

NJTV
ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT
January 1, 2020 – March 31, 2020

ARTS

Islamic Art: Mirror of the Invisible World

Airdate/Time: January 2, 2020, 8pm; January 4, 2020, 2am

Length: 90-minutes

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Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Concert with the Cleveland Orchestra

Airdate/Time: January 16, 2020, 8pm; January 18, 2020, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Hosted by actor James Pickens, Jr., THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION CONCERT WITH THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA honors the life and legacy of the civil rights icon. Conducted by music director Franz Welser-Most, the Cleveland Orchestra performs classical selections by Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Verdi as well as traditional hymns and spirituals, including "Down by the Riverside," "Precious Lord," and "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

State of the Arts #3804

Airdate/Time: January 25, 2020, 7:30pm; January 27, 2020, 5:30am; January 29, 2020, 8:30pm; January 30, 2020, 11:30pm, January 31, 2020, 2:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: The McCarter Theatre travels to Greensboro, North Carolina, for a community reading of Emily Mann's play "Greensboro: A Requiem" on the 40th anniversary of the Greensboro Massacre. Meet artist German Pitre during his six-month tenure as Artist-in-Residence at the Paul Robeson Galleries at Newark Express. And, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra performs Serge Prokofiev's heartbreaking score to the ballet Romeo and Juliet.

Music Makers of Gennett Record

Airdate/Time: February 27, 2020, 8pm; February 29, 2020, 2am

Length: 90-minutes

Description: THE MUSIC MAKERS OF GENNETT RECORDS tells the story of the little studio in Richmond, Indiana that captured early recordings of Jazz Age music legends Louis Armstrong, Bix Beiderbecke, Hoagy Carmichael, Duke Ellington, and the singing cowboy Gene Autry. The documentary features several rare 1920s recordings from the Gennett Records archive, plus interviews with jazz great Wynton Marsalis, country music legend Ricky Skaggs, Broadway star Michael Feinstein and gospel music executive Dr. Bobby Jones.

State of the Arts #3805

Airdate/Time: March 14, 2020, 7:30pm; March 16, 2020, 5:30am; March 18, 2020, 8:30pm;
March 19, 2020, 11:30pm, March 20, 2020, 2:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: Nimbus Dance performs to newly composed music by experimental composer Qasim Naqvi, played by members of the NJ Symphony Orchestra. Former broadcast anchor turned poet Francesca Maximé wins the Allen Ginsberg Poetry Award from the Poetry Center at the Passaic County Community College. And, photographer Elisabeth Smolarz's The Encyclopedia of Things at the Guttenberg Arts. Plus, New Jersey's Folk Life Centers are piloting a unique program that sends artists into the homes of people unable to participate in the arts. Spend a day with storyteller Queen Nur from the Folk Life Center at the Perkins Center for the Arts and witness firsthand the profound impact of the Homebound Arts program.

ENVIRONMENT

Nature #3406 "Snowbound: Animals of Winter"

Date/Time: January 13, 2020, 8pm; January 15, 2020, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Travel across the snow globe with wildlife cameraman Gordon Buchanan to meet animal survivors of winter, from the penguins of Antarctica to the Arctic fox and the bison of Yellowstone. Snow looks magical, but it's a harsh reality to these animals.

Plastic Problem: PBS Newshour Presents

Airdate/Time: January 27, 2020, 10pm; January 29, 2020, 4am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: By 2050, there will be more plastic than fish in the oceans. PBS NewsHour takes a closer look at this now ubiquitous material, how it's impacting the world and ways we can break our plastic addiction.

Nova #4701 "Polar Extremes"

Airdate/Time: February 24, 2020, 9pm; February 26, 2020, 3am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: Following a trail of fossils found in all the wrong places -- beech trees in Antarctica, redwoods and hippo-like mammals in the Arctic -- uncover the bizarre history of the poles, from miles-thick ice sheets to warm polar forests teeming with life.

HEALTH

Metrofocus

Date/Time: March 5, 2020, 5:30pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: Long Island saw a surge in cases of COVID-19. Of the more than 30,000 cases in New York State, more than half were reported in New York City- and more than 5,000 were diagnosed on Long Island. Health experts are sounding the alarm, saying people who are leaving New York City could be infecting those around them and the White House Coronavirus Task Force is advising anyone who has recently traveled to or from New York City to isolate themselves for two weeks. And as many New Yorkers flee to their second homes in the Hamptons to avoid infection, South Hampton Village mayor Jesse Warren joins to discuss what steps he's taking to keep residents safe.

Amanpour and Company

Airdate/Time: March 18, 2020, 1am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy discusses efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19 in his state. Neel Kashkari, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, explains the state of the U.S. economy and what the future will look like. Yale psychology professor Laurie Santos discusses how the pandemic could influence mental health across the country.

Confronting Coronavirus: A PBS NewsHour Special

Airdate/Time: March 21, 2020, 6pm & March 22, 2020, 10am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: This special focuses on health precautions for individuals and the public-at-large as well as the pandemic's economic impact in both the United States and globally. Anchored by NewsHour's managing editor Judy Woodruff, it includes interviews with officials; reporting from NewsHour's bench of special correspondents throughout the world; and a virtual town hall with curated questions from people across America, moderated by NewsHour correspondents Amna Nawaz and William Brangham.

Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

Airdate/Time: March 28, 2020, 6pm & March 29, 2020, 10am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Former CDC Director Dr. Tom Frieden discusses the origins of the coronavirus, the current measures to fight it, and where he sees the pandemic headed. He also discusses how the United States can be better prepared to handle future microbial threats.

NJTV NEWS WITH MARY ALICE WILLIAMS

Airdate/Time: March 27, 2020, 6pm, 7:30pm & 11pm; March 28, 2020, 6:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description This episode featured the following: The House passed a sweeping \$2.2 trillion coronavirus relief bill aimed at helping households, businesses and struggling health care systems, and President Trump signed it. It's the largest emergency relief package in U.S. history. It came as New Jersey reports another overnight surge in the number of total COVID-19 cases.

NJTV NEWS WITH MARY ALICE WILLIAMS

Airdate/Time: March 31, 2020, 6pm, 7:30pm & 11pm;

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: The state's fourth shipment of personal protective equipment arrived from FEMA. Gov. Phil Murphy says it includes 260,000 pieces, including gloves and masks. But the state is in need of much more as positive cases continue to surge. The total is at 18,696 positive cases statewide, with 2,196 new cases overnight and 69 more fatalities. That brings the statewide total to 267 deaths. New Jersey's Health Commissioner said out of the more than 44,000 tests across the state, roughly 27,000 were negative. Testing is still a big concern, and life sciences company Abbott Labs planned to start making a rapid test available in doctors' offices and urgent care clinics. It gives results within minutes and New Jersey is among the first states to use it.

HERITAGE

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Here's The Story: Witness

Airdate/Time: January 8, 2020, 8pm; January 10, 2020, 2am

Length: 90-min.

Description: The documentary tells the story of three New Jersey women who endured distinctly different childhood experiences during World War II in Europe.

With Infinite Hope: MLK and the Civil Rights Movement

Airdate/Time: January 8, 2020, 8pm; January 10, 2020, 2am

Length: 90-min.

Description: With Infinite Hope looks back at the life, leadership, and legacy of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The program follows King's career from his hiring at Dexter Avenue Baptist Church and leadership of the Montgomery Bus Boycott, through his death on April 4th, 1968 in Memphis. The documentary includes interviews with people who participated in well-known events of the Civil Rights Movement: the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the Freedom Rides, the Birmingham Children's March, Selma, and the Memphis Sanitation Workers Strike.

Eva: A-7063

Airdate/Time: January 23, 2020, 8pm; January 25, 2020, 2am

Length: 90-min.

Description: EVA: A-7063 is the incredible true story of an Auschwitz survivor's journey to forgiveness and healing. At the age of 10, Eva Mozes Kor fought to stay alive inside the concentration camp where she and her sister Miriam were being experimented on as one of "Mengele's twins." After decades of torment and pain following her liberation, she came to the epiphany that she needed to forgive the Nazis to move forward with her life. She has since emerged as arguably the best-known and most-active Holocaust survivor in the world. Despite her body failing her, the 4-foot-9, 83-year-old, who lives in Terre Haute, Indiana, circles the globe delivering her messages of healing and self-empowerment. Her lessons go far beyond her own experience, addressing current global atrocities and two of the biggest problems facing today's youth - bullying and discrimination. EVA: A-7063 documents Eva's journey and captures this remarkable Hoosier's legacy as she carries her critically important messages to future generations highlighting the power for good a single dedicated person can have. The documentary serves as a tool for discussing difficult history, discovering shared values and encouraging peace and kindness. Narrated by actor Ed Asner, the film weaves Eva's story through with footage in Poland, Germany, Israel, Romania, England and the United States, along with interviews from CNN's Wolf Blitzer, whose grandparents died in the Holocaust; actor Elliott Gould; and former pro basketball star Ray Allen (a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council). The film also includes interviews with Holocaust historians Dr. Michael Berenbaum and Dr. Stephen D. Smith; Lucette Lagnado, a Wall Street Journal reporter and author of Children of the Flames, which details Dr. Mengele's (Auschwitz's "Angel of Death") life in counterpoint to the lives of the surviving twins; and Emmanuel Habiman, a survivor of the Rwandan genocide who saw his parents murdered when he was 9-years-old.

Africa's Great Civilization #101

Airdate/Time: February 6, 2020, 8pm; February 8, 2020, 2am & 9am

Length: 60-min.

Description: Journey with Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr. to Kenya, Egypt and beyond as he discovers the origins of man, the formation of early human societies and the creation of significant cultural and scientific achievements on the African continent.

Africa's Great Civilization #102

Airdate/Time: February 6, 2020, 9pm; February 8, 2020, 3am & 10am

Length: 60-min.

Description: Gates charts the rise of Christianity and Islam, whose economic and cultural influence stretched from Egypt to Ethiopia. Learn of African religious figures like King Lalibela, an Ethiopian saint, and Menelik, bringer of the Ark of the Covenant.

Africa's Great Civilization #103

Airdate/Time: February 13, 2020, 8pm; February 15, 2020, 2am & 9am.

Length: 60-min.

Description: Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uncovers the complex trade networks and advanced educational institutions that transformed early north and west Africa from deserted lands into the continent's wealthiest kingdoms and learning centers.

Africa's Great Civilization #104

Airdate/Time: February 13, 2020, 9pm; February 15, 2020, 3am & 10am

Length: 60-min.

Description: Gates explores the power of Africa's greatest ancient cities, including Kilwa, Great Zimbabwe and Benin City, whose wealth, art and industry successes attracted new European interest and interaction along the continent's east and west coasts.

Images/Imagenes "Power & Passion"

Airdate/Time: March 25, 2020, 8pm; March 27, 2020, 2am

Length: 30-min.

Description: Power & Passion is an up-close and personal revelation of triumphs, tribulations and untold stories by women of power and men of passion who are making history in the arts, music and child care education. Featured icons capture the essence and resilience of their experience in television, film, music and child psychology. Special Guests: Rita Moreno, Luis Guzmán, Nely Galán, Jesse Baez and Dr. Luz Towns-Miranda.

LAW & POLITICS

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: January 9, 2020, 5:30pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured coverage on the State of the State, with crime, healthcare, robocalls and commutes at the top of Governor Cuomo's list. The episode breaks down what's at stake as Cuomo delivered his agenda for the new year.

NJTV Special Report: State of the State Address

Airdate/Time: January 14, 2020, 3pm; January 15, 2020, 2am
Length: 1 hour & 45 minutes

Description: Governor Phil Murphy gives the State of the State.

NJTV NEWS WITH MARY ALICE WILLIAMS

Airdate/Time: January 14, 2020, 6pm, 7:30pm, 11pm & January 15, 2020, 6:30am
Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode included coverage on Gov. Phil Murphy's State of the State address, which he delivered to a newly sworn in Legislature. He took a bow for his past policy accomplishments and presented a vision of what he sees as the state's future.

NJTV Special Report: State Budget Address

Airdate/Time: February 25, 2020, 2pm; February 26, 2020, 2am
Length: 2-hours

Description: Governor Phil Murphy gives the budget address.

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: March 6, 2020, 5:30pm
Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode reported on the 2020 Census. New York City's new Census Director, Julie Menin, discusses why ensuring each New Yorker is counted should matter to everyone. Also, the federal response to the earthquakes that have been rocking the already devastated Puerto Rico was examined, along with discussions with Lieutenant Governor of New York, Kathy Hochul, who led a state delegation to the frontlines of the catastrophe.

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: March 25, 2020, 5:30pm
Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode took a look at which Democratic candidates were likely to still be in the race after the South Carolina and Super Tuesday primaries. It, also, examines how President Trump is handling the coronavirus threat.

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: March 31, 2020, 5:30pm
Length: 30-minutes

Description: In this episode, Republican state assemblywoman Nicole Malliotakis discusses the latest headlines, from the President's one-month extension of social distancing to his restriction on travel between states but not within them and his decision against a strict quarantine on parts of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Then, a look at the city's first responders and

essential workers who are falling victim to the pandemic. Plus, the citywide plan to release prisoners to protect them and staff from the spread of the virus.

WAR & MILITARY HISTORY

Secrets of the Dead #1706 “World War Speed”

Airdate/Time: January 9, 2020, 8pm; January 11, 2020, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Follow historian James Holland on his quest to understand how the use of amphetamines affected the course of World War II and unleashed the first pharmacological arms race.

World War II: Saving the Reality

Airdate/Time: January 9, 2020, 9pm; January 11, 2020, 3am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Over the course of five decades, Kenneth W. Rendell amassed the largest and most comprehensive private collection of original World War II memorabilia in the world. Narrated by Dan Aykroyd, *WORLD WAR II: SAVING THE REALITY* opens the doors to this private museum located outside Boston. Rendell provides a guided tour of the museum's 30 exhibits, which chronicle the end of World War I and the rise of Nazism to the start of World War II and the fight in Europe and the Pacific. The period artifacts, both small and large, include propaganda posters, Hitler Youth uniforms, Winston Churchill's original siren suit, French Resistance clothing and radios, spy gadgets, General MacArthur's license plate, a Japanese admiral's uniform, Field Marshall Montgomery's signature beret and even a Sherman tank. Some of the museum's more significant documents include General Patton's copy of *Mein Kampf* and his personal map of Sicily, the original order to drop the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and a revealing letter from Dwight Eisenhower to his wife. Supplemented with archival photos and footage, the film also features interviews with more than 50 World War II veterans, civilians and Holocaust survivors who offer absorbing first-person accounts of these historical events and speak to the complexities, moral ambiguities and emotional toll of the war.

Secrets of the Dead #1802 “Bombing Auschwitz”

Airdate/Time: January 30, 2020, 8pm; February 1, 2020, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Join historians, survivors and experts as they consider one of the great moral dilemmas of the 20th century. Should the Allies have risked killing Auschwitz prisoners and bombed the camp to stop future atrocities?

Secrets Weapon That Won World War II

Airdate/Time: January 30, 2020, 9pm; February 1, 2020, 3am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: THE SECRET WEAPON THAT WON WORLD WAR II reveals how the small Florida town of Boca Raton and a tiny device turned the tide of World War II for Allied forces. In the early years of World War II, after the fall of France, Britain stood alone against the German conquest of Europe. Hitler's U-boats ruled the Atlantic, blockading British ports in an attempt to starve England into defeat and sinking American convoys that were re-supplying Britain. By May of 1940, it looked like it was only a matter of time until the Germans invaded the U.K. At this point, the British had a series of radar stations along the English coast that could spot large waves of German bombers crossing the English Channel. But the technology couldn't detect smaller-scale submarines and defend against attacks from the sea. They needed a radar system that could utilize shorter wave lengths for accuracy. Fortuitously, Winston Churchill and his closest counselors had in their possession a device called a cavity magnetron, which had the potential to put portable microwave radar into planes. Churchill made a bold decision and dispatched Britain's top scientists to America with England's military secrets. A secret weapons laboratory was set up at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to design and test a radar device that, if developed in time, would alter the course of the war. When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and the United States entered the war, the race to develop this technology and ensure victory intensified. With wintery conditions blanketing Massachusetts, the United States needed a secret place with a mild, ocean side location to train pilots in the use of airborne radar to hunt German submarines. In Boca Raton, the U.S. Army found an isolated backwater on the edge of the impenetrable Everglades, where thousands of troops trained. Only recently has the role Boca Raton played in the war come to light. The risky gamble Roosevelt and Churchill embarked on is also the story of how radar won the war for the Allies. In three months, the Germans were forced to pull their submarines out of the Atlantic, and the increased pinpoint bombing of German cities, railroads and industry sealed the fate of the Third Reich.

Enemy of the Reich: The Noor Inayat Khan Story

Airdate/Time: March 19, 2020, 8pm; March 21, 2020, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: In August of 1943, the last surviving clandestine radio operator in Paris desperately signaled London. Everything depended on her and the Gestapo was at the door. How did a Sorbonne educated musician and author of a book of fairy tales become a daring spy who died fighting the Nazis? With an American mother and Indian Muslim father, Noor Inayat Khan was an extremely unusual British agent, and her life spent growing up in a Sufi center of learning in Paris seemed an unlikely preparation for the dangerous work to come. Yet it was in this place of universal peace and contemplation that her remarkable courage was forged. When the Nazi's invaded France, she joined Britain's Women's Auxiliary Air Force, and was recruited as spy, going to Paris to support the French Underground. For four crucial months, Noor was the only surviving radio operator in Paris, calling in the air-drop of weapons and supplies, and coordinating the rescue of downed allied fliers. She was ultimately betrayed by a French collaborator, and interrogated for months by the Gestapo. She never gave up any information, not even her real name, and she organized two breakouts from Gestapo headquarters. For this and the damage she did to the Nazis war efforts, she was executed in Dachau. 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of her birth.

WOMEN

Fine Line: A Woman's Place is in the Kitchen

Airdate/Time: March 19, 2020, 9pm; March 21, 2020, 3am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: A Fine Line explores why less than 7% of head chefs and restaurant owners are women when traditionally women have always held the central role in the kitchen. Hearing candid insights from world renowned chefs, including Lidia Bastianich, Dominique Crenn, Barbara Lynch and more. The central narrative unfolds of a small-town restaurateur and single mother on a mission to do what she loves while raising two kids with the odds stacked mightily against her. This personal, all-access story opens up a timely discussion on how to get more women into leadership while tackling important issues such as paid parental leave, affordable and accessible childcare and fair wage.

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Summoned: Frances Perkins and the General Welfare

Airdate/Time: March 26, 2020, 8pm; March 28, 2020, 2am; March 30, 2020, 4:30pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: The first woman appointed to a U.S. Presidential cabinet, Frances Perkins created the social safety net that continues to shape the lives of Americans today. In her 12 years as Labor Secretary under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Perkins created the Social Security program, a federal minimum wage, the 40-hour work week and unemployment compensation, and ended the legal use of child labor. **SUMMONED: FRANCIS PERKINS AND THE GENERAL WELFARE** tells the story of Perkins' life through rare archival recordings of her voice, and interviews with Nancy Pelosi, George Mitchell, David Brooks, Lawrence O'Donnell and Amy Klobuchar.

Revolution of the Heart: The Dorothy Day Story

Airdate/Time: March 26, 2020, 9pm; March 28, 2020, 3am; March 31, 2020, 4:30pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: REVOLUTION OF THE HEART: THE DOROTHY DAY STORY traces Dorothy Day's journey from a young communist journalist, to a Catholic convert, to the co-founder of The Catholic Worker newspaper and the first "houses of hospitality," which sheltered New York City's homeless during the Great Depression. The documentary uses extensive archival footage from Day's own collection, and features interviews with actor Martin Sheen, public theologian Cornel West, Senator Tim Kaine, biographer Robert Ellsberg, and Day's granddaughters.