966 to 1970. Each episode was based on the works of well-known authors such as Robert Louis Stevenson, Bram Stoker and Mary Shelley. Very few episodes survive, but the feature-length teleplays produced by Thames Television between 1968 and 1970 were saved, and will be broadcast on **Sunday nights at 9pm.**

Episode 1: Uncle Silas (1968) airs on **Sun 8th Dec 21:00**

Mon 9th Dec 22:00
No Sex Please - We're British (1973)

Comedy, directed by: Cliff Owen.
 Stars: Ronnie Corbett, Beryl Reid & Arthur Lowe. Slapstick caper about the mistaken delivery of a saucy parcel. Good old fashioned comedy.

Fri 13th Dec 09:05
The Golden Disc (1958)

Pop drama, directed by: Don Sharp.
 Stars: Lee Patterson, Mary Steele, Terry Dene & Linda Gray. A young pop composer and singer opens a coffee bar and are joined by budding singer Terry Dene, as himself.

Fri 13th Dec 10:40
Talking Pictures with Terry Dene (2019)

Exclusive interview with Terry Dene, star of *The Golden Disc*. In an exclusive interview, he talks about his life in music.

Fri 13th Dec 22:00
Night of the Eagle (1962)

Horror, directed by: Sidney Hayers.
 Stars: Peter Wyngarde, Janet Blair, Margaret Johnston. After his wife falls prey to the powers of darkness, a husband battles with demonic forces.

Sat 14th Dec 19:00
IWM: Captured (1959)

Dramatised British Army training film showing Communist treatment of prisoners of war. Directed by John Krish, with Alan Dobie, Ray Brooks and Wilfred Bramble.

Sat 14th Dec 20:15
and Thurs 26th Dec 00:05
The Lost Continent (1968)

Adventure, directed by: Michael Carreras. Stars: Eric Porter, Hildegard Knef, Suzanna Leigh. A cargo ship drifts into a strange and foggy ocean.



Sun 15th Dec 18:50
The Lady With the Lamp (1951)

Drama, directed by: Herbert Wilcox.
 Stars: Anna Neagle, Michael Wilding, Gladys Young. Anna Neagle's moving portrayal of Florence Nightingale's fight to improve war hospitals.



Tues 17th Dec 22:00
The Small World of Sammy Lee (1963)

Drama, directed by: Ken Hughes.
 Stars: Anthony Newley, Julia Foster, Robert Stephens & Wilfrid Brambell. Sammy Lee owes £300 to a bookie, whose muscle men want to collect.



Fri 20th Dec 22:00
and Sat 28 Dec 21:40
Peeping Tom (1960)

Crime drama, directed by: Michael Powell. Stars: Karl Heinz Böhm, Moira Shearer, Anna Massey. A cameraman murders women while filming.



Sat 21st Dec 12:00
The Treasure of San Teresa (1959)

Thriller, directed by: Alvin Rakoff.
 Stars: Eddie Constantine, Dawn Addams, Marius Goring. An ex-serviceman attempts retrieve jewels hidden from the Nazis. (AKA *Hot Money Girl*.)



Sat 21st Dec 16:00
and Fri 27 Dec 11:45
Pool of London (1951)

Crime thriller, directed by: Basil Dearden. Stars: Earl Cameron, Bonar Colleano, Susan Shaw. Two sailors on are caught up in smuggling.



Sat 21st Dec 21:10
and Mon 23 Dec 22:00
Station Six Sahara (1963)

Drama, directed by: Seth Holt.
 Stars: Carroll Baker, Ian Bannen, Denholm Elliott, Peter Van Eyck, Jorg Felmy, Mario Adorf. Tensions rise when a woman crashes her car near a lonely oil station, run by five men.



The Amazing Mr Blunden on Talking Pictures TV

Written and directed by Lionel Jeffries in 1972, two years after he made *The Railway Children*. The cast includes: Laurence Naismith, Lynne Frederick, Rosalyn Landor, Garry Miller, David Lodge, Marc Granger, Graham Crowden, Diana Dors, James Villiers, Dorothy Alison, Benjamin Smith, Deddie Davies, Madeline Smith, Erik Chitty, Paddy Ward, Paul Eddington and Aimée Delamain.

It's Christmas in 1917 and a bereaved family receive a visit from a smartly dressed old man, a solicitor looking for a reliable caretaker for a remote house. Strangely, he asks the two children if they are afraid of ghosts, but then reassures them. The almost penniless family accept his offer

and move to a cottage in the grounds of a derelict but once grand house, where the children meet the ghostly previous occupants, another pair of children, who perished in a fire one hundred years ago. This charming film is the perfect mix of suspense, nostalgia and adventure. **Airs: Christmas Day at 7pm.**



Sun 22nd Dec 13:50
 and Thurs 19th 03:20
Dancing With Crime (1947)

Crime Drama, directed by: John Paddy Carstairs. Stars: Richard Attenborough, Barry K. Barnes, Sheila Sim, Garry Marsh. A cab driver gets mixed up with a criminal gang.

Sun 22nd Dec 19:20
Make Mine a Million (1959)

Comedy, directed by: Lance Comfort. Stars: Arthur Askey, Lionel Murton, Sidney James, Kenneth Connor, Bernard Cribbins, Dermot Walsh, Clive Morton, Olga Lindo. An ad-man plans to advertise detergent on non-commercial TV.

Tues 24th Dec 11:30
 and Fri 27th Dec 07:20
Scrooge (1935)

Family film directed by Henry Edwards. Stars: Seymour Hicks, Donald Calthrop. Film version of 'A Christmas Carol'.

Wed 25th Dec 17:15
 and Sun 29th 11:45
Scrooge: A Christmas Carol (1951)

Drama, directed by Brian Desmond Hurst. Stars: Alastair Sim, Jack Warner, Kathleen Harrison and Sir Michael Hordern. Alastair Sim plays the definitive Ebenezer Scrooge.

Wed 25th Dec 19:00
 and Wed 01 Jan 20 15:25
The Amazing Mr Blunden (1972)

Family film. Stars: Laurence Naismith, Lynne Frederick, Rosalyn Landor, Garry Miller, David Lodge, Diana Dors. A family move to a haunted house.



Wed 25th Dec 21:00
Public Eye Christmas Special: Horse and Carriage (1972)

Mystery Drama directed by Bill Bain. Stars: Alfred Burke, Pat Heywood and Tony Melody. Marker finds the season of goodwill difficult.

Wed 25th Dec 22:05
 and Sun 05 Jan 16:00
Are You Being Served? (1977)

Comedy, directed by Bob Kellett. Stars: John Inman, Mollie Sugden, Frank Thornton, Trevor Bannister, Wendy Richard. The staff of Grace Brothers take off for a holiday.

Thurs 26th Dec 18:50
 and Sun 29th 18:50
The Magic Box (1952)

Historical Drama, directed by John Boulting. Stars: Robert Donat, Laurence Olivier, Maria Schell. The story of William Friese-Greene, motion pictures pioneer.

Fri 27th Dec 22:00
 and Sat 04 Jan 20 19:40
Lady Godiva Rides Again (1952)

Comedy, directed by Frank Launder. Stars: Dennis Price, Stanley Holloway, Sidney James, Dora Bryan, Diana Dors, Pauline Stroud. A waitress wins a contest to portray Lady Godiva.

Sat 28th Dec 19:35
 and Wed 01 Jan 18:55
The Mirror Crack'd (1981)

Crime Drama, directed by: Guy Hamilton. Stars: Rock Hudson, Angela Lansbury, Elizabeth Taylor, Kim Novak, Tony Curtis, Geraldine Chaplin, Edward Fox. Film stars arrive in Miss Marple's sleepy village.



Angels One Five on Talking Pictures TV

Starring: George More O'Ferrall **Stars:** Jack Hawkins, Michael Denison, John Gregson, Dulcie Gray, Veronica Hurst. **Directed by:** George More O'Ferrall

Based on the book *What Are Your Angels Now?* by Pelham Groom, the plot centres on a young fighter pilot immediately before and during the Battle of Britain in the Second World War. Some scenes in the film were shot at RAF Uxbridge, home to a wartime operations room. The film was the first British post-war production to deal with the Battle of Britain. **Airs on New Years Eve at 2:45pm.**

Veronica Hurst on Talking Pictures TV

Airing before *Angels One Five* is an exclusive interview with

Veronica Hurst, who plays the role of Betty Carfax in the film. Veronica discusses her life as an actor and shares memories of her career. She made her film debut in *Laughter in Paradise* (1951) with Alastair Sim. One of her most popular roles was Kitty Murray in *The Maze* (1953), a cult film which helped introduce 3D, starring with Richard Carlson. She was also in *Bang! You're Dead* (1954), *The Gilded Cage* (1955), *Peeping Tom* (1960), and *Dead Man's Evidence* (1962). Her TV appearances include: *Public Eye* (1966), *Man in a Suitcase* (1968), and *General Hospital* (1972-75). **Talking Pictures TV with Veronica Hurst airs on New Years Eve at 2:30pm**



Tues 31st Dec 14:30

Talking Pictures TV with Veronica Hurst, star of *Angels One Five*

An exclusive interview with Veronica Hurst, who discusses her work, including *Angels One Five*.

Tues 31st Dec 14:45

and Sat 4th Jan 16:00

Angels One Five (1952)

War drama, directed by: George More O'Ferrall **Stars:** Jack Hawkins, Michael Denison, John Gregson, Dulcie Gray, Veronica Hurst. Life in the RAF during the Battle of Britain.

Mon 30th Dec 11:30

and Fri 3rd Jan 16:10

Trent's Last Case (1953)

Crime drama, directed by Herbert Wilcox **Stars:** Margaret Lockwood, Michael Wilding, Orson Welles. Private eye Philip Trent suspects foul play when a financier is found dead.

Tues 31st Dec 11:30

and Sat 4th Jan 12:00

Blitz on Britain (1960)

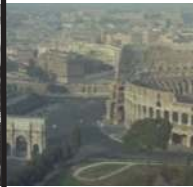
War documentary, directed by Harry Booth. Commentary by: Alistair Cooke. Archive footage of the defence of Britain during World War II.

Tues 31st Dec 19:10

and Sat 4th Jan 21:40

The Wolves of Willoughby Chase (1989)

Fantasy directed by Stuart Orme **Stars:** Stephanie Beacham, Mel Smith, Richard O'Brien, Jane Horrocks, Emily Hudson and Aleks Darowska. A classic Gothic tale in an isolated house.



Tues 31st Dec 22:00

and Sat Jan 11th 13:40

The Teckman Mystery (1954)

Crime Drama, directed by: Wendy Toye **Stars:** Margaret Leighton, John Justin, Roland Culver, Michael Medwin, Duncan Lamont, Barbara Murray.

A writer commissioned to write the biography of a young airman who died while testing a new plane is beset by a series of 'accidents'.

Wed 1st Jan 22:05

Up the Chastity Belt (1971)

Comedy, directed by Bob Kellett. **Stars:** Frankie Howerd, Eartha Kitt, Anna Quayle, Bill Fraser, Graham Crowden, Roy Hudd, Hugh Paddick. Lurkalot is a serf who sells chastity belts and love potions. He is called upon to save the day when Sir Braggart De Bombast attempts to seize the castle and kidnap Lobelia De Custard.

Thurs 2nd Jan 13:15

and Sun 5th Jan 18:30

IWM: High Journey (1958/1969)

European countries photographed from low-flying aircraft with an evocative soundtrack, revealing ancient capitals and incredible landscapes. Narration by Orson Welles.

Sun 5th Jan 19:10

Raising the Wind (1961)

Comedy, directed by Gerald Thomas. **Stars:** James Robertson Justice, Sid James, Leslie Phillips, Kenneth Williams, Liz Fraser and Eric Barker. A group of music students move into a shared flat in order to cut costs.