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**July 1, 2022 – September 30, 2022**

**Arts**

Series Title: PBS NewsHour  
Episode Title: Episode 1  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/1/2022 6:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: News (live news only)  
Segment Length: 00:07:58

If you are looking for something good to read this summer, you might start with the books written by our very own NewsHour staff. Three of our colleagues are out now with a memoir, a novel and a non-fiction book, all with very different styles. Jeffrey Brown spoke with Frances Kai-Hwa Wang, Aaron Foley and Nicole Ellis for our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

Series Title: PBS NewsHour  
Episode Title: Episode 30  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/11/2022 6:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: News (live news only)  
Segment Length: 00:05:10

As a young woman in Iran, and later as an immigrant to the U.S., artist Arghavan Khosravi has been subjected to many restrictions. But on the canvas, she renders it all through fanciful and magical layers. Jared Bowen of GBH Boston met up with her at Khosravi's first museum show at the Currier Museum of Art in Manchester, New Hampshire. It's part of our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

Series Title: NOVA | A to Z  
Episode Title: How Writing Changed the World  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/7/2022 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Just as handwritten records changed how societies work, the printing press transformed the spread of information, igniting the Industrial Revolution. How did technologies -- from pen to paper to printing press -- make it all possible?

## Culture

Series Title: Finding Your Roots  
Episode Title: All in the Family  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/5/2022 7:00:00 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: Italian Roots  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/2/2022 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the roots of talk show host Jimmy Kimmel and actors Marisa Tomei and John Turturro, introducing them to ancestors who made immense sacrifices to bring their families from Italy to America.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots  
Episode Title: Beyond the Pale  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/13/2022 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the Jewish heritages of actor Jeff Goldblum, radio host Terry Gross and comedian Marc Maron, uncovering previously unknown stories that show each shares much more with their ancestors than a religious tradition.

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Series Title: America Outdoors with Baratunde Thurston  
Episode Title: Death Valley: Life Blooms  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/5/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:52:35

Baratunde explores the hottest place on Earth and finds it is remarkably full of life.

Series Title: America Outdoors with Baratunde Thurston  
Episode Title: Tidewater: Homecoming  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/2/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:52:18

Baratunde treks along the coast of North Carolina and discovers surprising ways in which history has shaped these environments. He explores a daunting swamp, soars above the dunes on a Wright Brothers glider and tracks wild horses on the beach.

Series Title: NATURE  
Episode Title: Cuba's Wild Revolution  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/1/2022 0:00:00 AM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

In the crystal-clear waters of the Caribbean, Cuba is an island teeming with exotic biodiversity: from coral reefs pulsating with life to five-foot-long Cuban rock iguanas. As international relations thaw, what will become of this wildlife sanctuary?

## Family/Marriage

Series Title: Finding Your Roots  
Episode Title: Grandparents and Other Strangers  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/12/2022 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Other  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Host Henry Louis Gates, Jr. helps actor Andy Samberg and author George R. R. Martin answer some family mysteries when DNA detective work uncovers new branches of their family trees. The DNA analysis opens family history and reveals new relatives.

Series Title: The Boleyns: A Scandalous Family  
Episode Title: Ambition  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/28/2022 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Explore Thomas Boleyn's determination to elevate the family name. His expectations and ambitions for his three children will take them into the heart of the Tudor court.

Series Title: The Boleyns: A Scandalous Family  
Episode Title: Desire  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/4/2022 7:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Meet a more sophisticated Anne Boleyn as she returns to England from France having grown into a real beauty. Anne dazzles the Tudor Court while her family plays the long game to catch a king.

Health/Healthcare

Series Title: POV  
Episode Title: Wuhan Wuhan  
Length: 90 minutes  
Airdate: 7/11/2022 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 01:26:46

Through the stories of frontline medical workers, patients, and ordinary citizens, Wuhan Wuhan provides a human face to the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic in the city where the mysterious virus was first discovered. How will they unite in grappling with an invisible, deadly killer?

Series Title: PBS NewsHour  
Episode Title: Episode 23  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/2/2022 6:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: News (live news only)  
Segment Length: 00:07:07

The monkeypox outbreak continues to grow faster than many initially expected. Nearly 6,000 cases have been reported in the U.S. since May and three states have issued emergency declarations over the outbreak in the last week. New York City Health Commissioner Dr. Ashwin Vasani joins Stephanie Sy to discuss efforts to contain the virus in one of the country's epicenters.

Series Title: Lucy Worsley Investigates  
Episode Title: Madness of King George  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/11/2022 9:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

A close look at the life of George III, including the effect of his mental illness on Britain and how the assassination attempt on his life changed psychiatry.



### Minorities/Civil Rights

Series Title: POV  
Episode Title: Manzanar, Diverted: When Water Becomes Dust  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/20/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:27

Follow the stories of Native Americans, Japanese Americans and environmentalists defending their waters.

Series Title: American Experience  
Episode Title: The Murder of Emmett Till  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/23/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

In August 1955, a 14-year-old black boy from Chicago whistled at a white woman in a grocery store in Money, Mississippi. Emmett Till didn't understand that he had broken the unwritten laws of the Jim Crow South. Three days later, two white men dragged him from his bed in the dead of night, beat him brutally and shot him. Although his killers were arrested and charged with murder, they were both quickly acquitted by an all-white, all-male jury. Soon after, the defendants sold their story, including a detailed account of how they murdered Till, to a journalist. The murder and the trial horrified the nation and the world. Till's death was a spark that helped mobilize the civil rights movement. Three months after his body was pulled from the Tallahatchie River, the Montgomery Bus Boycott began.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour  
Episode Title: Episode 48  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/6/2022 6:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: News (live news only)  
Segment Length: 00:10:50

The new memoir "Daughter of Auschwitz" tells the harrowing story of one young girl's survival through the Holocaust. Tova Friedman co-wrote the book with correspondent Malcolm Brabant. They joined Judy Woodruff to discuss Friedman's life story.

Science/Technology

Series Title: NOVA  
Episode Title: Ultimate Space Telescope  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 7/13/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Explore the dramatic story of NASA's James Webb Space Telescope from its conception to completion.

Series Title: NOVA  
Episode Title: NOVA Universe Revealed: Black Holes  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 8/3/2022 8:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: Documentary  
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Take a seat on the ultimate thrill ride as NOVA explores the universe's strangest objects.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour  
Episode Title: Episode 62  
Length: 60 minutes  
Airdate: 9/26/2022 6:00:00 PM  
Service: PBS-NPS  
Format: News (live news only)  
Segment Length: 00:11:38

NASA is trying an experiment to answer a question that's straight out of science fiction. What could we do if a large object was hurtling through space on a collision course with Earth? Science Correspondent Miles O'Brien joined William Brangham to discuss the Double Asteroid Redirection Test, or DART.

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***Capitol Journal***

**7/1/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: education, agriculture, abortion**

Alabama Farmers Federation President Jimmy Parnell discussed the state of Alabama's agriculture community and offered an update on the Farm Bill. State Rep. Terri Collins and Planned Parenthood of Alabama Director Stephen Stetson discussed the Supreme Court's Dobbs decision and its impact on abortion in Alabama.

**7/8/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: federal and state funding, elections, water and sewer infrastructure**

State Sen. Bobby Singleton offered an update on the state's efforts to improve water and sewer infrastructure in communities. Alabama Republican Party Chairman John Wahl discussed the recent primary elections and proposals to go to a closed primary system. Gwen Ifill Fellow Tiffany Davis described her experience interning at APT.

**7/15/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discuss: the military, medical marijuana, COVID-19**

Maj. Gen. Sheryll Gordon of the Alabama National Guard discussed the preparations for bringing the F-135 to Alabama. John McMillian of the Alabama Cannabis Commission described the process for legalizing medical marijuana. Dr. Scott Harris offered an update on COVID-19 and other health related issues.

**7/22/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: economic development, crime, education**

Huntsville Mayor Tommy Battle, Montgomery Mayor Steven Reed and Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson each offered an update on the latest from their cities, including in the areas of economic development, crime and education.

**7/29/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: infrastructure, business, economics**

State Sen. Chris Elliott explained the latest with the Mobile Bayway project and other infrastructure issues. Business Council of Alabama CEO Robin Stone previewed his organization's upcoming governmental affairs conference and offered his thoughts on several business-related issues. Kristin Sharp and Sam Benjamin of the Flex trade association discussed the new gig economy and how businesses and workers are faring in Alabama.

**8/5/22, 7:30pm 1 hour, issues discussed: state finances, Tuskegee, politics**

State Treasurer Young Boozer offered an update on the state's finances and the national economic outlook. Graham Champion of the Rotary Club discussed his group's efforts to



memorialize the Tuskegee Institute's role in developing the polio vaccine. Political columnist Steve Flowers shared some Alabama political history and how it applies to today's races.

8/12/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: prisons, state budgets, elections, Native American history

Director of Pardons and Paroles Cam Ward discussed the state's efforts to revitalize the prison system, including the Perry County Correctional Facility. State Sen. Greg Albritton discussed the state's budget situation and how plans were proceeding for the distribution of American Rescue Plan Act funds. State Rep. Anthony Daniels talked about Democrats' efforts to gain legislative seats in the upcoming elections. Alabama Archives and History Director Steve Murray discussed his department's initiative to return sensitive Native American artifacts to tribes.

8/19/22, 7:30, 1 hour, issues discussed: state budgets, education, electric vehicles, high school football

State Rep. Danny Garrett discussed the growth in the Education Trust Fund and how that money will be used to improve schools. State Budget Officer Kirk Fulford offered an update on tax revenues and expenses as the fiscal year winds down. Michael Staley of the Clean Fuels Coalition discussed efforts to expand electric vehicle charging infrastructure throughout the state. Chad Pilcher of Balch & Bingham previewed the upcoming high school football season.

8/26/22, 7:30, 1 hour, issues discussed: education, workforce development, unemployment, public health

Alabama Community College System Chancellor Jimmy Baker talked about the latest with the state's two-year colleges and how they are faring post-COVID. Labor Secretary Fitzgerald Washington offered an update on unemployment and wage growth. Alabama Law Enforcement Agency Secretary Hal Taylor discussed the new STAR driver license requirement and other law enforcement issues.

9/2/22, 7:30, 1 hour, issues discussed: criminal justice, redistricting, Medicaid expansion, space exploration

State Sen. Will Barfoot discussed his bill to restrict the state from suspending driver licenses for non-traffic offenses. State Rep. Chris Pringle offered an update on the redistricting court case being taken up by the U.S. Supreme Court. Jane Adams of Cover Alabama discussed the effort to expand Medicaid in Alabama. Brandon Burroughs of the Boeing Company discussed the Artemis I mission he is involved with.

9/9/22, 7:30, 1 hour, issues discussed: state budgets, prisons, economic development, broadband internet

State Finance Director Bill Poole gave an overview of the state's budget situation and explained how the prison construction project is moving along. Secretary of Commerce Greg Canfield discussed the state's economic development incentives law and potential updates to it. State Sen. Clay Scofield talked about the deployment of broadband internet infrastructure into rural parts of the state.

9/16/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: Opioid addiction, prevention and treatment.

This was a special episode dedicated to the issue of opioid abuse. We discussed ongoing efforts to prevent addiction and treat those who are addicted, as well as the growing Fentanyl problem. Guests included Katherine Robertson of the Attorney General's office, Sallye Longshore of the Children's Trust Fund, Child Psychiatrist Dr. Steven Taylor, Carie Wimberly of the Addiction Prevention Coalition and Dr. Luke Engeriser of AltaPointe Health.

9/23/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: military and veterans affairs, Holocaust education, state parks and outdoor recreation

Commissioner of Veterans Affairs Kent Davis discussed his department's efforts to prevent suicide among Alabama's veteran population as well as the building of a new nursing home in Enterprise. Dr. Dan Puckett previewed the PBS Ken Burns documentary on the Holocaust and discussed Holocaust education in Alabama. Chris Blankenship of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources discussed the \$80 million in upgrades coming to state parks over the next year.

9/30/22, 7:30pm, issues discussed: child welfare, social services, criminal justice reform, drug abuse

Department of Human Resources Commissioner Nancy Buckner explained the high turnover rate among child services social workers and what can be done to fix the problem. Barry Matson of the District Attorneys Association discusses increasing penalties for Fentanyl trafficking and other law enforcement topics. Leah Nelson from Alabama Appleseed talks about some concerning new data about drug abuse inside state prisons from her new report.