Quarterly Issues/Programs List MontanaPBS (KUSM-TV Bozeman & KUFM-TV Missoula)

MontanaPBS is committed to providing coverage of major issues and problems in the communities served. The following list represents a sample (no less than five) of significant issues responded to by MontanaPBS along with the most relevant programming treatment of those issues for the **3rd quarter of 2022** (*July 1, 2022 – September 30, 2022*). This listing is by no means the entire response, and does not include the Learn at Home schedule which was put in place to respond to the needs of Montana students, parents and teachers because of the Coronavirus. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

MontanaPBS HD - Digital Multicast Channel - High Definition

Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Dates	Times	Duration	Narration of Type and Description of Program Segment
Agriculture Challenges	Montana Ag Live – "Electric Tractors?"	9/18 9/25	6pm 11am	56 mins	There's now many tens of BILLIONS of dollars in private venture capital being invested annually in research and development of new ideas for agriculture. Electric vehicles, GPS and cell technology, drones & aerial imagery, robots, smart sensors, green chemistry, machine learning & cloud computing are all a thing. Driven by economics, this trend helps increase yields, while lowering input costs. Another big benefit, though, is that hitech also helps create opportunities for sustainability. Paul Nugent, precision Ag expert at Montana State University, answers questions about developing and adapting new technologies to Ag production, offering a glimpse of future possibilities for agriculture in Montana.
	Montana Ag Live – "Ecology and Sustainability"	9/25 10/2	6pm 11am	56 mins	Sustainability in production agriculture: Just what do people mean when they use that term? Sustainability might refer to things like soil health, water use, or pollution levels; it might also refer to economic profitability and equity. In the end, sustainability is the knowledge, ability and practical performance that allows agriculture to meet present human needs without adversely affecting the capacity of future generations. How and where we raise food and other ag products, how we distribute the products, and how we pay everybody that has a hand in the process; scientific research, manufacturing processes, economic conditions, and legal issues all have a role in creating sustainability. Cathy Zabinski, a plant & soil ecologist at Montana State University, joins the panel in this episode to help us grasp the many ecological influences shaping agriculture's sustainability in Montana. It's a complicated issue: nutrients & soil health, cover crop & tillage, microbial activity, pest management, and many other factors influence production ag.

Mental Illness	Facing Suicide	9/13 9/15	8pm 3am	90 mins.	Explore the powerful stories of those impacted by suicide-one of America's most urgent health crises-and journey to the front lines of research with scientists whose work is leading to better prevention and treatment.
	Becoming Trauma Responsive	9/8	1pm	56 mins.	BECOMING TRAUMA RESPONSIVE explores the effects of childhood trauma on learning, behavior, and developing relationships. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, schools across the United States strained to meet the social and emotional needs of students. Most school districts reported significant increases in depression and general anxiety from students and educators alike, underscoring the need for trauma-informed training, practices and resources.
Health Issues	7 Days: The Opioid Crisis	9/12	1pm	56 mins.	All it takes for someone to become dependent on opioids is seven days of use. Legal prescriptions have paved the way for the addiction epidemic plaguing the United States. 7 DAYS is an empathic, delicate look at some of the individuals who have become the face of this national tragedy. Taking a macro perspective on the issue, the film explores how addiction is rarely a choice, but a vicious cycle that preys on the disenfranchised and underserved.
	P.O.V. "He's My Brother"	8/1 8/3	9pm 1am	56 mins.	Explore how Christine works to assure dignified lives for herself and her brother Peter, born with multiple disabilities, while she faces uncertainties about becoming his primary caregiver.
Native American Culture	Fish Between the Falls	7/15	12pm	54 mins	Ten thousand years ago Kootenai people painted pictures of white sturgeon on the rocks above the lake where they lived. These impressive fish, the largest and one of the oldest in North America, were an important part of the tribe's diet and the inspiration for their elegant sturgeon-nosed canoes. Now, dikes and dams have changed the river system so much that sturgeon no longer successfully reproduce. But the people whose culture is bound up with these fish and the people who control the river today are working together to restore the Kootenai River White Sturgeon to their ancestral home.
Challenges to Our Democracy	January 6 Hearings	7/12 7/21	11am 6pm	3 hours 3 hours	Live coverage of the public hearings held by the 'Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol.' Judy Woodruff will anchor the PBS NewsHour coverage with contributions from NewsHour correspondents and expert analysis from guests.

The Economy	P.O.V. "Through the Night"	8/22 8/24	9pm 1am	90 mins.	Explore the personal cost of our modern economy through the stories of two working mothers and a childcare provider, whose lives intersect at a 24-hour daycare center in New Rochelle, New York.
Climate Change	Wilder Than Wild: Fire, Forests, and the Future	9/15	1:00pm	56 mins	WILDER THAN WILD: FIRE, FORESTS, AND THE FUTURE reveals how fire suppression and climate change have exposed our forests and wildland-urban landscapes to large, high severity wildfires, while greenhouse gases released from these fires contribute to global warming. In this one-hour documentary, filmmaker Kevin White takes us on a journey from the Rim Fire of 2013 to the wine country wildfires of 2017 and beyond. Along the way, we learn how the proactive use of prescribed fire can reduce reliance on reactive fire suppression, we see a California tribe renew their tradition of cultural fire, and we meet stakeholder groups working with scientists and resource managers to build consensus on how to restore and manage the lands we love and depend on.

MontanaPBS Kids – Digital Multicast Channel – Standard Definition

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Early Childhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	9/5	Weekdays	26 mins.	"Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood" is an animated series with live-action
Learning			at 9:30am		interstitials. Fred Rogers' original Neighborhood of Make Believe is
					recreated in vibrant color and texture; his signature puppet Daniel Striped
					Tiger is transformed into a curious and playful 4-year-old joined by his
					friends O the Owl, Prince Wednesday, Katerina Kittycat and Miss Elaina.
					The series curriculum is school-readiness and social-emotional learning,
					and each preschool themed episode offers a musical strategy for children
					and parents to use together. The new season presents many new
					experiences including meeting a new babysitter, a first sleepover, trying
					ballet, and going to camp.

MontanaPBS Create – Digital Multicast Channel – Standard Definition

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Environmental	Welcome to My Farm	Thursdays	7am	26 mins.	Join host Lisa Steele, New England's very own backyard chicken keeper
Gardening/ Farming			10am		and Master Gardener, as she welcomes viewers to her farm in the woods
			2pm		of Maine, where she and her husband live with a mixed flock of chickens,
					ducks and geese, a corgi and a barn cat. In WELCOME TO MY FARM,
		Fridays	1am		Lisa shares a glimpse into her country lifestyle - cooking and DIYing her
		Saturday	10pm		way from the coop and garden to the kitchen.
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			6/23		

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Mental Health	Local, USA: Decolonizing	9/12	7pm	26 mins.	The mental health field operates around a centre defined by a whiteness of
	Mental Health	9/13	12am		theory and practice. It's a colonization that has rarely been questioned. By
			8am		focusing on the work of therapists and individuals of color,
		9/16	3am		DECOLONIZING MENTAL HEALTH calls for a redressal of the ways in
			9am		which we define psychiatric illness while discussing what a more
			12pm		responsive mental health care system should look like.

MontanaPBS Capitol Coverage – Digital Multicast Channel – Standard Definition

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Politics/Government	MPAN (Legislative Channel)	3rd qtr	24/7	24/7	Repeat airings of gavel to gavel coverage of the 68th Montana Legislature
		2022			as well as live coverage of interim legislative committee hearings.