

## WPBS-TV ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT

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Title	Description	Source	Type	Time/Date	Broadcast
<b>ECONOMY/BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT</b>					
PBS NewsHour	Amazon, Google, Meta, Microsoft and other companies that are leading the development of artificial intelligence technology have agreed to meet a set of AI safeguards brokered by President Joe Biden's administration. The White House said Friday that it has secured voluntary commitments from seven U.S. companies meant to ensure their AI products are safe before they release them. Some of the commitments call for third-party oversight of the workings of commercial AI systems, though they don't detail who will audit the technology or hold the companies accountable.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/21/23 6pm	4 mins.
PBS NewsHour	The Internal Revenue Service said Monday it is ending its decades-old policy of making unannounced home and business visits, in an effort to help keep its workers safe and to combat scammers who pose as IRS agents.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/24/23 6pm	3 mins.
PBS NewsHour	Inflation in the United States rose in July after 12 straight months of declines, boosted by costlier housing. But excluding volatile food and energy prices, so-called core inflation matched the smallest monthly increase in nearly two years. The inflation figure the government reported Thursday showed that consumer prices increased 3.2 percent from a year earlier. That was up from a 3 percent annual rise in June, which was the lowest rate in more than two years.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/10/23 6pm	4 mins.
PBS NewsHour	President Biden announced the first batch of drugs designated for Medicare price negotiations that would make them more affordable for older and disabled Americans. But drug manufacturers are attempting to block the effort. Stephanie Sy discussed more with Stacie Dusetzina.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/29/23 6pm	7 mins.

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On the Money	Special one-hour Micron episode dives deep into the transformative power of the technology giant, Micron, and its impact on the regional economic landscape, after Micron announced plans to invest \$100 billion in a new facility in Onondaga County over the next 10 years. Joining forces with key community leaders and Micron's Vice President overseeing U.S. expansion, this special episode unveils the intricate web of opportunities and challenges that Micron's presence brings, offering a captivating exploration of the company's role in shaping the region's economic future.	WCNY	Gen. Int.	9/22/23 9pm	1 hour
PBS NewsHour	U.S. employers added 187,000 last month, fewer than expected, as the higher interest rates continued to weigh on the economy. But the unemployment rate dipped to 3.5 percent in a sign that the job market remains resilient.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/4/23 6pm	3 mins.
PBS NewsHour	American cities are dealing with housing shortages and an office glut, with millions of square feet of office space sitting vacant since the onset of the pandemic. Office-to-housing conversions are becoming an increasingly popular two-in-one solution for city leaders. But will it result in housing that's affordable for all Americans? Paul Solman reports.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/8/23 6pm	8 mins.
PBS News Weekend	The federal government is heading toward a shutdown that will disrupt many services, squeeze workers and roil politics as Republicans in the House, fueled by hard-right demands for deep cuts, force a confrontation over federal spending.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/23/23 6pm	3 mins.
<b>HEALTH</b>					
PBS NewsHour	For the first time in 20 years, malaria has been locally transmitted within the U.S. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has identified five cases, four in Florida and one in Texas. William Brangham spoke with infectious disease epidemiologist Catherine Troisi about what we know and how concerned we should be.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/3/23 6pm	7 mins.

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WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Alzheimer's Disease affects an overwhelming number of our older population. Discover signs and how to manage the disease.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	7/11/23 7:30pm	8 mins.
PBS NewsHour	Federal regulators on Thursday approved the nation's first over-the-counter birth control pill in a landmark decision that will soon allow American women and girls to obtain contraceptive medication as easily as they buy aspirin and eyedrops.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/11/23 6 pm	5 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	As part of WPBS' Overdose Epidemic series, discover what a peer advocate in Oswego County does to help people struggling with addiction.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	7/18/23 7:30pm	8 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	The senior population in the North Country learns how to keep themselves safe online.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	8/22/23 7:30pm	8 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Discover EmpowHer Camp on Long Lake where women with disabilities learn the power of leading.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	8/29/23 7:30pm	8 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Visit Credo Farm just outside of Watertown, an equine therapy rehabilitation service for youth struggling with substance use addiction. Discover how Gerontology studies at area colleges are making a difference for our senior population. Learn more about the history of United Helpers in the North Country.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	9/12/23 7:30pm	26 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	WPBS sits down with Kathy Arendt, the Director of Community Relations and Marketing at Hospice of Jefferson County to bust myths about hospice care.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	9/19/23 7:30pm	8 mins.

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Good Life	Life is full of joys and struggles but the experiences of individuals living with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) are not fully understood or appreciated by everyone. A GOOD LIFE is an hour-long documentary that takes an intimate look into the lives of six adults living with I/DD and their families. The film shares the challenges and opportunities they face as well as insights from leading national experts and historians in the field.	APT	Gen. Int.	7/30/23 Noon	1 hour
Life After Sight	Individuals with visual impairment refuse to let their disability rob them of life's richness.	NETA	Gen. Int.	7/30/23 1:30pm	½-hour
New York Now	Mental health support in afterschool programs. This and next two programs aired as part of a statewide initiative on combatting teen mental health issues.	WMHT	Gen. Int.	9/22/23 7:30pm	½-hour
Now Return Us to Normal	In this ultimately healing personal essay, a filmmaker and her diverse classmates confront the trauma brought on by their years at a behavior modification boarding school.	WNED	Gen. Int.	9/24/23 11:30am	90 mins.
Hiding in Plain Sight	This series takes a look at the experiences of young people living with mental health conditions with a focus on the importance of awareness and compassion. This series will shine a light on what life looks like for these young people as well as for the parents, teachers, friends, and healthcare providers in their lives.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/24/23 1 pm	Two 2-hour programs

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<b>CRIME/LEGAL ISSUES/LAW ENFORCEMENT</b>					
PBS NewsHour	The Supreme Court ended its term this past week with the six justice conservative supermajority, flexing its muscles to make big changes in law in society, killing race conscious college admissions, shelving President Biden student loan forgiveness program and siding with an evangelical Christian website designer who doesn't want to create websites for same sex marriages. But looking at the entire term, there were times that the conservative justices made more incremental changes and even made alliances with their liberal colleagues. Marcia Coyle is the news hours Supreme Court analyst.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/1/23 6pm	7 mins.
PBS News Weekend	Attorneys general from 10 states plan to sue the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, saying its failure to review and ensure emissions standards for residential wood-burning stoves has allowed the continued sale of appliances that could worsen pollution. That means programs that encourage people to trade in older stoves and other wood-burning appliances, such as forced-air furnaces, haven't necessarily improved air quality, the states say. The states involved include New York.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/2/23	4 mins.
PBS NewsHour	Questions about information and misinformation spread on social media made their way to the federal courts. Several Republican state attorneys general argued the Biden administration went too far to suppress conservative views online. Amna Nawaz discussed the judge's ruling with Louisiana Solicitor General Liz Murrill and Genevieve Lakier, a professor at the University of Chicago Law School.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/5/23 6pm	11 mins.

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PBS NewsHour	Amid the flurry of Supreme Court rulings late last month, the justices also handed down a decision on what seemed to be a rather technical question of law around federal habeas petitions, a fundamental right that protects against unlawful and indefinite imprisonment. But, as John Yang reports, the decision has big consequences for federal prisoners trying to challenge their convictions.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/5/23 6pm	6 mins.
PBS NewsHour	Crime rates surged during the COVID-19 pandemic to highs not seen in decades. But now, crime trends appear to be shifting. Adam Gelb, president and CEO of the Council on Criminal Justice, and Thaddeus Johnson, a senior research fellow for the Council on Criminal Justice, join Ali Rogin to discuss what new research says about the state of crime in America and best practices for curbing it.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/22/23 6pm	6 mins.
PBS NewsHour	The Supreme Court on Thursday temporarily blocked a nationwide settlement with OxyContin maker Purdue Pharma that would shield members of the Sackler family who own the company from civil lawsuits over the toll of opioids. The justices agreed to a request from the Biden administration to put the brakes on an agreement reached last year with state and local governments.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/10/23 6pm	3 mins.
PBS News Weekend	Firearms are involved in more than half of suicides in the U.S. The gun suicide rate has reached an all-time high, and for the first time, the rate is higher among Black kids and teens than white ones, according to a recent analysis by Johns Hopkins University. William Brangham speaks with Dr. Emmy Betz, director of the Firearm Injury Prevention Initiative, to learn more.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/9/23 5pm	7 mins.
<b>EDUCATION/CAREER</b>					
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Girls Inc. in Ontario offers life-skills education and mentoring programs for young girls, helping to support and empower young women to become advocates for an equitable world.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	9/26/23 7:30pm	8 mins.

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Employment Matters	The untapped market and huge potential of the intellectually disabled in the workplace is explored.	NETA	Gen. Int.	7/23/23 Noon	½-hour
PBS NewsHour	The White House on Tuesday held its first-ever cybersecurity “summit” on the ransomware attacks plaguing U.S. schools in which criminal hackers have dumped online sensitive student data, including medical records, psychiatric evaluations and even sexual assault reports.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/8/23 6pm	3 mins.
PBS News Weekend	Internships can give a leg up to students starting their careers. According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, more than half of internships lead to full-time jobs. But 47 percent of U.S. interns were unpaid in 2022, creating tough decisions and disparities for many. Washington Post reporter Kelsey Ables joins John Yang to discuss her reporting on this issue.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/26/23 5pm	6 mins.
Welcome to Commie High	What happens when an experiment in public education works? "Welcome to Commie High" explores one of the sole survivors of America's "free school" movement of the 1970s, where "no" isn't the standard answer.	NETA	Gen. Int.	9/3/23 Noon	1 hour
PBS NewsHour	During the pandemic, the federal government provided funds for free healthy school meals for students, but that program ended in 2022. Most states went back to the system they had before, but some will continue providing meals. NewsHour Communities Correspondents Gabrielle Hays in Missouri, Adam Kemp in Oklahoma and Frances Kai-Hwa Wang in Michigan joined Geoff Bennett to discuss the programs.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/7/23 6pm	5 mins.
<b>ARTS</b>					
Capitol Fourth	Grammy Award-winning group Boyz II Men, singer Babyface, rock band Chicago and singer Belinda Carlisle will all perform at the 43rd edition of “A Capitol Fourth,” the July 4th concert and fireworks celebration broadcast on PBS.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/4/23 8pm	90 mins.

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PBS NewsHour	Regional theater has been a glory of the American cultural scene for many decades, bringing great plays and musicals to audiences in cities all across the country. But the pandemic and a host of other societal shifts have led to cutbacks, cancellations and closures of theaters. Jeffrey Brown has a look for our arts and culture series, CANVAS.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/14/23 6pm	9 mins.
Great Performances at the Met – Lohengrin	Back at the Met after 17 years, this production of Wagner's opera is directed by Francois Girard with Music Director Yannick Nezet-Seguin conducting. Tenor Piotr Beczala leads the cast in the title role of the mysterious swan knight, with soprano Tamara Wilson as the virtuous duchess Elsa, falsely accused of murder, and soprano Christine Goerke as the cunning sorceress Ortrud. Bass-baritone Evgeny Nikitin is Ortrud's power-hungry husband, Telramund, and bass Gunther Groissboock is King Heinrich. Christopher Maltman hosts.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/10/23 Noon	4 hours
Great Performances at the Met – Falstaff	Verdi's glorious Shakespearean comedy features a brilliant ensemble cast in Robert Carsen's celebrated staging. Baritone Michael Volle sings his first Verdi role at the Met as the caddish knight Falstaff, gleefully tormented by a trio of clever women who deliver his comeuppance. Reuniting after their acclaimed turns in the production's 2019 run are soprano Ailyn Perez as Alice Ford, mezzo-soprano Jennifer Johnson Cano as Meg Page, and contralto Marie-Nicole Lemieux as Mistress Quickly. Soprano Hera Hyesang Park and tenor Bogdan Volkov are the young couple Nannetta and Fenton, and Maestro Daniele Rustioni conducts.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/17/23 Noon	2 ½-hours



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<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>					
Bloom: The Toxic Threat to the Finger Lakes	Since 2017, all 11 Finger Lakes have experienced toxic algae outbreaks – these outbreaks threaten public drinking water as well as the region’s \$2 billion tourism economy. To have a better understanding of this problem and addressing it, the state, lake associations and watershed councils are now committed to finding key solutions to this growing problem.	WCNY	Gen. Int.	7/9/23 3:30pm	½-hour
PBS NewsHour	As heat waves roll across so much of the world, oceans are also heating up with surface temperatures breaking records. Off the coast of southern Florida, surface water temperatures have topped 100 degrees Fahrenheit, triggering a massive bleaching event of some coral reefs. William Brangham discussed what's happening with NOAA researcher Katey Lesneski.	PBS	Gen. Int.	7/26/23 6pm	5 mins.
PBS NewsHour	President Biden headed to Arizona Tuesday where he made an announcement designating some million acres of land around the Grand Canyon as a national monument. The move would stop future uranium mining projects on the land, marking a key victory for environmentalists and tribal leaders. Department of Interior Secretary Deb Haaland joined Anna Nawaz to discuss the designation.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/8/23 6pm	6 mins.
PBS News Weekend	The Federal Emergency Management Agency has responded to a record number of billion-dollar weather-related disasters so far in 2023. And in recent years, FEMA has been called on for duties beyond extreme weather events, from COVID vaccine distribution to helping settle refugees. Former FEMA administrator Craig Fugate joins John Yang to discuss the future of disaster management.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/2/23 5 pm	6 mins.

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PBS NewsHour	Next Saturday, the autumn equinox will mark the beginning of fall in the Northern Hemisphere. For some, though, the real start of fall is when the leaves change color. But scientists say climate change is affecting both the timing and intensity of fall foliage. John Yang speaks with Bill Keeton, a professor of forest ecology at the University of Vermont, to learn more.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/17/23 6pm	7 mins.
PBS NewsHour	The Energy Department has announced a \$325 million investment in new battery types that can help turn solar and wind energy into 24-hour power. The funds will be distributed among 15 projects in 17 states and the Red Lake Nation, a Native American tribe based in Minnesota.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/22/23 6pm	4 mins.
<b>CULTURAL ISSUES, RECREATION</b>					
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Test your knowledge with college-level professors. Meet Mark Manske, educator or founder of Adirondack Raptor Inc while discovering the beauty of birds of prey in our region. The Thousand Islands Land Trust is filled with walking trails and beauty for the public to take advantage of.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	7/4/23 7:30pm	26 mins.
WPBS Weekly: Inside the Stories	Meet a team of trailblazers in the Tug Hill region renovating a 20-mile trail in the heart of the forestland. The Thousand Islands bridge celebrates its 85th year.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	8/8/23 7:30pm	16 mins.
Park It: Explore the Outdoors	An exploration of the regional state and provincial parks by highlighting their history, experiencing their activities, and encouraging their preservation. This program illustrates each park in a visually interesting way by capturing the natural beauty in our Northern New York and Eastern Ontario region	WPBS	Gen. Int.	7/16/23 1pm	1 hour
Park It: Adirondacks	An exploration of the Adirondack Region by highlighting the history, experiencing the activities, and encouraging the preservation of the Adirondack Park. This program illustrates the park in a visually interesting way by capturing the natural beauty in the Adirondack region.	WPBS	Gen. Int.	7/16/23 2pm	½-hour

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PBS NewsHour	The murders of several LGBTQ+ people and allies in recent weeks are raising alarm across the U.S. O'Shae Sibley was stabbed to death in Brooklyn after police said he confronted a group who made homophobic slurs and Laura Ann Carleton was killed in California for apparently refusing to remove a Pride flag from her store. Geoff Bennett discussed more with GLAAD President and CEO Sarah Kate Ellis.	PBS	Gen. Int.	8/31/23 6pm	7 mins.
Challenger Exhibition Game at the Little League World Series	The Challenger Division was established in 1989 as a separate division of Little League that enables boys & girls with physical and developmental challenges, ages 4-18, or up to age 22 if still enrolled in high school, to enjoy the game of baseball. Since 2001, two Little League Challenger Division teams have been invited to play an exhibition game at the Little League World Series.	WVIA	Gen. Int.	9/10/23 4pm	1 hour
36 <sup>th</sup> Hispanic Heritage Awards	Celebrate the recipients of the 36th annual Hispanic Heritage Awards. The evening commemorating Hispanic Heritage Month includes performances and appearances by some of the country's most celebrated Hispanic artists and visionaries.	PBS	Gen. Int.	9/29/23 9 pm	1 hour