

Highlights of weekend activities on the Alfred University campus

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The weekend of Dec. 8-10 at Alfred University will feature a movie and three musical performances. Starting on Friday, Dec. 8, the movie "The Illusionist" will play three times in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center. The PG-13 romantic thriller centers on illusionist Eisenheim, who falls for an aristocrat well above his social standing. When she becomes engaged the master magician uses his powers to win her love. The movie runs at 8 and 11 p.m. Friday, and again on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. Also on Friday, Dec. 8, there will be two musical performances. The AU Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. in Holmes Auditorium. Kick off the holiday season with a concert of seasonal favorites, featuring a cello concerto by Rintaro Wada, cello soloist and adjunct professor in Performing Arts. The other performance will be at 10 p.m. on Friday in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, by the M. Shanghai String Band. Band members have been playing together since 2002, when they first started their monthly get-togethers at the M. Shanghai Bistro and Den. Their debut album, "Up From the Ground Below," recorded in one day in the restaurant's dining room, set the mission in motion: timeless original songs played with a sense of abandon, captured completely live. On Saturday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m., the AU Chamber Singers will perform in Susan Howell Hall. Reservations are required; contact performingarts@alfred.edu.