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Arts

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 68
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/4/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:24

Legendary country singer Loretta Lynn died Tuesday at age 90, leaving a legacy of more than six decades of boundary-breaking music. In 2019, several generations of Nashville stars came out for a concert celebrating Lynn on her birthday. Jeffrey Brown was there and talked to Lynn about her life and career, beginning with her roots in the tiny coal-mining community of Butcher Holler, Kentucky.

Series Title: American Masters
Episode Title: Buffy Sainte-Marie: Carry It On
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 11/22/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 02:56:46

Madison Thomas' feature documentary is a joyous, challenging account of this cultural and musical icon's lifelong commitment to music and sharing the truth. Buffy shares her own story, from her early love of music to the activism she continues to this day, despite her career being suppressed because of it. Additional interviews include Alanis Obomsawin, Joni Mitchell, Robbie Robertson and many others whose lives Buffy has touched.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 112
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/5/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:32

Becoming a poet laureate is a coveted role and rare honor. Rarer still is having two laureates in the same family. Jeffrey Brown traveled to Philadelphia to meet with a poetic family and hear how a mother-son duo is working to bring poetry to a wider public. It's part of our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

Culture

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead
Episode Title: Archaeology at Althorp
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/9/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Discover one of the most significant British archaeological finds of the century in the Althorp estate, house to the late Diana, Princess of Wales. What treasures and history will this extensive excavation reveal?

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Nazca Desert Mystery
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/2/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Who created the Nazca lines, one of archaeology's greatest enigmas, and why? Recent finds of long-hidden lines and figures etched into the Peruvian desert offer new clues to the origins and purpose behind these giant desert symbols.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 120
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/15/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:20

As the year comes to an end, we're taking a look at some of the best writing of 2022. Jeffrey Brown sat down with literary critics Gilbert Cruz of The New York Times and Maureen Corrigan of NPR to discuss their favorite books. It's for our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Series Title: Rivers of Life
Episode Title: Danube
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/5/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Europe's mighty and majestic Danube, full of glorious riches and magical surprises, is the world's most international river. See how its epic journey is like no other - featuring stunning secret tributaries, baby turtles, and a waterfall-riding kayaker.

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: Woodpeckers: The Hole Story
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/2/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Two families explore the evolutionary journey of woodpeckers and the role they play in each ecosystem that they inhabit.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 113
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/6/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:17

Bill McKibben is an environmentalist and founder of Third Act, an organization that encourages people over 60 to take action on climate change. He also helped to found 350.org, which was the first global grassroots climate campaign, organizing protests on every continent including Antarctica. McKibben shares his Brief But Spectacular take on working together for climate action.

Family/Marriage

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Write My Name in the Book of Life
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/13/2022 2:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. helps musician Pharrell Williams and filmmaker Kasi Lemmons uncover extraordinarily rare first-person accounts of their enslaved ancestors.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Flight
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/1/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. meets actors Scarlett Johansson and Lupita Nyong'o and chef Lidia Bastianich, whose families crisscrossed the globe to escape oppression and find opportunity, leaving them with questions about those who stayed behind.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: The New World
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/20/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. traces ancestors of actor John Lithgow and journalist Maria Hinojosa who thrived in North America long before the birth of the United States.

Health/Healthcare

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Ending HIV in America
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/5/2022 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:26:46

Almost 40 years after the discovery of HIV could we be on the verge of ending the AIDS epidemic in America? How did scientists tackle one of the most elusive deadly viruses to ever infect humans? Can innovative drugs bring new infections to zero?

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 91
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/4/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:09

Pierce and Melissa McKay are a mother and son living in Brentwood, Tennessee, just outside of Nashville. When the COVID pandemic began, the McKays found themselves without the vital school and community resources Pierce needed to navigate life as an autistic adult. They share their Brief But Spectacular take on adapting to new challenges while living with autism.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 116
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/9/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:12:09

Dr. Anthony Fauci is stepping aside from job after a five-decade-long career in public health. He's been one of the leading public health voices since taking the role of director of the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in 1984, and he's advised seven U.S. presidents. His exit comes amid the worst flu season in a decade and a new COVID surge. He joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Minorities/Civil Rights

Series Title: Making Black America: Through the Grapevine
Episode Title: Episode 1
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/4/2022 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Hour one explores how free Black people, in the North and South, built towns, established schools, held conventions - creating robust networks to address the political, economic, and social needs of the entire Black community.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 92
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/7/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:57

For Native American communities across the country, the effort to translate ballots and voting materials into Native languages is not an easy task. Cronkite News reporter Alexia Stanbridge spoke with Indigenous communities in Arizona about their commitment to voting rights.

Series Title: In A Different Key
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 12/13/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:56:46

A mother tracks down the first person diagnosed with autism to learn if his life holds promise for her own autistic son. She documents both cruelty and kindness, but also hope that more of us are learning to have the backs of those who are different.

Science/Technology

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Computers v. Crime
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/12/2022 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Across the country, artificial intelligence is helping inform decisions about policing and criminal sentencing. This timely investigation digs into the hidden biases, privacy risks, and design flaws of this controversial technology.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Zero to Infinity
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/16/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:52:05

Discover how the concepts of zero and infinity revolutionized mathematics.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 118
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/13/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:45

For the first time, scientists have produced a fusion reaction that created more energy than was expended, a breakthrough to tap into the same kind of energy that powers the sun and stars. It could have huge implications for potentially creating clean and limitless energy. Science Correspondent Miles O'Brien joined Judy Woodruff to discuss what was achieved and what still needs to happen.