

MAINE PUBLIC TV ISSUES / PROGRAMS

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Introduction

This report is divided into three pertinent areas – Children’s Programs, Locally Produced Programs, and National Programming.

Maine Public Television Children’s Programs continue to attack the problem of potentially harmful television exposure by providing a substantial schedule of programs which consider the greatest needs of youngsters, and which meet those needs with programs that are truly educational. The programs assist children in realizing their value with respect to their peers. They offer an understanding of humanity, behavior and tolerance, and which present the environment of the world and its surroundings in a context that will help that young person cope with challenges all his or her young life. And, these programs provide young pre-school children with the skills and understanding they need to successfully begin their schooling.

The Locally-Produced Programs of Maine Public Television are the results of our continuing assessment of the needs, requirements and wishes of the citizens of the state, and of a cohesive season-long effort to meet those needs in the most-timely and efficient manner possible. The variety of the programming, as well as the award-winning productions, speaks to the general relevance and quality of those efforts. These programs are focused on subjects and topics not covered by other media in the state. The scope and quantity of local programming is one of the highest priorities of the organization, measuring the importance attached to the needs of the citizenry. The subjects of the topical and timely public affairs programs usually cover public policy or controversial issues, and the programs serve to enlighten and educate viewers on the information on both sides of issues.

National Programming, supplied by the Public Broadcasting Service and other organizations, helps the citizens of Maine to understand the policies and principles of our government, its agencies and representatives, and assists each viewer in making informed choices on enabling every viewer to listen, to understand, to choose and to act. Other programs give insight to historical, cultural, artistic, philosophical or religious implications of American life, a perspective not available on other television outlets. This listing of National Programming is not comprehensive, but includes a representative selection of programming from this quarter targeted to community issues/problems.

Maine Public Television's overall approach to Issues and Problems is to provide a substantial schedule of programs of a substance, a quality, an indispensability and relevance unmatched by other broadcast outlets.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Sesame Street

Weekdays at 10AM & 1PM. This venerable series of five half-hour programs each week continues to offer the best programming anywhere in entertainment and education for pre-school youngsters. Songs, skits, animation, object lessons and the incomparable Muppet characters continue to delight, fascinate, and instruct children in reading, speaking, and in understanding the world around them. 10 half-hours a week.

Arthur

Weekdays at 3PM. This animated series presents Arthur the aardvark, a young school-age character that encounters typical adolescent problems at school and at home while interacting with his peers and his family. The storyline developed in each episode convey object lessons in how to deal with these problems and series to teach young people that, despite their perceptions; they are definitely not odd mammals, but normal individuals.

Wild Kratts

Weekdays at 7AM. "Wild Kratts" joins the adventures of Chris and Martin Kratt as they encounter incredible wild animals, combining science education with fun and adventure as the duo travels to animal habitats around the globe. Each adventure explores an age-appropriate science concept central to an animal's life and showcases a never-before-seen wildlife moment, all wrapped up in engaging stories of adventure, mystery, rescue, and the Kratt brothers' brand of laugh-out-loud-comedy that kids love. Real-life Chris and Martin introduce each "Wild Kratts" episode with a live action segment that imagines what it would be like to experience a never-before-seen wildlife moment, and asks, "What if...?" The Kratt brothers' transition into animation and the adventure begins, bringing early-elementary school children into the secret lives of extraordinary creatures, many of which have never been animated before -- including Tiger quolls, Draco lizards, and Caracals! Five half-hours per week.

Wild Kratts: Creatures of the Deep Sea

Wednesday 11/23 @ 9AM, Thursday 11/24 @ 8AM & Friday 11/25 @ 8AM

The Wild Kratts team ventures to the Deep Sea, the last creature frontier, in a Deep Sea Explorer. One hour program.

Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas

Monday 12/5 & Friday 12/23 @ 7AM & Sunday 12/25 @ 9AM

The Wild Kratts receive an alert that their favorite creatures are disappearing around the globe! One hour program

Curious George

Weekdays at 8:30am, & 2:30PM. Saturday & Sunday 8am. For more than 75 years, generations of young children have been charmed by the literary adventures of Curious George. Based on the best-selling Curious George books by Margret and H. A. Rey, the daily series expands George's world to include a host of colorful new characters and original locales, while maintaining the charm of the beloved books. Each half-hour episode includes two animated stories, followed by short live-action pieces showing real kids who are investigating the ideas that George introduces in his stories. The series aims to inspire kids to explore science, math and engineering in the world around them. 7 Half-Hours per week.

Curious George: A Halloween Boo Fest

Monday 10/24 at 8:30AM & 2PM, Friday 10/28 @ 2PM, Monday 10/31 @ 8AM & 2PM
During his first Halloween in the country, George explores the legend of a hat-kicking scarecrow. One hour program.

Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas

Friday 12/16 @ 8:30AM & 2:30PM, Sunday 12/18 @ 8:30AM, Saturday 12/24 & Sunday 12/25 @ 8AM. George and the Man with the Yellow Hat have a great time preparing for Christmas.

Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood

Weekdays at 9am & 9:30AM. Saturday at 7AM & 7:30AM. "Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood" is an animated series with live-action 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. 12 half-hours per week.

Dinosaur Train

Weekdays at 11am & 11:30am. "Dinosaur Train" is an animated series for 3-to-6 year olds. The series features a curious young T-rex named Buddy who, together with his adopted Pteranodon family, takes the Dinosaur Train to meet, explore, and have adventures with all kinds of dinosaurs and prehistoric creatures. Ten hours per week.

Dinosaur Train

Monday 8/22 & Friday 8/26 @ 11AM

Buddy and Tiny gather all the dinosaurs in the A to Z song. One hour program

Bob the Builder

Sundays at 7am. Aimed at preschoolers, this series follows the adventures of Bob and his machines: Scoop the leader/digger, Muck the digger/dumper, Dizzy the cement mixer, Lofty the crane and Roley the steamroller. Bob's business partner Wendy and Pilchard the cat all help out in the builder's yard. Other characters include Farmer Pickles, his tractor Travis and the naughty scarecrow Spud -- who is always up to mischief. One half-hour per week.

Thomas & Friends

Weekdays at 12:30pm & Sunday at 7:30am. Set on the imaginary island of Sodor, the series follows the adventures of Thomas, a cheeky little Tank Engine, and his friends, Edward, James, Gordon, Percy, Henry and Toby, plus Emily, the first female steam engine -- all under the watchful eye of Sir Topham Hatt, the manager of the Sodor Railway. Six half-hours per week.

Peg + Cat

Weekdays at 11:30AM. This series is designed to engage preschool children and teach them how to solve math-based problems with Peg, a chatty and tenacious five year-old, her feline pal, Cat, and her smart, handsome, cool friend Ramone. 5 half-hours per week.

Peg + Cat Mystery Hour

Monday 10/3 @ 10AM & 1PM, Wednesday 10/5 & Friday 10/7 @ 10:30AM & 1PM. Peg and Cat invite you to join them for an hour of four all-new, back-to-back math mysteries!

Super Why!

Weekdays at Noon. This series focuses on the adventures of four fairytale friends who transform into reading-powered superheroes: Alpha Pig with Alphabet Power, Wonder Red with Word Power, Princess Presto with Spelling Power, Super Why with the Power to Read and Super YOU with the Power to Help. Together, they are the "Super Readers!" The Super Readers jump into books (literally) to find answers to everyday preschool challenges and embark on exciting adventures, where they play interactive reading games to overcome obstacles and save the day. In every episode, young viewers dive directly into a pop-up story to experience a brightly-illustrated children's tale brought to magical life. Five half-hours per week.

Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About That

Weekdays at 1:30pm. Coming to television for the first time ever in an animated series, the Cat in the Hat whisks preschoolers off on a voyage of scientific discovery. "The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That!" features six-year-olds Sally & Nick, best friends and next door neighbors, who are transported on magical journeys to all corners of the globe where the natural world becomes their playground. With the Cat as their guide, his two energetic helpers, the zany duo, Thing One and Thing Two and the enigmatic Fish along for the ride, every outing becomes an unpredictable adventure. In each episode, Sally and Nick head off with the Cat in his one-of-a-kind custom vehicle, the Thinga-ma-jigger, a quintessentially Seussian contraption that instantly transforms from plane to boat to submarine with just a flick of the jigger-ma-whizzer or a honk of the shrinkamadoodle. They go everywhere from the ocean bottom, to a rainforest, or to the center of a beehive. The Cat in the Hat "knows a lot" but he doesn't know everything making him the perfect guide for learning and fun. Five half-hours per week.

Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About Halloween

Friday 10/26 @ 8AM & 1PM, Saturday 10/27 & Sunday 10/28 @ 8AM, Monday 10/31 @ 9AM & 3PM & Tuesday 11/1 @ 10:30AM.
One Hour program

Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About Christmas

Saturday 12/17 & Sunday 12/25 @ 7AM. The Cat in the Hat, Nick and Sally help a lost reindeer find his way home in time for Christmas.

Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About Space

Monday 12/28 @ 8AM & 11AM. The Cat in the Hat takes an adventure through the solar system to help with Operation Rover Repair!

Nature Cat

Weekdays at 8am & 3:30pm., Saturday and Sunday at 8:30AM. NATURE CAT follows Fred, a house cat who dreams of exploring the great outdoors. In each episode, once his family leaves for the day, Fred transforms into Nature Cat, "backyard explorer extraordinaire." Nature Cat can't wait to get outside for a day of backyard nature excursions and bravery, but there's one problem: He's still a house cat with no instincts for nature. Like many of today's kids, Nature Cat is eager and enthusiastic about outside activities, but is at times intimidated by them. With the help of his animal friends, Nature Cat embarks on action-packed adventures that include exciting missions full of nature investigation, "aha" discovery moments and humor, all while inspiring children to go outside and "play the show." Twelve half-hours per week

Splash & Bubbles

Weekdays @ 10AM & 2PM beginning 11/23 & Saturday & Sunday @ 8AM Beginning 12/17. Splash and Bubbles is an animated preschool comedy inspiring kids to connect with and care about the ocean. Splash, Bubbles, and their Reeftown friends share amazing adventures, meet new creatures, and explore the diversity and wonder of life in the ocean.

Ready Jet Go!

Weekdays @ 7:30AM & 4PM. Saturday & Sunday @ 9AM. READY JET GO! Is a 3D animated series for 3-8 year-olds with a focus on astronomy, scientific exploration, innovation and invention, and Earth as it is affected by our solar system? The show is about two neighborhood kids-one with an all-consuming drive for science fact and another with an overwhelming passion for science fiction. They both befriend the new kid on their street, Jet Propulsion, whose family happens to be aliens from Bortron 7. The comedy series teaches kids a variety of Earth science concepts (gravity, tides, moon phases, seasons) as well as an introductory explanation of innovation, astronomy, and our solar system. 12 Half Hour episodes per week.

Prima Princess Presents The Nutcracker

Sunday 12/25 @ 11AM. The fairy ballerina takes children to see the Birmingham Royal Ballet perform "The Nutcracker."

NATIONAL PROGRAMMING

BBC World News

Weekdays at 6am & 6pm. BBC WORLD NEWS: The latest global news from the world's largest news broadcaster. The newscasts contain all the most up-to-date news, interviews, analysis, business reports and world sports news. 10 half-hours per week.

Focus on Europe

Sundays at 6AM: Weekly summary of news in Europe. One half-hour per week.

BBC Newsnight

Saturday's at 6am. The international version of BBC Newsnight is a weekly round-up of news and current affairs including interviews with global opinion formers and documentary features from all over the world. Presenters include Jeremy Paxman, Kirsty Wark, Gavin Esler and Emily Maitlis. Thought-provoking and informative, Newsnight offers in-depth analysis of complex global issues. BBC Newsnight is commissioned by BBC World News, which is presented nationally on public television by KCET Los Angeles. Produced out of the BBC's London studio, BBC Newsnight and BBC World News draw from the BBC's unrivalled global newsgathering resource of 2,000 journalists and 70 international bureaus. One half-hour per week.

DW News

Weekdays at 5:30pm. As one of the world's largest international broadcasters, Deutsche Welle provides public television viewers the unique opportunity to see our world from another perspective. The economic meltdown taking place in Greece, Portugal, and Spain, revolutions in Egypt and Syria spilling over to Europe, and the worldwide campaign to combat global warming are issues that affect viewers on both sides of the Atlantic. On DW-TV's Journal, reporters and presenters from our Berlin studios provide your viewers depth and clarity as well as a unique European perspective on the day's events. Five half-hours per week.

PBS NewsHour Weekend

Saturday & Sunday at 6:30pm. PBS NEWSHOUR WEEKEND features a summary of the day's national and international news, using renowned experts to offer analysis. Each weekend broadcast will contain original, in-depth field reporting on topics including education, healthcare, the economy, energy, science and technology, religion, finance and the arts. Hari Sreenivasan anchors. 2 half-hours per week.

Nightly Business Report

Weeknights at 6:30pm. Every weeknight, the Emmy winning NIGHTLY BUSINESS REPORT delivers the day's essential business and economic news. Each lively half-hour combines trusted, credible and unbiased information and extensive financial market coverage with insightful features, analysis and commentaries by noted economists and business experts. Five half-hours per week.

PBS NewsHour

Weeknights at 7PM & Midnight: The PBS NewsHour continues to provide in-depth analysis of current events with a news summary, live interviews and discussions of domestic and international issues. 10 One hours per week.

Charlie Rose

Weeknights at 5pm & 11pm: Acclaimed interviewer and broadcast journalist Charlie Rose engages America's best thinkers, writers, politicians, athletes, entertainers, business leaders and scientists in one-on-one interviews and roundtable discussions. 10 One hours per week.

Washington Week with Gwen Ifill

Friday at 8pm: Host Gwen Ifill discusses Washington DC events of the week. One half-hour per week.

Charlie Rose – The Week

Friday at 8:30pm: This new Friday night program will provide a retrospective of the best stories and interviews from the nightly PBS program CHARLIE ROSE. The show will capture the defining moments in politics, science, business, culture, media and sports. One half-hour per week.

Fons & Porter: Love of Quilting

Saturday at 9:30am (ended 10/22): Marianne Fons & Liz Porter, the most popular quilters on public television, continue their quilting series full of fun, in-depth demonstrations on the art and craft of creating beautiful quilts. Beginner or expert, viewers with a passion for quilting will be inspired by their tips, designs and techniques. One half-hour per week.

Quilting Arts

Saturday @ 9:30AM, begins 10/29. Mixed media artist Jane Davila creates printing blocks and shares tips for planning motif repeats.

A Chef's Life

Saturday at Noon. A Chef's Life is a new food/reality series featuring Chef Vivian Howard. Vivian was making a name for herself in New York City, when her father, a hog farmer, offered to get her started in her own restaurant. The catch? It would be located in her home town, a place she swore she would never return --- the Deep South. The series plunges audiences into the kitchen of the restaurant Chef and The Farmer, a highbrow restaurant located in Kinston, NC, one of the most impoverished communities in the U.S. When Vivian arrives home, she begs local farmers to grow fennel, lemongrass and Jerusalem artichokes --- none of which are native to the region. Soon, she realizes that the cooking techniques she learned in New York could be applied to her "grandmother's ingredients," the bounty grown by local farmers. Vivian's recipes are exquisitely assembled to bring out the best in the locally grown fresh ingredients. This is real "southern cooking," anyone can implement into their own lives. Six years in, Vivian has become a pillar in this small community, with the restaurant winning accolades across the country. As the series opens, she and her husband Ben are juggling the business and raising twins, when a devastating kitchen fire destroys the restaurant overnight. What happens next is a true testament to Southern grit. 30 minute program

Martha Bakes

Saturday at 12:30pm: This series enables the home baker to create the finest desserts and goodies in his or her home kitchen. Throughout the series Martha Stewart shares the best tips and techniques, giving viewers the confidence to create delectable baked goods -- from scratch -- in their own kitchens. One half-hour per week.

Cook's Country

Saturday at 1pm. COOK'S COUNTRY features the best regional home cooking - from potluck dinners and holiday favorites to simple suppers and lost recipes. The Daytime Emmy®- nominated series takes the same practical, no-nonsense and scientific approach as Cook's Country magazine by providing home cooks with foolproof recipes and cooking techniques developed through rigorous investigation and careful testing. One half-hour per week

America's Test Kitchen from Cook's Illustrated

Saturday at 1:30pm: AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN FROM COOK'S ILLUSTRATED's ensemble of chefs, cooks, testers and tasters, led by ATK's sartorial "editor-in-chef" Mr. Kimball, reveal the best ways to prepare favorite dishes. One half-hour per week.

Delicious TV: Totally Vegetarian

Saturday at 2pm (Ended 10/15). "Delicious TV" is a new cooking and lifestyle series hosted by Toni Fiore. Produced locally in Portland, Maine, the show is lively, colorful, and upbeat. Toni's culinary style is casual and Mediterranean and her emphasis is on fresh ingredients easily prepared. "Delicious TV" offers not just recipes but the facts, delights, and challenges of the vegetarian lifestyle as well as invaluable advice on the latest trends in vegetarian food. To many people the art of easily preparing great vegetarian food still remains a mystery. "Delicious TV" dispels the mystery and makes eating healthy...delicious! One half-hour per week.

Moveable Feast with Fine Cooking

Saturday @ 2:30, moved to 2PM 10/22. Moveable Feast with Fine Cooking takes viewers on a culinary journey with host Pete Evans, Australia's top celebrity chef, and America's most innovative food artisans. Each of the 13 half-hour episodes features a pop-up feast in settings from California's wine country to the bustling skyline of NYC, where Pete and local chefs source the finest ingredients and work against the clock to prepare a multi-course menu for a ravenous group of foodies. Viewers watch as diners sit down to enjoy these spectacular meals hosted in some of the most unlikely places. Half-hour program.

Delicious TV's Vegan Mashup

Saturday @ 2:30. Gruyere and Pear Croustade, Tempeh Bites, Tzatsiki, Beet Tapenade and Cherry Sangria are served.

Ask This Old House

Saturday at 3pm: Host Kevin O'Connor, general contractor Tom Silva, plumbing and heating expert Richard Trethewey, landscape contractor Roger Cook and guest experts make personal HOUSE calls, guiding viewers through home improvement techniques. One half-hour per week.

This Old House

Saturday at 3:30pm. America's favorite home improvement series, the Emmy Award-winning THIS OLD HOUSE, with host Kevin O'Connor, general contractor Tom Silva, plumbing and heating expert Richard Trethewey, landscape contractor Roger Cook and master carpenter Norm Abram. One half-hour per week.

Woodwright's Shop

Saturday at 4pm. THE WOODWRIGHT'S SHOP demonstrates traditional furniture making. One half-hour per week.

Rough Cut - Woodworking with Tommy Mac

Saturday at 4:30pm. ROUGH CUT - WOODWORKING WITH TOMMY MAC invites viewers into the world of respected furniture maker Tommy MacDonald, as he travels to historic landmarks to gain design inspiration and then returns to his workshop to demonstrate the steps and techniques needed to create future family heirlooms. In each episode, MacDonald shares his skills and best practices, providing detailed project instructions for anyone interested in learning the basics of the craft. For the more experienced enthusiast, Tommy also showcases his more complex projects with advanced tips and techniques. Each half-hour includes three segments: "Basic Woodworking Techniques," "Weekend Projects" and "The Field Trip." One half-hour per week.

Rick Steves' Europe

Sunday at 11:30am. RICK STEVES' EUROPE offers a fresh perspective on the best travel advice, including where to stay, what to see and how to get around in Europe. Rick Steves shares his extensive knowledge of European history, art and culture. His years as America's most popular European guidebook author blends with his relaxed but informative style to make this one of public television's most popular series. One half-hour per week. 10/26 – TFN

Globe Trekker

Sunday at Noon: GLOBE TREKKER transports viewers to unforgettable destinations through its stunning photography, rhythmic indigenous music and spirit of adventure. In each episode, one vibrant young traveler ventures off the beaten path to soak up the local culture, sample the cuisine and revel in breathtaking vistas. In keeping with their aim of "living as the locals do," charismatic hosts Ian Wright, Justine Shapiro, Zay Harding, Megan McCormick and others explore everything from big-city landmarks to exotic sights in remote villages. One hour per week.

Nature

Most Wednesdays @ 8PM & Sundays @ 10:30AM. NATURE, television's longest-running weekly natural history series, has won more than 200 honors from the television industry, parent groups, the international wildlife film community and environmental organizations, including the only award ever given to a television program by the Sierra Club. One – two hour programs.

Nova

Wednesday at 9pm & Sunday at 9:30am. PBS' premier science series helps viewers of all ages explore the science behind the headlines. Along the way, NOVA programs demystify science and technology and highlight the people involved in scientific pursuits. Two airings, One hour program.

Secrets of the Dead

Various times: Part detective story, part true-life drama, SECRETS OF THE DEAD unearths evidence from around the world, challenging prevailing ideas and throwing fresh light on unexplained events. Using the most up-to-date science in the laboratory and in the field, scientists and researchers examine the missing pieces of each puzzle, completing the picture of what had been merely an assemblage of suppositions. One hour program

Film School Shorts

Various Dates & Times: Film School Shorts is a new weekly series that showcases short student films from across the country. Each week, viewers can watch hot new episodes featuring quirky comedies, slice-of-life dramas and hard-hitting thrillers from cutting edge filmmakers. Short Films + Big Productions = Film School Shorts. Various dates & times.

Austin City Limits

Saturday at Midnight: AUSTIN CITY LIMITS continues its longstanding tradition of showcasing the best of original American music and beyond. Musical styles range from contemporary and traditional pop to rock, country, blues, bluegrass, Latin, folk, roots and more. All find a home on the AUSTIN CITY LIMITS stage. One, 1 hour program per week.

Antiques Roadshow

Monday at 8pm & 9pm. ANTIQUES ROADSHOW cameras capture tales of family heirlooms, yard sale bargains and long-lost items salvaged from attics and basements, while experts reveal the fascinating truths about these finds. Two, one hour programs per week.

POV

Some Mondays @ 10PM. POV presents an array of groundbreaking and distinctive perspectives on contemporary life as chronicled by some of America's and Europe's most visionary non-fiction filmmakers.

Independent Lens

Monday 12/26 @ 10PM This acclaimed Emmy Award-winning anthology series features documentaries and a limited number of fiction films united by the creative freedom, artistic achievement and unflinching visions of their independent producers. INDEPENDENT LENS features unforgettable stories about a unique individual, community or moment in history. The series is supported by interactive companion Web sites and national publicity and community engagement campaigns. 1 – 2 hour programs.

Frontline

Tuesdays @ 9 or 10pm: As PBS' premier public affairs series, FRONTLINE's stature is reaffirmed each week through incisive documentaries covering the scope and complexity of the human, social and political experience. One 1 – 2 hour program per week.

Frontline # 3501: The Choice

Sunday 10/2 @ 3PM, Sunday 10/9 @ 7PM, Monday 10/10 @ Midnight & Monday 11/7 @ 10PM. Frontline investigates where the two presidential candidates came from and how they lead.

White House: Inside Story

Sunday 11/13 at 2PM. America's most iconic residence is a symbol of national history and an icon of democracy. Two hour program

The Dust Bowl

Sunday 10/2 & 10/9 and 1PM. In this series, Ken Burns and producer Dayton Duncan chronicle the Dust Bowl in all its complexities and profound human drama. It is both an oral history, using interviews of 30 survivors, and an historical accounting of what happened and why during the 1930s on the southern Plains, using first person accounts, narration, comments by historians, and restored photographs, footage and music from the period. Two, two hour programs

POV

Monday 7/11, 8/1, 8/29 @ 10PM, Friday 8/12 at 10PM. POV presents an array of groundbreaking and distinctive perspectives on contemporary life as chronicled by some of America's and Europe's most visionary non-fiction filmmakers. One – two hour programs.

Father Brown

Sundays @ 7PM Based on the short stories by G K Chesterton, Father Brown follows the kindly cleric as he solves crimes in his community. It is a quintessentially English world: drawing rooms in large country houses, miles of countryside, village halls and secret gardens, as well as country fairs, railway stations and rural parish churches. Each episode sees the enigmatic priest investigate a crime in his own particular way, using intuition and psychology. Father Brown discovers the truth of a crime by looking into the truth of the soul - the passions, dark secrets, hidden desires. Many years spent hearing his parishioners' confessions have given him an uncanny insight into the origins of evil and the workings of the criminal mind. But the stories are not concerned with judgement - Father Brown is more interested in saving souls than in bringing the guilty to justice. One hour program

Doctor Blake Mysteries

Most Thursdays @ 8PM & Some Sundays @ 11PM

Many years have passed since Dr. Blake first returned home from war to run his father's old practice. But Ballarat is no longer the sanctuary from the outside world it used to be. There's a new chief superintendent who doesn't approve of Blake's unorthodox methods, and despite the pathologist solving the crimes which have confounded the police, he is determined to get rid of Blake for good. Even dependable Jean, his housekeeper and assistant, is thinking of leaving town as her own past comes back to haunt her. Amid the upheaval the mysteries continue and Lucien Blake will face his most personal challenge yet as he tries solving his own mother's mysterious death. One hour program.

Death in Paradise

Most Thursdays @ 9PM. Sent to the tiny island of Saint-Marie to solve a mysterious murder, Detective Inspector Richard Poole is a total fish out of water. A quintessentially British cop, he would much prefer the London drizzle and a freshly pressed shirt to blue seas, sparkling sands and gorgeous tropical weather. This warm, light-hearted detective series takes place against a stunning Caribbean island backdrop - as far away from the grey skies of London as you could possibly get. What Richard finds is a ramshackle station and a very different type of policing. The fact that there's a goat in one of the cells says it all. He can't get out of there fast enough, but there's a job to do and he does it brilliantly. His reward - a permanent posting to the island, his own personal hell on Earth. He may be stuck there, but he's not going to let his standards slip. He'll bring British rigor to this relaxed Caribbean workplace. Always in a suit and tie, eschewing sandals for a stout brogue, he's the very embodiment of the Englishman abroad. He can get through his ordeal, if only he could find a decent cup of tea. One hour program

Dick Cavett's Watergate

Sunday 10/2 @ 5PM. From 1972 to 1974, The Dick Cavett Show featured interviews and analysis on the Watergate scandal. One hour program

Carol Burnett: The Mark Twain Prize

Friday 10/7 @ 9PM & Sunday 10/9 @ 3PM. Julie Andrews, Tony Bennett, Tim Conway, Tina Fey and others celebrate comedic icon Carol Burnett. Two hour program.

Mary Tyler Moore: A Celebration

Sunday 10/9 @ 5PM, Monday 10/19 @ 10PM & Monday 12/19 @ 10PM. A look at Moore's career features great clips and interviews with the actress's co-stars. One hour program

Frontline # 3502: Confronting ISIS

Tuesday 10/11 @ 9PM & Sunday 10/15 @ 3PM. The successes, failures and challenges of the American-led efforts to destroy ISIS are examined. 2 hour program.

Feeling Good About America, The 1976 Presidential Election

Sunday 10/16 @ 5PM. The presidential race between Republican Gerald Ford and Democrat Jimmy Carter is chronicled. One hour program

Walt Disney: American Experience

Sunday 10/ 16 & 10/23 @ 1PM. The life and legacy of the iconic filmmaker are explored from his early days creating Mickey Mouse. Two hour program

Hamilton's America

Friday 10/21 @ 9PM & Sunday 10/23 @ 3PM. Lin-Manuel Miranda hosts this look at the making of his Broadway megahit, Hamilton. 90 minute program.

Bill Murray: The Mark Twain Prize

Friday 10/28 @ 9PM & Sunday 10/30 @ 2PM. David Letterman, Jimmy Kimmel, Bill Hader, Dan Aykroyd and Aziz Ansari salute comedian Bill Murray. 90 minute program.

Norman Lear: American Masters

Tuesday 10/25 @ 9PM, Sunday 3:30PM. Norman Lear affected social change through his groundbreaking sitcoms such as "All in the Family."

20th Century Limited

Sunday 11/13 # 1PM. A span of 65 years of operation on the New York Central Railroad is recalled. One hour program.

Old Guys and Their Airplanes

Sunday 11/13 @ 4PM. Chris Morgan was a prisoner of the Japanese from October 1943 to June 1945. 30 minute program

Searching for Home: Coming Back From War

Sunday 11/13 @ 4:30PM. A multi-generational story chronicles the search for healing from battlefield to Homefront. 90 minute program

In Defense of Food

Sunday 11/20 @ 1PM. Author Michael Pollan explains what we should eat to be healthy. 2 hour program.

Surviving Thanksgiving with Sara Moulton.

Sunday 11/20 @ 3PM. Chef Sara Moulton offers time-saving tips and techniques for making Thanksgiving dinner. One hour program

Pilgrims: American Experience

Sunday 11/20 @ 4PM. The converging forces and events that led the pilgrims to cross the Atlantic in 1620 are explored. Two hour program.

Bible's Buried Secrets

Sunday 12/18 @ 1, 2 & 3PM. An extraordinary insight into some of the Old Testament's most iconic stories, from the Garden of Eden and King David to the God who revealed Himself to Abraham, Jacob and Moses. Francesca Stavrakopoulou travels across the deserts of Syria and the Sinai to Jerusalem, revealing the real Garden of Eden, the historical evidence for King David and his great empire, and the startling truth about the God of the Bible. She visits the ancient city of Ugarit in Syria, believed by many to be the most important archaeological discovery for years; reaches Khirbet Qeiyafa - a fortified city in Judah from the time of King David; and she sets foot on the very site where the real story of Eden unfolded. One hour program.

Murder of a President: American Experience

Sunday 12/18 @ 4PM. James Garfield's unprecedented rise to power, his shooting and its tragic aftermath are explored. Two hour program

Lidia Celebrates America: Holiday for Heroes

Friday 12/16 @ 9PM & Saturday 12/24 @ 3PM. Lidia Bastianich honors American veterans and the importance of family during the holidays. One hour program

Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir

Monday 12/19 @ 9PM, Saturday 4PM & Sunday 12/25 @ 2PM. Broadway star Laura Osnes and actor Martin Jarvis join the choir in their annual concert. One hour program

Joshua Smith 'tis The Season

Saturday 12/24 @ 11PM & Sunday 12/25 @ 3PM. Jordan Smith, season nine winner of NBC's The Voice, celebrates Christmas. One hour program

Holiday Hand Bells: The Raleigh Singers

Sunday 12/25 @ 1PM. The acclaimed handbell choir based in Raleigh, NC, performs holiday favorites. One hour program

Happy Holidays with the Boston Pops

Sunday 12/25 @ Noon. The Pops and the Tanglewood Festival Chorus, with conductor Keith Lockhart, celebrate the holiday season. One hour program

Mr. Stink

Sunday 12/25 @ 5PM. Chloe befriends an unusual tramp and learns that there is more to him than meets the eye - or nose. One hour program

Anne of Green Gables

Thursday 11/24 @ 8PM & 12/25 @ 6PM. Orphaned Anne is placed in the care of uptight Marilla in a new adaptation of the classic novel. 90 minute program

Pollyanna

Thursday 11/24 @ 9:30PM. A young orphan uses her charm to capture the hearts of family, friends and strangers. 2 hour program

Willie Velasquez: Your Vote is Your Voice

Monday 10/3 @ 10:30PM. A pioneering activist transformed the power of the Latino vote. One hour program

The Contenders

Tuesday 10/4, 10/11 & 10/18, 10/27 & 11/1 @ 8PM

This eight-part series reveals the humanity, the twists of fate and the surprising mistakes behind 16 of the most compelling and tumultuous presidential campaigns in modern history. Revisit the past 50 years of presidential election history to see how previous campaigns are still influencing politics in unexpected ways. One hour programs

PBS NewsHour Vice-Presidential Debate

Tuesday 10/4 @ 9PM. Indiana Gov. Mike Pence / Virginia Senator Tim Kaine. 2 hour program.

Forces of Nature

Wednesday 10/5, @ 8PM. Sunday 10/9 @ 10:30AM

The forces of nature have kept Earth on the move since it was formed billions of years ago. Though we can't feel the motion, we experience the consequences - from tidal bores surging through the Amazon rainforest to the ruinous power of hurricanes. One hour programs.

Road Trip Nation

Various Dates & Times: ROADTRIP NATION follows a group of road trippers as they traverse the United States and meet fascinating leaders who share stories of following their passions and realizing their dreams. 30 minute program

India – Nature’s Wonderland

Sunday 10/2 @ 11PM. Continue exploring India and meet a man who spent 30 years planting his own rainforest. One hour program.

Secrets of Henry VII’s Palaces

Saturday 10/8 @ 10PM. Hampton Court is the ultimate Royal pleasure palace. One hour program

PBS NewsHour Debates: President:

Sunday 10/9 @ 9PM & Wednesday 10/19 @ 9PM. Donald Trump (R) vs. Secretary Hilary Clinton. 2 hour programs

Great Houses with Julian Fellows

Sunday 10/16 & 10/23 @ 11PM. For 500 years, Burghley House was the home of heirs of William Cecil. One hour program

Dream On

Friday 10/21 @ 9:30PM. The journey of Alexis de Tocqueville, who popularized the idea of the American Dream, is retraced. 90 minute program

Live From the Artists Den

Some Saturday’s @ 11PM. LIVE FROM THE ARTISTS DEN is an innovative new music series featuring extraordinary artists performing in extraordinary settings. Each episode of the weekly series features an intimate, invitation-only concert by cutting-edge, contemporary musicians, along with artist interviews and insights about the unusual venues chosen. Season one opens with a hits-filled performance by seven-time Grammy Award-winning, pop singer/songwriter Alanis Morissette, recorded at Judson Memorial Church in New York City. Future episodes feature iconic feminist singer/songwriter Ani DiFranco at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the oldest art museum in the United States; singer/songwriter Jakob Dylan, lead singer of platinum-selling band The Wallflowers and the son of Bob Dylan, at Desmond Tutu Cultural Center in New York City; recent indie-pop sensation Ingrid Michaelson ("The Way I Am") at Cape Cinema, a 1930s movie theater in Cape Cod; classic rock-inspired indie band The Hold Steady at a former bank cum designated NYC landmark; and soul singer/producer Raphael Saadiq (Tony! Toni! Tone!; Lucy Pearl) at the Harvard Club in Boston. Other featured artists this season include Aimee Mann, Patty Griffin, Ben Harper, The Swell Season, Crowded House, KT Tunstall and Josh Ritter. The Artists Den has been presenting emerging and established musicians in unique settings around the world since its inception in 2004. Initially a series of private living room concerts, the Artists Den has expanded to include unforgettable performances across North America and Europe by some of today's most significant names in music - in some of the most interesting, off-the-beaten-path locations imaginable. LIVE FROM THE ARTISTS DEN gives public television audiences a front row seat and behind-the-scenes look at these once-in-a-lifetime events.

Eddie Murphy: The Mark Twain Prize

Friday 10/28 @ 10:30. Some of the biggest names in comedy take the stage to salute comedian and actor Eddie Murphy. 90 minute program

PBS NewsHour Election Night

Tuesday 11/8 7PM – 3:15AM. 2016 General Election results. 8 hours 15 minutes.

Military Medicine: Beyond the Battlefield

Wednesday 11/9 @ 10PM. Bob Woodruff reports on military medical advances from the battlefield to the return home. One hour program

Gypsy

Friday 11/11 @ 9PM. Imelda Staunton stars as the indomitable Momma Rose in London's hit revival of the musical Gypsy. 2 hours 30 minutes

Soundbreaking

Monday 11/14, 11/21, Tuesday 11/15, 11/22, Wednesday 11/16, 11/23, Thursday 11/17 & Friday 11/28 @ 10PM. Get an in-depth look at the art of music recording and how it has evolved. The last project of Beatles producer Sir George Martin, the programs feature more than 150 exclusive and original interviews. 8 – one hour programs.

Black America Since MLK: And Still I Rise

Tuesday 11/15 & 11/22 @ 8PM. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. looks at the last 50 years of African-American history - from Stokely Carmichael to Barack Obama, James Brown to Beyonce - charting the remarkable progress made and raising hard questions about the obstacles that remain. 2 – two hour program

Allan Cummings Sings Sappy Songs

Friday 11/18 @ 9PM. Television and Broadway star Alan Cummings brings down the house with his acclaimed cabaret show. One hour program

Pearl Harbor: USS Oklahoma; The Final Story

Wednesday 11/23 @ 8PM. The USS Oklahoma, the only battleship to capsize during the Pearl Harbor attack, is explored. One hour program.

Pearl Harbor: Into the Arizona

Wednesday 11/23 @ 9PM. An expedition to explore inside the USS Arizona reveals the aftermath of the Pearl Harbor attack. One hour program.

Mike Nichols: American Masters

Monday 12/12 @ 10PM. One of America's great directors discusses his life and career. One hour program

Storm of the Century

Tuesday 12/13 @ 8PM. A devastating series of storms swept across the Great Plains in the winter of 1949. One hour program.

Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

Tuesday 12/13 & 12/20 @ 9PM. Bishop Robert Barron studies paintings in the Sistine Chapel and other great works of art. One hour program

Frontline # 1610 & 1612 From Jesus to Christ

Tuesday 12/13 & 12/20 @ 10PM. Explores the life of Jesus and depicts on the origins of Christianity using historical evidence. 2 hour program.

Shakespeare Live! From the RSC

Friday 12/23 @ 9PM. Benedict Cumberbatch, Judi Dench, Ian McKellen and others mark the life and work of William Shakespeare. 2 hour program

Eero Saarinen: American Masters

Tuesday 12/27 @ 8PM. The life of visionary Finnish-American modernist architectural giant Eero Saarinen is explored. One hour program

Locally Produced Election Programming

Your Vote 2016 # 102 1st Congressional District Debate

Thursday 10/27 @ 8PM, Sunday 11/6 @ 4PM & Monday 11/7 @ 9PM. One hour program.

Your Vote 2016 # 103, 2nd Congressional District Debate

Tuesday 10/18 @ 9PM, Thursday 11/3 @ 8PM, Sunday 11/6 @ 5PM & Monday 11/7 @ 8PM. One hour program

Your Vote 2016: #104, Ballot Measure # 1 Marijuana

Monday 10/17 @ 9PM, Sunday 11/6 @ 11AM & 5PM. One hour program

Your Vote 2016: #105. Ballot Measure # 2 Education

Monday 10/24 @ 9PM & Sunday 11/6 @ 12noon. One hour program

Your Vote 2016: # 106 Ballot Measure # 3 Firearms

Sunday 10/23 @ 5PM & Sunday 11/6 @ 1PM. One hour program

Your Vote 2016: # 107 Ballot Measure # 4 Minimum Wage

Monday 10/31 @ 9PM & Sunday 11/6 @ 2PM One hour program

Your Vote 2016: # 108 Ballot Measure # 5 Rank Choice Voting

Sunday 10/30 @ 5PM & Sunday 11/6 @ 3PM. One hour program

Locally Produced Programming

The Maine Education Project

Sunday 11/6 @ 10:30AM & Thursday 11/10 @ 11:30PM. Stories reveal innovative teaching and learning in Maine's classrooms and educational institutions. 30 minute program.

Independently Produced Programming

Nextsteprun

Saturday 10/1 at 11AM. Four women ran for office in 2014, including Ellie Espling of Maine. 30 minute program.

Hull 111

Saturday 10/1 @ 11:30AM. Dick Pulsifer builds his 111th Pulsifer Hampton Launch with help from a Bowdoin student. 30 minute program

US 1: Aroostook: The First Hundred Miles of America

Thursday 10/6 @ 10PM & Saturday 10/8 @ 11AM. "The First Hundred Miles of America" America's cultural diversity begins in northern Maine's St. John Valley. One hour program

First Light

Thursday 10/13 @ 10PM Saturday 10/15 at 11AM: A task force tries to find out what happened to Wabanaki children involved with the Maine child welfare system. 30 minute program

How County Government Works

Thursday 10/13 at 10:30PM & Saturday 10/15 at 11:30AM. County Commissioner Betty Johnson tours the departments of Waldo County. 30 minute program.

Food For Change

Thursday 10/20 @ 10 PM & Saturday 10/22 at 11AM; Food co-ops are a force for social change in American culture. 90 minute program

The Wrecking Season

Thursday 10/27 at 10PM, Saturday 10/29 at 11AM. The north coast of Cornwall, England, is one of the best collection points in the world for sea wreckage. One hour program

The Gift of Acadia: The Story of Acadia National Park

Thursday 11/3 @ 10PM & Saturday 11/5 at 11AM. "The Story of Acadia National Park" Private philanthropy created this national park, and many people have cared for it throughout its history. One hour program

Wayne's Deer

Thursday 11/10 @ 10PM & Saturday 11/12 at 11AM. Wayne Bruhm is an amateur naturalist and hunter and is an expert on deer behavior. 90 minute program.

The Northeast by Eastern

Thursday 12/15 at 10PM & Saturday 12/17 at 11AM. Photo postcards from the early 1900s provide a glimpse of life in rural towns in the Northeast. One hour program

The Acadians of the St. John Valley

Thursday 12/22 @ 10PM & Saturday 12/24 at 11AM. Acadians from Nova Scotia came to northern Maine to start a new life. One hour program

Christmas Greetings from Aroostook

Sunday 12/18 @ 8:30PM, Saturday 12/24 at 10PM & Sunday 12/25 @ 11:30PM. "Christmas Greetings From Aroostook" - With its near guarantee of snow and an abundance of Christmas traditions - some ethnic, some eccentric and some just for fun, Aroostook County is a special place to visit at Christmastime. This show features the unique sights and sounds of The County at yuletide from the Heavenly Harpers of Houlton to sleigh rides in Mapleton, from a Santa Lucia procession in New Sweden to making Tourtiere in The Valley. Narrated by Layne Longfellow. 30 minute program.

IncredibleMaine

Saturday at 10:30am. Host's LC Van Savage and Allan Broadstreet explore events and places in Maine. One airing, 30 minute programs per week.

Maine Event

Sundays @ 6PM. Former House Speaker Hannah Pingree and Senator Roger Katz discuss the political issue of the week. 30 minute program

I certify that the statements in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

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Signature	Date January 4, 2017