WKNO Quarterly Issues/Programs List Jan-Feb-Mar 2024 Local Programming

AGING & SENIOR ISSUES

Best Times #907 30 minutes Jan. 7, 2024

The presence of Covid-19 has given scammers multiple opportunities to try to trick you. We'll look at how to watch out for scams. Why do some people seem to age better than others? We'll look at the research into this group that scientists call SuperAgers. And to close the program Creative Aging's Double D Band perform an original song.

Best Times #909 30 minutes Jan. 21, 2024

Today Memphis is recognized worldwide as the home of the blues and the cradle of American music. The blues, gospel, jazz and rock and roll that came from here has influenced multiple generations of musicians. But what made Memphis so special? Host Cris Hardaway talks with music historian David Less about his new book, Memphis Mayhem. And a performance from Creative Aging's musicians.

Best Times #910 30 minutes Jan. 28, 2024

The Library Information Center is a valuable resource for the entire community, and particularly the senior population. When you call 211 you're connected to a librarian who has a database of hundreds of government services, human resources agencies and volunteer organizations that can help solve your problem. Learn how to "De-Stress Your Life" by exploring the meditative art of Zentangle.

Best Times Special Edition #102: Love & Marriage After 55

30 minutes

Feb. 11, 2024

This special episode of The Best Times takes a look at love and marriage after 55. We'll meet three couples who talk about how they met and fell in love, how they decided to take the plunge, and how their marriage affected their existing family relationships and their life plans. Hosted by George Larrimore.

Best Times Special Edition #103: Music and Medicine 30 minutes Feb.18, 2024 A special presentation on Music and Medicine. The program explores some of ways that music is being used synergistically with medicine and therapy to help patients recover.

Best Times #801 30 minutes Mar. 17, 2024

As we celebrate the Memphis Bicentennial, we take the time to visit with Wayne Dowdy, archivist of the Memphis Public Library to talk about the early days of our city and find out about some more stories of the Memphis History that 'You Do Not Know.' One in four deaths in this country is a result of heart disease, many of them heart attacks. Host Hardaway will show you some simple things you can do to lessen your risk. Maybe it's time to 'Listen to Your Heart.'

Best Times #802 30 minutes Mar. 24, 2024 The history we learned and Generals, But mi

The history we learned in school was mostly about wars and disasters, kings and queens and Presidents and Generals. But much of the time, history is made by people you've never heard of. In part two of our conversation with Wayne Dowdy, archivist with the Memphis Public Library, we find out a few more stories about Memphis and 'The History You Do Not Know.'

CRIME

Behind the Headlines #1430 30 minutes Jan. 26, 2024

In late November 2023, the Department of Justice announced a Violent Crime Initiative for Memphis (second city in the country to receive one). The initiative was brought forth to the City of Memphis as a response to the increased rate of violent crime. Kevin Ritz, US Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, says the initiative has gained federal funding and resources, to which his office has used to help put criminals and repeat offenders behind bars. Ritz joins this week's Channel 10 Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian Reporter Aarron Fleming. Ritz discusses some of the other federal crime prevention, intervention and initiative programs that his office is involved in — as well as his federal role in locally prosecuting individuals or groups.

Behind the Headlines #1431 30 minutes

Feb. 2, 2024

In relation to the City of Memphis' criminal justice system, the phrase 'revolving door' has been thrown around for years – famously one being former Mayor Jim Strickland. The meaning of a 'revolving door' refers to individuals who get convicted of a crime, spend time incarcerated, then get released but eventually end up committing another crime – repeating a perpetual cycle. "Is there really a revolving door?" Asks Natalie McKinney, Executive Director of Whole Child Strategies. McKinney says that there is not enough data to support such claims, adding that the data reported on repeat offenders is not transparent. McKinney believes that often times the notion of a 'revolving door' is a ploy to "inflame people," get funds, and/or get legislation passed. McKinney joins Tennessee Executive Director of Stand for Children Cardell Orrin for this week's Channel 10 Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian Reporter Bill Dries. Guests talk about criminal justice in Memphis, including the leading reason people commit crimes, as well as, approaches of deterring individuals from breaking the law.

A Conversation with Mary Hollis Inboden

30 minutes

Feb. 2, 2024

A kid from Bono, Arkansas, who came to Memphis as a teen to pursue her theatrical ambitions, she's now a working actress on critically acclaimed television comedies. During the Screen Actors Guild strike, she came back to her roots in theater in Memphis. Theatre director Tony Isbell sits down with Mary Hollis Inboden to talk about the acting life, television, and the impact of a childhood tragedy involving a school shooting.

Behind the Headlines #1436

30 minutes

Mar. 8, 2024

Over a month ago, Memphis City Council narrowly voted (7-6) to indefinitely keep Memphis Police Department (MPD) Chief C.J. Davis on as interim Chief. Having voted no, Memphis City Councilwoman Jerri Green says that she wants to see "crime go down and our communities healing," but she is waiting to see the final data — adding preliminary data shows that Memphis is "on pace to have a record number of homicides this year." Memphis City Councilwoman Pearl Eva Walker (who voted yes to appoint Davis as interim Chief), says she is looking forward to the results of C.J. Davis's crime initiatives — believing that the newly made position for Public Safety Director will "help support Chief Davis's and Mayor Paul Young's public safety initiatives . . . filling in some gaps and having a person that can be connected to the community, in ways that Chief Davis does not have time or the ability to do." On this week's WKNO/Channel 10's Behind the Headlines Green and Walker discuss public safety with host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries. In addition, guests talk about the upcoming City budget, education, and some of the needs and wants of Memphis citizens.

Behind the Headlines #1439 30 minutes

Mar. 29, 2024

Memphis City Police Department, like many police organizations across the nation, struggles with recruitment and retention rates. Host Eric Barnes on this week's WKNO/Channel 10 Behind the Headlines asks the Vice President of Memphis Police Association John Covington why individuals do not want to work as police officers. Covington says it's in combination of wages, workload, and "there's a lot of pressure. Police were once held up on a pedal stool, of course that has kinda changed . . .you're going to be scrutinized in everything you do, in a time when people can go into [other career fields]". Covington also joins President of Memphis Police Association Matt Cunningham and Daily Memphian reporter Julia Baker on Behind the Headlines to discuss changes in laws and policies within the Memphis Police Department and local judicial system. Guests deliberate over the effect on policing and crime because of such changes. In addition, guests speak about some of the challenges officers and police departments face, as well as what could be implemented to resolve some of the issues.

Behind the Headlines #1435 30 minutes

March 1, 2024

On this week's WKNO/Channel 10's Behind the Headlines host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries are joined by Memphis Shelby Crime Commission President Bill Gibbons, as well as, (R) Tennessee State Senate from District 31 Brent Taylor and (D) Tennessee State Senate from District 33 London Lamar.discussing their opinions on the best ways to prevent crime, as well as punish and rehabilitate criminals, Taylor says that one of the best means to start a holistic approach is by holding criminals accountable and "to prosecute [them] to the fullest extent of the law." Taylor adds that "if we did that approach here, we would bring down the crime rate in Shelby County." While also believing in a holistic approach to crime, Lamar believes that solely starting your focus on crime and punishment is just going to repeat a cycle of never-ending crime. Lamar says, in preventing crime, the "data has shown that investment in education works, raising the minimum wage so families can afford to work one job and then be able to take care of their families - be involved in their kids lives - works." Gibbons adds that "it's not an either or. We have to invest in prevention, intervention and accountability or suppression."

Behind the Headlines #1437 30 minutes March 15, 2024

Founded in 1977 by the City of Memphis and Shelby County governments, the Downtown Memphis Commission (DMC) aims to "ensure downtown development and attract people to invest and live in" the downtown area, says the new President and CEO of DMC Chandell Ryan. To attract individuals and businesses to the area, the DMC uses incentives and grants though — sometimes Ryan says that they have to rely on a "carrot and stick" approach to get things done, like cleaning up blighted properties. On this week's WKNO/Channel 10's Behind the Headlines Ryan joins host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries to talk about the DMC's roles and how they operate. In addition, Ryan discusses how the DMC is funded, as well as the possibility of a 2nd convention hotel.

Behind the Headlines #1438 30 minutes March 22, 2024)

In the beginning of the year, more than 80 business leaders from all over the city of Memphis sent Governor Bill Lee (R-Tennessee) a letter addressing the need to create new legislation aimed at reducing crime in Memphis — as well as requesting more public defenders and judges, a \$50 million investment in

tourist zones, bail reform, and more. President and CEO for the Greater Memphis Chamber Ted Townsend says there was an overwhelming consensus among the Chamber to "apply pressure and support," for state government officials to make new crime legislation. Chance Carlisle, CEO of the Carlisle Corporation, says a year ago the Greater 901 Initiative ran a poll which results shows that "1 in 2 people were considering leaving [the city]. Rerunning the poll in late February — early March, now it's 60%." Carlisle says, "the main reason is crime, not opportunity." On this week's WKNO/Channel 10's Behind the Headlines Townsend, Carlisle, and President and CEO of FedEx Airline and International Richard W. Smith join host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries to talk about crime and its relation to business and economic development, investments, and citizenship rate. In addition, guests talk about present and future projects that aim at enhancing the city for locals and tourist alike.

Best Times #803 30 minutes March 31, 2024

For the past four seasons The Best Times has focused on elder abuse and examined the unique way that Memphis is addressing that problem. The Coordinated Response to Elder Abuse team - or CREA - has been in place for about four years, and brings together police, prosecutors, social service agencies, healthcare organizations and more to collaborate on solving elder abuse cases. This multidisciplinary team approach has produced successful results. Find out why many cities are looking to Memphis and the way we are 'Focusing on Elder Abuse.'

EDUCATION & ILLITERACY

The SPARK #1201 30 minutes Jan. 19. 2024

The theme of The SPARK January 2024 is "Transformation Through Service and Song". Host Jeremy C. Park interviews Chris Coleman, Executive Director of Teach for America Memphis, an organization finding, developing and supporting equity-oriented leaders to transform education, starting in the classroom; Dr. Sarah Petschonek, Founder and CEO of Volunteer Odyssey, a nonprofit volunteer center engaging companies to lift our community; and Mario Monterosso, producer of the Simple Song of Freedom Project, a project uniting Memphis musicians in song and a worldwide humanitarian effort. Plus, a profile of the 2023 SPARK Award winner Janet Boscarino.

Camp TV

30 minutes

Weekday mornings Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday starting February 19, 2024 Head counselor Zachary Noah Piser and his new co - counselor, Mia Weinberger, guide "campers" as they learn through play. Content partners include Blackspace, Guggenheim Museum, Memphis Zoo, Mr. C, New Victory Theater, One Voice Children's Choir, Prairie Public Broadcasting.

GOVERNMENT

Behind the Headlines #1427 30 minutes January 5, 2024

On average, it costs roughly \$100 per day to house an inmate at Shelby County's jails, says Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris. Many of those detained will stay for 300 plus days because, Harris adds, they are not stable for their case to be disposed. Stabilization of these individuals comes from various reasons, like medication and professional psychiatric needs. Joining host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries for this week's Channel 10 Behind the Headlines, Harris discusses a proposed new facility aimed at providing resources to stabilize individuals, including the cost and benefits of such a facility. In addition, Harris talks about education funding and partnerships, as well as challenges to the 2024-25 County budget.

Behind the Headlines #1428 30 minutes January 12, 2024

In 2023, at the end of the last Tennessee Legislative session, there was an increase number of activists in the viewing gallery and on the Tennessee Capitol building grounds, in response to a shooting at The Covenant School and protests for various forms of gun legislation. With the new 2024 Tennessee Legislative session in full swing, there have been new policies set in place by the Tennessee House Speaker, Cameron Sexton (R - Crossville) — which limits the capacity of people allowed in the gallery to ninety-nine (including lobbyist), says The Memphis Flyer's Toby Sells. House Assistant Clerk Daniel Hicks says the policy was put in place by Sexton as a result of fire marshal regulations. The ninety-nine individuals are chosen from tickets, which are allotted to Tennessee House members. Sells says that this has raised major concern over who can and can't have access to the gallery. Sells joins host Eric Barnes for a journalist roundtable with Chalkbeat Tennessee's Laura Testino and The Daily Memphian reporters Bill Dries and Julia Baker. In addition to the current Tennessee legislative session, guests talk about the new City of Memphis Mayor Paul Young's administration — mentioning proposed appointees for official city positions and some of Young's initiatives since taking office. Guests also talk about criminal justice, education, Memphis City Council and more.

Behind the Headlines #1432

30 minutes

Feb. 9, 2024

Shelby County's criminal justice system has seen defendants' cases held up for years, with no verdict or justice. Taking on this issue, Shelby County District Attorney General Steve Mulroy says his office has begun a Violent Crime Initiative, which aims to fast-track certain violent crime cases. The Violent Crime Initiative is just one way to clear up the backlog of defendants waiting for their day in court, says Mulroy who believes in the need for a local crime lab, more county prosecutors, and fair, clear-cut bail standards. Mulroy joins this week's Channel 10 Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian reporter Julia Baker. In addition to the finer details of his Violent Crime Initiative, Mulroy talks about the importance of state and local government assistance in the criminal justice system. Mulroy also discusses crime deterrence, data transparency, his relationship with new City of Memphis Mayor Paul Young, plus more.

Behind the Headlines #1433 30 minutes Feb. 16. 2024

On Sunday, February 11 the City of Memphis was put on alert for an armed man committing a shooting spree around the City. Recently elected mayor, Paul Young said that his "heart goes out to the families and individuals impacted." As Mayor, he does not have control over the local police department, judges or state government — which greatly affects the prevention and conviction of such crimes. However, Young says it's within his purview to gather "all actors in the room (i.e. judges, DA, Shelby County Sheriffs, MPD, MSCS officials, etc.) and start a common dialog". Young aims to get local and state officials on the same page, so that crime and other systemic issues can holistically be addressed. Memphis Mayor Paul Young joins host Eric Barnes and the Daily Memphian Reporter Bill Dries for the first of two parts that are centered around Young taking office and his initiatives. Part 1 — Young discusses public safety, including crime initiatives, keeping or replacing Memphis Police Department Chief Davis, policing, and more. You can watch part two on Friday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m. on WKNO/Channel 10.

Behind the Headlines #1434 30 minutes Feb. 23, 2024 Elected Memphis Mayor in 2023, Paul Young was sworn in at the beginning of this year. Since taking office, Young says that his priorities are to "change the energy of Memphis . . . and get the City a morale boost." To do so, Young adds that he is building local and national relationships — bringing everyone together and "to the table." On his agenda, Young wants to tackle crime prevention, cleaning up communities, have road work become more routine, improve infrastructure, plus more. Memphis Mayor Paul Young joins host Eric Barnes and the Daily Memphian Reporter Bill Dries for the second and final part of discussions centered around Young taking office and his leadership agenda. Part 2 — Young talks about his first budget season as mayor, projects and initiatives, education, and more.

HEALTH

Best Times #908 30 minutes January 14, 2024

Remember when doctors made house calls. We'll examine the latest trend in healthcare delivery called Telemedicine. The pandemic has put a lot of vacation plans on hold. But what if you could take your home with you on vacation? That's why the RV Life is a solution. We'll close the show with songs from Creative Aging's Breeze Cayolle.

Best Times #911 30 minutes

Feb. 4, 2024

The latest scientific studies highlight the link between eating well and aging well. A recent study showed that healthy seniors who had daily helpings of leafy green vegetables, such as spinach, kale and collard greens, had a slower rate of cognitive decline, compared to those who tended to eat little or no greens. So healthy eating can lead to a longer life. Plus a performance from Creative Aging.

City of Good Samaritans: Memphis Medicine 1819-1962

1 hour

March 19, 2024

History of medical care and hospitals in Memphis TN. In 1858 the Steamboat Pennsylvania exploded down river from Memphis. Among the seriously injured that were taken to Memphis was Henry Clemens, brother of Samuel Clemens, aka Mark Twain. . . . Years later in his memoir Life On The Mississippi, Twain proclaimed that the city was "experienced . . . in the gracious office of the Good Samaritan."

RACISM AND MINORITY RIGHTS

With Infinite Hope: MLK and the Civil Rights Movement

1 hour January 1, 2024

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.

I Am A Man: from Memphis, A Lesson In Life 30 minutes January 12, 2024

In 1968, Elmore Nickleberry stood among 1,300 other African-American men in Memphis who collectively asserted their right to be treated with dignity. I Am a Man: From Memphis, a Lesson in Life offers a

modern-day look at the legacy of Mr. Nickleberry – at the time of the filming in 2008 he was still working in the sanitation industry driving a garbage truck -- and others like him.

Magic of LOC: LeMoyne-Owen College At 160 60 minutes Feb. 2, 2023 LeMoyne-Owen College, with its historic campus located on Walker Avenue, is not only Memphis, Tennessee's HBCU, it's one of the oldest and most deeply rooted HBCUs in the country, tracing its history back to 1862. For 160 years it has represented the highest aspirations for its students, and for the community as a whole, and its faculty, students, and alumni testify to its special brand of magic. Produced by WKNO and directed by Caleb Suggs.

A Community Called Orange Mound

1 hour

Feb. 11, 2024

Established on the grounds of the former Deaderick plantation, Orange Mound was one of the first communities in the United States to be built entirely by and for African Americans. The self-contained community that emerged attracted not only laborers and domestic workers, but also doctors, lawyers, businessmen, and teachers, all of whom were proud to call Orange Mound home. "One of the closest-knit groups in Memphis, the residents of Orange Mound are still intensely loyal to the neighborhood that has been home to many families for generations," said producer Jay Killingsworth. "And they all say the same thing: even though they can live elsewhere and have had opportunities to do so, Orange Mound is home and that is where they intend to stay."

Where Dreams Take Wing: The Luke Weathers Flight Academy

30 minutes

Feb. 17, 2023

The demand for skilled airline pilots is high and will continue to grow, and for Memphis it's serious business. But the high cost of pilot training has long limited who has access to this career choice. A flight school located in Olive Branch, MS, aims to broaden that access. Sponsored by the Organization of Black Airline Professionals (OBAP) - and named for a WWII fighter pilot and local hero - the Luke Weathers Flight Academy provides support and mentorship to a diverse student body - and has set a goal of training 100 Black women to fly by 2025. Col. Luke Weathers was a Tuskegee Airman from Memphis.

POVERTY

Behind the Headlines #1429 30 minutes January 19, 2024

Located in the Klondike community of Memphis, Northside High School closed its doors in 2016 due to low enrollment. With multiple projects underway to revitalize North Memphis, many were left wondering what was to become of the unused Northside High School. Recently, President and CEO of The Works, Inc. Roshun Austin, has been working with partners to turn the old school building into a mixed-use building. The first three floors will give way to commercial use with Literacy Memphis and Memphis Symphony Orchestra offices to name a couple. The fourth floor will be reserved for low-income housing apartments. Given some changes and renovations, the gymnasium and auditorium will stay. Austin joins Founder and President of Comcap Partners Archie Willis III for this week's Channel 10 Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian Reporter Bill Dries. In addition to discussing the mix-use renovation of the old Northside High School, guests talk about the challenges of revitalizing neighborhoods like Klondike, and what it means to the local community, as well as, surrounding areas.

The SPARK #1202 30 minutes Feb. 16. 2024 The theme of The SPARK February 2024 is "Research, Conservation and Restoration". Host Jeremy C. Park interviews Jared Barnett, CEO of Slingshot Memphis, about MemWorks, a collaboration with MDRC identifying the root causes of employment roadblocks in Memphis so solutions can be implemented; Emily Parish, Vice President of The Land Trust of Tennessee, a conservation organization working to protect land important to the people of Tennessee; and Joanna Murray, Co-Founder and Community Director of MidSouth Hope Garage, a nonprofit repairing donated vehicles and providing them to families in need. Plus, a profile of the 2023 SPARK Award winner Campfire Collective.

The SPARK #1202 30 minutes Mar. 15, 2024

The theme of The SPARK March 2024 is "Uniting to Serve and Invest in Others". Host Jeremy C. Park interviews Stephanie Simpson, Founder and President of 901 Petals of Purpose (901 POP), a nonprofit spreading joy and kindness through the repurposing of flowers and the sharing of personal experiences; Reverend Jeff Patrick, Transient Program Pastor of Memphis Union Mission, an organization ministering to the physical, spiritual and emotional needs of men, women and families who are homeless, addicted and in crisis; and Danielle McGee Gibson, Founder and CEO of Black Business Boom, an organization on a mission to empower and champion the economic growth of black business owners. Plus, a profile of the 2023 SPARK Award winner Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis.

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PBS Quarterly Program Topic Report January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

Series Title:John Lewis - Get in the WayLength:60 minutesAirdate:1/9/2024 9:00:00 PMService:PBSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:01:00:00

Follow the courageous journey of John Lewis, whose unwavering fight for justice spans the past 50 years, from his youth in the segregated South, through his leadership within the Civil Rights movement, to his current role as a powerful voice in Congress. He was the youngest speaker at the historic 1963 March on Washington, where Dr.King delivered his legendary "I Have a Dream" speech.

Series Title:Secrets of the DeadEpisode Title:Jamestown's Dark WinterLength:60 minutesAirdate:2/1/2024 1:00:00 AMService:PBSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:00:56:46

Jamestown, Virginia. The site of the first permanent English colony the Americas settled in 1607 and the home of the archaeological site "Historic Jamestowne" today. It has long been speculated that the harsh conditions faced by the colonists during the winter of 1609, often referred to as the "starving time," might have made them desperate enough to participate in the unthinkable.

Series Title:American ExperienceEpisode Title:The Sun QueenLength:60 minutesAirdate:3/12/2024 8:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:00:56:46

For nearly 50 years, chemical engineer and inventor Maria Telkes applied her prodigious intellect to harnessing the power of the sun. She designed and built the world's first successfully solar-heated modern residence and identified a promising new chemical that, for the first time, could store solar heat like a battery. And yet, along the way, she was undercut and thwarted by her boss and colleagues - all men - at MIT. Despite these obstacles, Telkes persevered and, upon her death in 1995, held more than 20 patents. She is now recognized as a visionary pioneer in the field of sustainable energy.

CULTURE

Series Title: Tutankhamun: Allies & Enemies Episode Title: Episode 2 Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 1/16/2024 9:00:00 PM Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:53:12

Hour two uncovers further mysteries behind King Tut's life and burial. Egyptian Archeologist Dr. Yasmine El-Shazly continues her journey, seeking to answer some of the historical inconsistencies surrounding this great civilization.

Series Title: NOVA Episode Title: Easter Island Origins Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 2/7/2024 8:00:00 PM Service: PBS-NPS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:56:46

The giant stone heads of Easter Island have inspired theories for centuries. Now, new research reveals intriguing evidence of the origins and inspirations of the ancient Rapanui people who created the iconic monoliths.

Series Title:PBS NewsHourEpisode Title:Episode 177Length:60 minutesAirdate:3/5/2024 6:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:News (live news only)Segment Length:00:02:55

The Austin, Texas theater company, Proyecto Teatro, aims to promote and preserve Latin American culture. Its latest project is helping redefine Latin American history. Journey Love Taylor of our Student Reporting Labs Academy shares the story as part of our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

Series Title: Nature Episode Title: The Serengeti Rules Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 1/3/2024 7:00:00 PM Service: PBS Format: Documentary Segment Length: 00:56:46

Travel back in time, from the Arctic Ocean to Pacific tide pools, with a pioneering group of scientists who make surprising discoveries that transform human understanding of nature and ecology.

Series Title: Nature Episode Title: Flyways Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 2/7/2024 7:00:00 PM Service:PBS-NPSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:00:53:10

Shorebirds fly thousands of miles each year along ancient and largely unknown migratory routes called Flyways. Species travel from feeding grounds in the southern hemisphere to breeding grounds in the Arctic regions and back again, flying up to nine days non-stop without food or water. But their populations are crashing. Follow a conservation movement of bird-loving experts and citizen scientists as they mobilize to the challenge of understanding and saving shorebirds.

Series Title:PBS NewsHourEpisode Title:Episode 181Length:60 minutesAirdate:3/11/2024 6:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:News (live news only)Segment Length:00:07:01

The Smokehouse Creek wildfire has burned more than a million acres in Texas since it began on February 26. As firefighters continue to battle the blazes, Stephanie Sy has a look at the long road of recovery ahead for farmers and ranchers in the Panhandle.

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

Series Title: Finding Your Roots Episode Title: Fathers and Sons Length: 60 minutes Airdate:1/16/2024 7:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:Interview/Discussion/ReviewSegment Length:00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. meets actors LeVar Burton and Wes Studi—two men who grew up without their fathers. With few clues to guide him, Gates introduces them to ancestors they've never known—revealing connections to key moments in history.

Series Title:Finding Your RootsEpisode Title:Far and AwayLength:60 minutesAirdate:2/6/2024 7:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:Interview/Discussion/ReviewSegment Length:00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the extraordinarily diverse roots of journalist Sunny Hostin and actor Jesse Williams—telling long-lost stories of African and European ancestry that compel his guests to rethink their own identities.

Series Title:Finding Your RootsEpisode Title:Secret LivesLength:60 minutesAirdate:3/27/2024 3:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:Interview/Discussion/ReviewSegment Length:00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uses DNA to help comedians Carol Burnett and Niecy Nash solve deep family mysteries.

HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

Series Title:Secrets of the DeadEpisode Title:Van Gogh's EarLength:60 minutesAirdate:1/10/2024 9:00:00 PMService:PBSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:01:00:00

The night when Vincent van Gogh cut his own ear defines his turbulent life and art. Generations have theorized about what really happened on December 23, 1888, in the French town of Arles, but no one has been clear on the details—until now.

Series Title:Secrets of the DeadEpisode Title:The Woman in the Iron CoffinLength:60 minutesAirdate:2/14/2024 9:00:00 PMService:PBSFormat:DocumentarySegment 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: American Experience Episode Title: The Cancer Detectives Length:60 minutesAirdate:3/26/2024 8:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:00:51:49

Three heroes and their dramatic journeys in the fight against cervical cancer.

MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS

Series Title:Cost of Inheritance: An America ReFramed Special; TheLength:60 minutesAirdate:1/8/2024 10:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:00:56:46

Explore the issue of reparations in the U.S. with a focus on historical injustices, systemic inequities, and critical dialogue. Through narratives, inquiries, and insights, the film aims to inspire understanding of the scope and rationale.

Series Title:American MastersEpisode Title:How It Feels To Be FreeLength:120 minutesAirdate:2/6/2024 8:00:00 PMService:PBS-NPSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:01:56:46

Explore the lives and trailblazing careers of iconic African American entertainers Lena Horne, Abbey Lincoln, Nina Simone, Diahann Carroll, Cicely Tyson and Pam Grier, who changed American culture through their films, fashion, music and politics.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Episode Title: Episode 184 Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 3/14/2024 6:00:00 PM Service: PBS-NPS Format: News (live news only) Segment Length: 00:08:14

The death of an administrator at Lincoln University in Missouri and the resignation of Harvard's former president have sparked outrage, concern and dialogue about the treatment of Black women in higher education. We hear from Black women about the challenges and pressures they face in academia, and Geoff Bennett speaks with UT Austin professor Bridget Goosby for more.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

Series Title: Secrets of the Dead Episode Title: Nero's Sunken City Length: 60 minutes Airdate: 1/3/2024 9:00:00 PM Service: PBS Format: Other Segment Length: 01:00:00

Baiae... An escape for ancient Rome's powerful elite, the Las Vegas of its day. Now, archaeologists are mapping underwater ruins and piecing together what life was like in this playground for the rich.

Series Title:Secrets of the DeadEpisode Title:Graveyard of the Giant BeastsLength:60 minutesAirdate:2/7/2024 9:00:00 PMService:PBSFormat:DocumentarySegment Length:01:00:00

A mining operation in Cerrejon, Northern Colombia, opened a window onto a previously unknown period of the earth's history – and a world teaming with giant creatures emerged. The biggest of them all was Titanoboa, a 43-foot snake, the largest that ever lived. No other creature could match Titanoboa in its size and strength, or so it was thought.

Series Title: NOVA Episode Title: Polar Extremes Length: 120 minutes Airdate: 3/20/2024 8:00:00 PM Service: PBS Format: Other Segment Length: 01:52:46 Join renowned paleontologist Kirk Johnson on an epic adventure through time at the polar extremes of our planet. Following a trail of strange fossils found in all the wrong places-beech trees in Antarctica, hippo-like mammals in the Arctic-Johnson uncovers the bizarre history of the poles, from miles-high ice sheets to warm polar forests teeming with life. What caused such dramatic changes at the ends of the Earth? And what controls the dial on Earth's thermostat? Today, the Arctic is warming faster than anywhere else in the world, and Antarctica has locked in its ice enough water to raise sea level by a terrifying 200 feet. The way that the poles respond to a warming climate is one of the greatest wildcards in predicting our climate future. Johnson uses Earth's history, written in stone, as a cipher to decode what is going on at our polar extremes today, and what the future may hold.