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ARTS

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 132
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/2/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:07:33

A major American composer, with her own deeply American story to tell, is receiving recognition for a lifetime of work. Jeffrey Brown talks to newly-minted Kennedy Center honoree Tania León for our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

Series Title: Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World
Episode Title: Culture Wars
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/21/2023 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Experience the 1990s during the Clinton years and the unstoppable rise in popularity of Hip Hop, which becomes a force that is attacked by all sides of the political establishment.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Episode Title:
Episode: 175
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/2/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:08:37

Artificial intelligence is everywhere and part of our conversations about education, politics and social media. It's also a hot topic in the arts world as programs that generate art using AI are widely available to the public. But what goes into these programs, and the work that comes out, are heavily debated. Jeffrey Brown explores the influence of AI for our arts and culture series, CANVAS.

CULTURE

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 138
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/10/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:35

Poet Charles Simic died Monday at 84. He was a prolific writer, winner of the Pulitzer Prize, and served as Poet Laureate of the United States. He often wrote, with both bite and humor, of the World War II era and his early years in Yugoslavia before coming to the U.S. as a teenager. In 2007, Simic discussed it in a conversation with the PBS NewsHour's Jeffrey Brown.

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead
Episode Title: King Arthur's Lost Kingdom
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/1/2023 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Uncover new archaeological evidence at Tintagel that suggests the legend of King Arthur started in a prosperous and sophisticated trading village in 5th-century Britain following the departure of the Romans.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 192
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/27/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:08:36

Margaret Cho is a trailblazer in the world of standup comedy, and a bold and unapologetic voice on social and political matters. She's now celebrating 40 years of making people laugh and drawing attention to the issues of the day. Geoff Bennett met up with her recently at the Warner Theater in Washington, D.C. for our ongoing arts and culture series, Canvas.

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

Series Title: Nature | The Alps
Episode Title: The High Life
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/4/2023 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Enjoy the Alps in spring and summertime as newborn animals grow up to face the coming brutal winter.

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: The Elephant and the Termite
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/1/2023 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Witness the dramas of Africa's great wildlife meeting place -- the waterhole. From mighty elephants to tiny termites, an entire community of creatures call the waterhole their home.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 181
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/10/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:02:52

California took another hit from inclement weather as a so-called "atmospheric river" brought torrents of rain and more snow. Stephanie Sy reports on how the weather is adding to the state's weather woes after a series of extreme storms

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 137
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/9/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:09:55

Contractor and U.S. Navy veteran Mark Frerichs was kidnapped and held hostage by Taliban forces for over two and a half years. He was released as part of a prisoner swap last September and is now adjusting to freedom and life back in America. Amna Nawaz went to Lombard, Illinois, where he's staying with family, to sit down with Frerichs for his first television interview since being freed.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 171
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/24/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:49

Malcolm X was assassinated 58 years ago this week. Since that day, there have been many difficult and painful questions about who may have been involved in his murder and what led to it. His family took new action, announcing their intent to sue several federal and local government agencies for allegedly concealing evidence about what happened. Geoff Bennett reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 178
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/7/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:21

When he was a child, artist and photographer Wesaam Al-Badry's family fled his home country of Iraq at the onset of the Gulf War. That experience has sculpted much of his work, which focuses on capturing human struggle with dignity and love. He shares his Brief But Spectacular take on how refugees are beautiful.

HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 140
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/12/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:16

When sports journalist Grant Wahl died of an aortic aneurysm while covering the World Cup in Qatar, a flood of misinformation took over social media, with anti-vaxxers and conspiracy theorists falsely claiming the COVID vaccine was to blame. Wahl's wife, Dr. Celine Gounder, is an infectious disease specialist. She joined Amna Nawaz to discuss the fight against this kind of disinformation.

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead
Episode Title: The Woman in the Iron Coffin
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/8/2023 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Follow a team of forensic experts as they investigate the preserved remains of a young African American woman from 19th century New York and reveal the little-known story of early America's free black communities.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Episode Title: Episode 195 Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/30/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:05:18

A federal judge in Texas ruled that employers can not be required to cover key preventative health care benefits under the Affordable Care Act. It jeopardizes free coverage of a wide range of preventative services for some 160 million Americans. The Biden administration is expected to request a stay on the ruling. Amna Nawaz discussed the case with Larry Levitt of the Kaiser Family Foundation.

MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS

Series Title: Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World
Episode Title: The Foundation
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/31/2023 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS

Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Discover the factors that led to the birth of Hip Hop and its first socially conscious hit The Message by Grandmaster Flash and the Furious Five in 1982.

Series Title: Making Black America: Through the Grapevine
Episode Title: Episode 1
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/3/2023 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

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

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 174
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/1/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:11:03

Across the country, at least 150 bills have been filed by Republican legislators targeting transgender Americans. Roughly 100 of those bills specifically restrict doctors and other providers from offering transition-related health care for minors. We hear from concerned parents whose children are most impacted and William Brangham discusses the bills with Erin Reed.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

Series Title: NOVA: Beyond the Elements
Episode Title: Indestructible
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/18/2023 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS

Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Scientists have created virtually indestructible versions of glass, rubber, and plastic. But are they too tough? As the environmental impact of the quest for durability becomes clear, scientists look for ways to maintain utility but minimize harm.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Star Chasers of Senegal
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/8/2023 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

A visionary astronomer in West Africa attempts a high-stakes observation of a distant asteroid vital to a NASA mission. From prehistoric ruins to Islamic skywatchers, explore the heritage and future of African astronomy.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 185
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/16/2023 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:09:46

The Chinese parent company of TikTok says the Biden administration is pressuring it to sell to an American firm or face a national ban. Nick Schifrin reports on the national security concerns of the hugely popular video app and Amna Nawaz discusses TikTok's future with Matt Perault of the University of North Carolina's Center on Technology Policy.

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