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AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

Series Title: Harriet Tubman: Visions of Freedom

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/18/2022 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:55:33

Meet the courageous woman who repeatedly risked her life and freedom to liberate others from slavery.

Series Title: Her War, Her Story: World War II

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/20/2022 7:00:00 PM

Service: APTEX

Format: Documentary Segment Length: 01:00:00

Narrated by actress Jane Lynch, HER WAR, HER STORY: WORLD WAR II tells the stories of more than two dozen women's experiences during the war. From members of the U.S. Women's Army Corps to the civilian witnesses to the war in Europe, this hour-long film shows how women were equal to men in patriotism, service and steadfastness in critical moments.

Series Title: Taken Hostage: An American Experience Special

Episode Title: Part One Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 12/18/2022 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 01:56:46

Explore how America's quarter-century of unwavering support for its ally, the Shah of Iran, and the violent Islamic revolution that overthrew him in 1979, set the stage for the Iran hostage crisis.

CULTURE

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Archaeology at Althorp

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/21/2022 9:00:00 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: The Art of Home: The Wind River Story

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/25/2022 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS PLUS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 01:00:00

Two indigenous artists create new works reflecting on their tribal homelands, the Wind River Indian Reservation. Ken Williams (Arapaho) is a Santa Fe art celebrity and Sarah Ortegon (Shoshone) is an up-and-coming actress in Denver. Both artists travel to Wind River Reservation to reconnect with their ancestors and present their art work to a somewhat isolated community.

Series Title: Anthony Williams' Urban Nutcracker

Length: 90 minutes

Airdate: 12/25/2022 11:30:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 01:30:00

ANTHONY WILLIAMS' URBAN NUTCRACKER, a celebration of multi-cultural communities, puts a modern spin on the 19th-century fairy tale and transports viewers to an enchanted world not unlike their own. Drawing upon classical ballet, urban tap, hip-hop, swing, flamenco, step and jazz, the performance uniquely retells a Christmas classic. As viewers enter the world of the URBAN NUTCRACKER, the smooth sounds of Duke Ellington blend with the gentle glow of neon lights driven by the heartbeat of Tchaikovsky. The program is a fusion of modern, multi-cultural, and classical dance, presenting an organic interpretation brought about by a unifying of cultures.

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

Series Title: Outback

Episode Title: Return of the Wet

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/4/2022 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS Format: Other

Segment Length: 01:00:00

Inland Kimberley is now so stiflingly hot, everything and everyone moves with caution – with the exception of gold diggers Honest John and Steve. The region's remaining waterholes are packed with animals, forced dangerously close. The coast is also a place to congregate. The humidity builds and finally, the skies explode with thunder and rain.

Series Title: Britain's Scenic Railways

Episode Title: 101

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/2/2022 3:00:00 PM

Service: APTSY Format: Other

Segment Length: 01:00:00

Travel by steam train and paddle ship journey along the shores of Lake Windermere, and fly above the Scottish Highlands looking for the wildlife along the railway. Celebrate the reopening of the Dartmoor Railway in Devon and meet the team painting the Forth Bridge in Scotland.

Series Title: Rick Steves Best of the Alps

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/28/2022 4:00:00 PM

Service: APTEX Format: Other

Segment Length: 01:00:00

Join Rick Steves on an alpine adventure in this hour-long thin-air thriller! From Italy to Austria all the way to France, RICK STEVES BEST OF THE ALPS is packed with scenic train rides, breathtaking lifts, majestic glaciers, and unforgettable hikes. In this greatest-hits blitz of the Alps, Rick celebrates both nature and culture while visiting the high points of Europe.

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

Series Title: Finding Your Roots Episode Title: Homecomings

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/7/2022 8:00:00 PM

Service: **PBS**

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. helps actor Sterling K. Brown, comedian Sasheer Zamata and musician Jon Batiste discover the unexpected places their ancestors once called home, providing new insight into the people and places that made them who they are today.

Finding Your Roots Series Title: Episode Title: Italian Roots Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/20/2022 6:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Ir. explores the roots of talk show-host limmy 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: Watchmen Length: 60 minutes

12/30/2022 8:00:00 PM Airdate:

Service: PBS

Interview/Discussion/Review Format:

Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. guides Regina King and Damon Lindelof, the creative forces behind a visionary television series, as they discover that they have more in common than meets the eye.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Last Days of Pompeii

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/28/2022 9:00:00 PM

Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:56:46

What were the last days in Pompeii like before the eruption of Mount Vesuvius 2,000 years ago? The dazzling discovery of an intact wooden chariot, the only one ever found, provides new insight into the social classes of the ancient city.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots Episode Title: Science Pioneers

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/6/2022 6:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. traces the family trees of Francis Collins, Shirley Ann Jackson, and Harold E. Varmus — three pioneering scientists who've made dramatic contributions to our understanding of the world, all the while knowing little about their own ancestry.

Series Title: Memory Rescue with Daniel Amen, MD

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 12/4/2022 10:00:00 PM

Service: EPS

Format: Pledge event Segment Length: 02:00:00

Award-winning psychiatrist, neuroscientist and New York Times bestselling author Dr. Daniel Amen will show you how to supercharge your memory and remember what matters most to you.

TRANSPORTATION

Series Title: Great Australian Railway Journeys Episode Title: Port Augusta to Darwin: The Ghan

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/4/2022 10:00:00 PM

Service: APTSY Format: Other

Segment Length: 01:00:00

Michael ventures Down Under to explore Australia by train. He begins by riding the legendary Ghan Railway. A train almost a kilometer in length and hauled by two locomotives, the trip covers nearly 2,000 miles across Australia's red center. Michael traces its route from the southern harbor of Port Augusta to Darwin on the north coast, along the way meeting the indigenous people of Alice Springs, visiting a kangaroo sanctuary, and joining Australians to mark the anniversary of Anzac Day, the First Word War battle that defined their nation.

Series Title: Real Rail Adventures Episode Title: Swiss Winter Magic

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/22/2022 10:00:00 PM

Service: APTEX Format: Other

Segment Length: 01:00:00

Hosted by veteran traveler and avid train buff Jeff Wilson, REAL RAIL ADVENTURES: SWISS WINTER MAGIC showcases the construction marvels and visual splendors of the Swiss rail system, world-class mainlines, stunning scenic routes, and beautiful cog trains.

Series Title: Journey on the Trans-Siberian Railway

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 12/13/2022 10:00:00 PM

Service: APTEX Format: Other

Segment Length: 00:30:00

In JOURNEY ON THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY, Indianapolis radio personalities John Cinnamon and Ann Craig-Cinnamon take viewers on a travel adventure from Moscow to Beijing on the world's longest train ride. Throughout the 16-day trip, John and Ann also share their tips and takeaways from the once-in-a-lifetime experience.

WAR/VET/NATIONAL SECURITY

Series Title: The War

Episode Title: A Necessary War

Length: 150 minutes

Airdate: 10/30/2022 8:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Documentary Segment Length: 02:26:46

The tranquil lives of the citizens of Mobile, AL; Sacramento, CA; Waterbury,CT; and Luverne, MN are shattered on December 7, 1941, as they, along with the rest of America are thrust into the greatest cataclysm in history.

Series Title: Elvis and the USS Arizona

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/13/2022 6:00:00 PM

Service: APTEX

Format: Documentary Segment Length: 01:00:00

ELVIS AND THE USS ARIZONA tells the surprising story of how one of music's biggest icons helped to establish a USS Arizona memorial in Pearl Harbor. Elvis' fundraising concert drew public attention to the plight and helped to galvanize efforts to finish the USS Arizona Memorial as it stands today.

Series Title: After Action Episode Title: All Gave Some Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/19/2022 12:00:00 AM

Service: PBS PLUS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:58:50

Host Stacy Pearsall sits down for a candid conversation with three fellow veterans who've had brushes with death. Although they've each faced adversities in their journeys, they reveal how they stay positive and what life is like after action.