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ON THE COVER

TENNESSEE CROSSROADS

Catch the new 39th Season of this fan favorite starting in September. We are pleased to welcome Grammy Award winner Ketch Secor onboard the series as its new host and story producer. Story on page 6.

And be sure to watch Season 4 of THE GREAT AMERICAN RECIPE, filmed in Nashville, from July 11 - August 15. Story on page 16.

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YouTube	8	NA	NA	NA
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WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS...

A quick story of
PBS Kids fans raising
money for Nashville PBS!



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her best friend**

(RISING 1ST GRADERS HERE IN NASHVILLE)

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community**



88% OF PARENTS

**agree that PBS is a
trusted & safe source
for children to watch
shows & play games**



**Each year,
PBS stations reach
more children than
any of the children's
TV networks**





FOR THE LOVE OF NASHVILLE ... and for the love of PBS

Becky Magura

President & CEO of Nashville PBS

This month marks the beginning of our final year of our current three-year strategic plan, and we will also begin the creation of a new strategic plan for fiscal year (FY) 27–29.

New beginnings are always exciting, but this moment is also shadowed by a looming Rescission Bill set before Congress to determine the fate of public media's federal funding, which has already been appropriated for FY 26 and FY 27. The loss of this specific funding for Nashville PBS would begin to impact our ability to serve the public immediately, as it is truly foundational funding. We have heard from many of you regarding this issue and you continue to make your voices heard. Thank you. We are grateful for you as well as your continued financial support, including leaving Nashville PBS in your estate plans. What a blessing you are in preserving and continuing our multi-decade history of service to Nashville and Middle Tennessee!

As always in this space, I look to what our team is focused on for the Love of Nashville, and one specific area that continues to be a priority for all of us, including our board and viewers, is our priority to create quality local content. Of course, one show that stands out in this impressive lineup is our weekly series TENNESSEE CROSSROADS.

TENNESSEE CROSSROADS is a gift to the state, exemplifying the love we share for our home. This series is poised to welcome a new season and a new host: the multi-talented Ketch Secor! I'm super excited for Ketch to join our talented team in delivering all that you expect from this incredible series. You may recognize Ketch as the talented musician, singer, songwriter and founder of the band Old Crow Medicine Show. When I first met Ketch, it was at a taping of BLUEGRASS UNDERGROUND years ago. He was kind and treated me with respect. When I arrived in Nashville, he became my first guest for Clean Slate, and most of us have seen him as one of the featured hosts of the Ken Burns documentary series COUNTRY MUSIC.

Ketch will be joined on the road throughout the season by our segment producers Miranda Cohen, Laura Faber and Vicki Yates. I want to extend a

special thank you to these talented ladies who stepped up and stepped in with our team to keep our series going in this transitional year without our longtime beloved host, Joe Elmore.

This marks the beginning of a new era of TENNESSEE CROSSROADS. You'll know it's time to travel when you hear that classic theme song; then sit back to enjoy a half hour of great storytelling across our beautiful state. We want to hear from you about your favorite gems you've discovered, so we can look to creating even more stories of impact for local businesses, interesting people, and quaint spots you can enjoy with your family!

Ketch Secor makes his home in Nashville and has for many years. Growing up in Virginia, Ketch traveled all over the country with his parents at a young age. He landed at the Ryman when he was five years old, which left an imprint on him to find his way back to Nashville and old-time music (his story is available on my CLEAN SLATE interview). He is a wonderful man and I can't wait for you to meet him. He's genuine. He's an old soul in a young man's body.

Ketch loves and respects our state dearly and has equal respect for great storytelling. He recognizes that we have obligations to continue treading the path of those who came before us and to make it better. That is something that the late Joe Elmore taught each of us, and it continues to be meaningful as we build on the legacy of the past while preparing a robust future. Ketch has a love for public television that is deep and wide, and he will be a warm and welcoming presence as we begin Season 39 of TENNESSEE CROSSROADS.

Let's get this show on the road! Thank you, Ketch, for joining the team! We can't wait to see you out and about across Tennessee!

Becky



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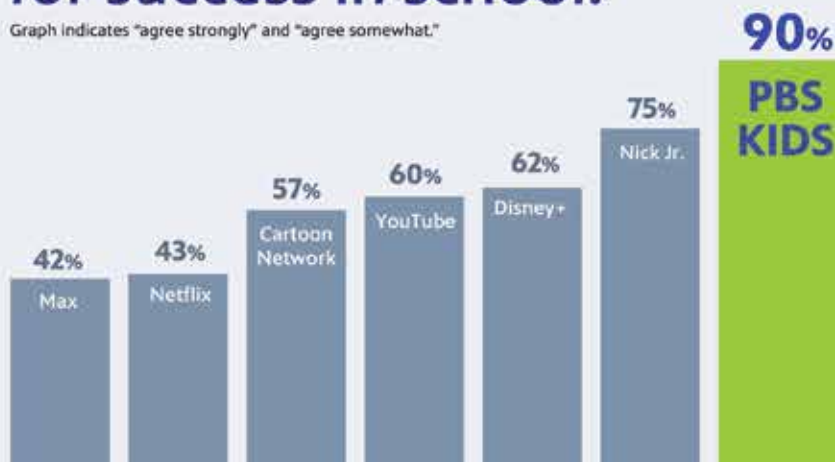


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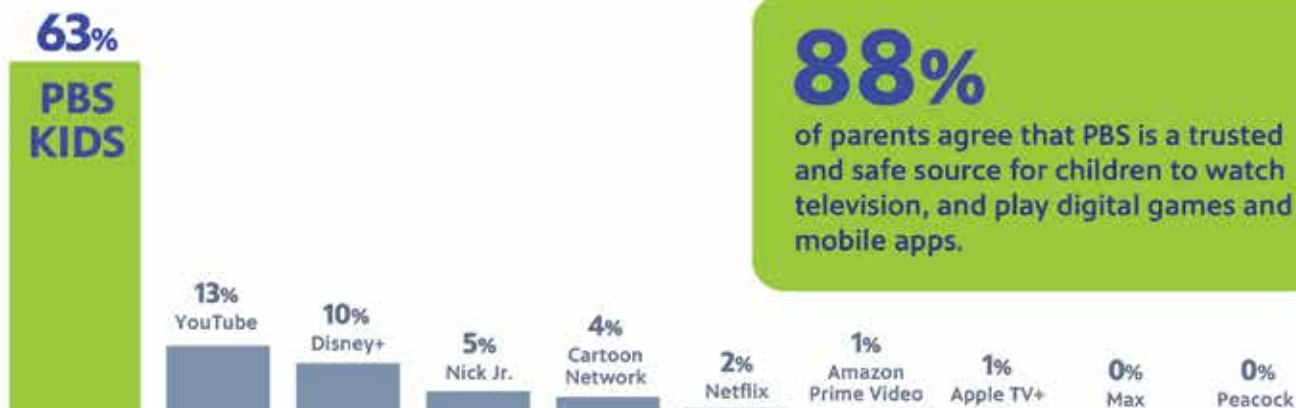
Parents say PBS KIDS helps prepare children for success in school.

Graph indicates "agree strongly" and "agree somewhat."



PBS KIDS named most educational media brand.

Graph indicates "most educational."



88%

of parents agree that PBS is a trusted and safe source for children to watch television, and play digital games and mobile apps.

PBS stations reach more children in low-income homes than any of the children's cable TV networks in one year.

[Source: Nielsen NPOWER, L+7, 9/25/23 - 9/29/24, H 5u, 64-66 Reach (000), PBS stations, select children's cable networks, X 2-70, H Inc-\$40K, 50% unit, 1+ min.]

PBS KIDS averages 16 million monthly users and over 350 million monthly streams across digital platforms.

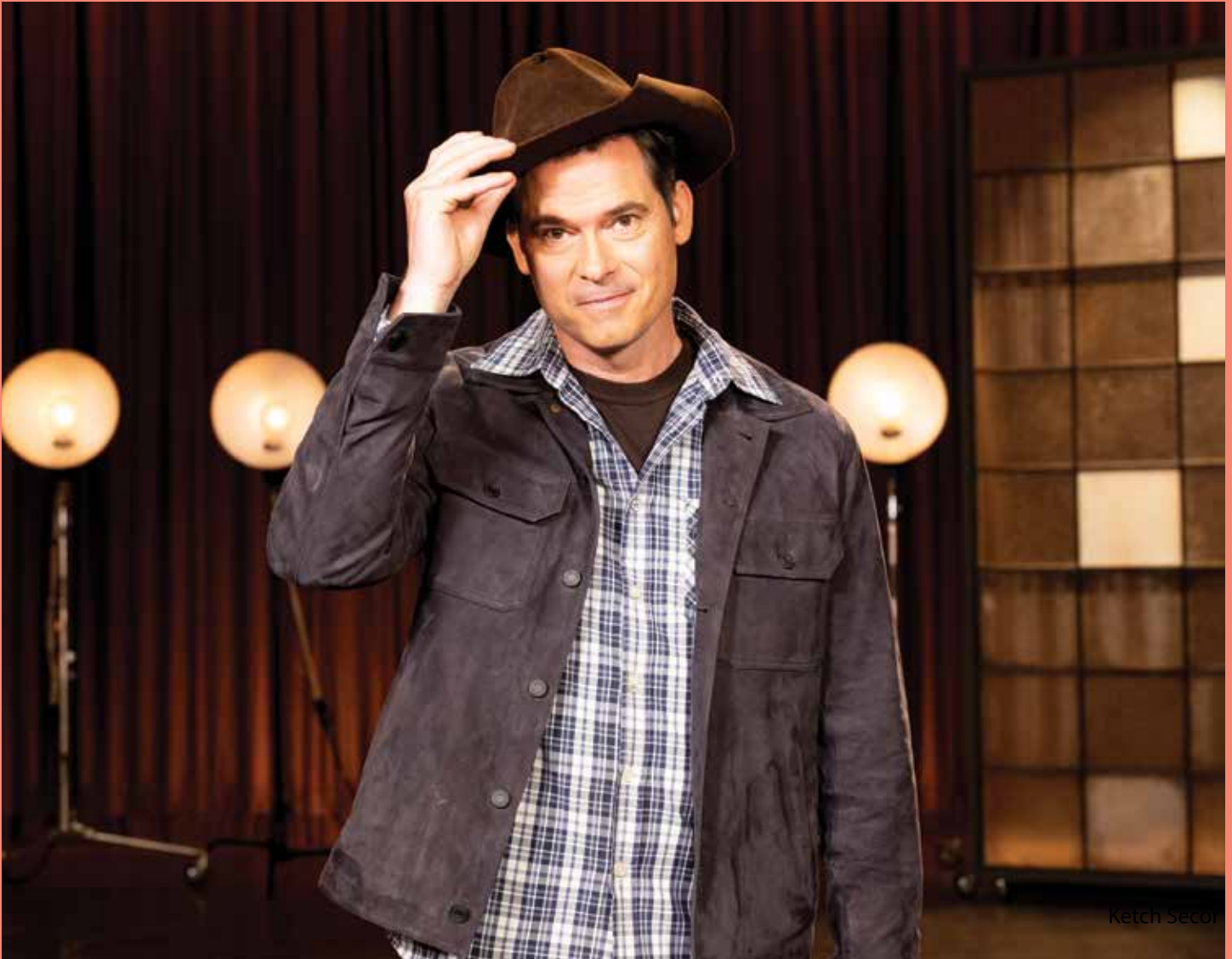
[Source: Google Analytics, Jan - Dec 2024, pbskids.org, PBS KIDS mobile, CTV, and games app.]



YouGov interviewed 2,063 respondents online who were then matched down to a sample of 2,000 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame and weighted based on gender, age, race, and education. The sampling frame is a politically representative "modeled frame" of U.S. adults. Parents were defined as those who said they had children under 18 living in the household. Total figures reported exclude those who answered "sure/you'd know/best of the above" for individual questions (which ranged from 0% to 26% per question). The margin of error is +/- 2.63%.

YouGov
Jan. 6-10, 2025

NASHVILLE PBS ORIGINALS



Ketch Secor



Tennessee CROSSROADS

Exciting changes are ahead as TENNESSEE CROSSROADS enters its 39th season on Nashville PBS. Starting this September, Grammy Award winner Ketch Secor will join the series as its new host and story producer.



Miranda Cohen, Ketch Secor, Vicki Yates & Laura Faber



Best known as the frontman and co-founder of *Old Crow Medicine Show*, Ketch is also a longtime fan of public broadcasting and a passionate advocate for Tennessee's culture, history and community. With deep roots in storytelling, both musical and visual, he brings a fresh perspective to a series that has become a beloved tradition across the state.

Over nearly four decades, *TENNESSEE CROSSROADS* has spotlighted the people, places and hidden treasures that define life in Tennessee. As we welcome Ketch, we also want to celebrate the familiar faces who continue to bring *CROSSROADS* to life. Vicki Yates, Laura Faber and Miranda Cohen remain an important part of the *TENNESSEE CROSSROADS* family, and we're grateful for their ongoing contributions to the stories we tell.

Join our whole crew for a special TENNESSEE CROSSROADS, airing Thursday, August 21 at 7pm.

The on-air talent for *TENNESSEE CROSSROADS* 2025



The on-air AND behind-the-scenes talent for *TENNESSEE CROSSROADS* 2025

NASHVILLE PBS ORIGINALS



Host Jeff Poppen



Host Annette Schrader

Volunteer Gardener

New Season Premieres Thurs, July 31 at 7:30pm
(encore Sun, August 30 at 9:30am)

VOLUNTEER GARDENER Launches 34th Season with Historic Garden Tour

VOLUNTEER GARDENER, a beloved Nashville PBS series, kicks off its 34th season this summer. Airing statewide on PBS affiliates, it remains a fan favorite and Top 10 staple alongside TENNESSEE CROSSROADS.

The first episode of the new season features host Annette Shrader touring the gardens of a historic Nashville home. Viewers will explore grand trees, vibrant perennials, deep border beds, roses, and a kitchen garden planted where vegetables once grew 200 years ago—plus take away practical garden design tips.

The episode also highlights Kelley's Berry Farm in Castalian Springs, where Jeff Poppen learns about sustainable methods behind their bountiful berry harvests.

More than just beauty, gardens offer connection and fulfillment. VOLUNTEER GARDENER continues to share timeless wisdom and actionable insights with every episode.

Stream past episodes at volunteergardener.org and on YouTube.



NASHVILLE PBS ORIGINALS



Join Nashville PBS every first Thursday at a local
Fifty Forward center near you!

Our next three events will feature a viewing of our newest documentary in the Aging Matters series, *Aging with Honor*, followed by group conversation, resource sharing, and light refreshments.

Events are free to attend, but space is limited. Registration is requested.

Jul 3 10 a.m.	Fifty Forward J.L. Turner Center	8101 Highway 100 Nashville, TN 37221
Aug 7 10 a.m.	Fifty Forward LaVergne Senior Center	337 Stones River Road LaVergne, TN 37086
March 6 10 a.m.	Fifty Forward Bordeaux	3315 John Mallette Drive Nashville, TN 37218

Register at wnpt.org/events



NASHVILLE PBS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



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THE GOOD IN US

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GIVING HER OLD CAR NEW LIFE



Becky Magura accepting the car keys from Dawn Kirk

Dawn Kirk wanted to donate her mother's car to her local PBS station and give it a new life. Her mother, Martha Dean Kirk, had been homebound for a year and a half before she passed away. During that time, watching PBS gave her life. She was able to travel with Rick Steves, enjoy cooking shows, THE ANTIQUE ROADSHOW, and watch many documentaries with her daughter.



Thank you so much for your generosity, Dawn. We are grateful for your gift, and for sharing what Nashville PBS has meant to you and your mother!



Jazz Greats: Classic Photographs from the Bank of America Collection

July 12 - October 5

- An exhibition of 33 photographs from the 1920s to 1980s
- Images of the Golden Age of Jazz by celebrated photographers
- Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald, Dizzy Gillespie and more
- Reserve tickets in advance at cheekwood.org

This exhibition has been loaned through the Bank of America Art in our Communities® program.

William Gottlieb (American, 1917-2006), *Apollo*, c.1950, Gelatin silver print. 15 1/8" x 15 1/2" (38.4 x 39.3 cm). Bank of America Collection.

William Gottlieb (American, 1917-2006), *Ella Fitzgerald, Dizzy Gillespie, Ray Brown, Milt (Milton) Jackson, and Timmie Rosenkrantz, Downbeat*, New York, N.Y., 1947, Gelatin silver print. 18 3/4 x 15" (47.6 x 38.4 cm). Bank of America Collection.



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Emergency Alert System (EAS)

Stations provide life-saving alerts by inserting EAS messages into their over-the-air broadcasts. As key participants in the national alerting system, PBS stations deliver emergency messages quickly and reliably, keeping communities informed during emergencies.



Earthquake Early Warning

West coast stations partner with state governments to reduce earthquake early warning alert delivery times from 30 seconds to 1 second.



Emergency Operations Centers

Stations offer hardened facilities with generator backup to ensure continuous operation during emergencies and host public agencies during a crisis.



On-Air Programming

Stations air a variety of public safety-related programming, including official briefings, disaster preparation, substance abuse prevention, health education, and child-appropriate education.



Public Safety Infrastructure Support

Stations' hardened transmission sites host a variety state and federal agencies, including NOAA, state police, FEMA, Homeland Security, the U.S. Coast Guard, and local emergency management.



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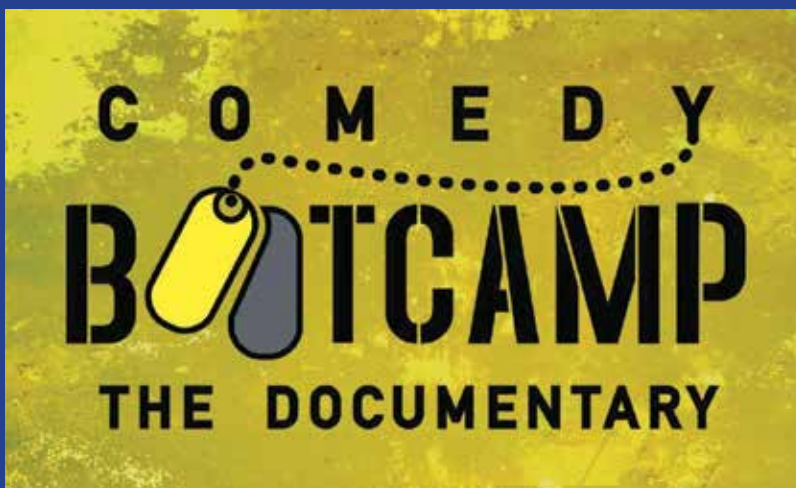
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For example, you will have extended access to past fan favorites like GREAT PERFORMANCES, FINDING YOUR ROOTS and NOVA and AMERICAN MASTERS. You can also stream early releases of new series and binge-watch PBS favorites like MISS SCARLET, ALL CREATURES GREAT & SMALL, and UNFORGOTTEN. There's plenty of local stories too, like MUSIC ROW: NASHVILLE'S MOST FAMOUS NEIGHBORHOOD. The list goes on and on...

The PBS App is currently available to download on the following platforms: Android, iOS, Roku, Samsung Smart TV (Tizen), Apple TV, Android TV, Amazon Fire TV, Amazon Firestick, and Chromecast.

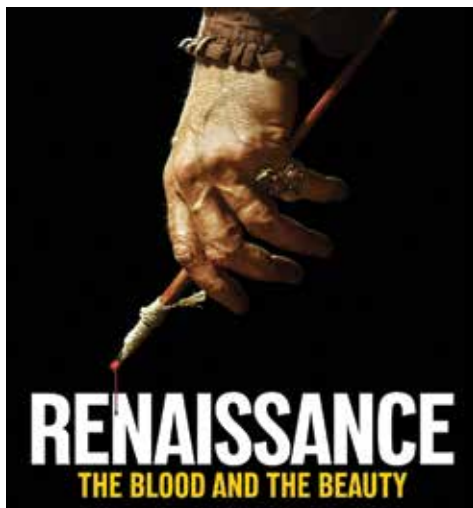


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PBS HIGHLIGHTS

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Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty

Tuesdays, July 8 - 22 at 8pm

Framed through the eyes of Michelangelo, the series traces more than sixty years, beginning with the Pazzi Conspiracy of 1478 and concluding with the unveiling of *The Last Judgement* in 1541. Through stunning visuals, compelling storytelling, and historical insight, the series reveals how these artists battled for favor, risked everything in service of their patrons, and reshaped the world's understanding of art and the artist.

July 8 – Rise

Michelangelo and Leonardo struggle to win work in the brutal world of Renaissance Italy, navigating the shifting politics of powerful patrons and violent city-states. In Florence, young Michelangelo rises under the Medici's patronage while Leonardo builds his reputation in Milan.

July 15 – Rivalry

Florence is a hotbed of creative competition as Michelangelo and Leonardo return to the city and battle for artistic supremacy. When Michelangelo is awarded the commission for David, Leonardo seeks to outshine him with technical innovation. The arrival of the young prodigy Raphael threatens both men.

July 22 – Redemption

While Michelangelo paints the Sistine Chapel ceiling, Raphael ascends in the Pope's favor while working on his private apartments. But shortly after the completion of the Sistine ceiling, the Pope dies, and as the Protestant Reformation tears through Europe, art becomes a battleground for ideology and power. As the new Pope seeks to reassert Catholic supremacy, Michelangelo is commissioned for a depiction of *The Last Judgement*, which will become both a political statement and a very personal expression of Michelangelo's own spiritual redemption.



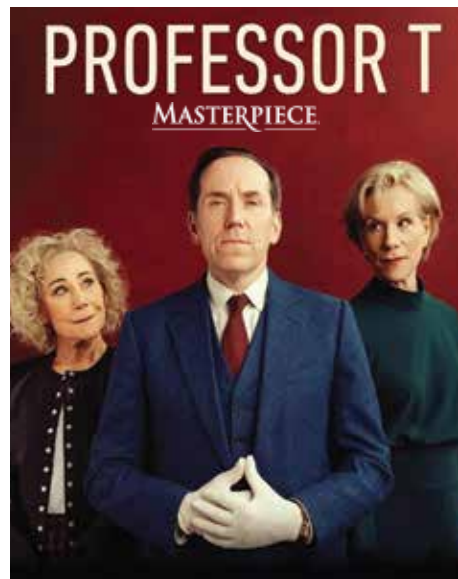
The Great American Recipe Season 4

Fridays, July 11 - August 15 at 8:30pm

PBS's popular cooking competition series, returns for its fourth season with new home cooks from across the United States ready to showcase their signature dishes that reflect their unique backgrounds and culinary stories. Award-winning chefs and restaurateurs Tiffany Derry and Timothy Hollingsworth, along with *SPLENDID TABLE* host Francis Lam, return as judges to guide and encourage them along the way, while Alejandra Ramos returns as host.

An upbeat cooking competition that spotlights the incredible variety of tastes and traditions found across the country, Season 4 of *THE GREAT AMERICAN RECIPE* introduces eight new talented cooks preparing their most beloved recipes. Each week, the judges determine who has the winning dish, and, in the final episode, the top three compete for a chance to win this year's competition. Joining the fun in the opening episode as a special guest judge is beloved TV personality, bestselling cookbook author, and creator of the upcoming PBS KIDS series *WEATHER HUNTERS*, Al Roker. An additional guest judge will be announced at a later date.

Season 4 of *THE GREAT AMERICAN RECIPE* was filmed at Green Door Gourmet, a 350-acre farm, on-farm market, and agritourism destination in Nashville.



Professor T Season 4

Series Premiere Sun, Aug 24 at 7pm

This season picks up six months after the shocking events of Season 3, where DS Lisa Donckers died. The team must grapple with the loss as a new wave of dangerous crimes sweeps through Cambridge. Professor T, who has a new musical interest, is also more engaged in his lectures. His mother, Adelaide, and his therapist, Helena, also experience personal developments, including romance.

Episode 1 – Carpe Diem

Jasper is no longer consulting for the police. But when a woman disappears from a yacht, his therapist asks him to once again get involved.

Episode 2 – September Gardens

While Jasper visits a home for the elderly, a woman is killed by one of the people living there. But there may be more to the murder than meets the eye.

Episode 3 – The Inspection

A school inspector is killed, first by five stab wounds, and then by being smothered.

Episode 4 – You Can't Kill Me

A stage prop knife is substituted by a real knife. Who did the switch and why?

Episode 5 – The Perfect Murder

When a painting is destroyed, suspicions fall on a group of climate activists. But the next attack leaves a dead body behind.

Episode 6 – The Warrior Gene

A man staggers in front of a car, and confesses to killing a man before dying. But where is the body?

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Marlow Murder Club Season 2

Series Premiere Sun, Aug 24 at 8pm

While life in the idyllic town of Marlow has just about returned to normal after a chain of murders rattled the tightly knit community, it's not long before retired archaeologist Judith Potts, dog-walker Suzie Harris, and Vicar's wife Becks Starling are called back into action to solve a series of new crimes that befall the local residents.

Episode 1 – Death Comes To Marlow, Part 1
When a wealthy baronet dies alone in his study the day before his wedding, Judith, Becks, and Suzie find themselves at the center of another puzzling and complicated mystery.

Episode 2 – Death Comes To Marlow, Part 2
As the suspects' alibis stack up, Judith, Becks, and Suzie are pushed to their limits. Will they be able to solve the puzzling murder of Sir Peter before anyone else gets hurt?

Episode 3 – Death On The Close, Part 1
When a man with no ID and no connection to Marlow is found dead in the middle of a suburban road, Judith, Becks, and Suzie delve into secrets between the residents.

Episode 4 – Death On The Close, Part 2
A surprising link to a past missing persons case shines a new light on the residents of Linnet Close for Judith, Becks and Suzie, but could they be responsible for murder on their doorstep?

Episode 5 – Sailing Close To The Wind, Part 1
After a revered member of the sailing club is brutally bludgeoned to death, Judith, Becks, and Suzie must navigate simmering grudges within the tight-knit community on the hunt for justice

Episode 6 – Sailing Close To The Wind, Part 1
As the motives stack up against suspects Gregg and Harry, Kit's killer sends another violent warning and Judith, Becks and Suzie find themselves in a race against time to solve the case.



Unforgotten, Season 6

Series Premiere Sun, Aug 24 at 9pm

The detectives are on a mission to uncover the mystery behind an unsolved murder that occurred 39 years ago. Beneath the ground of a demolished house, the bones of the victim are found. With this evidence, the modern police team open a case to unearth the history that has remained buried for decades.

Episode 1 – When a spine is dredged out of Whitney Marsh, a new case begins for Jess and Sunny's team at Bishop Street CID. Four potential suspects, Juliet, Melinda, Asif, and Marty, each have secrets to hide.

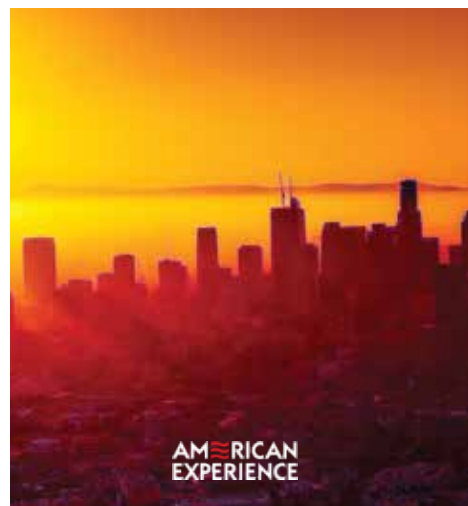
Episode 2 – The Bishop Street team investigate Gerry Cooper's record, relationships, and enemies. Jess and Sunny make contact with his widow, Juliet. More layers to the suspects' lives are revealed, and none of them are as innocent as they first seem.

Episode 3 – The team discover Asif, Mel, and Marty's connections to Gerry, and bring Marty in; Gerry Cooper's descent into nationalism is revealed, as well as his violent streak; as Jess reaches out to her sister, Leanne and Sunny's friendship evolves.

Episode 4 – With the details of Gerry Cooper's life becoming clearer and one suspect already being questioned, the Bishop Street team find suspects further afield. And if Mel and Asif have nothing to hide, why do they claim not to remember Gerry?

Episode 5 – Lies are uncovered as Mel and Asif are taken into custody. Juliet tries to protect Taylor, and herself, from the investigation, and a possible witness to the body's disposal is found. And Jess plans a conversation with Steve.

Episode 6 – For better or worse, Jess and Sunny finally get the truth from Asif, Marty, Mel, and Juliet, and Gerry Cooper's killer is revealed. But both on and off the case, the truth leads to difficult decisions.



Clearing the Air: The War on Smog

Tues, Aug 26 at 8pm

In the summer of 1943, a thick noxious haze of smog enveloped the Los Angeles region. Residents complained of burning eyes and lungs, and some experienced nausea. The physical distress caused by the haze was so bad that many feared it was a Japanese chemical warfare attack.

Over the next several years, the problem reached crisis proportions. Farmers began complaining of discolored lettuce, wilted crops, and dying produce. Many suspected emissions from sulfur-emitting factories had caused the foul air, but a chemist at the California Institute of Technology had a different theory. Arie Haagen-Smit determined that the smog was the result of sunlight breaking down incompletely burned gasoline and other hydrocarbons found in car emissions.

Meanwhile, across the country, toxicologist Mary Amdur made a disturbing discovery: the combined effects of air pollutants, even when not lethal, she determined, could cause permanent damage to lungs.

Both Haagen-Smit and Amdur would suffer reprisals from entrenched industries threatened by their discoveries, but as the 1950s progressed, ordinary citizens became active in the fight to address air pollution across the country until, in 1963, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed into law the Clean Air Act, one of the nation's first environmental laws.

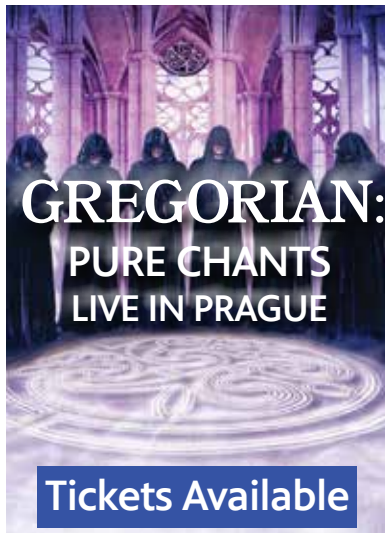
WAR ON SMOG tells the story of the epic struggle against airborne toxins that lead to a national reckoning about air quality and the creation of the Clean Air Act.



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GREGORIAN: Pure Chants Live in Prague

Aug 11 at 7pm; Aug 18 at 9pm

A concert special features the iconic choir performing traditional songs as well as "pure" acoustic versions of fan favorites over the years, including "In Trutina" and "O Fortuna" from Carl Orff's opera Carmina Burana, "Ode to Joy," beautiful arrangements of their versions of Coldplay's "Fix You," The Beatles' "In My Life," Simon & Garfunkel's "Sound of Silence," and Enigma's "Sadness Pt. I," plus many more!

JOHNNY CASH: We Walk the Line

Aug 14 at 7pm

Performances included Grammy-winning and Grammy nominated musicians Brandi Carlile, Carolina Chocolate Drops, Ronnie Dunn, Jamey Johnson, Kris Kristofferson, and Willie Nelson, alongside an all-star band.



COOKING WITH LEGENDS

Aug 9 at 2pm; Aug 14 at 3pm; Aug 16 at 11:30am;

Aug 19 at 3pm; Aug 22 at 4:30pm

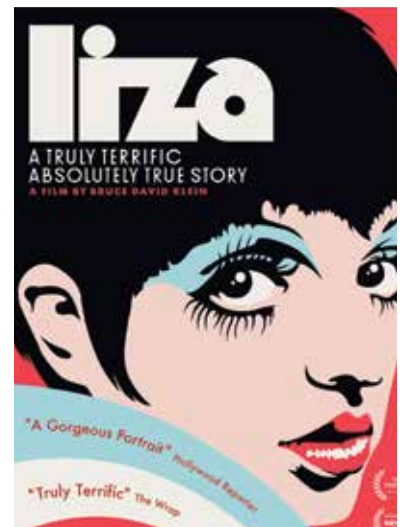
Join longtime friends and chefs Lidia Bastianich and Jacques Pépin for mouth-watering recipes and personal family stories. The combined knowledge of these two "good-natured bosses" doubles the fun when they come together to share the recipes that made their careers, including Lidia's Frico Con Insalata Alla Nonna and Jacques' Crepes Suzette.



AMERICAN MASTERS: Liza

Aug 19 at 7pm

After the tragic death of her mother, a young Liza Minnelli - in the midst of personal and professional challenges - seeks out mentors to help polish her boundless raw talent.

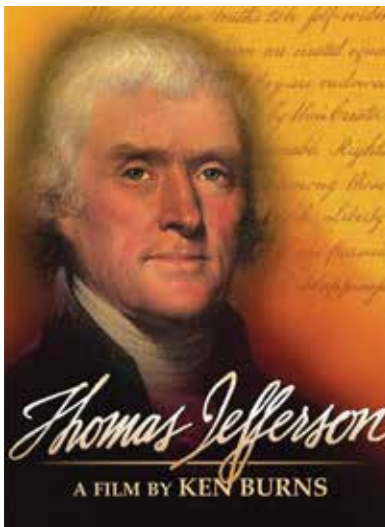


THOMAS JEFFERSON | Ken Burns | 2 Parts

Part 1 - Aug 10 at 9am; Aug 12 at 4pm

Part 2 - Aug 10 at 11am; Aug 13 at 4pm

Thomas Jefferson is a two-part portrait of our enigmatic and brilliant third president. Thomas Jefferson embodies within his own life the most profound contradictions of American history: as the author of the Declaration of Independence, he gave voice to our fervent desire for freedom, but he also owned more than 150 slaves and never saw fit to free them.

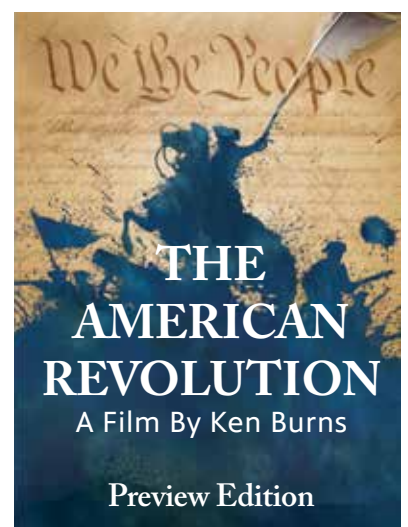


PBS PREVIEW: The American Revolution

Aug 12 at 7pm & 11:30pm; Aug 13 at 3pm; Aug 15 at 5pm;

Aug 21 at 3pm

Learn more about the new six-part, 12-hour Ken Burns film that 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 film is an expansive look at the virtues and contradictions of the war and the birth of the United States of America.





CREATE SHOW MARATHONS



Antenna Ch. 8.4; Charter Ch. 190, 192, 193; Comcast-Xfinity Ch. 256, 1161

The Create Marathons run Friday 8 – 1pm, Saturday 7am – 12pm, Sunday 11am – 4pm, and weeknights 8 – 9pm & 1am – 2am



AMERICAN TRADITIONS

July 4 - 10

In a nod to Independence Day, we're taking some time to enjoy some maker traditions — in the kitchen, the workshop, and on the road. Sit back and enjoy some traditional creations and their stories.



COOK'S COUNTRY SOUTHERN STYLE SUMMER

July 11-17

Southern staples shine in a weekend dedicated to the delicious, the fresh, and the comfort classics. Join COOK'S COUNTRY for a trip that winds through the Southeast and into Texas.



FOCUS ON FLOWERS

July 18 - 24

Flowers are a simple and beautiful way to improve your well-being, but do you know about some of their other superpowers?



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

July 25 - July 31

Beautiful things are created one stitch at a time, and our needle arts pros are here to get you started! Cozy up for a marathon of quilting, knitting, and crocheting to inspire your next handiwork.



AL FRESCO

August 1 - 6

Soak up the sun and enjoy some time outside in the garden and at the grill as Create hosts serve up inspiration for tasty summer fun.



ALL ABOUT JAPAN

August 7-14

Bask in the beauty of Japan's striking scenery in an outdoor adventure that showcases the natural landscapes of the land of the rising sun.



CAPTURE THE MOMENT

August 15 - 21

Set your sights on the great outdoors and capture the spirit of exploration with View Finders and Outside: Beyond the Lens as they discover the magic of stunning vistas and more.



HOME COOKING FROM AROUND THE WORLD

August 22-29

Let MILK STREET be your guide to bringing flavors and techniques from across the world into your kitchen to make easy, delicious meals that will transform the way you cook.



Antenna Ch. 8.2; Charter Ch. 176; Comcast-Xfinity Ch. 241



KID CANDIDATE

Thurs, July 17 at 7pm
Fri, July 18 at 8am & 2pm
Sun, July 20 at 4pm

A viral joke video catapults Hayden Pedigo — a 24-year-old artist and experimental musician in Amarillo, Texas — into the spotlight and prompts him to make a surprise bid for city council. KID CANDIDATE follows Pedigo's unorthodox political campaign while unpacking issues of race, income inequality and gentrification in small-town America.





HEY PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS!

You'll find a variety of free resources from PBS KIDS to help your children explore and play all summer long. Besides streaming the PBS KIDS channel wherever you go, you can spark curiosity and creativity with hands-on activities and games supporting literacy, math, science, and fun. Just check out these PBS KIDS' websites!



SUMMER OF ADVENTURE: PBS KIDS FOR PARENTS

Activities and free fun resources for those curious minds.
pbs.org/parents/summer



SUMMER OF ADVENTURE: PBS LEARNING MEDIA

This collection of resources leverages fun, educational activities to include in your daily schedule.
thinktv.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/summer-camp/



SUMMER OF ADVENTURE: SUMMER SAFARI

You can share fun "any time" learning moments with your kids using daily tips, online resources and partner materials.
pbskids.org/learn/summer/



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on PBS KIDS!



Download the PBS KIDS app
or watch however you want.

Over the Air – 8.3; Comcast – 242;
 Charter – 189 or 192; Google Fiber – 87

July/August PBS KIDS CHANNEL WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

6:00am	Pinkalicious & Peterrific
6:30am	Curious George
7:00am	Sesame Street
7:30am	Milo
8:00am	Work It Out Wombats!
8:30am	Work it Out Wombats!
9:00am	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
9:30am	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
10:00am	Carl the Collector
10:30am	Curious George
11:00am	Donkey Hodie
11:30am	Donkey Hodie
12:00pm	Elinor Wonders Why
12:30pm	Rosie's Rules
1:00pm	Rosie's Rules
1:30pm	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum
2:00pm	Alma's Way (Molly of Denali starts July 7)
2:30pm	Alma's Way
3:00pm	Lyla in the Loop
3:30pm	Arthur (Lyla in the Loop starts July 7)
4:00pm	Odd Squad
4:30pm	Skillsville
5:00pm	Wild Kratts
5:30pm	Wild Kratts
6:00pm	Lyla in the Loop
6:30pm	Nature Cat (Arthur starts July 7)
7:00pm	Molly of Denali (Nature Cat starts July 7)
7:30pm	Hero Elementary
8:00pm	Cyberchase
8:30pm	Let's Go Luna!
9:00pm	Rosie's Rules
9:30pm	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum
10:00pm	Alma's Way (Molly of Denali starts July 7)



Jerome Moore Honored by Peace Corps

Nashville PBS is pleased to share that our colleague, Jerome Moore, has been selected as one of this year's "40 UNDER 40" honorees by the National Peace Corps Association (NPCA).

The recognition highlights individuals whose leadership and impact reflect the values of the Peace Corps community. He will be recognized at the Peace Corps Connect 2025 Conference in July in Washington, D.C. Jerome's story and contributions will be featured in WorldView Magazine.

We are proud of you, Jerome. Congratulations on being selected as one of this year's "40 UNDER 40" honorees!



Weekday Schedule

5:00 Classical Stretch	12:00 Donkey Hodie
5:30 Yoga in Practice	12:30 Pinkalicious & Peterrific
6:00 Wild Kratts	1:00 Elinor Wonders Why
6:30 Alma's Way	1:30 Work It Out Wombats!
7:00 Lyla in the Loop	2:00 Odd Squad
7:30 Carl The Collector	2:30 Arthur
8:00 Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	3:00 Cooking Shows
8:30 Molly of Denali	3:30 Travel Shows
9:00 At-Home Learning	4:00 NPT Favorites
11:00 Sesame Street	5:00 NPT Favorites
11:30 Rosie's Rules	6:00 PBS NewsHour

Saturdays

5:00 Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood	12:00 America's Test Kitchen
5:30 Arthur	12:30 Cook's Country
6:00 Wild Kratts	1:00 Great American Recipe
6:30 Alma's Way	2:00 Travels with Darley
7:00 Lyla in the Loop	2:30 Quilting Arts
7:30 Carl The Collector	3:00 Best of Joy of Painting
8:00 Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	3:30 American Woodshop
8:30 Rosie's Rules	4:00 Woodsmith Shop
9:00 Best of Sewing with Nancy	4:30 This Old House
9:30 Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting	5:00 Ask This Old House
10:00 Garden Smart	5:30 Wild Side
10:30 Tim Farmer's Country Kitchen	6:00 PBS News Weekend
11:00 Lidia's Kitchen	6:30 My Music with Rhiannon Giddens
11:30 Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television	

Sundays

5:00 Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood	10:30 Nature
5:30 Arthur	11:30 Washington Week
6:00 Wild Kratts	12:00 To the Contrary
6:30 Alma's Way	12:30 Firing Line
7:00 Lyla in the Loop	1:00 Masterpiece/NPT Favorites
7:30 Carl The Collector	3:00 Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions
8:00 Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	3:30 Rick Steves' Europe
8:30 Rosie's Rules	4:30 View Finders
9:00 Wild Side	5:00 Antiques Roadshow
9:30 Volunteer Gardener	6:00 PBS NewsHour Weekend
10:00 Tennessee Crossroads	6:30 NPT Originals

*Our weekend schedule may occasionally include special programs as part of our Membership Campaign; please check our online schedule at wnpt.org/schedule for the latest information, or scan the barcode above.

JULY Primetime

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DATES	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm
1 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 10: Fathers and Sons		Iconic America: Our Symbols and Stories - The Statue of Liberty		FRONTLINE (TBA)
2 WED	Walking with Dinosaurs: The River Dragon		Human Footprint Season 2: The Enemy of My Enemy		NOVA: Iceman Reborn
3 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Aging Matters: Aging with Honor	Prohibition: A Nation of Hypocrites	
4 FRI	A Capitol Fourth 2025 - Premiere			A Capitol Fourth 2025 - Encore	
5 SAT	Lawrence Welk Show: Harvest on the Farm (Bobby Burgess)		Keeping Up Appearances	Doc Martin Season 10: Our Last Summer	
6 SUN	Patience: The Locked Room		Grantchester Season 10 - Part IV		Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Part IV
7 MON	Antiques Roadshow: New York City, Hour 3		Antiques Roadshow: Fort Worth, Hour 1		Next Door Neighbors: Flavors Without Borders
8 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 10: Buried Secrets		Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty - Rise		Secrets of the Dead: Leonardo
9 WED	Walking with Dinosaurs: Band of Brothers		Human Footprint Season 2: Dressed to Kill		NOVA: Dino Birds
10 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Tennessee Crossroads	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - Get Action	
11 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community	The Great American Recipe Season 4: First Impressions - Premiere	
12 SAT	Lawrence Welk Show: Big Band Memories (Elaine Balden)		Keeping Up Appearances	Doc Martin Season 10: Last Christmas in Portwenn	
13 SUN	Patience: My Brother's Keeper		Grantchester Season 10 - Part V		Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Part V
14 MON	Antiques Roadshow: Fort Worth, Hour 2		Antiques Roadshow: Fort Worth, Hour 3		Aging Matters: In Rural Communities
15 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 10: Hold the Laughter		Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty - Rivalry		FRONTLINE (TBA)
16 WED	Walking with Dinosaurs: The Pack		Human Footprint Season 2: The Honey Trap		NOVA: When Whales Could Walk
17 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Tennessee Crossroads	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - In the Arena	
18 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community	The Great American Recipe Season 4: Passing the Dish	
19 SAT	Lawrence Welk Show: County Fair (Jack Imel)		Keeping Up Appearances	<i>*Farewell Doc Martin*</i>	
20 SUN	Patience: Pandora's Box - Finale		Grantchester Season 10 - Part VI		Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Part VI
21 MON	Antiques Roadshow: Indianapolis, Hour 1		Antiques Roadshow: Indianapolis, Hour 2		Macbeth by the Nashville Shakespeare Festival
22 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 10: Far and Away		Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty - Redemption		POV Maya Lin: A Strong Clear Vision
23 WED	Walking with Dinosaurs: The Journey North		Human Footprint Season 2: Dammed If You Do		NOVA: Rise of the Mammals
24 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Tennessee Crossroads	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Fire of Life	
25 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community	The Great American Recipe Season 4: The Bakes Are High	
26 SAT	Lawrence Welk Show: Hits by Famous Groups (Kathie Sullivan)		Keeping Up Appearances: Looking Atproperties	Keeping Up Appearances: Christmas 1991	Keeping Up Appearances: Christmas 1995
27 SUN	Lucy Worsley Investigates Season 2: Jack the Ripper		Grantchester Season 10 - Part VII		Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Pt. VII
28 MON	Antiques Roadshow: Indianapolis, Hour 3		Antiques Roadshow: Palm Springs, Hour 1		The Citizenship Project: Cumberland Homesteads
29 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 10: Mean Streets		American Experience Ruthless: Monopoly's Secret History		FRONTLINE (TBA)
30 WED	Walking with Dinosaurs: Island of Giants		Human Footprint Season 2: Vanishing Act - Conclusion		NOVA: Ancient Maya Metropolis
31 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Tennessee Crossroads	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Storm	
	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm



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DATES	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm
1 TUE	FRONTLINE (cont.)	To Be Announced		BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
2 WED	NOVA (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Beyond the Now		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
3 THU	Prohibition: A Nation of Hypocrites (cont.)		Al Capone's Bloody Business: American Stories		BBC News
4 FRI	A Capitol Fourth 2025 (cont.)	*The Statue of Liberty*			BBC News
5 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs: Stockholm	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits Margo Price/Molly Tuttle & Golden Highway	
6 SUN	Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece (cont.)	Sisi: Austrian Empress Season 2 - Part III		Professor T (UK) Season 3: The Perfect Picture	
7 MON	Next Door Neighbors: The Little Things Special	POV Igualada: Refusing to Know Your Place			BBC News
8 TUE	Secrets of the Dead (cont.)	Behind the Scenes of Leonardo da Vinci with Ken Burns		BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
9 WED	NOVA (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Chaos & Complexity		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
10 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - Get Action (cont.)		American Experience: Fatal Flood		BBC News
11 FRI	American Masters: Marcella			BBC News	Aging Matters: Women Unseen
12 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs: Montreal	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Robert Glasper/Domi and JD Beck	
13 SUN	Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece (cont.)	Sisi: Austrian Empress Season 2 - Part IV		Professor T (UK) Season 3: Truth and Justice	
14 MON	Aging Matters: Grandparents	POV: Made in Ethiopia			BBC News
15 TUE	FRONTLINE (cont.)	To Be Announced		BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
16 WED	NOVA (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Once Upon a Time		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
17 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - In the Arena (cont.)			Surviving the Dust Bowl: American Experience	
18 FRI	Somewhere South: American as Hand Pie		Variety Studio: Actors on Actors	BBC News	Keep Reading - A Decade with a Word on Words
19 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs: Seoul	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Jenny Lewis/Muna	
20 SUN	Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece (cont.)	Sisi: Austrian Empress Season 2 - Part V		Professor T (UK) Season 3: A Little Drop of Poison	
21 MON	Macbeth by the Nashville Shake- spear Festival (cont.)	POV: The Ride Ahead			BBC News
22 TUE	POV Maya Lin: A Strong Clear Vision (cont.)		To Be Announced	BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
23 WED	NOVA (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Human		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
24 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Fire of Life (cont.)		American Experience: Nazi Town, USA		BBC News
25 FRI	Somewhere South: Porridge for the Soul		Variety Studio: Actors on Actors	BBC News	Aging Matters: Reimagining Long-Term Care
26 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs Austin: The Next Verse	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo	
27 SUN	Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece (cont.)	Sisi: Austrian Empress Season 2 - Finale		Professor T (UK) Season 3: The Conference	
28 MON	The Citizenship Project: Education	VOCES: Slumlord Millionaire			BBC News
29 TUE	FRONTLINE (cont.)	To Be Announced		BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
30 WED	NOVA (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Together		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
31 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Storm (cont.)		American Experience: The American Vice President		BBC News
	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm

AUGUST Primetime

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DATES	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm
1 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community: Black Education in Nashville	The Great American Recipe Season 4: A Test of the Best	
2 SAT	Lawrence Welk Show: Concert in the Park (Guy Hovis)		Keeping Up Appearances: Please Mind Your Head	Keeping Up Appearances: Christmas Specials 1993	
3 SUN	Lucy Worsley Investigates Season 2: William the Conqueror		Grantchester Season 10 - Finale		Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Finale
4 MON	Antiques Roadshow: Palm Springs, Hour 2		Antiques Roadshow: Palm Springs, Hour 3		Atomic People
5 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 11: Dreamers One and All		American Experience: Victory in the Pacific		
6 WED	Nature: The Hummingbird Effect		NOVA: Ancient Builders of the Amazon		Pompeii: The New Dig - Conclusion
7 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	Tennessee Crossroads	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Rising Road	
8 FRI	*Washington Week with the Atlantic*	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community: Power of Restorative Justice	The Great American Recipe Season 4: A Taste Down Memory Lane	
9 SAT	*Classical Rewind* (cont.)		*60s and 70s Soul Celebration*		
10 SUN	*Sanditon Revisited*			*All Creatures Great & Small: Chapter Five*	
11 MON	*Gregorian: Pure Chants Live in Prague*			*Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli 30th - The Celebration*	
12 TUE	*PBS Previews: The American Revolution, A Film by Ken Burns*		*Rick Steves Fascism in Europe*		
13 WED	*Walking with Dinosaurs: A Viewer's Guide*			*Memory Makeover with Daniel Amen, MD*	
14 THU	*Johnny Cash: We Walk the Line*			*Willie Nelson's 90th Birthday Celebration*	
15 FRI	*Washington Week with the Atlantic*	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of Community: Food Injustice	*The Great American Recipe Season 4: The Grand Finale*	
16 SAT	*The Texas Tenors: Faith & Inspiration* (cont.)		*Tommy Emmanuel, CGP: Live at the Sydney Opera House*		
17 SUN	*The Marlow Murder Club on Masterpiece - Parts I & II*				
18 MON	*50 Years with Peter, Paul and Mary*				*Gregorian: Pure Chants Live in Prague*
19 TUE	*American Masters Liza: A Truly Terrific Absolutely True Story*				
20 WED	*The Mustangs: America's Wild Horses*				*Great Scenic Railway Journeys*
21 THU	*Tennessee Crossroads BBQ Special *			*Memories of Opryland*	
22 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	A Slice of the Community: Live with Dr. Jemar Tisby	Islam's Greatest Stories of Love	
23 SAT	To Be Announced		Keeping Up Appearances: Let There be Light	As Time Goes by - Part I	As Time Goes by - Part II
24 SUN	Professor T (UK) Season 4: Overboard - Premiere		The Marlow Murder Club Season 2 - Premiere		Unforgotten Season 6 - Premiere
25 MON	Antiques Roadshow: Virginia Beach, Hour 2		Antiques Roadshow: Virginia Beach, Hour 3		Next Door Neighbors: Flavors without Borders
26 TUE	Finding Your Roots Season 11: La Famiglia		American Experience Clearing the Air: The War on Smog		American Experience: Poisoned Ground
27 WED	Nature: Gorilla		NOVA: Building the Eiffel Tower		Secrets of the Dead: The End of the Romans
28 THU	Tennessee Crossroads	Volunteer Gardener	A Slice of the Community: Live with 100 Black Kings	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Common Cause	
29 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	To Be Announced	Great Performances: Vienna Philharmonic Summer Night Concert 2025	
30 SAT	To Be Announced		Keeping Up Appearances: Seaside Fun	As Time Goes by - Part III	As Time Goes by - Part IV
31 SUN	Professor T (UK) Season 4: September Gardens		The Marlow Murder Club Season 2 - Part II		Unforgotten Season 6 - Part II
	7:00pm	7:30pm	8:00pm	8:30pm	9:00pm

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SCAN TO SEE
THE TWO-WEEK TV SCHEDULE
WITH CREATE & WORLD CHANNELS



DATES	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm
1 FRI	Somewhere South: Dumpling Dilemma		Variety Studio: Actors on Actors	Variety Studio: Actors on Actors	BBC News
2 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs Austin: A City of Songs	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Jason Isbell and the 400 Unit	
3 SUN	Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece (cont.)	Professor T (UK) Season 3: The Conference		Professor T (UK) Season 3: Attachment Issues - Finale	
4 MON	Atomic People (cont.)		Atomic Echoes: Untold Stories from World War II		BBC News
5 TUE	American Experience (cont.)	Nashville WWII Stories		BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
6 WED	Pompeii: The New Dig (cont.)	A Brief History of the Future: Tomorrows		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
7 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Rising Road (cont.)		The Vote: American Experience - Part I		BBC News
8 FRI	*Cooking with Legends: Lidia Bastianich & Jacques Pépin*			BBC News	Aging Matters: Second Acts
9 SAT	*60s and 70s Soul Celebration* (cont.)			*Raye: Live at the Royal Albert Hall*	
10 SUN	*All Creatures Great & Small* (cont.)	*Memory Makeover with Daniel Amen, MD*			
11 MON	*Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli 30th - The Celebration* (cont.)		*Best of the 60's*		
12 TUE	*Ken Burns: The Civil War*				*PBS Previews: The American Revolution*
13 WED	*Memory Makeover with Daniel Amen, MD* (cont.)		*Supercharge Your Brain: Maximizing Your Cognitive Abilities*		
14 THU	*Willie Nelson's 90th Birthday Celebration* (cont.)		*Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band - No Nukes*		
15 FRI	*Great Performances: Andrea Bocelli 30th - The Celebration*				*60s and 70s Soul Celebration*
16 SAT	*Rush: Time Machine - Live in Cleveland*			*Willie Nelson's 90th Birthday Celebration*	
17 SUN	*The Marlow Murder Club on Masterpiece - Part III & Finale*				
18 MON	*Gregorian: Pure Chants Live in Prague* (cont.)		*Tommy Emmanuel, CGP: Live at the Sydney Opera House*		
19 TUE	*Moments to Remember*				
20 WED	*Great Scenic Railway Journeys 30th Anniversary Special* (cont.)			*Memory Makeover with Daniel Amen, MD*	
21 THU	*Memories of Opryland* (cont.)	*To Be Announced*			
22 FRI	Islam's Greatest Stories of Love (cont.)		*Deconstructing the Beatles*		
23 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs: Barcelona	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Rodrigo y Gabriela Featuring The Austin Symphony Orchestra	
24 SUN	Unforgotten Season 6 (cont.)	Astrid Season 3: Global Plan - Premiere		Vienna Blood: The Last Seance, Pt. I	
25 MON	Next Door Neighbors: The Little Things Special	POV: A New Kind of Wilderness		BBC News	Aging Matters: Opiods & Addiction
26 TUE	American Experience: Poisoned Ground - The Tragedy at Love Canal (cont.)			BBC News	Tennessee Crossroads
27 WED	Secrets of the Dead (cont.)	Ancient Invisible Cities: Cairo		BBC News	Volunteer Gardener
28 THU	The Roosevelts: An Intimate History - The Common Cause (cont.)		The Vote: American Experience - Part II		BBC News
29 FRI	Great Performances (cont.)	*Gregorian: Pure Chants Live in Prague*			BBC News
30 SAT	Have Guitar Will Travel World	City of Songs: Stockholm	Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow	Austin City Limits: Noah Kahan/Flor de Toloache	
31 SUN	Unforgotten Season 6 (cont.)	Astrid Season 3: Memento Mori		Vienna Blood: The Last Seance, Pt. II	
	9:30pm	10:00pm	10:30pm	11:00pm	11:30pm

STORIES THAT DEFINE US

SPOTLIGHT – JESSICA “JELLY” MALENGA

by Dr. Carolyn Adkerson



Jessica “Jelly” Malenga is a heart-led educator, creator, and founder of Learn With Jelly, a joyful learning enrichment program designed to spark connection, creativity, and confidence in young children and their families. With over 25 years of experience in early childhood education, she is known for creating meaningful, memory-making experiences through play, storytelling, and hands-on enrichment. Through her program, she empowers caregivers to take an active, joy-filled role in their child’s learning journey.

Through Learn With Jelly, she offers cooking classes, themed activity pages, story-based learning kits, and interactive enrichment that meets families where they are. A Spanish immersion series is also on the horizon, an extension of her heart for accessible and inclusive learning.

Jelly is also the author of Sea Pals, a children’s book that invites readers into a vibrant underwater friendship adventure.

In addition to her work with children and families, she coaches early learning professionals, supporting them in building purposeful, heart-centered businesses rooted in care, creativity, and sustainability.

As a Nashville PBS Community Educator, she leads media literacy workshops for students and families while equipping educators with tools that bring intentionality and joy into the classroom. By affirming the timeless comfort and connection PBS represents, her work helps families and educators feel seen, supported, and safe in a media-rich world.

Carolyn Adkerson (CA): Let’s start with who you are and your connection to Nashville PBS.

Jessica “Jelly” Malenga [Community Educator] (JM): I’m a natural born Zambian-American educator and creator with over 25 years of experience teaching children across three countries. I lead and create playful experiences that spark curiosity. I’m also a mentor to youth, a coach to early learning professionals, and an adopted auntie to children in four countries and five states. As a children’s author, aspiring children’s music artist, community activist, and family advocate, I’m on a mission to inspire young minds and the grownups who guide them through creativity, connection, and joyful learning.

I first connected with PBS three years ago when I met Rosemary while volunteering with the African American Cultural Alliance in the children’s area at the Celebrate Nashville Festival.

CA: What is your role today?

JM: I teach media literacy lessons to children, from kindergarten through fifth grade, helping them make smart choices and stay safe online. I always begin my sessions by telling each child, “You are important.” It might be the first time someone has said that to them. One kid once said, “But you don’t even know me.” I told them, “I don’t have to know you to know that you matter.” If they remember nothing else, I want them to carry that with them.

CA: What’s been one of your most memorable experiences in this role?

JM: When PBS launched Lyla in the Loop, my first assignment was at Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt. I broadcast live from the Ryan Seacrest Studios to 300 hospital rooms. We bring books and timers to encourage safe online habits. It was very personal for me—I spent time in a children’s hospital as a child, so I know how scary it can be. Now, I get to bring joy and connect with these kids. One time, a five-year-old came running down the hall yelling, “Is she still there? I’m here for my high five!” His clothes were on backward because he didn’t want to waste time getting ready. That moment really stayed with me.

CA: You’ve shared that PBS was meaningful for you growing up. How did that shape your connection?

JM: I’m half Zambian and came to America in the late ‘80s—a tough time to be visibly different. I was teased about my accent and background, even by teachers. My brother and I were bullied. But when I came home, PBS was there. Everyone on those shows was your friend. They made you feel like being different was okay. I probably watched PBS longer than most kids, but it helped me feel safe. I even practiced phrases from the shows over and over again until my accent faded. PBS helped me find belonging. Now, this work is like affirming the little girl in me who once needed that same reassurance. It’s deeply healing and full-circle.

CA: How can families or schools connect with the work you do?

JM: They can contact the Nashville PBS Education Department—Sam and Rosemary truly believe in this work and help make connections happen. Honestly, sometimes I tell Rosemary I don’t think she’s real. She and Sam are the kindest people, always affirming. Every time I walk in, they greet me with a smile and a hug, like they’re genuinely excited I’m there. I’ve worked in a lot of places, but that kind of love and belief in the work? That’s rare.

I also run Learn with Jelly (learnwithjelly.com), an online enrichment program for families with children ages 2–10. We offer virtual cooking classes, play dates, and activities to bring back the magic of connection and learning. And I love reminding parents and teachers that PBS Kids shows are aligned with national educational standards—so kids aren’t just watching, they’re learning.

CA: Any final thoughts you want to leave with the community?

JM: When I visit schools or events, kids always say, “PBS was here.” That’s the magic. One third grader came up and said, “I love everything you do.” I was so touched—until I realized she thought I made all the PBS shows! When I said, “Oh no, I don’t write or produce any of the shows,” she paused and said, “Oh. Well then, I don’t love everything you do.” That humbled me real quick! But even in that moment, I felt so grateful—because it meant she felt something. She felt connected. That’s what this is all about. I’m honored to be part of that—and to remind kids, again and again, that they are important.

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