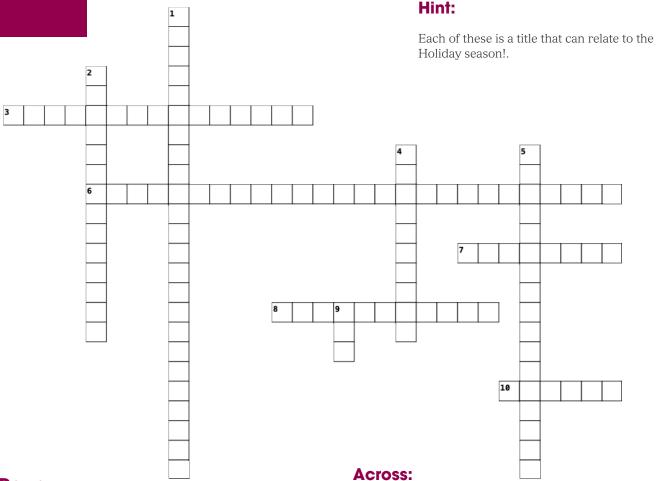
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Holiday Operas and Musicals



Down:

- This 1951 Menotti opera was the first opera composed for live-television in America, and took inspiration from Hieronymus Bosch's painting *The Adoration of* the Magi.
- 2. This Irving Berlin musical is based on a 1954 film with characters named Bob Wallace, Phil Davis, and the Haynes Sisters.
- 4. This Broadway musical is based on a 1942 film that popularized the song "White Christmas" and starred Bing Crosby, Fred Astaire, and Marjorie Reynolds.
- 5. This opera composed by Jake Heggie is based on a 1947 film that features a guardian angel named Clarence, who finally gets his wings after helping a man realize the significance of his life.
- 9. This blockbuster movie-turned-Broadway musical follows a man named Buddy and his quest to find his biological father in New York City, all while spreading Christmas cheer.
 - Across; 3. A Christmas Carol; 6. How the Grinch Stole Christmas; 4. Holiday Inn; 5. It's a Wonderful Life; 9. Elf Down: 1. Amahl and the Vight Visitors; 2. White Christmas; 4. Holiday Inn; 5. It's a Wonderful Life; 9. Elf

- 3. This classic Charles Dickens novel has been adapted into countless plays, musicals, films, and operas. The story follows a man who changes his ways after being visited by three spirits on Christmas Eve.
- 6. Premiered in 1994, this seasonal musical is based on the classic Dr. Seuss book, where the main takeaway is that Christmas is not about the gifts or the decorations, but the love we have for each other.
- 7. While this Puccini opera may have a tragic ending, the first half of the story takes place on Christmas Eve!
- 8. This Pulitzer Prize-winning opera by composer Kevin Puts and librettist Mark Campbell is based on the 2005 film *Joyeux Noël* and the story of the Christmas Truce which took place during WWI in 1914
- 10. Composed by John Adams, this opera-oratorio follows the story of the Nativity from Mary's point of view, as well as the events that take place after the birth of Jesus.