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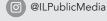
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It's been a very tumultuous time for us with the federal funding situation, but I'm happy to report that Illinois Public Media is on track to finish our fiscal year with exceptionally strong member support. While the final numbers won't be in for a few weeks, it's clear that the Friends of WILL remain our strongest asset. Your ongoing support, especially in a time of continued challenges, ensures that the work we do remains impactful and meaningful. I wanted to share a few of my favorite recent comments (edited for length):

"I am donating in dedication to my parents, who fostered my curiosity and love for my community through public media. As we welcome our first child, we want to help ensure that public media helps them grow into curious, empathetic, and neighborly citizens." — Sam from Champaign

"Keep up the good work! I especially appreciate the balance in your programming that keeps it factual, with perspectives on the interpretation of those facts from both conservative and liberal, and urban and rural listeners." — Emily from Monticello

"Thank you for the great team at WILL across radio and TV. NPR and local news coverage are essential for my day, and I consider **Classic Mornings** with Vic, **Classics By Request** with Vincent, and the programs with John Frayne just as essential to my well-being." — Marilyn from Urbana

"I don't have a lot, but PBS, NPR, and WILL are the MOST important and unbiased news we have. I grew up with PBS, and I'll be damned if my grandkids won't have it." — Cole from Sullivan

"Your programing is so important to our community. I listen to your programs including the market reports every day. We can't afford to lose public radio. Thank you for your excellent and unbiased reporting for the world." —Leon and family from Peotone

Thank you to everyone for sharing your inspiring words. I encourage you go to will.illinois.edu/protectwill to share your opinions with your congressional representatives. We promise to keep this important resource here for you.

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COVER STORY

The phenomenal career of Gene Hackman

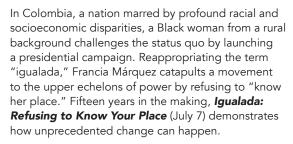
A new documentary explores the remarkable career of the legendary actor Gene Hackman (1930-2025), a two-time Academy Award winner for his roles in "The French Connection" and "Unforgiven." Hackman was born in San Bernardino, California, and grew up in Danville, Illinois. Gene Hackman: Star of the Silver Screen includes clips from his breakout role in "Bonnie and Clyde" and other notable dramas such as "The Conversation," "Hoosiers," and "Mississippi Burning." Hackman was also a talented comic actor, as shown in "Get Shorty," "The Birdcage," and "The Royal Tenenbaums." Airing at 10 pm Friday, July 4, the film explores the work of a true cinematic legend, offering insights into Hackman's craft and the lasting impact he has had on the world of film. Friends of WILL can also watch the special on WILL Passport beginning July 1.

Cover photo of the Celebrities of Danville mural located on W. Harrison Street.

POV continues to showcase innovative films

POV continues its 38th season with three new titles this month airing Mondays at 9 pm. Television's longest-running showcase for independent nonfiction films, POV premieres 14-16 of the best, boldest, and most innovative programs each year on PBS.







Filmed over four years, *Made in Ethiopia* (July 14) lifts the curtain on China's historic but misunderstood impact on Africa and explores contemporary Ethiopia at a moment of profound crisis. When a massive Chinese industrial park lands in rural Ethiopia, a dusty farming town finds itself at the new frontier of globalization. But as initial hope meets painful realities, they find themselves, like their country, at a pivotal crossroads.



The Ride Ahead (July 21) follows Samuel Habib, a typical 21-year-old who is itching to move out, start a career, and find love. Yet every rite of passage is fraught with challenges due to unexpected seizures and uncontrollable movements caused by a rare genetic disorder. His labored speech and use of a communication device are barriers to a social life. He craves more independence and a family of his own one day. Can a community of disability activists help him follow his dreams?

Let's celebrate our freedom together



Join us to celebrate our nation's 249th birthday with A Capitol Fourth 2025, featuring well-known musical artists and the greatest fireworks display in the nation lighting up the D.C. skyline. The live event features top stars from pop, country, R&B, classical, and Broadway, including the National Symphony Orchestra under the direction of premier pops conductor Jack Everly. Alfonso Ribeiro hosts.

For information on how to host a watch party from home, go to pbs.org/a-capitolfourth/. The online party kit includes patriotic recipe ideas, decoration ideas, downloadable games, as well as resources

for support and assistance for veterans and military families. View **A Capitol Fourth 2025** live on WILL-TV at 7 pm Friday, July 4. (The concert is repeated at 8:30 pm the same night.) Make sure to post your party pictures on social media with #JULY4THPBS.

Great works of art born of war and bloodshed

Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty brings art, history, and politics together in a compelling new three-part series. The visually rich documentary explores how iconic masterpieces by Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, and Raphael emerged from one of Western civilization's most brutal eras. The series looks at the atmosphere of power politics and rivalry during the Renaissance (the 14th to the 17th century), when the rival artists



competed to craft beauty from chaos. The film stars Charles Dance as Michelangelo, with language taken directly from Michelangelo's correspondence. The series, made by the BBC in collaboration with PBS, airs Tuesdays at 8 pm beginning July 8. Each episode of the series is available to stream with the PBS App the same day it premieres.

Japan House featured on 'Prairie Fire'

This month, Prairie Fire will rebroadcast an episode from November 2024 at 7:30 pm Thursday, July 17. Join us as we trek south to Ava, Illinois, to tour the Scratch Brewing Company, a unique microbrewery that emphasizes local ingredients and a sense of place. Then we head north to Prairie Fire Glass in Monticello, an art gallery and glass blowing shop that showcases some unique glass artistry. Lastly, we visit Japan House on the University of Illinois campus in Urbana, where traditional Japanese arts and culture are accessible to everyone. During our visit, Professor Kimiko Gunji performs a traditional tea ceremony.



SERVING UP FOOD AND FUN FOR YOU

In search of 'The Great American Recipe'

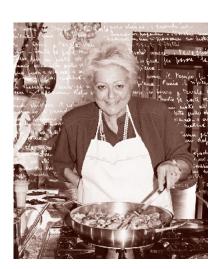


The Great American Recipe returns to Nashville and an elimination format for its fourth season with eight new talented home cooks from across the country. Airing Fridays at 8 pm beginning July 11, the popular cooking series is an upbeat competition that spotlights a variety of tastes and traditions through signature dishes that reflect the home cooks' unique backgrounds and culinary stories. Award-winning chefs and restaurateurs Timothy Hollingsworth and Tiffany Derry, along with "Splendid Table" host Francis Lam, return as judges, while Alejandra Ramos returns as host. TV personality and cookbook author Al

Roker appears as a guest judge in the opening episode. The first two episodes will be available to stream from July 11, then a new episode will be available to stream each week.

The story of culinary star Marcella Hazan

Millions love her recipes. Now a new film tells her extraordinary, improbable, delicious story! Marcella Hazan changed how we cook and experience Italian food. A disabled woman trained as a scientist, she never cooked until she immigrated to America. But through her cookbooks and teaching — and an uncompromising commitment to Italian tradition — her impact was felt in millions of American home kitchens. The story of Marcella's eventful life is told by friends, family, and culinary stars, including Lidia Bastianich, April Bloomfield, Giuliano Hazan, Danny Meyer, Jacques Pépin, and Marcella's writing collaborator and husband, Victor Hazan. American Masters premieres Marcella at 9 pm Friday, July 11. The film will be available with the PBS App the same day.



Explore film and food with Paul Hollywood

Join celebrity chef Paul Hollywood ("The Great British Baking Show") as hit hits the road on an epic adventure, indulging in three of his greatest passions — bikes, movies, and baking. Paul Hollywood Goes to Hollywood airs Fridays at 10 pm beginning July 18. The four-part series follows Paul as he journeys from New York to Los Angeles riding a customized Harley-Davidson. Part travelogue, part pilgrimage, this show explores the intersection between film and food as Hollywood connects with celebrity friends along the way. Friends of WILL can also watch the special with WILL Passport.

Paul Hollywood and Lisa Kudrow in Los Angeles.





WEEKDAYS

6 am

NPR Morning Edition with Leila Fadel, Steve Inskeep, A Martínez, and Michel Martin

9 am

Classic Mornings with Vic Di Geronimo

Vic makes each morning a classic morning!

Anytime Classical

NPR News Headlines at 1:01 and 3:01

1 pm

Afternoon Classics

5 pm

NPR All Things Considered with Ailsa Chang, Mary Louise Kelly, Ari Shapiro, and Juana Summers

6 pm

The 21st Show with Brian Mackey

7 pm Monday-Wednesday

The Evening Concert

Monday-Wednesday and Friday at 7 pm and 6 and 7 pm Sundays. Listings may change.

Monday:

The New York Philharmonic This Week

Mozart: Overture to The Magic Flute, K. 620 7/7 Mahler: Adagietto from Symphony No. 5 Barber: Second Essay for Orchestra Shchedrin: Mischievous Folk Ditties Copland: Fanfare for the Common Man

7/14 To be announced 7/21 To be announced

7/28 To be announced

Tuesday:

Chicago Symphony Orchestra Radio Broadcast

Chopin: Piano Concerto No. 1 in E Minor, Op. 11 Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 1 in G Minor

Richard Strauss: Don Juan, Op. 20 Esa-Pekka Salonen: Sinfonia Concertante for 7/8 Organ and Orchestra

Bartók: Concerto for Orchestra

7/15 Richard Strauss: Horn Concerto No. 1 in E flat Stravinsky: Fireworks, Op. 4 Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto No. 1 in F-sharp

Shostakovich: Symphony No. 1 in F Minor Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 2 in B flat

Liszt: A Faust Symphony Gatano Donizetti: Overture to Don Pasquale

Emmanuel Chabrier: España

Osvaldo Golijov: Megalopolis Suite Wednesday:

WFMT Orchestra Series: San Francisco Symphony

Schumann: Piano Concerto in A minor, Op. 54 Bruckner: Symphony No. 4 in E-flat Major

WFMT Orchestra Series: China's National Center for the Performing Arts

Zhou Tian: Broken Ink

Rodrigo: Concierto de Aranjuez Beethoven: Symphony No. 6, Op. 68,

"Pastoral"

Dvořák: Serenade, Op. 22

Zhao Jiping: Pipa Concerto No. 2 Schubert: Arpeggione Sonata, D. 821 Chen Peixun: Symphony No. 1, "My Motherland"

Yao Chen: Sentiments: Autumn Bruckner: Symphony No. 8

Chen Peixun: Symphonic Poem "Wave of Emotion"

7/30 Respighi: The Pines of Rome

Ravel: Pavane pour une infante défunte

Ravel: Rapsodie espagnole

Yin Chengzong and Chu Wanghua: Piano Concerto, "Yellow River"

Saint-Saëns: Symphony No. 3, Op. 78, "Organ"

7 pm Thursday

Classical Music

8 pm Thursday

The Middle with Jeremy Hobson

This nonpartisan live call-in talk show focuses on elevating the voices of the people in the middle of the country.

pm Friday

Gateways Radio (new season)

Paquito D'Rivera: Wapango Leslie Bricusse/Anthony Newley: Feeling Good Brahms: Variations on a theme by Haydn Edgar Redmond: Transition in Black

Rhiannon Giddens: At the Purchaser's Option Duke Ellington: Black & Tan Fantasy

Michael Abels: Dance for Martin's Dream Grieg: Piano Concerto in A Minor Bach: Suite No. 1 in G Major for Cello

Clara Schumann: Drei Romances, Op. 22 Dvořák: String Quartet No. 12 in F Major Joseph Boulogne: Symphony No. 1 in G Major

7/25 William Grant Still: Incantation and Dance Jessie Montgomery: Starburst Errollyn Wallen: "Greenwich" Variations William Levi Dawson: Negro Folk Symphony

8 pm Friday

Atomic Age Cocktail Party with Jason Croft

Comedy Tonight

A look at some of the great comedy albums of the hi-fi era!

Making A Splash (encore) Songs about seas, oceans, rivers, and other

types of H₂O **Lounge On The Rocks**

Hear what happens when lounge meets rock and roll.

Frank Loesser

A spotlight on one of the great songwriters of the Atomic Age.

9 pm Friday

Classical Music

SATURDAYS

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition

with Scott Simon

9 am

Classics By Request

Send requests to Vincent Trauth at classreg@illinois.edu or leave a message at **217-265-5064**.

11 am

Classics of the Phonograph

John Frayne's weekly exploration of memorable recordings from the 20th century.

American Music, For the July 4th Weekend

7/12 First Performances: Prokofiev: Fifth

Symphony; Bartók: Concerto for Orchestra 7/19 Lure of the Orient: Delius Hassan; Nielsen:

Aladdin 7/26 Fake Mozart and Dubious Mozart Noon

Afternoon at the Opera WFMT Summer Opera Series

Les Fêtes d'Hébé (Jean-Philippe Rameau). William Christie, cond., with Emmanuelle de Negri, (Hébé/The Naiad), Lea Desandre (Sapho/Iphise/Eglé), Ana Vieira Leite (Cupid/A Spartan woman/The stream/A shepherdess), Antonin Rondepierre (Thélème), Cyril Auvity (The stream/Lycurgue), Marc Mauillon (Momus/Mercure), Lisandro Abadie (Eurilas/ Alcée), and Les Arts Florissants and Opéra Comique in Paris, France.

Manon Lescaut (Daniel Auber). Guillaume Tourniaire, cond., with Rocío Pérez (Manon Lescaut), Sébastien Guèze (Des Grieux), Armando Noguera (Le Marquis d'Hérigny), Francesco Salvadori (Lescaut), and the Chorus and Orchestra of Teatro Regio, Turin, Italy.

Manon (Jules Massenet). Evelino Pidò, cond., with Ekaterina Bakanova (Manon Lescaut), Atalla Ayan (Le Chevalier des Grieux), Björn Bürger (Lescaut), Roberto Scandiuzzi (Le Comte des Grieux), and the Chorus and Orchestra of Teatro Regio, Turin, Italy.

Manon Lescaut (Puccini). Renato Palumbo,

cond., with Erika Grimaldi (Manon Lescaut), Roberto Aronica (Des Grieux), Alessandro Luongo (Lescaut), Carlo Lepore (Geronte), Giuseppe Infantino (Edmondo), and the Chorus and Orchestra of Teatro Regio, Turin, Italy.

4 pm

Classical Guitar Alive! with Tony Morris

Performance Today Weekend with Fred Child Classical music in concert from American Public Media studios and sites across the nation and around the world, as well as classical music news, interviews, and features.

The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer A lively potpourri of folk, Celtic and bluegrass, show and novelty tunes, and hilarious comedy routines.

9 pm

American Parlor Songbook with JP Houston and Julie Van Dusen features clever songs, charming stories, and hilarious sketches.

NPR News Headlines at 9:01.

10 pm

Jazz Night In America with Christian McBride

11 pm

Atomic Age Cocktail Party with Jason Croft (See Friday at 8 pm.)

Midnight

Classics All Night

SUNDAYS

6 am

A Joyful Noise with Brian Lauritzen

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition with Ayesha Rascoe

Sunday Baroque with Suzanne Bona NPR News Headlines at 9:01 and 10:01 1 pm

Pipedreams with Michael Barone

3 pm

Performance Today Weekend

5 pm

Reel Music with Matt Rogers

Featuring music from the movies every week for an hour of orchestral themes from cinema's best film

6 pm

The Evening Concert

The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

Golijov's Quartets

Osvaldo Golijov: Yiddishbbuk: Inscriptions for String Quartet (1992)

Osvaldo Golijov: The Dreams and Prayers of Isaac the Blind for Clarinet and String Quartet (1994)

Superb Cello Sonatas Beethoven: Sonata in A Major for Cello and Piano, Op. 69 (1807–08) Mendelssohn: Sonata in D Major for Cello and Piano, Op. 58 (1843)

A Century of American Music

Ruth Crawford Seeger: String Quartet (1931) Jupiter String Quartet (U. of I. string quartet) Alan Louis Smith: Vignettes: Covered Wagon Woman for Mezzo-Soprano, Piano, Violin, and Cello (2006)

All Things Double Bass 7/27

Dvořák: Serenade in D Minor for Winds, Cello, and Double Bass, B. 77, Op. 44 (1878) Edgar Meyer: Quintet for String Quartet and Bass (1995)

7 pm

Fiesta! with Elbio Barilari

The Music of José Pablo Moncayo

The author of the popular Huapango composed several symphonic and chamber pieces of great beauty and grandeur.

Diaspora

Orchestral works highlighting the plight of immigrants from Latin America.

7/20 The Latin Side of The Beatles

A tribute to the influence of The Beatles through a work titled "Beatlerianas" by Cuban composer Leo Brouwer.

Chamber Music by Enrique Granados

Spanish composer Granados is mostly known for his marvelous piano works. We'll focus on Grandos' music for duos, trios, and quintets.

8 pm

Harmonia with Angela Mariani

Celebrating Baroque and early music.

9 pm

Jazz Night In America with Christian McBride

10 pm

Classical Music

NPR News Headlines at 11:01

Overnight

Classical Music



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Jazz Network	5:00	Jazz Network	Jazz Network
NPR Morning Edition	6:00	R&B	
with Kimberly Schofield	7:00		NPR Weekend Edition
R&B	8:00		
Smooth Jazz Neo-Soul	9:00		The Cut
Funk on Fridays (8 am)	10:00		(featuring gospel music)
Tulik on Fridays (o um)	11:00	Dialogue with Kennedy Vincent	
	Noon	Cafe Mocha Radio	
	1:00	R&B/Throwbacks	R&B Dusties
	2:00		
	3:00		
	4:00		
Funk Ride	5:00	The Wind Down with Will Downing	Jazz Night in America
It's Been a Minute (M), Dialogue (Tu), Reveal (W), Throughline (Th), Code Switch/Life Kit (F)	6:00	Cool Jazz Countdown	Roots of Smooth
The Quiet Storm	7:00	Catch the Flo	New Urban Jazz Lounge
	8:00		
	9:00	The Soul of Jazz	Pillow Talk
	10:00		
Jazz Network	11 pm- 2 am	Jazz After Hours	Jazz Network
	3-4 am	Jazz Network	
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Jill Clements, Illinois Soul Manager

Tying in to our on-air series, we feature the Top 5 R&B artists according to community members, staff members, and VIPs.



Robert White is the director of group sales and partnerships at Experience Champaign-Urbana, a nonprofit organization established in 1982 to promote the greater Champaign-Urbana area as an overnight visitor destination. In his role, he focuses on attracting events — such as sports and cultural events — and partnerships that drive tourism and economic development in the region. His Top 5:

- 3. Dru Hill
- 4. Ashanti

Illinois Soul sponsors Bands @ The Beat

Illinois Soul will sponsor several concerts as part of downtown Champaign's The Beat on Market Street summer series. Upcoming events include local band Mico Wave & The Selection on July 26 and Reggae Night with Ryan Byfield & Nuclei on August 2.

Get ready for a night of high-powered funk, talk-box magic, and dance-floor grooves as Champaign native Michael "Mico Wave" Lane hits the stage with a band packed full of heavy hitters. Best known for his late-'80s hits like "Instant Replay" and "Misunderstood," Mico Wave brings a bold blend of funk, R&B, and electro-soul that once earned him a spot under the wing of Bootsy Collins and studio credits with George Clinton, Herbie Hancock, and Trouble Funk. With band members that have toured with Roger and Zapp, Shirley Murdock, Sly Fox, and Mazarati, Mico delivers a show steeped in legacy and loaded with energy.

This Reggae Night Party promises an evening of infectious vibes with Ryan Byfield & Nuclei. Byfield, a vibrant Caribbean artist from Jamaica, and his band perform original as well as cover materials. It's a chance to dance, unwind, and connect with other enthusiasts. Expect a blend of classic hits and newer tracks with a focus on creating a positive and energetic experience.



Concerts take place in the heart of downtown Champaign, running north-south between Main Street and University Avenue. Tickets are not required for the free event. Gates open at 8 pm with entertainment starting around 8:30 and ending at midnight. No entry is allowed after 11:30 pm. Watch The Beat's social media in case of inclement weather or artists updates.







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NPR Morning Edition		5:00	BBC World Service	BBC World Service			
with Kimberly Schofield			6:00	Commodity Week	Inside Europe		
			6:30	State Week in Review			
			7:00	NPR Weekend Edition	NPR Weekend Edition		
				8:00			
1A	1A			9:00	The Splendid Table		
			10:00	Wait Wait Don't Tell Me!	It's Been a Minute/ Wild Card		
The 21st Show with Brian Mackey			11:00	Statewide	Code Switch/Life Kit		
Here & Now with Jason Croft		Noon	This American Life	Wait Wait Don't Tell Me!			
			The Mid	dle	1:00	The Moth Radio Hour	The Treatment
	(F repeat)				State Week in Review		
The Closing Market Report I 2:06 pm		2:00	Radiolab	Reveal			
BBC Newshour Commodity Week (F)		2:30					
Fresh Air with Terry Gross & Tonya Mosley			3:00	TED Radio Hour	On the Media		
All Things Considered			4:00	All Things Considered	All Things Considered		
with Jim Meadows		5:00	Hidden Brain	People's Pharmacy			
					6:00	Big Picture Science	Travel with Rick Steves
The 21st Show (repeat)		7:00	Left, Right & Center	Throughline			
On the Media (M)	Ezra Klein (Tu)	Dia- logue (W)	The Middle (Th)	Science Friday (F)	8:00	Latino USA	Special Programming
Fresh Air		9:00	Alternative Radio	To the Best of Our Knowledge			
BBC World Service			10:00	Living on Earth	- Our Knowledge		
					11:00	Science Friday (repeat)	Le Show
			12:00- 5 am	BBC World Service	BBC World Service		

Bold Listing = National/International News

Lillie Duncanson, Director of Broadcast Operations



AGRICULTURE

Todd Gleason, host, Closing Market Report and Commodity Week:

Opening Market Report: 8:55 am; Market Update: 10:58 am; Midday Market Report: 12:58; Closing Market Report: 2:06. Fridays: Commodity Week: 2:30; Grain Market Summary: 4:32.

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WILL Call: Wednesdays at 6:45 and 9:45 am and Thursdays at 5:44 pm on AM 580 and FM 90.9



WEATHER

Monday-Friday

Weather forecasts from meteorologist Andrew Pritchard throughout the day.





Monday - Friday		Saturday	Sunday
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Classical Stretch (M,W,F) Sit and Be Fit (T, Th)	5:30	Arthur	Arthur
Wild Kratts	6:00	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts
Alma's Way	6:30	Alma's Way	Alma's Way
Lyla in the Loop	7:00	Lyla in the Loop	Lyla in the Loop
Carl the Collector	7:30	Carl the Collector	Carl the Collector
Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
Rosie's Rules	8:30	Rosie's Rules	Rosie's Rules
Sesame Street	9:00	Sesame Street	Sesame Street
Work It Out Wombats!	9:30	Work It Out Wombats!	Work It Out Wombats!
Donkey Hodie	10:00	MotorWeek	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack
Pinkalicious & Peterrific	10:30	Garden SMART	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe
Elinor Wonders Why	11:00	Mid American Gardener	Rick Steves' Europe
Nature Cat (1st week) Alma's Way	11:30	Christina Cooks: Back to the Cutting Board	Market to Market
Molly of Denali	Noon	America's Test Kitchen	7/6
Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum	12:30	Cook's Country	Noon Sherlock On MASTERPIECE The Abominable Bride 1:30 Sherlock On MASTERPIECE Season 4: The Six Thatchers
Arthur	1:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television	3:02 Prohibition: A Nation of Drunkards 5:00 PBS News Weekend 5:30 Rick Steves' Europe
Odd Squad	1:30	America the Bountiful	The Best of Israel 6:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries
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An epic journey into the Amazon rainforest



Join Robson Green on the journey of a lifetime as he explores incredible landscapes and culture in Big Adventures into the Amazon with Robson Green. The three-part series follows the **Grantchester** actor's journey to the largest rainforest on Earth, home to the world's most captivating and diverse ecosystems, including encounters with black caiman, sloths, and piranhas. Join Green as he swims with pink river dolphins, learns about the remaining "uncontacted" tribes still living deep in the jungle, and joins the fight against illegal loggers — all while discovering what's at stake in the battle for the planet's future.

Adventures into the Amazon with Robson Green airs Wednesdays at 10 pm beginning July 16. The program is available with WILL Passport beginning July 1.

Storytellers explain American history

In History with David Rubenstein, skillful questioning of acclaimed writers such as Robert A. Caro, Ron Chernow, Doris Kearns Goodwin, and many others effectively takes us behind the scenes, providing a rare insight into the American story and a real sense of how history gets made. This month, season 6 of History with David Rubenstein continues Mondays at 10:30 pm. Featured: Selwyn M. Vickers (July 7) on the lasting legacy of slavery and



Reconstruction, Steve Inskeep (July 14) of NPR's Morning Edition on Lincoln's skill at crossing political lines, Award-winning author Stacy Schiff (July 21) on the often-overlooked revolutionary Samuel Adams, and Robert A. Caro (July 28) on political power and the legacy of 36th President Lyndon Johnson.

Meet the unsung female heroes of WWII

WWII Women on the Frontline sheds light on some of the most perilous, courageous, and unwritten stories of the women who led the charge. The series explores the daring and unknown histories of the remarkable female pilots, journalists, guerrillas, and spies who fought, flew, and died in the Second World War. They defied expectations, overcame prejudices, and often outperformed their male counterparts. The three-part series airs Tuesdays at 10 pm beginning July 1. The program is currently available with WILL Passport.



Fighting against unsafe housing, high rent

In New York City's most quickly gentrifying neighborhoods, a group of fearless residents, activists, and nonprofit attorneys fight corrupt landlords and developers for the basic human right to a home. Their story is told in the film Slumlord Millionaire, which will air on VOCES at 9 pm Monday, July 28. The documentary exposes housing injustice in NYC, following the David-and-Goliath battles between ordinary renters and powerful developers. Through stories from neighborhoods across the boroughs, the film reveals the harsh



realities of unsafe housing, unethical landlords, and an overwhelmed housing court system. It also uncovers a troubling pattern of desirably located properties being seized for luxury developments in low-income neighborhoods, often with the system's complicity. The film is available with the PBS App beginning July 28.

All aboard Scotland's poshest train!

Travel to Scotland by train in Alan **Cumming's Most Luxurious Train Journeys** Scotland. The four-part series follows the well-known actor as he explores Scotland's rich history and traditions while traveling on the Royal Scotsman, a luxury train known for its unique and lavish travel experience. Cumming embarks on the journey exploring the train's amenities and the destinations it visits. The show highlights the train's exclusive tours and VIP experiences as well as its cuisine, which showcases the flavors



of Scotland. The series takes viewers to various locations in Scotland, where they learn about Scotland's history and traditions. Alan Cumming's Most Luxurious Train Journeys Scotland airs Fridays at 9 pm beginning July 18. The program is available with WILL Passport beginning July 1.

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Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS)

Fathers and Sons. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. meets actors LeVar Burton and Wes Studi, two men who grew up without their fathers. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/2, 4:00 am 7/3, 4:00 am 7/7

8:00 Iconic America: Our Symbols and Stories with David Rubenstein (TV-PG) (DVS)

The Statue of Liberty. Reveal the evolving meaning of this symbol for a 'nation of immigrants.' Repeated 3:00 am 7/3.

9:00

10:00 WW2 Women on the Frontline

Behind Enemy Lines. See page 10. Repeated 3:30 am 7/5.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

2 Wednesday

Walking with Dinosaurs (TV-PG)

The River Dragon. A Spinosaurus — the world's largest ever predatory dinosaur struggles to bring up his babies. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/3, 1:00 am 7/6.

8:00 **Human Footprint** (TV-PG)

> The Enemy of My Enemy. In this brave new world of 'biocontrol,' is the enemy of an enemy always a friend? Repeated 3:00 PM 7/3.

9:00 **NOVA** (TV-PG)

Iceman Reborn. Murdered more than 5,000 years ago, Otzi the Iceman is the oldest human mummy on Earth. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/4.

10:00 Secrets of the Dead (TV-PG)

The Woman in the Iron Coffin. Follow a team of forensic experts as they investigate the preserved remains of a young African American woman from 19th-century New York and reveal the little-known story of early America's free black communities.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

3 Thursday

7:00 Mid American Gardener

7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G) Medicine Cabinet, Chimney Crown Nathan transforms a bathroom medicine cabinet; Mark shows Kevin some of the little pieces of history he's found while doing masonry work over the years.

8:00 **Father Brown**

> The Last Tango In Kembleford. Father Brown investigates when the competitive atmosphere at a local dance school leads to a dance with death.

 $\textbf{Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries} \; (TV\text{-}14)$ 9:00

Death on the Vine. When Phryne arrives at an idyllic vineyard in the countryside to investigate a suspicious death in the past, she lands in the middle of an annual Wine Festival. Repeated 2:00 am 7/4, 6:00 pm 7/6.

10:00 Good Karma Hospital (TV-14)

Season 2, Episode 1. Ruby encounters new challenges as a blistering heat wave hits Kerala. Lydia decides Ruby is ready for her first solo night shift, but when a storm hits Barco, Ruby faces an agonising test that stretches her medical skills to the limit.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

4 Friday

A Capitol Fourth 2025 (TV-G)

See page 2.

A Capitol Fourth 2025 (TV-G) 8:30

See page 2. Repeated 12:30 am 7/5, 2:00 am 7/5, & 2:00 am 7/7.

10:00 Gene Hackman: Star of the Silver Screen (TV-PG) See page 1. Repeated 3:00 pm 7/8.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

5 Saturday

7:00 Father Brown

The Last Tango In Kembleford. Father Brown investigates when the competitive atmosphere at a local dance school leads to a dance with death.

8:00 Midsomer Murders (TV-PG)

> The Fisher King, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Longsuppressed family secrets, stolen ancient artifacts, and a 30-year-old death at a Celtic burial site result in a series of murders in present-day Midsomer.

9:58 **Brokenwood Mysteries** (TV-14)

> Hunting The Stag. A stag party in two senses of the word as three friends, one of whom is about to be married, go deer hunting in the bush, but only two return — the groom-to-be having been shot in the head.

11:30 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Margo Price/Molly Tuttle & Golden Highway

6 Sunday

Patience (TV-14) (DVS)

The Locked Room. A best-selling crime writer, Harry Franklin, is found dead behind locked doors. He was one of Patience's favorite writers, and she is intrigued by his death and his reclusive life. Patience helps make an important breakthrough in the case. Repeated 2:00 am 7/8.

8:00 Grantchester on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) Season 10, Episode 4. Alphy and Geordie

investigate witchcraft at a home for orphaned and disadvantaged children run by Alphy's old friend. When a body is found, Alphy struggles to consider his friend as a suspect. Repeated 12:00 am 7/7, 4:00 pm 7/7, 3:00 am 7/8.

9.00 Atlantic Crossing On MASTERPIECE (TV-14)

Fires Spread. Martha is pressured to exploit her friendship with the president, who defies isolationists to push the Lend-Lease Act. Martha and the children get a surprise Christmas present. Repeated 1:00 am 7/7, 4:00 am 7/8.

10:00 Sisi: Austrian Empress (TV-14)

Episode 2 of 6. The engagement to Franz completely changes Sisi's life. As she prepares for life at court, Sisi finds an unusual friend and close confidant

11:00 Miss Friman's War (TV-14)

Episode 2 of 6. Johannesson is elected to parliament; Kinna and Tomasina's relationship is in danger.

7 Monday

Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

New York City, Hour 3. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/8, 4:00 am 7/11, 5:30 pm 7/12.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Fort Worth, Hour 1. Celebrate the Season 21 premiere. Repeated 12:30 am 7/8, 4:00 am 7/9

9:00 **POV** (TV-14)

> Igualada: Refusing to Know Your Place. See page 1. Repeated 2:00 am 7/9.

10:30 History with David Rubenstein (TV-PG) Selwyn Vickers. See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

8 Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS)

Buried Secrets. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. helps singer Sammy Hagar and actor Ed O'Neill uncover their roots, revealing secrets their ancestors went to great lengths to conceal and celebrating the virtue of accepting one's relatives, whoever they may be. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/9, 4:00 am 7/10.

Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty 8:00 (TV-14) Rise. See page 2.

Repeated 3:00 am 7/10.

Secrets of the Dead (TV-PG) (DVS) 9:00

> Leonardo, The Man Who Saved Science. Leonardo da Vinci is well known for his inventions as well as his art. But new evidence shows that many of his ideas were realized long before he sketched them out in his notebooks — some even 1,700 years before. Was Leonardo a copycat?

10:00 WW2 Women on the Frontline

The War in the Air. See page 10. Repeated 3:30 am 7/12

11:00 Amanpour and Company

9 Wednesdav

Walking with Dinosaurs (TV-PG)

Band of Brothers. Follow a gang of armored dinosaurs battle to reach adulthood, pursued by a group of Utahraptors, one of the most formidable predators that's ever lived. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/10, 1:00 am 7/13.

8:00 Human Footprint (TV-PG)

Dressed to Kill. Take a look in the mirror ... do you like what you see? From biotech labs to beaver ponds, from New York Fashion Week to Chile's textile graveyards, Shane unravels how the trends we chase to fit in and stand out leave a lasting mark on our planet. Repeated 3:00 pm 7/10.

9:00 NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS)

Dino Birds. Why are birds the only dinosaurs still alive today? Rare fossil discoveries are revealing the secrets of bird evolution, telling the story of how some resilient feathered dinos became the vast array of colorful bird species that fill our skies. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/11.

10:00 Secrets of the Dead (TV-PG) (DVS)

Graveyard of the Giant Beasts. Follow scientists who are trying to determine if Titanoboa, a 43-foot snake, or a giant crocodilian was the apex predator in Cerrejon, Northern Colombia, 58 million years ago.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

10 Thursday

Mid American Gardener

7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G)

Gutter Runoff, Replace Ceiling Fan. Jenn Nawada demonstrates two different solutions to solve a homeowner's gutter runoff problem by installing a dry well and a popup emitter; AskTOH spotlights lead carpenter Lasana Harper, who shares his journey into carpentry and how it has shaped his love for teaching; Heath Eastman helps a homeowner replace her '80s-tastic ceiling fan with a more modern

8:00 **Father Brown**

> The Dead of Night. Father Brown is determined to unmask a mortal being when a supposed vampire strikes in the village.

9:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14) Dead Air. There's a new wireless in the Fisher household — but there's murder on the airwaves when Dot's favorite show is

interrupted by an on-air panic. Repeated 2:00 am 7/11, 6:00 pm 7/13.

10:00 Good Karma Hospital

Season 2, Episode 2. Lydia discovers that a former patient is in the care of a herbal doctor and is determined to win back her patient's trust. Meanwhile, Ruby and Gabriel treat a patient with a mystery condition and Gabriel reveals something about his past.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

11 Friday

7:00 Washington Week with The Atlantic

7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

8:00 The Great American Recipe (TV-G) (DVS) First Impressions. See page 3. Repeated 12:30 am 7/12, 4:00 am 7/13, 2:00 am 7/14.

9:00 American Masters (TV-PG) (DVS) Marcella. See page 3. Repeated 1:30 am 7/12, 3:00 am 7/14.

10:30 The Hook (TV-G)

Chef Ricky Moore traces the journey of the bonefish he loves from ocean to plate.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

12 Saturday

Father Brown

The Dead of Night. Father Brown is determined to unmask a mortal being when a supposed vampire strikes in the village.

8.00 Midsomer Murders (TV-PG)

Sins of Commission, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. When Midsomer hosts its 12th Annual Literary Festival, an author is found with his neck broken. More writers will die before the winner of the competition is announced.

10:00 Brokenwood Mysteries (TV-14) Leather and Lace. The coach of the rugby team is found dead, strapped to a goal post.

11:30 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Robert Glasper/Domi and JD Beck

13 Sunday

Patience (TV-14) (DVS)

My Brother's Keeper. A body disappears from the morgue. Is it body snatchers, or did the corpse 'walk' away? Repeated 2:00 am 7/15.

8:00 Grantchester on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) Season 10, Episode 5. Leonard's drinking lands him in a prison cell overnight. When he wakes up, the consequences only escalate from there. Repeated 12:00 am 7/14, 4:00 pm 7/14, 3:00 am 7/15.

9:00 Atlantic Crossing on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) Empty Promises. Martha uses dinner-table tactics to help Norway. The first lady gives Martha unusual lessons in public speaking. The president gets on dangerous ground with Martha. Repeated 1:00 am 7/14, 4:00 am 7/15.

10:00 Sisi: Austrian Empress (TV-14)

Episode 3 of 6. The Hungarian rebel Ödön Körtek intends to kidnap Sisi; in joint captivity with Count Andrassy, Sisi is faced with the question of how long she can remain steadfast.

11:00 Miss Friman's War (TV-14)

Episode 3 of 6. Lottie's marriage reaches a breaking point; Tora is pregnant with her first

14 Monday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Fort Worth, Hour 2. Discover Fort Worth's hidden treasures, including a Felipe Orlando abstract oil, ca. 1980, a Ğerman baroque lockbox, ca. 1625, and a Green Bay Packers championship group, ca. 1965. Can you guess which is valued at \$75,000-\$200,000? Repeated 2:00 pm 7/15, 4:00 am 7/18, 5:30 pm 7/19.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Fort Worth, Hour 3. Journey to the Lone Star State to learn more about historical items like an 1864 Civil War statue hilt presentation sword, a 1936 Joe Fortenberry Olympic gold medal, and James Madison's personal seal, ca. 1828. Which item is worth \$100,000-\$175,000? Repeated 12:30 am 7/15, 4:00 am 7/16.

POV (TV-14) 9:00

Made In Ethiopia. See page 1. Repeated 2:00 am 7/16.

10:30 History with David Rubenstein (TV-PG) Steve Inskeep. See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

15 Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS)

Hold The Laughter. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uncovers the roots of comedians Bob Odenkirk and Iliza Shlesinger, two very funny people whose family trees brim with dramatic stories, introducing them to relatives who took great risks to overcome enormous hardships. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/16, 4:00 am 7/17, 4:00 am 7/21

Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty 8:00 (TV-PG) Rivalry. See page 2. Repeated 3:00 am 7/17.

9:00 **Frontline**

10:00 WW2 Women on the Frontline Boots on the Ground. See page 10. Repeated 3:30 am 7/19.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

16 Wednesday

7:00 Walking with Dinosaurs (TV-PG)

The Pack. A young Albertosaurus must prove herself in a deadly hunting pack. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/17, 1:00 am 7/20.

8:00 **Human Footprint** (TV-PG)

The Honey Trap. Humans have depended on bees, both wild and managed, for millennia. Repeated 3:00 pm 7/17.

9:00 NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS)

When Whales Could Walk. Egyptian desert fossils reveal clues to the evolution of the biggest animals on Earth. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/18.

10:00 Big Adventures: Into the Amazon with Robson Green (TV-PG) See page 10. Repeated 4:00 pm 7/17.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

17 Thursday

Mid American Gardener 7:00

7:30 Prairie Fire See page 2.

8.00 Father Brown

The Scars of War. Sullivan asks for Father Brown's help when Mrs. Devine's son Eddie is framed for murder.

9:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14) Unnatural Habits. A halfway house for pregnant and wayward girls, run by Catholic nuns, sets the scene for the tragic death of an escaping teenager. Repeated 2:00 am 7/18, 6:00 pm 7/20.

10:00 Good Karma Hospital

Season 2, Episode 3. Gabriel teams up with Ruby, but he soon discovers that Ruby may have ulterior motives.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

18 Friday

7:00 Washington Week with The Atlantic

7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

8:00 The Great American Recipe (TV-G) (DVS) Passing The Dish. See page 3. Repeated 12:30 am 7/19, 4:00 am 7/20, 2:00 am 7/21.

9:00 Alan Cumming's Most Luxurious Train Journeys Scotland (TV-PG) See page 11. Repeated 1:30 am 7/19, 2:00 pm 7/20, 3:00 pm 7/22.

10:00 Paul Hollywood Goes to Hollywood (TV-PG) New York. See page 3. Repeated 2:30 am 7/19, 4:00 pm 7/22.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

19 Saturday

Father Brown

The Scars of War. Sullivan asks for Father Brown's help when Mrs. Devine's son Eddie is framed for murder.

8.00 Midsomer Murders

The Maid In Splendour, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Midsomer Worthy's beloved local pub figures in a case involving unrequited love, secret business deals, and passionate affairs.

10:00 Brokenwood Mysteries (TV-14)

To Die Or Not to Die. A cast member in The Brokenwood Theatre Society's production of Hamlet collapses and dies after a performance.

11:30 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Jenny Lewis/Muna

20 Sunday

7:00 Patience (TV-14) (DVS)

Pandora's Box. A man dies on a bus after a violent coughing fit. The dead man turns out to have multiple identities and a history of eco-terrorism. Repeated 2:00 am 7/22.

Grantchester On MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) 8:00 Season 10, Episode 6. Alphy and Geordie investigate when a member of a rock band is murdered. Repeated 12:00 am 7/21, 4:00 pm 7/21, 3:00 am 7/22.

9:00 Atlantic Crossing On MASTERPIECE (TV-14) The Giant Awakes. America enters the war, and Olav arrives from England. Missy grows suspicious of ties between Martha and the president, as does Olav. Repeated 1:00 am 7/21, 4:00 am 7/22.

10:00 Sisi: Austrian Empress (TV-14)

Episode 4 of 6. Sisi and Andrassy travel to Vienna to convince Franz of the need for a Hungarian parliament; Sisi tries to clear her head; the special affection between Sisi and Andrassy does not go unnoticed by Franz.

11:00 Miss Friman's War (TV-PG)

Episode 4 of 6. The labor movement is beginning to shake things up, but women are left out once again.

21 Monday

7:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Indianapolis, Hour 1. Travel to Indiana's capital city to uncover antique and vintage treasures, such as a Norman Rockwell charcoal self-portrait, ca. 1976, a 1958 signed Indy 500 racing flag, and an 1883 Victorian wedding ensemble. Which is the night's top find? Repeated 2:00 pm 7/22, 4:00 am 7/25, 5:30 pm 7/26.

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Indianapolis, Hour 2. Discover treasures from Indianapolis, including a 1952 Joe Louissigned whiskey bottle, a Sheraton sideboard, ca. 1820, and a 1928 NY Yankees team-signed baseball. Which one is the top find of the hour? Repeated 12:30 am 7/22.

9:00 **POV** (TV-14) (DVS) The Ride Ahead. See page 1. Repeated 3:00 am 7/23.

10:30 History with David Rubenstein (TV-PG) Stacy Schiff. See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

22 Tuesday

7:00 Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS)

Far and Away. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the roots of journalist Sunny Hostin and actor Jesse Williams. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/23, 4:00 am 7/24, 4:00 am 7/28.

Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty (TV-14) Redemption. See page 2. Repeated 12:30 am 7/23, 3:00 am 7/24.

9:00

Maya Lin: A Strong Clear Vision. Revisit the Oscar-winning story of Maya Lin, the young architect behind the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Repeated 1:30 am 7/23.

10:30 History with David Rubenstein (TV-PG) Robert Caro. See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

23 Wednesday

Walking with Dinosaurs (TV-PG) The Journey North. Travel back in time to the dangerous journey of the Pachyrhinosaurus. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/24, 1:00 am 7/27.

8:00 **Human Footprint** (TV-PG) Dammed If You Do. Shane follows our age-old quest to tame water. Repeated 3:00 pm 7/24.

9:00 **NOVA** (TV-PG)

> Rise of the Mammals. An amazing new trove of fossils reveals how mammals took over after an asteroid wiped out the dinosaurs. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/25.

10:00 Big Adventures: Into the Amazon with Robson Green (TV-PG) See page 10. Repeated 4:00 pm 7/24.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

24 Thursday

7:00 Mid American Gardener

7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G) Humidifier System, End Table. Mauro Henrique shares his technique for quickly painting shutters in bulk.

8:00 Father Brown (TV-PG) Winds of Change. Father Brown discovers that a murderer is using Kembleford's new model

village to plan their attacks.

Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14) 9:00 A Christmas Murder. At a white Christmas in July, the party arrives to find one of the residents electrocuted while hanging festive lights! Repeated 2:00 am 7/25, 6:00 pm 7/27.

10:00 Good Karma Hospital

Season 2, Episode 4. Ruby is still reeling from her discoveries at the tea plantation and must decide if she can forgive past mistakes.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

25 Friday

Washington Week with The Atlantic

7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

8:00 The Great American Recipe (TV-G) (DVS) The Bakes Are High. See page 3. Repeated 1:00 am 7/26, 4:00 am 7/27, 2:00 am 7/28.

Alan Cumming's Most Luxurious Train 9:00 Journeys Scotland (TV-PG) See page 11. Repeated 2:00 am 7/26, 2:00 pm 7/27, 3:00 pm 7/29.

10:00 Paul Hollywood Goes to Hollywood (TV-PG) Savannah. See page 3. Repeated 3:00 am 7/26, 4:00 pm 7/29.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

26 Saturday

Father Brown (TV-PG)

Winds of Change. Father Brown discovers that a murderer is using Kembleford's new model village to plan their attacks.

8:00 **Midsomer Murders**

The Straw Woman, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. A priest is burned to death and more people burst into flames spontaneously as though by witchcraft.

10:00 Brokenwood Mysteries (TV-14) Catch of the Day. A severed human hand is discovered in a crayfisherman's catch.

11:30 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo



27 Sunday

Lucy Worsley Investigates (TV-PG)

Jack The Ripper. Lucy Worsley explores how the coverage of the unsolved 19th-century case of Jack the Ripper — London's most infamous serial killer — created a template for our modern-day true crime obsession.

8:00 Grantchester on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) Season 10, Episode 7. Cathy and Mrs.

Chapman's new business venture hit a serious obstacle. Geordie secretly intervenes in Alphy's personal life. Repeated 12:00 am 7/28, 4:00 pm 7/28, 3:00 am 7/29.

9:00 Atlantic Crossing on MASTERPIECE (TV-14)

> The Gift. A Nazi agent slips through the cracks, putting the children at risk. Martha travels to England and gets a shock. A Norwegian war hero meets a tragic fate. Repeated 1:00 am 7/28, 4:00 am 7/29.

10:00 Sisi: Austrian Empress (TV-14)

Episode 5 of 6. While the war with Prussia poses problems for Franz, Sisi must now cope on her own in Vienna. In Hungary, Andrassy makes an attempt to defeat the cruel Körtek.

11:00 Miss Friman's War (TV-PG)

Episode 5 of 6. The men at the cannery are on strike. When the women join the strike, they receive an offer to run the machines instead. Meanwhile, Lottie and Ernst meet again.

28 Monday

Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Indianapolis, Hour 3. Travel to Indianapolis for hidden treasures, including an 1898 Alphonse Mucha JOB poster, a 1974 George Nakashima 'Kent Hall' floor lamp, and a 1961 Ty Cobbsigned baseball. Which is the big find? Repeated 2:00 pm 7/29

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G)

Palm Springs, Hour 1. Journey to Palm Springs for vintage and antique finds, such as a 1965 Noah Purifoy sculpture, Carroll O'Connor's Archie Bunker coat, ca. 1970, and a Franz Bergman foundry Vienna bronze lamp, ca. 1920. Can you guess which is valued at \$125,000? Repeated 12:30 am 7/29, 4:00 am 7/30.

9:00 VOCES (TV-14)

Slumlord Millionaire. See page 11. Repeated 2:00 am 7/30.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

29 Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-14) (DVS)

Mean Streets. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. maps the family trees of comedian Tracy Morgan and actor Anthony Ramos — taking the two New York City natives far from their hometown. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/30, 4:00 am 7/31.

8:00 American Experience (TV-PG) (DVS)

Ruthless: Monopoly's Secret History Discover the fascinating and unexpected history behind America's favorite board game. Part detective story and part pop culture commentary, the film explores what makes this game — a celebration of unbridled capitalism — such an enduring favorite. Repeats 3:00 am 7/31.

9:00 Frontline

10:00 Program TBA

11:00 Amanpour and Company

30 Wednesday

7:00 Walking with Dinosaurs (TV-PG)

Island of Giants. Inspired by a remarkable discovery in Portugal, this is the story of Lusotitan, a colossal, long-necked dinosaur, as it embarks on a quest for love. Repeated 2:00 pm 7/31.

8:00 **Human Footprint** (TV-PG)

> Vanishing Act. From fossils entombed in tar to cells frozen in hope, Shane Campbell-Staton traces the arc of extinction from prehistory to the present. On an epic global journey, he meets species at the brink of oblivion ... and the people who won't give up on them. Repeated 3:00 pm 7/31.

9:00 NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS)

Ancient Maya Metropolis. The ancient Maya built large, complex cities with towering pyramids and temples that served as centers for a thriving civilization. Follow archaeologists exploring new evidence into the mystery of why after hundreds of years the cities were abandoned.

10:00 Big Adventures: Into the Amazon with Robson Green (TV-PG) See page 10. Repeated 4:00 pm 7/31.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

31 Thursday

7:00 Mid American Gardener Ask This Old House (TV-G) 7:30

> Uneven Paver Patio, Ev Charger. Mark McCullough fixes an uneven paver patio that has lifted and shifted overtime and demonstrates the proper techniques of creating a patio that will last; Nathan Gilbert and Kevin O'Connor talk all about common types of ladders, including styles, accessories, and how to use them safely; Heath Eastman helps a homeowner cut her car charging time in half by installing a Level 2 EV charger.

8:00 Father Brown (TV-PG)

> The Company of Men. Lady Felicia's impromptu visit coincides with Father Brown helping out a friend at an exclusive gentlemen's club.

9:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14)

Death Defying Feats. When the unfortunate assistant in a magic show is beheaded on stage, Jack and Phryne's investigation unravels a secret murder in the past. Phryne's estranged father makes a surprise visit.

10:00 Good Karma Hospital

Season 2, Episode 5. A building collapses in Barco and the team is stretched to the limit. Ruby's objectivity is put to the test when she discovers a secret about one of her patients and Ram cares for a patient whose husband is missing.

11:00 Amanpour and Company



Explore our nation's history through the eyes of Ken Burns

For nearly five decades, Ken Burns has been a prolific storyteller through his celebrated history documentaries on PBS. From his debut with Brooklyn Bridge in 1981 to his latest work **Leonardo da Vinci**, Burns has explored the people, events, and movements that have shaped American history and culture. His films include The Civil War and Baseball, both treasured series that have captivated millions and redefined the art of sharing our nation's history on television.

He has studied American icons like Muhammad Ali, Benjamin Franklin, and Jackie Robinson and consequential world events like The Vietnam War, The Holocaust, and Prohibition. Burns has also explored cultural movements and challenges, such as in Country Music, Jazz, and Hiding in Plain Sight: Youth Mental **Illness**. With a unique style that blends archival

footage, firsthand accounts, and a thoughtful approach, Burns' work tells the stories of the American experience across centuries. His



films not only educate but they also prompt national conversations about identity, justice, and democracy.

Through PBS, his work remains a vital resource for anyone seeking to understand where America has been — and where it might be headed. For Friends of WILL, this expansive collection is only a few clicks away. Members can access all 44 Ken Burns titles anytime and anywhere with WILL Passport.

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American Experience

Monopoly's Secret History, 7/29

A Capitol Fourth 2025, 7/4

City of Songs

- Montreal, 7/4
- Seoul, 7/11

Great Performances at the Met

La Forza del Destino, 7/7

Lucy Worsley Investigates

Jack the Ripper, 7/27

- Break the Game, 7/25
- King Coal, 7/31

Walter Presents (with English subtitles)

- Detective Surprenant, 7/11 (French)
- Paradise, season 8, 7/18 (Italian)
- Suplex, 7/4 (Danish)
- The Shadow, 7/4 (German)
- When the Dust Settles, 7/25 (Danish)

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Foreigner: Double Vision: Then & Now, 7/2 **Humanity from Space**, 7/22

Reel South, 7/18

• Bury Me at Taylor Hollow

Santana Live at the US Festival, 7/2

Secrets of the Dead, 7/29

Bombing Auschwitz

The Defence, 7/1

• Season 3, episodes 1-7

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- Forests of the Maya
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Student story recognized nationally by SPJ

A story by Illinois Student Newsroom journalist Madison Holcomb received national recognition from the Society of Professional Journalists. Holcomb's feature — "He used education to escape a violent childhood. Today, he wants to help kids in similar situations" — was recognized with the 2024 National SPJ Mark of Excellence Award in the Audio/Radio Feature category. SPJ recognizes the best collegiate journalism with these awards. National contenders were previously recognized as first-place winners in one of the organization's 12 regional competitions.





Madison Holcomb

Layli Nazarova



"It's part of our core mission at IPM News to grow the next generation of audio journalists," said Reginald Hardwick, IPM director of news and public affairs. "Madison's interview with Shamar Betts, who served prison time for inciting a riot at a Champaign mall, was both

insightful and enlightening and gave listeners perspective on Betts' complicated young life."

Two additional stories produced by Illinois Student Newsroom members were recognized as finalists by the Society of Professional Journalists with Region 5 Mark of Excellence Awards 2024.

- Journalism student Layli Nazarova was recognized for her story about a U. of I. student dropping disability studies over inaccessible bathrooms on campus. The story was a finalist for Radio News Reporting. Nazarova's story was originally completed for the College of Media "Audio Journalism" course taught by professor Charles "Stretch" Ledford, who helped guide her through the storytelling process.
- Holcomb also was recognized as a finalist for Radio In-Depth Reporting for a story about environmentalists trying to prevent coal ash from polluting Illinois rivers.

"I'm so proud of Madison and Layli for this incredible recognition of their hard work," said Christine Herman, editor of the Illinois Student Newsroom at IPM. "I've learned so much by working with them, and this recognition is very well deserved!"

SPJ champions journalists by recognizing outstanding achievement, fighting to protect press freedom, promoting high ethical standards and educating new generations of emerging professionals. Region 5 comprises Illinois, Indiana, and Kentucky.

For more information about the Illinois Student Newsroom, go to ipmnewsroom.org/student-newsroom/.



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We want to make you aware of a recent scam affecting PBS app users. When attempting to activate the PBS video app, some users are getting a pop-up message directing the user to call a phone number or visit a website to be connected to PBS technology help staff. This phone number and website do not connect to the PBS helpline but to someone impersonating PBS staff. If you receive a message that your PBS video app is deactivated or cannot be activated, do not call the phone number given or click on a link to a new website. Please call WILL membership staff at 800-898-1065, and we will assist you. PBS helpline staff will never ask you for money or request access to any of your devices but will instead direct you to your local station for help.

Local radio series honored with awards

Atomic Age Cocktail Party has been recognized with two Communicator Awards. Host and producer Jason Croft received the



Communicator Award of Excellence in the category of Craft On-Air Talent. The series also received a Communicator Award of Distinction for best General Program. The locally produced program that premiered in 2022 airs Fridays at 8 pm and Saturdays at 11 pm on WILL Classical 90.9 FM.

"I'm grateful to get these awards and

be recognized for the work we do," Croft said. "It just proves there's value in producing a specialized music show like this. I hear from listeners all the time how much they enjoy the program. This just put a positive spotlight on what we're doing."



Atomic Age Cocktail Party celebrates the golden age of hi-fi by sharing American lounge music from the mid-20th century and beyond. In addition to a local audience, the show is syndicated to about six



Jason Croft

stations around the country. For more information on the show, including access to a program archive, see will.illinois.edu/atomicagecocktailparty or scan the QR Code.

Croft also is the local host of NPR's Here and Now and technical director for The 21st Show.

The Communicator Awards recognize excellence, effectiveness, and innovation across all areas of communication. This season, the 31st Annual Communicator Awards celebrate the various human connections forged through communication. The Communicator Awards are sanctioned and reviewed by the Academy of Interactive and Visual Arts, an invitation-only body consisting of toptier professionals from acclaimed brand and media, interactive, advertising, and marketing firms.

Sinfonia members perform in our studio

On May 8, Illinois Public Media and WILL Classical 90.9 hosted a special performance by members of Sinfonia da Camera, featuring pianist and conductor Ian Hobson alongside the chamber orchestra's principal string musicians for an exquisite rendition of Brahms's Piano Quintet in F Minor.

This exclusive event was attended by Vision Circle donors of Illinois Public Media and supporters of Sinfonia da Camera. Guests enjoyed a reception in the lobby of Campbell Hall before the performance and had the opportunity to meet with the musicians and Hobson after the event.

across central Illinois and beyond.



The intimate setting of our Collins Studio made for an unforgettable evening, celebrating the power of locally performed classical music with a special setup designed to emphasize the sound of each instrument. Audio from the performance will be featured in an upcoming special edition of **Prairie Performances** available on 90.9 FM and streaming online. We are excited to bring this unique concert to a wider audience

Additionally, video footage of the event is slated to be included in the third season of Prairie Fire this fall. Stay tuned for more details as we continue to bring you the best in local arts and culture. Thanks to all of our donors, whose ongoing commitment makes this type of cultural programming possible.

WELCOMING NEW STAFF TO ILLINOIS PUBLIC MEDIA

New communications and outreach specialist announced

Heather Ennis-Rosenblat says that public media has been a part of her life for as long as she can remember. With a fresh Ph.D. specializing in British literature and culture and a strong interest in community engagement, she looks forward to working at Illinois Public Media as a communications and outreach specialist.

"In her new role, Heather will help promote our programs, projects, and initiatives, with an emphasis on outreach for public media educational programming," said John Steinbacher, director of development. "She will help manage content on our social platforms, contribute to Patterns, assist with our Book Mentor Program, and lead the production of our Aircheck e-newsletter."

Although she's only been at IPM since late April, Ennis-Rosenblat says that she is excited to join the IPM team and is impressed with staff members' deep commitment to public media and its mission.

"I really appreciate the dedication and collaborative spirit that my new coworkers bring to their jobs," she said. "I find the educational outreach and community-based programming aspects of my position to be really exciting."

She moved to Champaign-Urbana to earn her doctoral degree, but decided to stay after completing her studies. Her broad experience includes teaching, communications, and project management.

"I have had the chance to teach everything from the water cycle to preschoolers for the Urbana Park District to the poetry of William Blake to English majors at the U. of I.," she said.

She also worked for Illinois' Humanities Research Institute for two years, doing communications and project management while she completed her Ph.D.

She credits public media with her love of literature.

"My love of literature in part stems from watching Wishbone as a child and then growing into a MASTERPIECE fan. As a teen, I remember being absolutely obsessed with The Complete Jane Austen anthology series on MASTERPIECE that was broadcast in 2008," she said. "And I found listening to Classic Mornings to be helpful while writing my dissertation."

As a lifelong fan of public media, she said the "gateway to possibilities that public media provides is invaluable."

"Public media is essential for fostering community connections and providing reliable information," she said. "Local and regional news through public media is a vital service. Public media also means access to high-quality entertainment and educational programming for everyone in our community. Growing up in a relatively rural community myself, I think that public media can shine a light on ideas, culture, and experiences that otherwise would be difficult or even impossible to access."

On a personal note, she says her favorite thing to do is work in her garden with her husband and their 15-pound Havanese dog, Kipper (who she says looks like a fluffy muppet), while listening to podcasts. She looks forward to increasing her gardening knowledge with Mid American Gardener.



Stay tuned in late July/early August for our Friends of WILL member survey.

We want to know what member benefits you utilize and your programming preferences. More information coming in the August edition of Patterns.

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