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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS...BUON NATALE...¡FELIZ NAVIDAD! TLN lights up the holiday season with a stellar December programming lineup

**December 10, 2009 (TORONTO, ON)** - Celebrate the holidays with TLN as it unveils a December programming lineup with gifts under the tree for the entire family to enjoy. The new 'El Presidente' of Late Night TV, George Lopez, blockbuster films, the hottest night in Latin music, classic seasonal favourites, spectacular specials and the best in international soccer, are just a few of the trimmings Teletatino has to offer this season!



**LOPEZ TONIGHT**  
**Late-night Talk Show - 60mins**  
**Monday to Thursday at 11pm**  
**Tuesday to Friday at 10am**

Canada's favorite Mexican, George Lopez is changing the face of late-night television with his groundbreaking new talk show, *Lopez Tonight*. As Canada's new *El Presidente of Late Night Talk*, Lopez feature visits from celebrity guests plus live music and comedy acts. December guests include the likes of **David Beckham, Ray Romano, 50 Cent, Mariah Carey and many more**. Log on to [www.tlntv.com/lopeztonight](http://www.tlntv.com/lopeztonight) for additional show information.



**EUROPA LEAGUE**  
**Matchday 6 – December 16 & 17 – 6 LIVE matches!**  
**English, Italian & Spanish Language**

Catch all the Matchday 6 Europa League action on TLN Teletatino and its sister networks SkyTG24 Canada and TLN en Español. Beginning in 2010, along with the knockout stage, the following club teams will join the Europa League: Juventus F.C. (Ita), Olympique de Marseille (Fra), Liverpool (Eng), Atletico Madrid (Esp), Standard Liège (Bel), Rubin Kazan (Rus), Wolfsburg (Ger) and FC Unirea Urziceni (Rom).

## Wednesday December 16



**CSKA Sofia(BUL) vs. Roma(ITA)**  
**1pm LIVE - Italian Language**  
SKY TG 24



**Athletic Club Bilbao(ESP) vs. Werder Bremen(GER)**  
**3pm LIVE - Spanish Language**  
TLN en Español

## Thursday December 17



**Genoa(ITA) vs. Valencia(ESP)**  
**1pm LIVE - Italian Language**  
SKY TG 24



**Everton(ENG) vs. Bate Borisov(BLR)**  
**3pm LIVE - English Language**  
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**Villarreal(ESP) vs. Salzburg(AUT)**  
**3pm LIVE - Spanish Language**  
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## **CHRISTMAS EVE WITH ANDREA BOCELLI**



### **ANDREA BOCELLI SACRED ARIAS**

**December 24 at 8pm**

**Music Special, 90mins (English Language)**

International tenor sensation Andrea Bocelli makes a pilgrimage to the eternal city of Rome for a beautiful concert, featuring works selected from the beloved Italian repertoire that has been sung by every great tenor since Caruso. From Gigli to Pavarotti, this is sacred music that not only captures the thrilling pyrotechnic vocal display of grand opera but also reflects the deepest spiritual feelings of the world's great composers.



### **ANDREA BOCELLI TRIBUTE ON ICE**

**December 24 at 9:30pm**

**Music Special, 60mins (English Language)**

In a unique presentation of art and athleticism, some of the world's greatest figure skaters perform to soaring vocals in *Andrea Bocelli "Tribute on Ice"*. Joining Bocelli in performance are special guests Mario Reyes of The Gypsy Kings, as Brian Orser skates to their rendition of "*Sin tu amor*," and 12-year-old Holly Stell singing "*Go Where Love Goes*," accompanied on the rink by Ekaterina Gordeeva. Other highlights include Olympic gold medalist Brian Boitano skating to "*Sogno*"; Michael Weiss back-flipping to "*La Donna è Mobile*"; and Renee Roca and Gorsha Sur in a passionate duet to "*Time to Say Goodbye (Con te Partirò)*".



### **ANDREA BOCELLI TUSCAN SKIES**

**December 24 at 10:30pm**

**Music Special, 120mins (English Language)**

Embark on an inspiring journey through Andrea Bocelli's fondest memories and fantasies with *Andrea Bocelli: Tuscan Skies*.



### **PAPAL BLESSING**

**Dec 25 at 9:30am**

**30mins (Italian Language)**

TLN presents the Christmas Papal blessing from the Vatican celebrated by his Holiness Pope Benedict XVI.

## **CHRISTMAS DAY WITH LUCIANO PAVAROTTI**

TLN celebrates Christmas with one of the world's greatest tenors with a Pavarotti and Friends marathon.

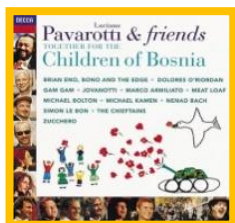


### **THE BEST OF "PAVAROTTI AND FRIENDS"**

**December 25 at 10am & 8pm**

**Music Special, 120mins (English Language)**

The best of "Pavarotti & Friends" features performances by Elton John, Stevie Wonder, Enrique Iglesias, Sting, George Michael, Eros Ramazzotti, the Spice Girls and many more.



### **PAVAROTTI AND FRIENDS: For the Children of Bosnia**

**December 25 at Noon**

**Music Special, 120mins (English Language)**

Featuring performances by U2, Meat Loaf, Jovanotti, Michael Bolton, Zucchero and many more.



### **PAVAROTTI AND FRIENDS: For War Child**

**December 25 at 10pm**

**Music Special, 120mins (English Language)**

Featuring performances by Sheryl Crow, John Secada, Liza Minelli, Eric Clapton and many more.



### **ORTONA 1943: A BLOODY CHRISTMAS**

**December 25 at 3pm/et (Italian Language)**

**Documentary, 60mins**

A 2009 Banff World Television nominated documentary, *Ortona 1943: A Bloody Christmas* is a harrowing film showcasing the ferocity of the Canadian troops in a battle that would ultimately become their legacy. Deemed the bloodiest and fiercest of the Italian campaign during

World War II, Ortona was the culmination of the fighting on the Adriatic front in Italy during "Bloody December" and was considered among Canada's greatest achievements marking the dissolution of German resistance in Italy.



## **TLN EN ESPAÑOL CHANNEL FREEVIEW**

**December 26, 1:30pm to 7pm**

In the spirit of giving, Telelatino gives viewers a sneak peak at some of the great programming available on ***TLN en Español***, Canada's first nationally available 24-hour all-Spanish channel. *TLN en Español* offers exclusive top programming from the Latin world, including daily news from pan regional news and information leader CNN en Español, alongside acclaimed movies, soap operas, talk shows, live music specials, and top soccer coverage including the FIFA World Cup™ South Africa 2010 and 2014, as well as UEFA Europa league coverage.



**La era del hielo (Ice Age) at 1:30pm  
Movie, 120mins (Spanish Language)**

Enjoy the adventures of Manfred, Sid and Diego, in this delicious movie for the whole family as TLN en Espanol presents Ice Age in Spanish language.



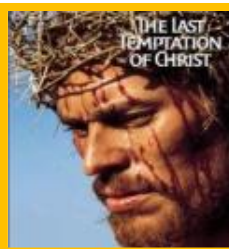
**El Show de Cristina (Cristina's Show) at 3:00pm  
Talk Show, 60mins (Spanish Language)**

El Show de Cristina is hosted by the most famous female anchor in Latin America, Ms. Cristina Saralegui. Every week, Cristina brings the most controversial topics to her show. She also offers exclusive insights and revelations from beloved Latin actors, musicians and artists.



**Sábado Gigante (Super Saturday) at 4:00pm  
Variety Show, 180mins (Spanish Language)**

Sábado Gigante is the oldest American TV program in Spanish still running. It is an eclectic and entertaining mix of variety show and game show with celebrity guests, including actors, singers and even politicians.



**THE LAST TEMPATION OF CHRIST  
December 26 at 10pm  
Movie, 120mins (English Language)**

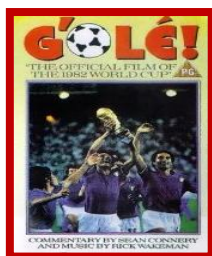
The life of Jesus Christ and his journey through life as he faces the temptations that all humans face during their lives and his final temptation upon the cross.

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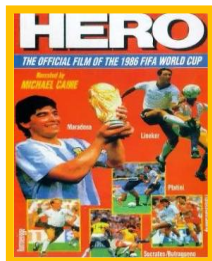
**FIFA WORLD CUP FILM SERIES**

The passion...the tears...the triumph! Experience all of the classic, historic moments of the world's greatest football tournament as TLN, Canada's home of the best international soccer and multilingual co-broadcaster of the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ South Africa, presents the **FIFA World Cup™ Film Series**.



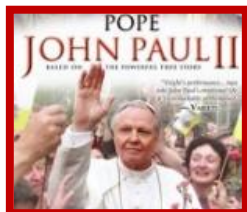
**1982 FIFA World Cup™ Spain: G'olé- with Sean Connery**  
**December 27 at 9am**  
**January 3 at 2:30pm**  
**120mins, (Italian Language)**

*G'olé* takes us back to the 1982 FIFA World Cup™ when Brazil was expected to beat Italy with ease in a group decider. They did not count on Paolo Rossi wrecking their plans with two great opportunist goals, enabling Italy to win a classic game 3-2. The Italian eventually went on to win the tournament with a 3-1 victory over a West German side.



**1986 FIFA World Cup™ Mexico: Hero- with Michael Caine**  
**December 27 at 2:30pm**  
**January 3 at 9am**  
**120mins, (Italian Language)**

*Hero* recounts the glorious moments of the 1986 FIFA World Cup™. Mexico had just recovered from a devastating earthquake before hosting the 1986 finals, but the nation put on a great tournament and Argentina, inspired by Maradona, went on to win the tournament.



**POPE JOHN PAUL II**  
**December 27 at 11am**  
**180mins, (English Language)**

This bio-drama traces the life and career of Polish cardinal Karol Wojtyla from his days as a young activist in Poland to his rise and installation in 1978 as Pope of the Catholic world.

**THE GODFATHER MARATHON**



**The Godfather**  
**December 27 at 4:30pm**

**The Godfather II**  
**December 27 at 8:15pm**

**The Godfather III**  
**January 3 at 7pm**

## **CINEMA DI CAPODANNO, ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL**

**December 28 to January 1 at 8pm**

TLN rings in the New Year with a week-long Italian film festival of acclaimed contemporary Italian films.



### **Scusa Ma Ti Chiamo Amore / Sorry If I Love You December 28 at 8pm, (English Subtitles)**

Official Film Festival Selection: Australian Italian Film

A great lesson in the name of love, Italian heartthrob Raoul Bova (*Under The Tuscan Sun* and ABC series *What About Brian*) stars in the romantic comedy, *Sorry If I Love You*.



### **Due Imbroglioni e Mezzo December 29 at 8pm, (Italian Language)**

Acclaimed Italian actress Sabrina Ferilli (*Lives of the Saints*) stars in the comedy, *Due Imbroglioni e Mezzo* which tells of the adventures, or rather, misfortunes in which Gina and Lello find themselves having to cope with during what is called "the week that will change their lives".



### **Nero Bifamiliare / A Dreamhouse Nightmare December 30 at 8pm, (English Subtitles)**

This black comedy talks about vices, the obsessions and the weaknesses of a dishonest and hyperactive society. A society reluctant to give up dreaming and in constant pursuit of emotions and feelings, which, however, run the risk of being crushed by daily reality.



### **L'Infermiera di Notte December 31 at 8pm, (Italian Language)**

Gloria Guida stars in this Italian sexy-comedy in which she plays a private nurse who is involved in a family struggle for the estate of the ailing old man she cares for.



### **SMS - Sotto Mentite Spoglie /SMS January 1 at 8pm (English Subtitles)**

Review: Vincenzo Salemme, the box office wizard of recent years, comes back with another popular hit, "SMS", *La Repubblica*

Get lost in this sublime and delicious comedy of errors. Each day millions, perhaps even billions, of SMS are sent. A river of words, phrases,



signs, between mobile phones in every country of the world. Any place, any time, is right for sending a message to a special person. That is, until one day something goes wrong.



### **LATIN GRAMMY® AWARDS**

**December 31, at 10pm**

TLN rings in the New Year Latino style with the Latin Grammy® Awards. From the Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas, this musical extravaganza features performances by Latin music's hottest names alongside a star-studded cast of presenters including Laura Pausini, Calle 13, Spanish pop singer Alejandro Sanz, Grammy winning R&B diva Alicia Keys and many more.

For further information on December highlights on Telelatino, log on to [www.tlntv.com](http://www.tlntv.com).

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### **About TLN Telelatino**

TLN Telelatino has been Canada's leading Hispanic and Italian media source since 1984, and can be seen in over 5 million Canadian television homes on cable and satellite from coast to coast. As Canada's Latino Superstation, TLN broadcasts a variety of domestic and international programming including daily news reports from Italy and Latin America, the world's best soccer, top telenovelas, dramas, variety shows, feature films and specials. Telelatino is majority owned by Corus Entertainment, a leading Canadian media company. Other shareholders of TLN are prominent members of the Italian Canadian community.

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