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AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

Series Title: Central Park Five; The
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 4/2/2019 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:56:46

This new film from award-winning filmmaker Ken Burns tells the story of the five black and Latino teenagers from Harlem who were wrongly convicted of raping a white woman in New York City's Central Park in 1989. The film chronicles the Central Park jogger case, for the first time from the perspective of the five young men whose lives were upended by this miscarriage of justice.

Series Title: Amelia Earhart: American Experience
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/7/2019 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, and the first to cross the North American continent alone. Her exploits as an aviator, her beauty and intelligence, her independence and charm made her a national heroine. In 1937, she set out to accomplish yet another first: to circle the earth along the equator on an east-west flight. Friends warned that her preparations were hurried, even careless. When her plane disappeared without a trace, the "First Lady of the Air" was instantly transformed into an American legend.

Series Title: Seize and Secure: The Battle for La Fiere
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/10/2019 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

This program sheds light on a relatively unexplored, but pivotal battle to secure a critical route inland for allied forces invading France on June 6, 1944. The fight for the La Fiere causeway and bridge is regarded as one of the bloodiest small arms battles in U.S. military history. It was fought for a small, stone river bridge,

largely by paratroopers and glidermen from the 82nd Airborne Division who dropped, in advance, behind enemy lines and laid the groundwork for victory. Failure could have allowed German forces to smash the troops coming ashore in Normandy. "This isn't just a great moment in the history of the US Army," according to historian Rob Citino. "It's a moment that should make all Americans proud. La Fiere is a battle for the ages." "Seize and Secure: The Battle for La Fiere" relies on the veterans who fought in the battle to retell the harrowing story. Mark Harmon (NCIS, The West Wing, Chicago Hope) narrates, with an original music score by Lauren Buchter, an ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers) Composer to Watch. Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Award-winner, C. E. Richard, wrote the script.

CULTURE

Series Title: Arteffects
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2019 8:30:00 PM, repeats Sundays at 630pm
Service: KNPB

ARTEFFECTS not only delves into the local arts scene but encompasses art features from across the nation. A play on the word "artifact" that emphasizes not only the positive, curious, intended and unintended [effects] the arts have in our daily environments, region and world, but also the long term and lasting impact the arts leave behind [artifact] in helping define and describe our culture, community, nation and world. This is a weekly series.

Series Title: At the Gathering
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2019 3:00:00 PM
Service: KNPB

KNPB brings viewers all the atmosphere, history and fun of Elko's annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering to viewers through performances and interviews. Poets and musicians young and old entertain with the classics and new takes on old favorites, and the Gathering adds an international flavor with additions from cattle cultures around the world

Series Title: Jews in Nevada
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/3/2019 3:00:00 PM
Service: KNPB

Jews in Nevada is adapted from John Marschall's acclaimed book that documents the history of Jews in Nevada from 1850 to the present. The film details Jewish involvement in the development and fostering of the state's earliest settlements and its social and political institutions. Other areas of focus include anti-Semitism, Jewish participation in civil rights initiatives, the explosive growth of the Jewish population in the Las Vegas metropolitan area and the development of an expanding Jewish cultural infrastructure.

Series Title: Poetry Out Loud 2019
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 5/29/2019 10:00:00 PM
Service: KNPB

High school students from eight Nevada counties compete for the 2019 Nevada State Poetry Out Loud championship with the winner heading to Washington, D.C. and the national finals.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/12/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:20

It has been nearly 20 years since the first mass school shooting in the U.S. -- the shocking tragedy at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, on April 20, 1999. As a "credible" threat closed Columbine and hundreds of other Denver schools Wednesday, John Ferrugia of Rocky Mountain PBS shares part of an upcoming documentary featuring survivors of the massacre in their own words.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Lost Viking Army
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/22/2019 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Forty years ago, a sleepy village in the heart of England was the scene of a gruesome discovery when nearly 300 skeletons were unearthed in a mass grave. But no one has been able to prove who they were, until now. Forensic archaeologist Cat Jarman believes these bones are the last remains of The Great Heathen Army, a legendary Viking fighting force that invaded England in the 9th Century and has been long lost to history. Armed with the latest scientific methods, Cat's team will uncover extraordinary human stories from the front line, including explosive evidence of women warriors; a lost king, reunited with his son in death; and a tale of human sacrifice. And using pioneering technology, they will hunt for the army's lost camp.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/7/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:27

A group of mothers whose children were murdered are taking their tragic stories to inmates imprisoned for committing violent crimes. The perspective shared by Mothers with a Message encourages prisoners, some of whom will never be released, to understand the painful consequences of violence -- and sometimes grants the grieving mothers new peace. Maya Trabulsi of San Diego's KPBS reports.

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

Series Title: Dust on the Comstock
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/5/2019 23:00:00 PM
Service: KNPB

The Virginia City Grand Prix challenges even the best motorcyclists, with a course that runs through mountain and desert around this rural Nevada community. Ride with the cyclists as they negotiate rocky trails and breathtaking desert terrain.

Series Title: Living in the Big Empty
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/26/2019 22:30:00 PM
Service: KNPB

The forbidding and austere landscape of Nevada's Great Basin region attracts people as eclectic as the place they call home. In LIVING IN THE BIG EMPTY, veteran writers and photographers Richard Menzies, William Fox and Bruce Van Dyke relate compelling stories about the region and some of its most colorful residents. Profiles include: Frank Van Zandt, creator of Thunder Mountain, a roadside mishmash of cement, rock and sculpture; drifter Floyd Eaton, the self-appointed lawman of small-town garbage dump; footless hitchhiker and hobo Stanley Gurcze; and artist Dewayne "Dooby" Williams, who lined a dirt road in Black Rock Desert with work inspired by the Big Empty.

Series Title: Wild Nevada
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2019 8:00:00 PM
Service: KNPB

A travel-destination series that explores the interior of Nevada. Each program is filmed over two days. Hosts Chris Orr and Dave Santina begin their trip at starting point and travel to their destination. Along the way, they take short side trips to investigate points of interest and unique landmarks. This local production airs weekly on Thursday 8pm, Saturday 3pm, Sunday 6:30pm and Tuesday 1pm

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: Forest of the Lynx
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/3/2019 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 01:00:00

Kalkalpen National Park in the Austrian Alps was abandoned and unmanaged by man for close to a quarter of a century. Now the forest's dramatic cycle of regeneration is bringing back pygmy owls, woodpeckers, colorful insects and even the lynx.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/3/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:07:06

A new UN report reveals the extent to which mankind is changing life on Earth. Written by an international panel of experts, it concludes that nearly a quarter of animal and plant groups are at risk of extinction, some within decades. William Brangham talks to one of the report's authors, the National University of Mexico's Patricia Balvanera, about what's driving the changes and how to stop them.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/4/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:33

In parts of America's Heartland, prolonged wet weather and historic flooding are disrupting spring planting for many farmers. Nearly three months after waters washed over parts of Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska, some fields remain submerged -- and President Trump's trade war with China isn't making conditions for struggling farmers any easier. Jack Williams from Nebraska's NET Television reports.

Family/Marriage

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: All in the Family
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/9/2019 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Radio host Joe Madison receives startling family news, and series host Henry Louis Gates, Jr. learns his own DNA story. Also features the "Finding Your Roots: The Seedlings" STEM Camp, with science and history inspiring the next generation.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Reporting on the Reporters
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/7/2019 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Host Henry Louis Gates, Jr. shows journalists Christiane Amanpour, Ann Curry and Lisa Ling that the stories within their own family trees are every bit as compelling as the news stories they have been covering for the world.

Health/Health Care

Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: The Providers
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/8/2019 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:26:46

Follow three "country doctors" in rural New Mexico -- the site of a physician shortage and an opioid epidemic -- who work at clinics that offer care for all, regardless of ability to pay.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/14/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:43

Affordable health care is a persistent concern for Americans and a topic of great political debate. Typically, generic prescription drugs offer a cheaper alternative to name brands, but a new multi-state lawsuit alleges that their manufacturers have been artificially raising prices. John Yang talks to William Tong, attorney general of Connecticut, whose office has been leading the investigation.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/5/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:05

A new documentary produced by our colleagues at Milwaukee PBS in collaboration with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel follows four young people from Wisconsin who are navigating mental health challenges. They've endured assault, bullying, incarceration and discrimination, and in some cases considered suicide. Yet through it all, these children in crisis have survived.

Minorities/Civil Rights

Series Title: Reconstruction: America After the Civil War
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 4/9/2019 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:56:46

Experience the aftermath of the Civil War -- a bewildering, exhilarating and terrifying time. For African Americans, despite their hard-won freedom, support for their social, economic and political gains did not last.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/1/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:18

Traditionally, movies and books about Native American life have focused on tragedy and defeat. Now, a new work of history and reporting urges readers to consider a more complex culture that is not only still living, but evolving. Jeffrey Brown sits down with David Treuer, author of "The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee."

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/18/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:13

A House subcommittee held hearings Wednesday morning to discuss paying reparations to African Americans for slavery. The idea is shaping up to be an issue with some of the candidates running for the 2020 Democratic presidential nomination, too. Novelist Sarah Blake has considered why past attempts to secure reparations failed, and she shares her humble opinion on why this time is different.

Science/Technology

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Secrets of Noah's Ark
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/17/2019 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:00:00

A 3,700-year-old inscribed clay tablet reveals a surprising new version of the Biblical flood story, complete with how-to instructions for assembling an ark. Following the directions, expert boat builders assemble and launch a massive reed boat.

Series Title: Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed the World
Episode Title: The Robot
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/1/2019 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Learn how robots were first conceptualized in ancient Rome and see how their use has evolved over the centuries, from the calculator to the Roomba. Then, take a sneak peek at what future robots will be able to do.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/14/2019 6:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:12

The New York Times reported over the weekend on U.S. military attempts to infiltrate the Russian power grid. The effort represents the latest offensive in an increasingly digital conflict with Russia, whose 2016 election interference is well documented. John Yang talks to R.P. Eddy, a former National Security Council official and founder of an intelligence consulting firm, about this new frontier.