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As I mentioned last month, with recent changes to funding in public media, Illinois Public Media is not standing still. In response to a rapidly evolving media landscape — and the rescission of federal funding — IPM is launching a strategic planning process to ensure we continue serving our community through trusted journalism, educational programming, and cultural enrichment.

This initiative will include input from key stakeholders, a thorough assessment of our current position, and a clearly defined direction that reflects IPM's mission and values. The resulting plan will serve as our road map for navigating challenges, seizing opportunities, and sustaining IPM's vital role in central Illinois.

A crucial part of this process is hearing from the Friends of WILL and our wider community. While we conducted a member survey a few months ago (thank you to those who participated), this new survey is broader in scope. It's



designed to gather input from across all stakeholder groups. Your voice is essential, and I strongly encourage you to take a few minutes to complete the survey online at go.illinois.edu/IPM-Members or scan the QR Code.

Lastly, I want to update you on some programming changes that went into effect on Oct. 1. Unfortunately, we did not have this information in time to include in Patterns. We had to eliminate a few popular shows, but, thanks to NPR offering discounted programming packages to member stations in response to funding cuts, we've been able to add some exciting new shows to our lineup, including **Tiny Desk Radio** (on Illinois Classical and WILL AM 580). We also have added **This Old House Radio Hour** (on WILL AM 580).

I hope to see many of you at our Friendsgiving event on Nov. 12! (See page 19.) Thank you for your continued support of Illinois Public Media.

Moss Bresnahan, Executive Director X (formerly Twitter): @MossILMedia



The signing of the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776.

# CELEBRATING OUR SHARED HISTORY

This month, we kick off PBS America @ 250, a multiyear celebration of U.S. history, culture, and children's programming that pays homage to America's semiquincentennial in 2026.

# When 13 colonies united in rebellion

**The American Revolution**, a new six-part, 12-hour documentary, examines how America's founding turned the world upside down. Thirteen British colonies on the Atlantic Coast rose in rebellion, won their independence, and established a new form of government that radically reshaped the continent and inspired centuries of democratic movements around the globe.

The much-anticipated series, which has been in production for eight years, was directed and produced by Ken Burns, Sarah Botstein, and David Schmidt and written by longtime collaborator Geoffrey C. Ward.



From left, David Schmidt, Sarah Botstein, and Ken Burns, producers for 'The American Revolution.'

**The American Revolution** will air at 7 pm Sunday–Friday, Nov. 16–21, with each episode repeated daily at 9 pm. For daytime viewing opportunities, see page 9. You also can watch all six episodes with the PBS App beginning Nov. 16.

The film provides an expansive look at the virtues and contradictions of the war and the birth of the United States of America, following dozens of figures from a wide variety of backgrounds. The American Revolution was a war for independence, a civil war, and a world war. It impacted millions — from Canada to the Caribbean and beyond. Few escaped its violence.

"The American Revolution is one of the most important events in human history," Burns said. "We went from being subjects to inventing a new concept, citizens, and set in motion democratic revolutions around the globe. As we prepare to celebrate the 250th anniversary of our founding, I'm hopeful that people throughout the country will come together to discuss the importance of this history and to appreciate even more what our ancestors did to secure our liberty and freedoms."

### Where are we now?

A new, one-hour special — A More Perfect Union: Inspiring Civic & Civil Conversations Across America — premieres this month as a companion to The American Revolution. Taped at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia and produced by WETA Washington, D.C., A More Perfect Union will examine how we think about America's founding and how the ideas and values articulated 250 years ago remain relevant to conversations about governance today. This special aims to inspire and unite Americans through a renewed civic conversation rooted in the founding principles of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the American idea. A More Perfect Union premieres at 8 pm Monday, Nov. 24.

Lesson plans, teacher's guides, and media resources are available to accompany these and other programs. For **The American Revolution** (and other Ken Burns titles), see pbslearningmedia.org/. For materials for **A More Perfect Union**, go to edsitement.neh.gov/.

# Celebrating public television

Join us at 8 pm Thursday, Nov. 27, to honor 55 remarkable years of public television with We ♥ Public Television, a historic program with a starstudded cast. We ♥ Public Television is a threehour program recorded live on Nov. 8, from PBS SoCal, the local station in Los Angeles. The special honors America's trusted, free public media service that reaches every city, town, and rural community across the nation. This fundraising special will include a variety of live musical performances, celebrity appearances, and viewer testimonials plus archival material from iconic public television shows.

With music director Rickey Minor and appearances by Jamie Lee Curtis, Lucy Dacus, Josh Groban, Ziggy Marley, Sheléa, Rick Steves, Noel Paul Stookey, and so many more, this program celebrates the extraordinary musical artists and personalities who have graced PBS stages and screens, showcasing the cultural richness that public media and local PBS stations offer all Americans.











Noel Paul Stookey



# WWII vet escapes care facility to attend D-Day commemorations

**MASTERPIECE** presents The Great Escaper, the true story of Bernard Jordan (portrayed by Michael Caine) who made global headlines in the summer of 2014. He had staged a "great escape" from his care home to join fellow war veterans on a beach in Normandy, commemorating their fallen comrades at the D-Day Landing's 70th

anniversary. The late, two-time Oscar winner Glenda Jackson also stars as Bernie's devoted wife, Irene. Bernie's story captured the imagination of the world as he embodied the defiant, "can do" spirit of a generation that was fast disappearing. But of course, it wasn't the whole story. It was an inspirational but sanitized retelling of one man's need to come to terms with the lasting trauma of war. The Great Escaper on MASTERPIECE airs at 8 pm Sunday, Nov. 23.

# The secret life of big city pigeons

Pigeons are an integral yet often-ignored part of life in towns and cities around the world. There are an estimated 400 million pigeons on Earth and numbers continue to rise. Often dismissed as "flying rats," the birds are in fact expert navigators and phenomenal athletes. They also pair for life, have an exceptional memory, and can even read simple words. This innovative documentary goes deep inside the secret world of these creatures that we share our lives with yet often ignore, spending 24 hours on "Planet Pigeon" in London and New York. Three engaging pigeon protagonists reveal both their airborne adventures and their lives deep in the heart of the city. Nature presents The Pigeon Hustle at 7 pm Wednesday, Nov. 5.



# PRAINTE FIRE Black Chorus Camp and more featured this month

The Prairie Fire team is hard at work on short documentaries on people and places of Illinois. This month, Prairie Fire will air at 7:30 pm Thursday, Nov. 13 — a change from our usual third Thursday of the month to accommodate the airing of Ken Burns' The American Revolution. (See page 1.)

Coming this month is a short documentary about the University of Illinois' unique Black Chorus Camp. Founded by Ollie Watts Davis, a professor of voice and the director of the university's Black Chorus, the camp brings local high school students together for one week to learn the music of Black Americans.

Other segments also are underway, and, as always, these topics are subject to change.



You can watch past episodes on WILL Passport or online at will.illinois.edu/prairiefire (scan the QR Code).

Prairie Fire was nominated for nine Mid-America Regional Emmys, including Best Magazine Program, Best Director, and seven nominations for individual segments. (See page 20 for more details.



Ollie Watts Davis is a U. of I. professor of voice and director of the Black Chorus.

# 'Great Performances' presents Peck documentary, Shakespeare in the Park





**Great Performances** presents two very different specials this month.

At 8 pm Friday, Nov. 7, Tiler Peck: Suspending **Time** is a documentary about New York City Ballet prima ballerina Tiler Peck. The film follows Peck for six years as she overcomes a major injury, a pandemic, and personal loss, prompting her to redefine her relationship with dance. It features original choreography by Peck as well as works by George Balanchine, William Forsythe, Alonzo King, and Christopher Wheeldon.

With the opening of the newly renovated Delacorte Theater, an open-air amphitheater in Central Park in New York City, Great Performances presents its latest Free Shakespeare in the Park production, Twelfth Night, at 8 pm Friday, Nov. 14. Shakespeare's audience favorite follows the romantic misadventures of shipwrecked twins. Directed by Saheem Ali, the performance stars Peter Dinklage, Jesse Tyler Ferguson, Junior Nyong'o, Lupita Nyong'o, Sandra Oh, and Daphne Rubin-Vega.



### WEEKDAYS

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!

Noon

**Performance Today** 

2 pm

**Classical Music** 

5 pm

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

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

11/3 Mussorgsky/Rimsky-Korsakov: Night on Bald Mountain

Liszt: A Faust Symphony

11/10 Stravinsky: Firebird Suite Hindemith: When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd: Requiem for Those We Love

11/17 Simone Young, Conductor Dvorak: Cello Concerto in B Minor Brahms: Symphony No. 1 in C Minor

11/24 Mendelssohn: Elijah New York Choral Artists Joseph Flummerfelt, Director

Chicago Symphony Orchestra Radio Broadcast

Tchaikovsky: Suite from The Sleeping Beauty Tchaikovsky: Suite from Swan Lake, Op. 20a Johann Strauss Jr.: Emperor Waltz, Op. 437

11/11 Ravel: Menuet antique

Shostakovich: Violin Concerto No. 1 in A Minor

Debussy: La Mer

11/18 Wagner: Prelude to Lohengrin Richard Strauss: Till Eulenspiegel's Merry

Bruckner: Symphony No. 8 in C Minor 11/25 Khachaturian: Symphony No. 3 in C Major

Kodály: Dances of Galánta Franck: Symphony in D Minor

Wednesday:

WFMT Orchestra Series: Los Angeles **Philharmonic** 

11/5 Gustavo Dudamel, conductor

Mahler: Blumine

Mahler: Symphony No. 10: Adagio

11/12 Gustavo Dudamel, conductor Alma Mahler: Five Songs Mahler: Symphony No. 5

11/19 Joana Mallwitz, conductor Tchaikovsky: Violin Concerto Schubert: Symphony No. 9, "The Great"

11/26 Ryan Bancroft, conductor

Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 24 in C Minor

Nielsen: Symphony No. 4

### 7 pm Thursday

Prairie Performances with Mel Miller

The best of classical and jazz music in central Illinois.

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.

7 pm Friday

Heifetz On Air

In the Bard's Nest

Schubert: String Quartet No. 14 in D Minor, "Death and the Maiden" D. 810

II. Andante con moto

11/14 Coachings and Collaborations

Haydn: String Quartet in B-flat Major, Op. 76, No. 4, "Sunrise" Allegro con spirito Beethoven: String Quartet No. 1 in F Major

11/21 September to Remember

Fritz Kreisler: Praeludium and Allegro Schubert: Rondo in A Major for Violin and Piano, D. 438

11/28 The Junior Jubilee

Paganini: Moses Fantasia Rachmaninoff: Cello Sonata in D Minor, Op. 19 III. Andante

8 pm Friday

Atomic Age Cocktail Party with Jason Croft

11/7 Playful Percussions

Lots of heavy percussion ping-ponging stereophonic action!

11/14 Pleasurable Pianos (encore)

We tickle the ivories with some of the best Atomic Age piano players. 11/21 **Jimmy Van Heusen** 

We spotlight the man who wrote "My Kind of Town," "Come Fly with Me," "Ain't That a Kick in the Head," and tons of other standards.

11/28 Capitol Records

A look at one of the most important record labels of the hi-fi era.

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 classreq@illinois.edu or leave a message at **217-265-5064**.

### Classics of the Phonograph

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

In Memoriam, Christoph von Dohnanyi, 11/1 1929-2025

11/8 Artur Rubinstein and Chopin

11/15 Russian Cellist Mstislav Rostropovich

11/22 The Mahler Revolution: Phase 3, Triumph

11/29 Bruno Walter; the Last Phase, Recording in L.A.



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### Noon

### Afternoon at the Opera

- Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg (Wagner). Danele Gatti, cond., with Georg Zeepenfeld (Hans Sachs), Jongmin Park (Veit Pgoner), and Bayreuth Festival Chorus, Bayreuth Festival Orchestra
- Parsifal (Wagner). Pablo Heras-Casado, cond., with Andreas Schager (Parsifal), Michael Volle (Armfortas), Tobias Kehrer (Titurel), and Bayreuth Festival Chorus, Bayreuth Festival Orchestra.
- 11/15 Lohengrin (Wagner). Christian Thielemann, cond., with Piotr Beczala (Lohengrin), Mika Kares (Heinrich der Vogler), and Bayreuth
- Festival Chorus, Bayreuth Festival Orchestra.

  11/22 **Iolanta** (Tchaikovsky). Tugan Sokhiev, cond.

  noon with Sonya Yoncheva (blind daughter of King René), Ivo Stanchev (René, King of Provence), and Vienna State Opera Chorus, Vienna State Opera Orchestra.
- 11/22 Adriana Mater (Saariaho) Esa-Pekka Salonen, 2 pm cond. with Fleur Barron (Adriana) and Nicholas Phan (Yonas), and San Francisco Symphony Chorus, San Francisco Symphony. (See article at right.)
- 11/29 **Arabella** (Strauss). Christian Thielemann, cond., with Camilla Nylund (Arabella), Sabine Devieilhe (Zdenka), Michael Volle (Mandruka), and Vienna State Opera Chorus, Vienna State Opera Orchestra.

4 pm

### Classical Guitar Alive! with Tony Morris

5 pm

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.

7 pm

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

### **Tiny Desk Radio**

with Bobby Carter and Anamaria Sayre Performances, interviews and behind-the-scenes stories made exclusively for public radio stations.

NPR News Headlines at 9:01.

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

Atomic Age Double Shot with Jason Croft An episode from our archives.

Midnight

Classics All Night

### SUNDAYS

6 am

**Classical Music** 

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition with Ayesha Rascoe

9 am

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

# Opera world premiere

Tune in at 2 pm Saturday Nov. 22 for "Adriana Mater," the second opera by Finnish composer Kaija Saariaho. It's been two years since Saariaho passed away, and "Adriana Mater" (2005) had never been recorded until 2024. Illinois Classical presents this modern opera from a world premiere recording gifted to the station.

Pipedreams with Michael Barone

### **Performance Today Weekend**

5 pm

Reel Music with Matt Rogers

Music from the movies each week with an hour of orchestral themes from cinema's best film scores.

### The Evening Concert

### The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

- Schubert: String Quartet in A Minor, D. 804, Op. 29, No. 1, Rosamunde
- Tchaikovsky: Les saisons for Piano, Op. 37b Brahms: Sonata in E-flat Major for Viola and Piano, Op. 120, No. 2
- 11/16 Debussy (arr. Ravel): Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune for Piano, Four Hands Grieg: String Quartet in G Minor
- 11/23 Debussy: En blanc et noir for Two Pianos Stravinsky: The Rite of Spring for Piano, Four Hands
- 11/30 Beethoven: Serenade in D Major for Flute, Violin, and Viola, Op. 25 Paganini: Terzetto concertante in D Major for Viola, Guitar, and Cello

7 pm

### Fiesta! with Elbio Barilari

Visions of Mexico

Music by José Pablo Moncayo and recent works by Emilio Toussaint and Hebert Vázquez.

11/9 Concerti from Argentina and Brazil An oboe concerto by Eduardo Alonso-Crespo

and a piano concerto by Mozart Camargo Guarnieri.

11/16 A Lost Baroque Opera

Domenico Zipoli's "lost" opera, dedicated to Saint Ignacio de Loyola.

11/23 Chamber Music from Spain and Brazil From Spain: Eduard Toldrá and Pau Casal and from Brazil: Claudio Santoro and Mozart Camargo Guarnieri.

11/30 Medieval & Renaissance Music from Spain, Portugal & the Americas

Music from the 12th to the 18th century, including the mysterious "Codex Calixtinus."

8 pm

Prairie Performances (encore)

Jazz Night In America with Christian McBride

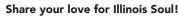
10 pm

Classical Music

NPR News Headlines at 11:01

Overnight

Classical Music





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NPR Morning Edition	6:00	R&B/Throwbacks	
with Kimberly Schofield	7:00		NPR Weekend Edition
R&B	8:00		
Smooth Jazz Neo-Soul	9:00		The Cut
Funk on Fridays	10:00		(featuring gospel music)
Funk Ride (Fridays at 5 pm)	11:00	Dialogue with Kennedy Vincent	Illinois Soul Gospel
	Noon	R&B/Throwbacks	R&B Dusties
	1:00		
	2:00		
	3:00		
	4:00		
	5:00		
Code Switch/Life Kit (M), Dialogue (Tu), Reveal (W), Throughline (Th), Funk Ride continues (F)	6:00	The Wind Down with Will Downing	Roots of Smooth
The Quiet Storm	7:00	Catch the Flo	Soul of Jazz
	8:00		
	9:00	New Urban Jazz	Pillow Talk
	10:00		
	11:00	Jazz Night in America	Overnight: Neo + SMJ
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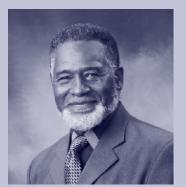




Jill Clements, Illinois Soul Manager

# TOP 5 R&B Artists

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



In his role as the president of First String Inc., Peter McFarland oversees basketball, refereeing, coaching, baseball, and scouting for Champaign-Urbana youth and families. He is also a board commissioner for the Housing Authority of Champaign County and a retired technical engineer with 43 years of broadcast service at WCIA (Nexstar Media Group). His top 5:

- 1. Al Green
- 2. Gladys Knight
- 3. Marvin Gaye
- 4. The Temptations
- 5. The Isley Brothers

# Supporting Dance at Illinois and KAM

Illinois Soul is proud to be the exclusive radio sponsor of Dance at Illinois' 2025-2026 season theme. "Black on Black: A Celebration of Black Dance" and related exhibitions at Krannert Art Museum.

"Black on Black" is a multipart project that highlights and celebrates Black dance artistry through performances, educational events, and partnerships,



including the "Black on Black on Black on Black" exhibition at Krannert Art Museum and the Flatlands Dance Film Festival. The project seeks to increase awareness of Black dance's impact and diversity and foster community engagement.

Part of the College of Fine and Applied Arts, Dance at Illinois will host "January Dance" on Jan. 29-30 in the Colwell Playhouse at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. The performance will be directed by assistant professor Alexandra Barbier, who also will premiere a new characteristically humorous and experimental theatrical work. In addition, work by MFA candidate Nik Owens is featured as well as a performance by alumni quest artists Laina Reese Werner-Powell and Ty Lewis. For more information on the season, events, and exhibitions, visit Dance at Illinois online at dance.illinois.edu or Krannert Art Museum at kam.illinois.edu.

# McFarland recognized by CI Business magazine



Central Illinois Business magazine and The News-Gazette have announced the recipients of their annual Forty Under 40 awards that recognize and celebrate outstanding young professionals in the Champaign-Urbana area. The award honors people under the age of 40 for their achievements, experience,

innovation, leadership, and community involvement, with two honorees named Man and Woman of the Year.

Shannon McFarland, a part-time employee of Illinois Soul, was not only recognized as one of this elite group, she was named the 2025 Central Illinois Business Forty Under 40 Woman of the Year. "I'm honored and beyond grateful for this recognition and





# Relax with our new online musical game



Celebrate R&B and soul icons with our new, fastpaced musical word game called Illinois Soul Scramble. You'll find the game at IllinoisSoul.org. Just hit "Start," which begins the 60-second timer. Listen to the clue and drag the white letter tiles around the circular board to reveal the artist's name. A riddle-style clue keeps you on track, and the lineup rotates with legends spanning every era. The game is mobile-friendly and perfect for a quick brain boost between songs. Share your win when you beat the clock, and come back often as we expand the roster.

hoto by Robin Scholz/The News-Gazette



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					6:30	State Week in Review	
					7:00	NPR Weekend Edition	NPR Weekend Edition
					8:00		
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					10:00	Wait Wait Don't Tell Me!	It's Been a Minute/ Wild Card
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			The Mid		1:00	This American Life	The Treatment
			(F repea	t)			State Week in Review
The Clo	sing Ma	rket Repo	ort   2:06 p	m	2:00	Radiolab	Reveal
BBC Ne	wshour		Commo Week (F		2:30		
Fresh A	ir with T	erry Gross	& Tonya	Mosley	3:00	TED Radio Hour	On the Media
All Thin	gs Con	sidered			4:00	All Things Considered	All Things Considered
					5:00	Hidden Brain	The New Yorker Radio Hour
					6:00	Left, Right & Center	Travel with Rick Steves
The 21s	t Show	(repeat)			7:00	Ezra Klein	This Old House Radio
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The Dai	ly/Toda	y Explaine	ed		9:00	Dialogue	Tiny Desk Radio
On Poir	nt				10:00	Embodied	Sports in America
BBC W	orld Ser	vice			11:00	Moth Radio Hour	Not By the Playbook
					Midnight	Sam Sanders Show	Le Show
					1 am to 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: 8:49 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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Reginald Hardwick, news and public affairs director, Illinois Public Media

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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.





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BBC World News America	5:30	Antiques Roadshow	• 9:30–5 pm Saturday, 11/22 (parts 1–3) and 9 am–5 pm
PBS News Hour	6:00		Sunday, Nov. 23 (parts 4–6).
	6:30	As Time Goes By	• Weekdays 2:30 pm Nov. 17-21 (parts 1-5).

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### **SESAME STREET MARATHON**

Celebrate season 56 of Sesame Street with a two-hour marathon beginning at 7:30 am Monday, Nov. 10. Enjoy four new episodes, including (in order): Elmo Runs the Race, Cookie Monster's Big Puzzle, Abby's Magical Beasties, and Grover's Super Suitycase.

You also can watch in the PBS KIDS app.

### CELEBRATING NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

# The Blackfoot people's battle over bison

Nearly 150 years ago, the Blackfoot people witnessed the near-extinction of bison, one of the most important links to their identity, culture, and spirituality — an act that nearly destroyed the tribe. Since then, the Blackfoot have endured a centurylong campaign of oppression and persecution from the United States government. A new documentary feature film, Bring Them Home, follows a small group of Blackfoot who are working to right these historic wrongs by returning wild bison to their lands — an act that could heal people, reinvigorate traditional culture, and bring economic opportunity. This film charts the course of this struggle from past to present, closely following the tribal members who have given their lives and hearts to this struggle for the betterment of their people. **Bring Them Home** airs at 9 pm Monday, Nov. 24.



# Stories of Indigenous seed keepers



Kanenon:We — Original Seeds, airing at 10:30 pm Tuesday, Nov. 4, follows three Indigenous women from different Native American communities as they reclaim their ancient role as seed keepers, regenerating, protecting, and rematriating sacred and endangered heirloom seeds for the future generations. Featured:

- Angela Ferguson, who grew up on Tuscarora Nation territory, now supervises the Onondaga Nation Farm, promoting food sovereignty.
- Rebecca Webster, an Oneida Nation citizen, is an associate professor and director of graduate studies at the University of Minnesota, Duluth, who focuses her research on tribal governance and food sovereignty, viewing Indigeous farming as an act of resistance and self-determination.
- Rowen White, an Indigenous seed keeper and storyteller from the Mohawk community of Akwesasne, champions Indigenous food sovereignty through community healing and a seedkeepers network.

# The fight for justice for Indigenous youth

**Uncovering Boarding Schools: Stories of** Resistance and Resilience chronicles present-day efforts by Klamath tribal members in their fight for justice for students forced into enrollment in unsafe institutions. The hourlong documentary follows their struggle to uncover the difficult and often hidden history of Indigenous children forced into government-sanctioned boarding schools across the western frontier, including some religious schools



that were previously kept under the radar. In sharing these stories, the film aims to bring about community reconciliation and healing after decades of intergenerational trauma. Uncovering Boarding Schools airs at 10 pm Monday, Nov. 24.

### CELEBRATING VETERANS DAY WITH STORIES OF SERVICE

# Two tributes honor our veterans

Join country music star Mickey Guyton for a heartfelt celebration honoring our nation's heroes with inspiring military stories and performances by Craig Morgan, Christian McBride, Aubrey Logan, and the U.S. Army Field Band. Salute to Service 2025: A Veterans Day Celebration airs at 8 pm Monday, Nov. 10.

American Heart in WWI: A Carnegie Hall Tribute, airing at 7 pm Tuesday, Nov. 11, brings fresh insights to the war through this musical and visual exploration. Powerful storytelling, breathtaking music, unforgettable characters, rare film and images from the National Archives, and meticulously researched history tell the story of America's involvement in World War I.

# Vietnam vets confront personal wounds

**Healing A Soldier's Heart** follows the courageous journeys of four Vietnam veterans — all suffering from severe PTSD who return to Vietnam to confront and heal their psychological wounds. Under the guidance of a psychotherapist, the veterans confront their past, visiting locations where they lost their fellow soldiers and friends. Along the way, the soldiers seek forgiveness from their former enemies and discover self-acceptance. Healing A Soldier's Heart airs at 10:30 pm Monday, Nov. 10. The film also is available via WILL Passport beginning Nov. 9.



# World War II through a corpsman's eyes

Harry Chandler, at right, arrived at Pearl Harbor in September 1941, serving as a United States Navy Corpsman. He believed his time in Hawaii would be paradise, a stark contrast to the cold winters of New England. However, on Dec. 7, 1941, his world was shaken by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the island of Oahu. On that "Day of Infamy," his duty became saving lives and retrieving charred bodies from the harbor's waters.

Corpsman! Pearl Harbor, narrated by sports commentator Jim Nantz, follows Chandler's story on that day and the days that followed America's sudden entry into World War II, while also examining the role of corpsmen and medics during the war. Corpsman! Pearl Harbor airs at 10 pm Tuesday, Nov. 11. The film also is available via WILL Passport.





# Breaking Germany's code

The breaking of Germany's top-secret Enigma Code at Bletchley Park in the United Kingdom was one of World War II's biggest secrets, alongside the construction of the atomic bombs. Some historians estimate that deciphering the German military code shortened the war by two years and possibly saved 14 million lives. Though the Enigma was deemed unbreakable, a British mathematician named Alan Turing spearheaded the initiative and succeeded unbeknownst to the German military. Narrated by Keith Morrison of "Dateline" and filmed on location in England and the United States, Breaking Enigma: A World War II Game Changer tells this heroic story through interviews with historians, veterans, and modern scientists. The film airs at 11 pm Sunday, Nov. 16.



# Saturday

Father Brown

The Last Supper. Season 11, episode 4 of 10. Father Brown has a lot on his plate when a food fayre comes to Kembleford. Repeated 2 pm 11/3.

Midsomer Murders (TV-PG) 8:00

Ring Out Your Dead, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Season 5, episodes 3 & 4 of 10. In Midsomer Wellow, the church bell-ringers are being murdered one by one. And the killer leaves a line from a nursery rhyme by each body.

9:30 The Brokenwood Mysteries (TV-14) Playing the Lie. Season 1, episode 3 of 4. Four of the five committee members of Brokenwood Golf Club find a dead body.

11:00 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Samara Joy.

# **2** Sunday

Miss Austen on MASTERPIECE (TV-PG) (DVS) Episode 3 of 4. Through her feverish delirium, Cassandra guards Jane's letters from Mary Austen. As she drifts in and out of consciousness, she relives the dramatic events of her youth. Repeated 2 am 11/4.

8:00 Maigret on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) Maigret Comes Home, Part 1 of 2. Season 1,

episode 5 of 6. A student is stabbed to death in the street. Maigret and Cavre disagree over the killer's motives. Repeated 12 am 11/3, 4 pm 11/3 & 3 am 11/4.

9:00 The Gold on MASTERPIECE (TV-14)

> The Boy You Were. Season 1, episode 5 of 6. The police learn that Cooper and Parry have been laundering the Brink's-Mat millions. Repeated 1 am 11/3 & 4 am 11/4.

10:00 Flesh and Blood on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) Episode 3 of 4. As Vivien and Mark prepare for a trip to India, Jake gets a hot tip.

11:00 The Paris Murders (TV-14)

Forever. Season 2, episode 11 of 12. The entire team is attending Hyppolite's wedding, when a dramatic turn of events turns the ceremony into yet another bloodbath.

# **3** Monday

Antiques Koadshow (TV-G) Kids Stuff

8:00 Antiques Roadshow (TV-G) I Was There

Independent Lens (TV-14) (DVS) 9:00

Life After. Disabled filmmaker Reid Davenport investigates assisted dying and uncovers how ableism, policy, and systemic failures can make death seem like the only option. Repeated 3 am 11/5.

10:30 The Last Ecstatic Days (TV-MA)

Ethan Sisser, a young man with terminal brain cancer, sits alone in his hospital room. When he starts livestreaming his death journey on social media, thousands of people around the world join to celebrate his courage.

11:30 Amanpour and Company

### **4** Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS)

Activist Roots. Henry Louis Gates Jr. welcomes Brittany Packnett Cunningham and Anita Hill, two guests who made profound sacrifices for social justice. Repeated 2 pm 11/5 & 4 am

8:00 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. With few clues to guide him, Gates introduces them to ancestors they've never known revealing connections to key moments in history.

9:00 Frontline

10:30 Kanenon:we - Original Seeds (TV-G) See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **5** Wednesday

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

The Pigeon Hustle. See page 2. Repeated

8:00 NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS)

Operation Space Station: High-Risk Build. Part 1 of 2. See page 13.

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

The Princes in the Tower. Find out if one of history's greatest cold cases — the imprisonment of two princes in the Tower of London — can finally be solved. Their disappearance led to centuries of mystery and speculation. Repeated 1 am 11/6, 2 pm 11/7 & 1 am 11/9.

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

Lost Treasures of Angkor — The Discovery. Part 1 of 2. A recent discovery of gold and silver artifacts in Laos tells the story of the Khmer Empire and may point to a lost city of immense power and wealth older than the megacity of Angkor. Repeatedd 4 pm 11/7.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **6** Thursday

7:00 Mid American Gardener

7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G) Seabees, Paint Galvanized Railing.

8:00 **Father Brown** 

> The Father, The Son. Season 11, episode 5 of 10. Flambeau is stunned to find his estranged father at St Mary's, and his father has a dangerous mission in mind. Repeated 1 am 11/7, 7 pm 11/8, 2 pm 11/10.

9:00 Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14) Ruddy Gore. Season 1, episode 6 of 13. At a gala performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's Ruddigore, Phryne Fisher meets the gorgeous Lin Chung who rescued the theatre's leading man from some thugs in a dark alley in Chinatown. Repeated 2 am 11/7 & 6 pm 11/9.

10:00 The Good Karma Hospital (TV-14) Season 2, episode 6 of 6. As the first monsoon rains arrive, tensions run high. Repeated 3 am 11/7.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# Life or death on the International **Space Station**

The size of a football field, the International Space Station hurtles around Earth at 17,000 mph, shielding its astronauts from the most hostile environment humans have ever endured. After 25 years of continuous human presence in space, astronauts and Mission Control insiders reveal the most terrifying moments aboard this remarkable



orbiting laboratory, where a single mistake could prove fatal. From ammonia leaks, meteor strikes, and docking disasters, to space-walk horrors, potentially lethal showers of space junk, and the moment the entire ISS backflipped out of control, follow life-or-death dramas unfolding 250 miles above our planet — and the human ingenuity and teamwork that save the day. The two-part special, *Operation Space Station* airs on **NOVA** at 8 pm Wednesday, Nov. 5 and Nov. 12.

### Friday

- 7:00 Washington Week with the Atlantic
- 7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
- 8:00 **Great Performances (TV-PG)** Tiler Peck: Suspending Time. See page 3. Repeated 12:30 am 11/8 & 2 am 11/10.
- 9:00 **Great Performances (TV-PG)**

New York City Ballet In Madrid. Enjoy an evening of dance from Madrid's Teatro Real, beginning with George Balanchine's "Serenade" and "Square Dance," followed by "The Times Are Racing" by current NYCB resident choreographer Justin Peck set to an electronic score. Repeated 1:30 am 11/8 & 3 am 11/10.

10:28 Born to Be King (TV-G)

With the arrival of a new heir to the British throne, this insightful BBC documentary marks the birth of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's first child. It's a fascinating portrait of royal childhood in previous generations together with anticipation of the life that lies ahead for the baby boy who is born to reign. Repeated 3 am 11/8 & 4:29 am 11/10

11:00 Amanpour and Company

### **8** Saturday

Father Brown

The Father, The Son. See 8 pm 11/6.

8:00 Midsomer Murders (TV-PG)

Murder on St. Malley's Day, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Season 5, episodes 5 & 6 of 10. After a pupil at the prestigious Devington School dies of a stab wound, shocked locals are sure the death can be linked to the long-running rivalry between the school and the locals.

10:00 The Brokenwood Mysteries (TV-14) Hunting The Stag. Season 1, episode 4 of 4. During a hunting trip, a hunter ends up with a bullet in the head.

11:32 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) ACL Celebrates Antone's & The Blues.

### **9** Sunday

Miss Austen on MASTERPIECE (TV-PG) (DVS) Episode 4 of 4. Cassandra uncovers the truth about Isabella and Lidderdale's past. Dinah makes a reckless decision. Repeated 2 am 11/11.

8:00 Maigret on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) Maigret Comes Home, Part 2 of 2. Season 1, episode 6 of 6. Tragedy strikes in Saint-Fiacre, shocking Maigret to the core and driving him to uncover the deceit that ruined Sophie's life. Repeated 12 am 11/10, 4 pm 11/10 & 3 am 11//11.

9:00 The Gold on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS) I'll Be Remembered. Season 1, episode 6 of 6. Some of the criminals are found innocent, and others are convicted, but the case is far from over. Repeated 1 am 11/10 & 4 am 11/11.

10:00 Flesh and Blood on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) Episode 4 of 4. Four romantic relationships spiral out of control. Mary responds to an emergency.

11:00 The Paris Murders (TV-14)

For Always. Season 2, episode 12 of 12. In a shocking series finale, personal issues come to light, and secrets are revealed.

### **10** Monday

Antiques Roadshow (TV-G) Pretty or Pretty Ugly?

8:00 Salute to Service 2025: A Veterans Day Celebration (TV-PG) (DVS) See page 11. Repeated 12:30 am 11/11 & 4 am 11/12.

9:00 The Last 600 Meters: The Battles of Najaf and Fallujah (TV-MA)

> This film tells the story of the battles of Fallujah and Najaf in 2004, two of the deadliest battles of the Iraq War. Repeated 2:30 am 11/12.

10:30 Healing A Soldier's Heart (TV-PG) See page 11.

11:30 Amanpour and Company

# Lidia celebrates 'A Nation of Neighbors'



In Lidia Celebrates America: A Nation of Neighbors, Lidia Bastianich travels across the country sharing the personal stories of everyday people who volunteer — giving back to their communities through food. As Lidia immerses herself in each story, she learns why people are volunteering, and how, through their selfless acts, they feel they get back as much as they give. Whatever the driver is behind their acts of generosity, as the stories unfold, it becomes clear that these volunteers are willing, without hesitation, to be deployed in whatever way best helps others. The hourlong special airs at 8 pm Tuesday, Nov. 25.

# **11** Tuesday

American Heart In WW I: A Carnegie Hall Tribute (TV-PG)

> See page 11. Repeated 12:30 am 11/12, 3 am 11/13 & 3 am 11/15.

9:00 Frontline

10:00 Corpsman! Pearl Harbor TV-PG) See page 11.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **12** Wednesday

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

Jaguar Beach. On a remote stretch of Central America's Pacific coast, the lush, volcanic landscape gives way to a startlingly different world: a dry tropical forest — one of the last of its kind on the planet — where a newly resurgent population of jaguars has reclaimed their kingdom. Repeated 2 pm 11/13.

8:00 NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS)

Operation Space Station: Science and Survival. Part 2 of 2. See page 13. Repeated 2 pm 11/14.

Secrets of the Dead (TV-PG)

Picturing Shakespeare. There are only two accepted representations of William Shakespeare that are considered "official," but could a portrait that has been hanging over a family's mantel for the last 50 years be the third? British window washer Steven Wadlow, whose father bought the portrait in the 1960s, is on the hunt to prove the painting is indeed genuine. Repeated 1 am 11/13 & 1 am 11/16.

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

Lost Treasures of Angkor — King's Gold. Part 2 of 2. The discovery of gold and silver artifacts in Laos leads to ancient sites of worship from the early days of the Khmer Empire. Repeated 3 pm 11/14 & 4 pm 11/14.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

### **13** Thursday

State of Change 2025 (TV-PG) 7:00 See page 18.

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See page 3. Repeated 11:30 am 11/15, 11 am 11/16, 2 pm 11/17 & 4:45 am 11/18.

**Father Brown** 

The Quill of Osric. Season 11, episode 6 of 10. Father Brown must discover the culprit when a novelist is attacked at a crime-writing festival. Repeated 1 am 11/14 & 7 pm 11/15.

Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries (TV-14) Murder In Montparnasse. Season 1, episode 7 of 13. As a young woman in Paris after the war, Phryne posed for the famous artist Pierre Sarcelle. Now, 10 years later, Sarcelle's widow arrives in Melbourne asking for her late husband's paintings. Repeated 2 am 11/14 & 6 pm 11/16.

10:00 Grantchester on MASTERPIECE (TV-14)

Season 1, episode 1 of 6. James Norton stars as Sidney Chambers, a young and charismatic vicar who turns amateur investigator when one of his parishioners dies under suspicious circumstances. Chambers turns to gruff, down-to-earth police inspector Geordie Keating (Robson Green) for help, and the two become crime-solving partners and friends in the hamlet of Grantchester. Repeated 3 am 11/14.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **14** Friday

7:00 Washington Week with the Atlantic

7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

8:00 **Great Performances** (TV-14) Twelfth Night. See page 3. Repeated 1 am

10:00 Arthur: A Life with the Royal Family (TV-PG) Arthur Edwards, the legendary royal photographer for The Sun, has captured more than 200 royal tours across 120 countries in his career. In this film, he shares his personal story alongside how he built an enduring and trusting relationship with the royal family, allowing him to capture many unique and intimate moments from their last 40 years.

Repeated 4 pm 11/16. 11:00 Amanpour and Company

# 15 Saturday

Father Brown

The Quill of Osric. See 8 pm 11/13.

8:00 Midsomer Murders (TV-PG)

Market for Murder, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Season 5, episodes 7 & 8 of 10. When the head of a local book club is robbed and battered to death with her walking stick, suspicion soon falls on club members.

9:30 Sherlock on MASTERPIECE (TV-PG) (DVS) A Study In Pink. Season 1, episode 1 of 3. A thrilling contemporary version of the Victorianera whodunits starring Benedict Cumberbatch as the go-to consulting detective in 21stcentury London, with Martin Freeman as his loyal friend, Dr. John Watson.

11:00 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Kelsea Ballerini/Cam.

# **16** Sunday

The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) In Order to Be Free. Part 1 of 6. See page 1. Opposition in colonial North America to British policies over taxes, land, and sovereignty escalates into violent confrontation. Fighting in Massachusetts ignites a war that gives common cause to 13 otherwise disunited colonies. Repeated 9 pm 11/16, 12 am 11/17, 2 am 11/17, 2:30 pm 11/17 & 9:30 am 11/22.

9:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:00 Breaking Enigma: A World War II Game Changer (TV-PG) See page 11. Repeated 4 am 11/17.

### **17** Monday

7:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) An Asylum for Mankind, Part 2 of 6, See page 1. As New Englanders work to force the British Army from Boston, Congress puts George Washington in command of a new Continental Army. In July 1776, Congress declares American independence. Repeated 9 pm 11/17, 12:30 am 11/18, 2:36 am 11/18, 2:30 pm 11/18 & 12 pm 11/22.

9:10 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:11 Amanpour and Company

# **18** Tuesday

The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) The Times That Try Men's Souls. Part 3 of 6. See page 1. British General Howe soundly defeats General Washington at Long Island and in Manhattan, forcing the Americans to abandon New York City. After fleeing across New Jersey, Washington's army regroups before attacking an outpost at Trenton. Repeated 9 pm 11/18, 12:30 am 11/19, 2:30 am 11/19, 2:30 pm 11/19 & 2:30 pm 11/22

9:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **19** Wednesday

7:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) Conquer by a Drawn Game. Part 4 of 6. See page 1. After beating General Washington in battle, General Howe takes Philadelphia, forcing Congress to flee the city. But the Americans' surprising victory over General Burgoyne at Saratoga encourages France to openly support the United States. Repeated 9 pm 11/19, 12:30 am 11/20, 2:30 am 11/20, 2:30 pm 11/20 & 9 am 11/23.

9:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **20** Thursday

7:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) The Soul of All America. Part 5 of 6. See page 1. After Valley Forge and Monmouth, the French-American alliance changes the war and moves it to other theaters. Navies battle off England and in the Caribbean, while armies advance in Indian Country and the South. Repeated 9 pm 11/20, 12:30 am 11/21, 2:30 am 11/21, 2:30 pm 11/21 & 11:30 am

9:00 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

### **21** Friday

The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) The Most Sacred Thing. Part 6 of 6. See page 1. British General Cornwallis struggles to pacify the southern states. Supported by the French, Washington wins the decisive victory at Yorktown. With independence secured, Americans aspire for a more perfect union. Rpeated 9:10 pm 11/21, 12:30 am 11/22, 2:40 am 11/22 & 2 pm 11/23.

9:15 The American Revolution (TV-14) (DVS) See 7 pm.

11:21 Amanpour and Company

# **22** Saturday

7:00 Father Brown

The Word of the Condemned. Season 11, episode 7 of 10. Lady Felicia asks Father Brown to help prove a convicted serial killer didn't murder her beloved goddaughter. Repeated 2 pm 11/24 & 8 pm 11/27.

Midsomer Murders (TV-PG) 8:00 A Worm in the Bud, Parts 1 & 2 of 2. Season 5, episodes 9 & 10 of 10. When the body of the wife of a local farmer is discovered in Setwale Wood, local villagers readily assume she committed suicide due to depression related to her inability to have a child.

9:30 Sherlock on MASTERPIECE (TV-PG) (DVS) The Blind Banker. Season 1, episode 2 of 3. When a banker is found dead inside his locked apartment, Holmes (Benedict Cumberbatch) and Watson (Martin Freeman) must follow the clues that lead to an underground crime gang.

11:00 Austin City Limits (TV-PG) Jon Batiste.

# **23** Sunday

My Grandparents' War (TV-PG) (DVS) Keira Knightley. Follow actress Keira Knightley as she learns, through conversations with family members and historians, of the extraordinary triumphs and tragedies her grandparents faced during World War II. Repeated 2 am 11/25.

8:00 The Great Escaper on MASTERPIECE (TV-14) (DVS)

See page 2. Repeated 112 am 11/24 & 3 am 11/25.

10:00 Margaret: The Rebel Princess (TV-PG) Part 1 of 2. Learn how Princess Margaret's life and loves reflected the social and sexual revolution that transformed the Western World during the 20th century, and redefined society's image of the modern princess.

11:00 Margaret: The Rebel Princess (TV-14) Part 2 of 2. Peek in on Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones at the start of their married life. They're happy to ride the wave of a cultural and sexual revolution that's transforming Britain, but a more open society may spell trouble for the monarchy.

# **24** Monday

**Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G) Women's Work.

8:00 A More Perfect Union: Inspiring Civic & Civil Conversations Across America (TV-PG) (DVS) See page 1. Repeated 4 am 11/26.

9:00 Bring Them Home (TV-PG) See page 10. Repeated 1 am 11/25 & 2 am 11/27.

10:00 Uncovering Boarding Schools: Stories of Resistance and Resilience (TV-PG) See page 10.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **25** Tuesday

Finding Your Roots (TV-PG) (DVS) Things We Don't Discuss. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. works with Pamela Adlon and Kathryn Hahn, two guests whose family trees were obscured by scandals, to discover the truth about their ancestors. Repeated 2 pm 11/26 & 4 am 11/27.

Lidia Celebrates America (TV-PG) 8:00 A Nation of Neighbors. See page 14. Repeated 1 am 11/26 & 3 am 11/27.

Frontline

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **26** Wednesday

7:00 Nature (TV-PG) (DVS)

My Life As A Turkey. Deep in the wilds of Florida, writer and naturalist Joe Hutto was given the rare opportunity to raise wild turkeys from chicks. Repeated 2 pm 11/27.

NOVA (TV-PG) (DVS) 8:00

Revolutionary War Weapons. American and British archeologists and historians unpack the real story of technology, innovation, and luck that determined the outcome of key battles in the American Revolution. Repeated 2 pm

9:00 Secrets of the Dead (TV-14) (DVS) Jamestown's Dark Winter. Follow forensic anthropologists as they excavate the early American colony and uncover dark secrets. What do discoveries reveal about what really happened during the winter of 1609? Repeated 1 am 11/27 & 3 pm 11/28.

10:00 Secrets of the Dead (TV-14) (DVS) Ben Franklin's Bones. When human bones were found in the basement of Benjamin Franklin's London home, people wondered if he had a dark side. Repeated 4 pm 11/28.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# Thursday

Mid American Gardener 7:00

7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G) Washer Dryer Relocation.

8:00 We ♥ Public Television See page 2. Repeated 1 am 11/28.

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# **28** Friday

Washington Week with the Atlantic

7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

8:00 Brandi Carlile: Live From Red Rocks

9:30 To Be Announced

11:00 Amanpour and Company

# 29 Saturday & 30 Sunday

See your December Patterns for the schedule for Saturday, Nov. 29 and Sunday, Nov. 30, as we bring you music, travel, and special previews as part of our December fundraising campaign.

# Celebrate the holidays with the midwives

This month, Friends of WILL can stream the holiday specials from seasons 11-14 of Call the Midwife (2021-2024) with WILL Passport. Beginning Nov. 21, join Nonnatus House residents in celebrating the Christmas season with four heartwarming specials that each mark the close of their respective seasons. Together, these episodes



highlight enduring themes of community, resilience, hope in the face of hardship, and the power of compassion. From managing an overflowing maternity ward and launching Apollo 8 (season 13), to organizing the spirited "Poplartunity Knocks" talent show (season 12), each special brings a festive and meaningful twist to the holidays. Celebrate the season of love, generosity, and togetherness with your favorite Call the Midwife characters this month on WILL Passport.

### COMING AND GOING THIS MONTH TO





### **NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS**

The Great American Recipe, season 4 Art & Science Collide, 11/15

Atomic People, 11/3

### **Austin City Limits**

- The Marias, 11/9
- Samara Joy, 11/30

### Big Cats 24/7

• Succession, 11/6

### **Great Performances**

• The Magic of Grace Bumbry, 11/1

RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service, season 3, 11/27

### Secrets of the Dead

• Cleopatra's Last Temple, 11/13

### **Walter Presents**

- Bonfire of Destiny, 11/14
- Murder in the Mountains, 11/7
- Snow, season 1, 11/14

### LEAVING SOON

### **American Masters**

- Amy Tan: Unintended Memoir, 11/3
- Buffy Sainte-Marie: Carry It On, 11/22

COBRA, season 1, 11/8

Love and Sacrifice, seasons 1-4, 11/1

- The Elephant and the Termite, 11/3
- First Steps | Born in the Rockies, 11/10
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At left, filmmaker Sam Mirpoorian captures video of a wild bison herd at the Nachusa Grasslands in Lee County.



# Explore Illinois' tallgrass prairie crisis, wild bison, and bees!

State of Change 2025 looks at efforts to retain existing prairie in Illinois, as well as strategies to restore some areas to a more natural state. The episode is the fifth edition of Illinois Public Media's award-winning environmental series. The half-hour special airs at 7 pm Thursday, Nov. 13, and on PBS stations across Illinois. Last year's edition about invasive plants and animals in Illinois was nominated for a Mid-America Emmy award. (See page 20.)

Emmy winning host and producer Tinisha Spain returns to host this year's State of Change from the Loda Cemetery Prairie Nature Preserve in Iroquois County, Illinois. Other than mowing, the

land has not been cultivated and is one of the few places you can still find the original tallgrass prairie in Illinois.

We also travel to the Nachusa Grasslands in Lee County, where wild bison roam. We talk with University of Illinois professor of history Rosalyn LaPier about bison, the prairie, and Indigenous communities. Learn how bison naturally restore and maintain the tallgrass prairie.

Spain also will take us to the residence of President Abraham and First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln in Springfield to see the process of planting native plants.

In addition, we look at a program in Champaign County that teaches people how to grow plants that can sustain pollinators — from a backyard to a back patio.

Filmmakers Sam Mirpoorian and Jenny Shi shot and edited many of the stories along with IPM video manager DJ Roach. IPM News and Public Affairs Director Reginald Hardwick is the executive producer.



Host Tinisha Spain interviews Jeff Peyton, land manager at Loda Cemetery Prairie Nature Preserve in Iroquois County, Illinois.



U. of I. professor Rosalyn LaPier is interviewed at Meadowbrook park in Urbana.

State of Change 2025 is funded by a generous gift from the Backlund Charitable Trust.

State of Change 7 pm Thursday, Nov. 13

More about the series & archival episodes will.illinois.edu/stateofchange



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# Celebrate Dia de los Muertos. plus 'Coco' at the Virginia

Get ready for a day filled with music, memories, and Latinx pride as we celebrate Día de los Muertos with the Champaign Park District with community activities and a showing of the film "Coco."

As part of the Illinois Public Media Film Series at the Virginia Theatre, the 2017 film "Coco" will be shown at 7 pm Saturday, Nov. 1 at the Virginia Theatre, 203 W. Park Ave., Champaign.

The screening is accompanied by a free community event in celebration of Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). The Mexican holiday that is featured in "Coco" consists of families welcoming back the souls of their deceased relatives for a brief reunion that includes food, drink, and celebration. The events will be from 11 am to 3 pm at the Park District's Martens Center, 1515 N. Market St., Champaign. Events include a community altar, live music, cultural activities, Mexican cuisine, and health and wellness activities provided by

students of the Carle Illinois College of Medicine.

General admission tickets for "Coco" are \$7 and are available at the Virginia Theatre box office and online at thevirginia.org. Doors open 45 minutes before the 7 pm show time.

# DSO string section performs as part of Illinois Classical rebrand celebration

In late September, Illinois Public Media proudly marked the renaming of WILL-FM 90.9 as Illinois Classical with an exclusive in-studio event featuring a live performance by string members of the Danville Symphony Orchestra, led by music director Matthew Sheppard.

The string quartet performed selections by Haydn and Barber, along with a specially commissioned piece by quest composer Tim Corpus. Illinois Classical



station manager Max Ramirez shared insights into the station's rebranding, while Corpus offered background on his composition and the creative process behind it.

The event was attended by members of IPM's Vision, Producer's, and Legacy Circles, along with special guests of the orchestra. Following the performance, attendees enjoyed a reception in the lobby of Campbell Hall, where they were able to meet the musicians, Sheppard, and Corpus, as well as Prairie Performances host and John Frayne Fellow, Mel Miller. Prairie Performances will feature audio from this performance available on Illinois Classical and streaming online.



5-7 pm Wednesday, Nov. 12

Join Illinois Public Media as we open our doors for our annual Friendsgiving celebration on Wednesday, Nov. 12 at Campbell Hall, 300 N. Goodwin Ave., Urbana. Stop by anytime between 5 and 7 pm for a behind-the-scenes look at our WILL stations. Meet our staff and on-air hosts, take a self-guided tour of our studios, and pick up some vintage WILL swag. This year's event comes at a pivotal time for our

stations. With the loss of federal funding for public media, we're looking ahead — and we want you to be part of the conversation. Join us to learn about our future plans, share your thoughts, and see how your support continues to make a difference. Parking is available in lots B-22 and B-17, just north and east of our building. We look forward to seeing you!

# IPM local programs nominated for 10 regional Emmy nominations

Prairie Fire and State of Change, local programs produced by Illinois Public Media, have been nominated for 10 regional Emmy awards by the Mid-America chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Nominations are below; winners will be announced Oct. 25. We will update you next month or go to will.illinois.edu for more information.

- State of Change, our annual environmental series, was nominated as Best Public Affairs Program for its 2024 episode, Angry Birds, Armadillos, Cicadas ... Oh my! The segment looked at invasive species in Illinois. Honored: Reginald Hardwick, Tinisha Spain, and Sam Mirpoorian.
- Prairie Fire was nominated as Best Magazine Program for its second season, which included eight episodes that ran September 2024 through May 2025. Honored: Sarah Edwards, DJ Roach, Taylor Plantan, and Tinisha Spain. Note: Prairie Fire won this award last year for its first season.
- Taylor Plantan was nominated for Best Director Short Form or Long Form Content for her contributions to Prairie Fire during season 2.



Prairie Fire airs on WILL-TV at 7:30 pm (usually) on the third Thursday of the month or on demand on YouTube, WILL Passport, or on our website at will.illinois.edu/prairiefire. This month's episode airs at 7 pm Thursday, Nov. 13.

State of Change premieres a new episode each November. Watch episodes online at will.illinois.edu/ stateofchange. This month's episode airs at 7:30 pm Thursday, Nov. 13.

Other nominations for Prairie Fire segments:

- Fresh Press Paper was nominated for Informational/Instructional Short Form Content, with a look at Fresh Press Paper that turns agricultural waste into handmade, artisanal paper. Honored: Taylor Plantan, DJ Roach, and Tinisha Spain.
- Fire Doll Studio was nominated for Arts/Entertainment Short Form Content. Viewers visited Fire Doll Studio, a woman-owned chandlery with a passion for health, sustainability, and the art of candle making. Honored: Taylor Plantan and DJ Roach.
- Leah Marlene Live was nominated for Entertainment Short or Long Form Content. Singer Leah Marlene, who sings the Prairie Fire theme song, performed in the IPM studio as she wrapped up her 2024 summer tour. Honored: Sarah Edwards, DJ Roach, Taylor Plantan, Daniel Clarke, and James Treichler.
- Illinois Hip Hop Camp was nominated for Education/Schools Short Form Content. The segment introduces young creatives at the Illinois Summer Youth Music Hip Hop Camp. Honored: Taylor Plantan, DJ Roach, Daniel Clarke, and James Treichler
- Japan House Tea Ceremony was nominated for Historical Cultural Short Form Content. The segment visits Japan House on the U. of I. campus to experience a traditional tea ceremony and learn about the beauty of traditional Japanese arts and culture. Honored: DJ Roach, Taylor Plantan, and Tinisha Spain.
- Meet Shannon Voss was nominated for Human Interest Short Form Content. The episode features the inspirational story of Chicago native Shannon Voss and his remarkable journey to recovery, and how he is using that journey to inspire others. Honored: DJ Roach, Tinisha Spain, and Taylor Plantan.
- Scratch Brewing Company was nominated for Lifestyle Short or Long Form Content. This tiny brewing company in southern Illinois forages and grows their own ingredients for the awardwinning beer they brew. Honored: Sarah Edwards, Taylor Plantan, and Daniel Clarke.

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