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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, ends 6/2/17. Weekdays at 11:30AM & Noon. Sundays at 7AM & 7:30AM beginning 6/5/17. 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. 14 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.

Arthur: D.W. and the Beastly Birthday

Monday 5/29 & Friday 6/2 @ 3PM. When her birthday doesn't go as planned, D.W. runs away to the magical island of Ukubonga. One hour program.

Wild Kratts

Weekdays at 7AM ends 6/2. Weekdays at 7:30AM, 3:30 & 4:30PM beginning 6/5/17.

"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! 15 half-hours per week.

Curious George

Weekdays at 8:30am, & 2:30pm, Saturday & Sunday 8:30AM ends 6/4/17. Weekdays at 8:30AM & 9AM, Saturday & Sunday at 9AM beginning 6/5/17. 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. 14 Half-Hours per week.

Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood

Weekdays at 9am & 9:30AM. Saturday at 7AM & 7:30AM ends 6/4/17. Weekdays at 9:30AM & 10AM, Saturday & Sunday at 7:30AM & 8AM beginning 6/5/17. "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. 19 half-hours per week.

Dinosaur Train

Weekdays at 11AM ends 6/2/17. Weekdays at 1:30PM beginning 6/5/17. "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. Five half hours per week.

Bob the Builder

Sundays at 7am ends 6/4/17. Saturdays at 7AM beginning 6/17/17. Aimed at pre-schoolers, 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 ends 6/5/17. 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 ends 6/2/17. Weekdays at 1PM beginning 6/5/17. 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.

Super Why!

Weekdays at Noon ends 6/2/17. Weekdays at 12:30PM beginning 6/5/17. 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 ends 6/2/17. Coming to television for the first time ever in an animated series, the Cat in the Hat whisks pre-schoolers 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 centre 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.

Nature Cat

Weekdays at 8AM, Saturday and Sunday at 9AM ends 6/5/17. Weekdays at 8AM, 2:30PM & 3PM beginning 6/5/17. 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." 15 half-hours per week

Nature Cat: Ocean Commotion

Monday 6/19, Wednesday 6/21 & Friday 6/23 @ 8AM & 2:30PM.

One hour program

Splash & Bubbles

Weekdays @ 10AM & 2PM beginning 11/23 & Saturday & Sunday @ 8AM ends 6/5/17.

Weekdays at 10:30AM & 11AM, Saturday & Sunday at 8:30AM beginning 6/5/17. 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. Twelve half-hours per week

Ready Jet Go!

Weekdays @ 7:30AM & 4PM - Weekdays at 7AM & 2PM 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. 10 Half Hour episodes per week.

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

Saturdays 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. 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

Friday @ 8PM & Saturday @ 6PM: Join a robust roundtable discussion with award-winning journalists who provide reporting and analysis of the major stories emanating from the nation's capital. 30 minute program

Charlie Rose – The Week

Fridays 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. 1 ½ hrs. week.

Fons & Porter: Love of Quilting

Saturdays at 9:30AM: 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 Fons and Porter's tips, designs and techniques. One half-hour per week.

Sara's Weeknight Meals

Saturdays at Noon. Renowned chef, television personality, magazine editor and cookbook author Sara Moulton brings her signature warmth and informative style back to public television in her new series, SARA'S WEEKNIGHT MEALS. Based on her book, Sara's Secrets for Weeknight Meals, Sara and her celebrity-chef friends share their ideas for flavorful, healthy meals with minimal fuss. Twenty fast-paced and engaging episodes feature quick, delicious and routine-breaking entrees designed to inspire and empower home cooks.

Episodes include: "Breakfast for Dinner," "Soup for Supper" and "The Substantial Sandwich."
One half-hour per week.

Martha Bakes

Saturdays 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

Saturdays 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

Saturdays 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" Christopher Kimball, reveal the best ways to prepare favorite dishes. One half-hour per week.

Moveable Feast with Fine Cooking

Saturdays @ 2:30PM. 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

Saturdays 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

Saturdays 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

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

Rough Cut - Woodworking with Tommy Mac

Saturdays at 4:30pm ends 4/8 returned 6/17. 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

Sundays 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.

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. 1 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

Wednesdays at 9pm & Sundays 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. One hour.

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

Saturdays 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, one 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 @ 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.

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 @ 9PM

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.

To Walk the Invisible: The Bonte Sisters

Saturday 4/1 @ 9PM. The famous literary trio were brilliant writers of romantic novels in the 19th century. Two hour program

Crowd & The Cloud

Sunday 4/2, 4/9, 4/16 & 4/23 @ 1PM. A new project, Eyes On ALZ, enlists the crowd to speed up research on Alzheimer's disease. Four, one hour programs

Call the Midwife

Sunday 4/2 – 5/21 @ 8PM & Saturday 4/8 – 5/27 @ 9PM. Sunday 4/2 @ 1PM, 2PM, 3PM, 4PM & 5PM. The team reunites, but all is not well when a change of management shocks Nonnatus House. Eight, One hour programs.

Home Fires Season 2 on Masterpiece

Sunday 4/2 – 5/7 @ 9PM. Pat befriends a Czech soldier as Britain faces the threat of imminent invasion. Five, one hour programs

Wolf Hall On Masterpiece

Sunday 4/2 - 5/14 @ 10PM. Immerse yourself in the iconic PBS drama series renowned for its captivating literature-based drama, riveting mysteries and groundbreaking contemporary works. Six various lengths programs

Jesus of Rome

Tuesday 4/4 @ 8PM. The final week of Jesus's life -- known as Holy Week -- stands at the very center of Christianity. The Bible paints a picture of Jesus as a local preacher who ran up against the Roman rulers in Jerusalem and paid for it with his life. But new evidence offers a very different image of Jesus, as an astute leader with ties to the most powerful people in Rome. Two hour programs

Death in Paradise

Thursday 4/6 & 4/13 @ 8PM. Death in Paradise is a series of impossible murders set on the fictional Caribbean island of Sainte Marie. Two, one hour programs.

Great Performances: Young Men

Friday 4/7 @ 9PM. A dance film about soldiers trying to maintain their humanity amidst the brutality of World War I. 90 minute program

Masterpiece Mystery

Saturday 4/8 - 5/13 @ 10PM. For more than 30 years Masterpiece Theatre has enthralled audiences with the works of the finest classic and contemporary writers interpreted by the world's foremost actors. Little wonder it is the longest running prime-time drama series on American television. Whether you've been with us since the beginning or are a new recruit, you'll find all the detail and background you crave here. 6 various length programs.

National Parks: America's Best Idea

Sunday 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/17 & 5/14 @ 2PM. In 1864, Congress acts to protect land that will become America's first national park, Yellowstone. 6 various length programs

Visionaries

Sunday 4/9 @ 5PM. Two organizations are affecting the future of Maine's wildlife and natural beauty. 30 minute program

Great War: American Experience

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 4/10, 11 & 12 @ 8PM. Discover how the violent conflict transformed the nation forever, as America enters World War I. Three, two hour programs.

Great Performances at the Met: Romeo & Juliette

Friday 4/14 @ 9PM. Vittorio Grigolo and Diana Damrau star in a new production of Gounod's opera. Three hour program

Rick Steves' Special: European Easter

Sunday 4/16 @ 4:30PM. One hour program

Nazi Mega Weapons

Tuesday 4/ 11 @ 8PM. In the quest for world domination, the Nazis built some of the biggest and deadliest pieces of military hardware and malevolent technology in history. With brilliant, dark minds and a legion of captive labor at their disposal, the Nazis believed the path to ultimate victory was to out-build and out-engineer their enemies. To them, bigger definitely meant better, and better meant more lethal. As Hitler's grip on Europe tightened, he ordered men like Wernher von Braun, Ferdinand Porsche and Alfred Krupp to build increasingly outlandish machines and structures to realize his master plan. This is World War II told from a new perspective. This series uncovers the engineering secrets of three iconic mega structures, tells the stories of the evil geniuses that designed them and reveals how these structures sparked a technological revolution that changed warfare forever. . One hour program

Escape from a Nazi Death Camp

Wednesday 4/19 @ 10PM. Jewish prisoners staged a bloody escape from the Nazi death camp of Sobibor during World War II. One hour program.

Craft in America

Friday 4/21 @ 9PM & 10PM. The makers of finely crafted handmade instruments and the musicians who play them are showcased. Two, one hour programs

Saving Sea Turtles: Preventing Extension

Sunday 4/23 @ 4PM. Experts work to rescue Kemp's Ridley sea turtles that strand on Cape Cod due to hypothermia. One hour program

Command & Control: American Experience

Tuesday 4/25 @ 8PM. The terrifying truth behind one of America's most dangerous nuclear accidents is examined. Two hour program.

Wild Weather

Wednesday 4/26 @ 10PM & Sunday 4/30 @ 1PM. Nature transforms wind, water and temperature into something spectacular and powerful. One hour program.

Walt Disney: American Experience

Friday 4/28 & 5/5 @ 9PM, Explore the life and legacy of one of America's most enduring and influential storytellers. See rare footage from the Disney vaults and scenes from some of his greatest films as well as interviews with animators, artists and biographers. Two, two hour programs.

Potomac: By Air: Our Nation's River

Sunday 4/30 @ 4PM. America's history is explored with an aerial trip along the striking curves of the Potomac River. One hour program

Victorian Slum House

Tuesday 5/2 - 5/30 @ 8PM. In this series, a Victorian tenement in the heart of London's East End has been painstakingly brought back to life. A group of 21st century people are moving in to experience the tough living and working conditions of the Victorian poor. Five, one hour program.

Ripley: Believe It Or Not: American Experience

Tuesday 5/2 @ 8PM. The eccentric Robert Ripley grew his Believe It or Not franchise into an entertainment empire. One hour program

Saving New England Fisheries

Sunday 5/7 @ 1PM. Lessons from the past can be used to create a sustainable future for fisheries in New England. One hour program

Alicia Keys – Landmarks: Live In Concert

Friday 6/23 @ 9PM. Alicia Keys performs in Harlem's Apollo and other notable locations around New York City. One Hour program

Plants Behaving Badly

Wednesday 5/2, 5/9 & 5/16 @ 10PM. The behavior of carnivorous plants, which have been a feature of many a sci-fi films, are examined. Three, one hour program.

Canadian Rockies by Rail

Sunday 5/7 @ 4PM. Stunning scenery and rich history of the Pacific Northwest and the Canadian Rockies are highlighted. One hour program

Bonnie & Clyde: American Experience

Tuesday 5/9 @ 9PM. Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow are the most famous outlaw couple in U.S. history. One hour program\

Secrets of the Chesapeake

Sunday 5/14 @ 1PM. Buried treasure and natural wonders are part of the Chesapeake Bay. One hour program

Bill Murray: The Mark Twain Prize

Friday 5/12 @ 9PM. The actor and comedian is honored by his peers. 90 minute program.

King Charles III on Masterpiece

Sunday 5/14 @ 9PM & Saturday 5/20 @ 10PM. This drama imagines Prince Charles' ascension to the throne following Queen Elizabeth's death. One, two hour program.

Requiem for My Mother

Sunday 5/14 @ 4PM & 11PM. Composer Stephen Edwards pays tribute to his mother and musical muse with an orchestral composition. One hour program

American Epic

Tuesday 5/16, 5/23 & 5/30 @ 9PM. Travel the country in search of rural artists from the 1920s, when the music of ordinary Americans was recorded for the first time, transforming music forever, in a film executive produced by Jack White, Robert Redford and T Bone Burnett. Three, one hour program

Food-Delicious Science

Wednesday 5/17, 5/24 & 5/31 @ 10PM. Singer Andrea Bocelli performs at the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, Italy with conductor Zubin Mehta. Three, one hour programs

Earthcaster

Sunday 5/21 @ 1PM. Artist Thomas Sayre and his crew build two of his signature massive earthen sculptures. One hour program

Lewis & Clark: The Journey of the Corps of Discovery

Sunday 5/21 & 28 @ 2PM. The challenges that faced the Lewis and Clark expedition in the western United States are detailed. Two, two hour programs

Hunting in Wartime

Sunday 5/28 @ 1PM. Tlingit veterans from Hoonah, Alaska, who saw combat during the Vietnam War share their experiences. One hour program

Andrea Bocelli – Landmarks in Concert

Friday 6/30 @ 9PM, Opera Singer Andrea Bocelli performs at the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, Italy with conductor Zubin Mehta. One hour program

James Beard: American Masters

Friday 5/19 @ 9PM. Experience a century of food through the life of icon American chef James Beard. One hour program

Julia Child: American Masters

Friday 5/19 @ 10PM. Child introduced French cuisine to America through her public TV Series, The French Chef, in 1963. One hour program

Audubon

Sunday 5/21 @ 4PM. John James Audubon, a self-taught painter and ornithologist, left a legacy of art and science. One hour program

Dark Angel on Masterpiece

Sunday 5/21 @ 9PM & Saturday 5/27 @ 10PM. Joanne Froggatt stars as Victorian poisoner Mary Ann Cotton, Britain's first female serial killer. Two hour program.

Secrets of Scotland Yard

Sunday 5/21 @ 11PM. A look at London's police force sheds light on what it takes to become a modern-day Sherlock Holmes. One hour program.

Jacques Pepin: American Masters

Friday 5/26 @ 9PM. Jacques Pepin elevated essential kitchen techniques to an art form to become a beloved food icon. One hour program

Alice Waters: American Masters

Friday 5/26 @ 10PM. Alice Waters, with her cafe Chez Panisse, became a major force behind the way Americans eat and think about food. One hour program

Canine Soldiers: The Militarization of Love

Sunday 5/28 @ 5PM. The intimate bond between military working dogs and their combat soldier handlers are explored. One hour program

National Memorial Day Concert

Sunday 5/28 @ 8PM & 10PM. Gary Sinise and Joe Mantegna co-host this night of remembrance honoring the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform. 90 minute program

Return to Normandy

Sunday 5/28 @ 9:30PM. World War II veterans return to Normandy, France, for the 70th anniversary of the invasion of D-Day. 30 minute program

Last Ring Home

Sunday 5/28 @ 11:30PM. A Naval Academy ring made its way home 17 years after a soldier was killed during World War II. 30 minute program

75th Annual Peabody Awards

Friday 6/2 @ 9PM. The most powerful and invigorating stories in television, radio and digital media are honored. 90 minute program

Operation Maneater

Wednesday 6/17 @ 10PM. In Western Australia, Mark Evans tests non-lethal solutions for preventing shark attacks. One Hour program

Great British Baking Show

Friday 6/16, 6/23, & 6/30 @ 9PM & Friday 6/16 @ 10PM. Follow the trials and tribulations of passionate amateur bakers whose goal is to be named the U.K.'s best. Each week, the bakers tackle a different skill, the difficulty of which increases as the competition unfolds. Mary Berry, a leading cookbook writer, and Paul Hollywood, a top artisan baker, serve as judges. Together with hosts and comic foils Sue Perkins and Mel Giedroyc, Berry and Hollywood search for the country's best amateur baker by testing the competitors' skills on cakes, breads, pastries and desserts, crowning a winner after 10 weeks of competition. Four, one hour program

Starboard Light

Sunday 6/18 @ 1PM. A middle-class, multi-generational family decides to sell their 210 year-old Cape Cod summer home. One hour program

Prohibition

Sunday 6/18 & 6/25 @ 2PM. Widespread consumption ignites the temperance campaign and in 1917 alcohol is outlawed nationally. Two, two hour programs

Alzheimers: The Caregivers Perspective

Sunday 6/18 @ 4PM. Caretakers share their diverse experiences of caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's and dementia. One hour program.

PBS Previews: The Vietnam War

Sunday 6/18 @ 10:30PM. Interviews and exclusive clips highlight the upcoming series from Ken Burns and Lynn Novick. 30 minute program

Denial: The Dad That Wanted to Save the World

Sunday 6/18 @ 11PM. The energy debate and transgender issues are ultimately united by the struggles of one man. One hour program

My Mother and Other Strangers on Masterpiece

Sunday 6/18 & 6/25 @ 8 PM. Follow the affairs of Englishwoman Rose Coyne (Hattie Morahan), her husband, Michael, their daughter Emma and son Francis in Northern Ireland during World War II. Aaron Staton is Captain Dreyfuss, the American Army officer, who upends Rose's life. Two – one hour programs.

Grantchester Season 3 on Masterpiece

Sunday 6/18, & 6/25 @ 9PM & Saturday 6/24 @ 9PM. James Norton (Happy Valley) dons his priestly collar and Robson Green (Reckless) his rumpled raincoat as the improbable crime-fighting team, Reverend Sidney Chambers and Inspector Geordie Keating. Together they bring justice and spiritual nourishment to early 1950s England. Two one hour program.

The Story of China

Tuesday 6/20 & 6/27, @ 8PM. Michael Wood explores China's early history and visits a festival devoted to ancient gods. Two, two hour programs.

Big Pacific

Wednesday 6/21 & 6/28 @ 8PM & Sunday 6/25 @ 9:30AM: Plunge into the Pacific with researchers and cinematographers and see the oceans rare and dazzling creatures in a way never before seen on television. Filmed in cinematic 4K, the program examines an ocean that covers a third of the Earth's surface. . Two, one Hour program

Great Yellowstone Thaw

Wednesday 6/21 & 6/28 @ 9PM & Sunday 6/25 @ 10:30AM: Journey with Kirk Johnson to Yellowstone, where wolves, grizzlies, beavers and Great Gray owls survive one of the greatest seasonal changes on the planet. As the temperature swings 140 degrees, cameras capture how the animals cope. Two - one hour program

Plight of the Grassland Birds

Sunday 6/25 @ 1PM. Will Lange explores the North American field and meadow homes of grassland birds.

Feeling Good About America

Sunday 6/25 @ 4PM. The presidential race between Republican Gerald Ford and Democrat Jimmy Carter is chronicled. One hour program

Prime Suspect: Tennison on Masterpiece

Sunday 6/25 @ 10PM. This drama portrays the early career of one of television's most iconic detectives, Jane Tennison -- the role that established Dame Helen Mirren as a household name in the groundbreaking MASTERPIECE series "Prime Suspect." Stefanie Martini stars. 90 minute program

20th Century Limited

Sunday 6/25 @11:30PM. This documentary covers a span of 65 years of operation on the New York Central Railroad. One hour program'

Locally Produced Programming

Chartering A Bold Future

Tuesday 6/13 at 8PM & 10PM. Maine Public outlines it's future. 2 hour program.

High School Quiz Show - Maine

Thursdays at 8PM & Sundays at 5:30PM beginning 4/27 ending 6/11. Students compete for their schools and their communities in the ultimate brain game. Shannon Moss hosts. 7 Half hour programs

Easing the Burden: Parkinson's Disease

Thursday 6/22 at 8PM. Mainers who are battling a neuro-degenerative disorder share their stories. One half hour program

Broken Trust: Elder Abuse in Maine

Thursday 6/27 at 8PM. Elder abuse in Maine is examined. One half hour program

Independently Produced Programming

Sing That Thing

Saturday at 4:30PM, 4/15 – 5/27. Regional schools compete in singing competition. Seven half hour programs.

Roads to Recovery

Thursday 6/15 @ 8PM. Maine Public's Jennifer Rooks hosts a panel discussion on the growing epidemic of drug abuse in New Hampshire and Maine. Roads to Recovery offers people hope and direction back from substance misuse. With the help of experts and recorded personal stories, Roads to Recovery is a toolbox on how to navigate the pathways to treatment. One hour program.

Growing Up Bowdoinham

Sunday 4/2 at 11:30PM. Sixteen people, ages 9 to 97, talk about their childhoods in Bowdoinham, Maine. Half hour program.

The Northeast By Eastern

Thursday 4/6 @ 10PM, Saturday 4/8 @ 11AM. Photo postcards from the early 1900s provide a glimpse of life in rural towns in the Northeast. 1 Hour program

Steaming Green Mountains Steam Car Tour

Sunday 4/9 @ 11PM - 1 Hour program

The Weir: Fishing in Fundy's Giant Tides.

Thursday 4/13 @ 10PM & Saturday 4/15 @ 11AM. The Porter Weir in the Minas Basin is followed during the 2014 fishing season. 30 minute program

Cabot Lyman: Portrait of a Man as Artist

Thursday 4/13 @ 10:30PM & Saturday 4/15 @ 11:30AM. Lyford is a master sculptor whose works are revered by his patrons. 30 minute program

Song of the Drum

Sunday 4/16 at 11PM. Native Americans began carving images into stone ledges beginning about 3,000 years ago. 1 hour program

Creating Gardiner

Thursday 4/20 @ 10PM Saturday 4/22 at 11AM: A documentary celebrating the creative people and spaces in Gardiner, Maine One Hour program.

Chummy Rich: Maine Boat Builder

Sunday 4/23 @ 5PM. This documentary follows the design and building of the Andromeda, a 28-foot cabin cruiser. 30 minute program

Stories of the Land and It's People

Sunday 4/23 at 11PM. Over 140 students participated in a year-long collaboration with the Farnsworth Art Museum. 1 hour program

Brew Hampshire

Thursday 4/27 at 10PM, Saturday 4/29 at 11AM & Thursday 6/29 @ 10PM. Brew Hampshire is an award-winning feature length documentary about the rise of craft beer in the Granite State. 90 minute program.

Placing the Mark / Marking the Place

Sunday 4/30 @ 11PM. Profiles of Maine artists working in different mediums reflect upon their art and creative process. 30 minute program

A Way of Seeing – Walter Unger

Sunday 4/30 @ 11PM. 30 minute program

You Can Do It In A Small Boat

Thursday 5/4 @ 10 PM & Saturday 5/6 at 11AM; Master craftspeople living on Canada's Eastern Seaboard talk about their lives and their work. 30 minute program

Hull 111

Thursday 5/4 at 10:30PM, Saturday 5/6 at 11:30AM. Dick Pulsifer builds his 111th Pulsifer Hampton Launch with help from a Bowdoin student. 30 minute program

Lurking in Trees

Sunday 5/7 at 11PM. An invasive beetle is threatening trees in the northeast of America. 30 minute program

Salazar: The Four Seasons of the Master Myth

Sunday 5/7 at 11:30PM. A combination of words, images, music and video shows painter Roland Salazar Rose at work in his studio. 30 minute program

Ralph Stanley: An Eye for Wood

Thursday 5/11 @ 10PM & Saturday 5/13 at 11AM. Mount Desert Island's Ralph Stanley is an icon of Maine wooden boat building and a scholar of Maine's maritime heritage. 1 hour program

Becoming Acadia

Thursday 5/18 at 10PM & Saturday 5/20 @ 11AM. George Buckman Dorr is considered the father of Acadia National Park. With the help of others, he painstakingly engineered Acadia. 90 minute program

Community Conservation

Thursday 5/25 @ 10PM & Saturday 5/27 @ 11AM. This documentary, shot throughout four seasons, profiles four active land trusts in different regions of Maine, demonstrating their efforts toward conservation for all members of their community. One Hour program.

The Penobscot: Ancestral River

Thursday 6/1 at 10PM. Deal-making and deal-breaking have historically defined tribal-state relations in Maine. 1 hour program

Whatever Works: Exploring Opiate Addiction

Thursday 6/15 at 10PM & Saturday 6/17 at 11AM. In the winter of 2016, University of Maine at Machias students filmed "first person" accounts of the opioid epidemic. One hour program

Welcome Here Again” A Recording Session with the Canterbury Dance Orchestra

Thursday 6/22 @ 10PM & Saturday 6/24 @ 11AM. In March 2016, sixteen musicians made a recording in the chapel at Middlesex School in Concord, Massachusetts. 1 hour 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.

Typed or Printed Name of Signatory Tristan G. Richards	Typed or Printed Title of Signatory Director of Operations
Signature <i>Tristan G. Richards</i>	Date July 7, 2017