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Tuesday, Dec. 15

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Brooke Gardner, soprano – 7:30 p.m., Music Recital Hall. Student Recital Series. Free and open to the public. Information: UM School of Music, 406-243-6880, griz.music@umontana.edu.

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12th annual Great UM Christmas Cookie Cook-Off – 2-6 p.m., Food Zoo, Lommasson Center. University Dining Services invites all UM students, faculty, staff and their families to help spread holiday cheer this year. All participants have to bring is their holiday spirit. Half of the cookies baked will be donated to local nonprofit organizations, and participants may take the other half home. Santa will join in the fun from 5 to 6 p.m. Theme: “A Christmas Carol.” Information: Jerry O'Malley, 406-243-6433, gerald.omalley@umontana.edu.

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Sunday, Dec. 20 – No Events

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