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Get Out of Town

Local travel series premieres new episodes

Plus *Magpie Murders* sequel *Moonflower Murders* on *Masterpiece*

WETA Focus



This month, we are pleased to bring you more special programming that helps keep you informed as we head into the fall elections. On September 10, join us for *PBS News Special: ABC Presidential Debate Simulcast*, which features the candidates discussing the issues and *PBS News Hour* reporting and analysis surrounding this major political event. Then, on September 23, watch *Crossroads: A Conversation with America*, a town-hall style program moderated by *PBS News* special correspondent Judy Woodruff, examining issues dividing Americans — and how we might restore civility to civic discourse. And on September 24, be sure to catch *Frontline*'s journalistic examination of the presidential candidates' life experiences and decisions in *The Choice 2024*. See page 2 for details.

We are also excited to roll out the first of four engaging new episodes of our local travel series *Get Out of Town*, and a new installment of *WETA Arts*, which returns to illuminate more cultural riches of our area after a summer hiatus. Among our other intriguing offerings, enjoy a slate of programming that celebrates Hispanic

Heritage Month; new drama presentations that include *Moonflower Murders*, the *Masterpiece* sequel to *Magpie Murders*; natural history series *Big Cats 24/7*; and much more.

We have outstanding programs in store for you throughout September; thanks for tuning in — and for your ongoing support.

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President and Chief Executive Officer, WETA



WETA Arts host Felicia Curry with Kim Sajet, Director of the National Portrait Gallery

On WETA Arts: Omnium Circus, Portrait Gallery & New Folger Wing

**Monday, Sept. 16 at 10:30 p.m. on WETA PBS,
9:30 p.m. WETA Metro; stream on the PBS app**

After a summer hiatus, Emmy Award-winning local arts and culture series *WETA Arts* returns with a new episode premiering September 16. The program spotlights Lisa Lewis' *Omnium Circus*, a circus specifically designed to support both performers and audience members who have physical or intellectual disabilities. Then, host Felicia Curry sits down with Kim Sajet, director of the National Portrait Gallery, for a conversation exploring recognition of historical figures and the historical significance of portraits. *WETA Arts* also visits the Folger Shakespeare Library's exciting new wing. Michael Elliott, president of Amherst, tells the tale of Henry Folger, the Amherst alum who founded DC's temple to Shakespeare, and Michael Witmore, the Folger's director, shares his vision for reconceiving it as an inclusive and inviting destination. *WETA Arts* repeats throughout the month on WETA PBS and WETA Metro and streams at weta.org and on the PBS app.

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Sunday Drama Series Start September 15

On WETA PBS & WETA Metro; stream on the PBS app;
binge-watch with WETA Passport as of the broadcast premieres

Ridley, Series 2 (8 p.m.)

Adrian Dunbar returns as charismatic former Detective Inspector Alex Ridley, who retired from the police after years of dedicated service having lost his wife and daughter in a devastating arson attack on their family home. In the crime-thriller series, Ridley has returned to the police force as a police consultant, joining forces with his former protégée DI Carol Farman (Bronagh Waugh), now at the helm of investigations. Series 2 of the drama sees Ridley probing mysteries in four two-part cases: *A Sleeping Tiger*, *The Hollow Tree*, *Fool for Love* and *The Memory Jar* — a series of jewelry heists that turn into murder, a body found in a hollow tree, a shooting at a rave, and a missing persons investigation.



WEST ROAD PICTURES & A3MI

Moonflower Murders on Masterpiece (9 p.m.)

In Anthony Horowitz's new 6-episode *Masterpiece* sequel to *Magpie Murders*, Susan Ryeland (Lesley Manville) has left publishing and lives in Crete with her boyfriend, Andreas. But her idyll is disturbed by the shadow of a murder committed at a British country hotel eight years before. Alan Conway had visited the hotel and wrote a novel based on what happened there. Cecily Treherne, the young woman who helps run the real establishment, read Conway's book and believed the wrong man had been arrested; then she went missing. Can Susan uncover the secret hidden in the book and find Cecily? Timothy McMullan reprises his role as Conway's Poirot-like literary detective, Atticus Pünd.



ELEVENTH HOUR FILMS AND MASTERPIECE

Van der Valk, Series 4 on Masterpiece (10 p.m.)

Piet Van der Valk (Marc Warren) and his police team return to investigate new crimes in The Netherlands' colorful capital. The three two-part cases — *Safe in Amsterdam*, *Hope in Amsterdam* and *Secrets in Amsterdam* — follow up on the murder of a whistleblower under police protection; probe the slaying of an environmental campaigner on the eve of a global conference; and look into the death of a scientist researching a potential breakthrough in the treatment of cancer. In addition to tackling murder cases, Van der Valk must also contend with a past romance resurfacing — and bring one of his team members to confront their own mortality.



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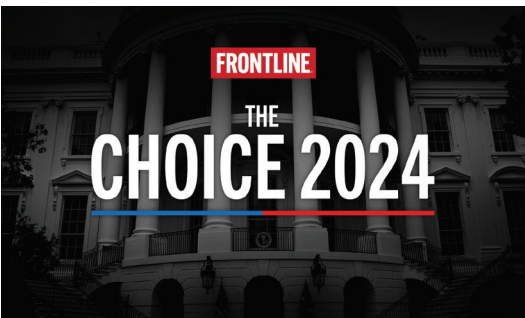
September Politics & Election Specials

PBS News Special: ABC Presidential Debate Simulcast • Sept. 10 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro — PBS News will simulcast the ABC Presidential Debate between Vice President Kamala Harris and former President Donald Trump and stream it on PBS News' website (pbs.org/newshour) and social platforms. Special coverage following the debate will be co-anchored by Geoff Bennett and Amna Nawaz and will include reporting from the News Hour team and analysis from guests.



Crossroads: A Conversation with America • Monday, Sept. 23 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro — PBS News presents a one-hour special moderated by senior correspondent Judy Woodruff. In a town-hall-style setting in the battleground state of Wisconsin, the WETA production will explore the issues at the heart of our divisions, the values that bind us together, regardless of party or politics, and ideas for restoring a measure of civility to the public square. The program is produced in partnership with Milwaukee PBS. Repeats Tuesday, Sept. 24, 4 p.m. on WETA PBS; and Sept. 24, 3 p.m. and Sept. 28, 2 p.m. on WETA Metro.

Funding for the program is provided by PBS; Carnegie Corporation of New York; Nancy and Jim Bildner; Charles F. Kettering Foundation; Pritzker Traubert Foundation; Omidyar Network; Rockefeller Brothers Fund; Rockefeller Foundation; James L. and John S. Knight Foundation; Mary Graham; Jon Q. and Ann S. Reynolds; Ann B and Thomas L. Friedman Charitable Foundation; Anne Kelleher and Ray Boedecker; Donna and Mack McLarty; The Opportunity Fund; Sunrise Foundation Inc.; Carl A. and Susan Hinko Batlin; Alison Blair Taylor; The Marty and Dorothy Silverman Foundation; Stephen Farley; Smilow Foundation; Roger Sant; and Edith H. (Sis) and C. Hastings (Hasty) Johnson.



Frontline: The Choice 2024 • Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro — With Election 2024 upcoming, *Frontline* is producing a deep examination of the candidates in the newest installment of its landmark series, *The Choice*. Drawing on extensive interviews with those who know them best, *The Choice 2024* will investigate the life experiences, the decisions, and the times that forged the candidates — and shaped how they could lead the country over the next four years. Repeats Sunday, Sept. 29 at noon on WETA PBS.

American Experience Presidential Biographies

WETA reprises two acclaimed biographical documentaries from the American history series' Peabody Award-winning collection "The Presidents," illuminating the lives of giants of the American political stage.



LBJ • Saturday, Sept. 21, 8 p.m.-midnight on WETA PBS; Thursdays, Sept. 12 & 19 at 9 p.m. on WETA Metro — Lyndon B. Johnson was one of the most astute, effective, and perplexing politicians in modern American history. A master legislator, he put into motion many of the programs that would shape American life throughout the 1960s and 1970s. LBJ is appreciated for his vast domestic accomplishments, but his presidency was overshadowed by his failure to end the war in Vietnam.

Reagan • Saturday, Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. (continuing Oct. 5) on WETA PBS; Thursdays, Sept. 26 & Oct. 3 at 9 p.m. on WETA Metro — The life of the actor,

governor and president who saw America as "a shining city on a hill" is recalled by those who knew Reagan best, including family members. Also interviewed are those in his inner political circle as well as his counterparts on the world stage, including Margaret Thatcher and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Get Out of Town

New episodes start September 30; Mondays at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS and 8 p.m. on WETA Metro; and streaming on the PBS app



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Get Out of Town, the WETA local travel and adventure series, returns with four new Season 2 episodes that premiere on successive Mondays, September 30 through October 21. As in earlier programs, each episode of the series takes mother-daughter hosts Laurita and Lauren Portee on a road trip to an intriguing destination within a half-day's drive of Washington, D.C. With each fun getaway, the duo explores the region's food, accommodations and activities.

The September 30 episode, **Middleburg, Virginia**, follows Laurita and Lauren as they take in the charm of horse and wine country. From the iconic Spring Races to wine blending at the Boxwood Estate Winery, the hosts dive into the community's intimate southern atmosphere. They stay at the Salamander Middleburg and the historic Red Fox Inn and enjoy delicious meals at local favorite Thai-verse and seafood staple King Street Oyster Bar.

The October episodes take the Portees to **Assateague Island National Seashore/Berlin, Maryland; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Rehoboth Beach, Delaware**. As the new programs roll out, they can be streamed via the PBS app or at weta.org/getoutoftown. Follow on Instagram via [@getoutoftowndc](https://www.instagram.com/getoutoftowndc). Catch up on Season 1 programs and the first four programs of Season 2; WETA reprises the latter on Sept. 9, 8-10 p.m. on WETA PBS and WETA Metro.



WHFS/MEDIA CENTRAL FILMS

WHFS deejay "Bob Here" Showacre in action

Feast Your Ears: The Story of WHFS 102.3

Sept. 14, 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro; stream Sept. 1 with WETA Passport

A new documentary film spotlights FM radio's revolutionary disruptor: WHFS 102.3. A small commercial station, it became the wildly popular countercultural voice of the nation's capital, broadcasting from "high atop the Triangle Towers" in Bethesda, Maryland. *Feast Your Ears: The Story of WHFS 102.3* presents a musical and historical journey through the 1960s, '70s &

'80s, when "free form" progressive FM radio was in its heyday in the United States. The program offers a nostalgic homage to the music and the era, exploring how WHFS broadcast a drumbeat of social, political and cultural change on the dial — and how a group of musically eclectic deejays cooked up a feast of multi-genre "sets" of music, with backstories and artist interviews befitting a study in musicology. Their brand of home-grown radio created a hotbed of sound and community.

Hear musicians, 'HFS deejays, record label veterans, journalists, historians, fans and others recount memories of the station, its musical programming and influence. Artist interviewees include **Roger McGuinn, Taj Mahal, Emmylou Harris, Joan Armatrading, Jesse Colin Young, Bruce Cockburn, Nils Lofgren**, members of **NRBQ** and **Little Feat**, and many others. The film streams via WETA Passport starting September 1, and via the PBS app and at weta.org as of Sept. 14. See the TV Listings for additional broadcast timings, including September 15 & 16 on WETA PBS, or visit weta.org/schedule.



JASMINE BALAIS

Host/producer John Leguizamo

Voces American Historia: The Untold Story of Latinos

Fridays, 9 p.m. as of Sept. 27 on WETA PBS & WETA Metro; stream on the PBS app

Airing as part of WETA's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, a new three-part series follows award-winning actor and producer John Leguizamo on his quest to uncover the history and often-overlooked contributions of Latino people.

Voces American Historia: The Untold History of Latinos presents a captivating journey, delving into both well-known and lesser-known stories spanning thousands of years from the ancient empires to the early 1970s. Through this exploration, Leguizamo and the film's co-creator Ben DeJesus (*American Masters: Raul Julia*) showcase how Latino history is American history. Episodes are:

- **Echoes of Empire (Sept. 27)**, examining the accomplishments and rise of the Great Empires and civilizations in Mexico, South America and the Caribbean;
- **Threads in the American Tapestry (Oct. 4)**, exploring how Latino DNA was woven into the identity of the USA even before its inception and has been pivotal all along the way;
- and **Solidarity in a New Era (Oct. 11)**, reflecting on the rise of a new empire, the United States, and the challenges faced by Latinos in preserving their cultural identity.



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American Masters/Voces: Julia Alvarez: A Life Reimagined

Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro; stream on the PBS app

A new biographical film from the series *American Masters* and Latino Public Broadcasting via its series *Voces* illuminates the life and work of Julia Alvarez, one of America's most celebrated Latina writers. *Julia Alvarez: A*

Life Reimagined presents the story of the Dominican-American poet and novelist who burst onto the literary scene and blazed a trail for a generation of Latino authors. Her semi-autobiographical novel, "How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents," was published in 1991, followed in 1994 by "In the Time of the Butterflies," which sold more than one million copies and raised awareness about life under Dominican dictator Rafael Trujillo.

This new documentary opens a window into her journey from the Dominican Republic to exile in New York City to her brilliant ongoing literary career spanning genres and audiences — and features interviews with Alvarez, her family, and her literary contemporaries. The film is produced and directed by Adriana Bosch, who served as series producer on the Peabody Award-winning WETA co-production *Latino Americans*.

Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15-October 15; visit weta.org/hispanicheritage

September Hispanic Heritage Month programs on WETA PBS, **WETA Metro** & both channels:

- **Pati's Mexican Table** *New season starts Sat 9/28, 5pm; weekdays 1pm except 9/2 (new season airs Fridays as of 9/13)*
- **American Masters/Voces: Julia Alvarez: A Life Reimagined** *Tue 9/17, 9pm; Rpts Wed 9/18, 3pm; Sun 9/22, noon, 1pm*
- **American Masters: Orozco: Man of Fire** *Sun 9/22, 3pm*
- **American Masters: Rita Moreno: Just a Girl Who Decided to Go for It** *Sat 9/28, 9pm; Rpts Sun 9/29; 11pm*
- **POV: The Last Out** *Sat 9/21, 9:30pm; Rpts Mon 9/23, 2:30pm*
- **American Experience: Roberto Clemente** *Sat 9/21, 8:30pm; Rpts 1am, Fri 9/27, 2pm*
- **Finding Your Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr.: Mexican Roots** *Tue 9/24, 8pm; Rpts Sat 9/28, 1am*
- **Voces American Historia: The Untold Story of Latinos** *Fridays 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 9pm; Rpts Sun 9/29, 1pm, 12m; Rpts Mon 9/30, 3pm*
- **37th Hispanic Heritage Awards** *Fri 9/27, 10pm; Rpts Sun 9/29, 2pm; Rpts Mon 9/30, 4pm*

The **WETA World channel** also features a wide slate of Hispanic Heritage Month offerings, presenting more than 25 programs in September and additional programs in October. Visit weta.org/hispanicheritage for programming.

Sherlock on Masterpiece: The Abominable Bride

Sunday, Sept. 8 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS

As part of the popular series *Sherlock on Masterpiece*, starring Benedict Cumberbatch and Martin Freeman as Arthur Conan Doyle's sleuthing duo Holmes and Watson, the drama's creators Mark Gatiss and Steven Moffat produced a special stand-alone film that departs from the series' contemporary setting. *The Abominable Bride* — which won a 2016 Emmy Award — features the sleuths pursuing a case in Victorian London of the 1890s, the original setting of the author's Sherlock Holmes tales. Popular characters Mary Morstan (Amanda Abbington), Inspector Lestrade (Rupert Graves) and Mrs. Hudson (Una Stubbs) join the pair in their time travel, turning up at 221b Baker Street in the special. The storyline centers on Holmes' puzzlement over a series of slayings by a ghostly figure who appears in a bridal dress.

The program repeats Sept. 12 at 8 p.m. All episodes of *Sherlock* can be streamed with WETA Passport.



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All Creatures Great and Small: A Season 4 Change

Sunday, Sept. 1 at 9:30 p.m. on WETA PBS

Go behind the scenes of Series 4 of the charming *Masterpiece* series *All Creatures Great and Small*, based on James Herriot's beloved books about his life as a veterinarian in rural England. Interviews with the cast and creators reveal how they bring the heartwarming world of the Yorkshire Dales to life. In Series 4, it is Spring 1940, and with Europe at war, the community in Darrowby pulls together. With Tristan away serving in the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Siegfried and James bring in extra hands to help around the practice: bookkeeper Miss Harbottle and student vet Richard Carmody. Happily married, Helen and James think about their future even as James could be called up to serve. How does the war affect life at Skeldale House and in the Dales? As it turns out, in many ways great and small — the series is full of surprises.

The program repeats Sept. 7 at 4:30 p.m. Stream *All Creatures Great and Small* with WETA Passport.



PLAYGROUND ENTERTAINMENT AND MASTERPIECE

Miss Scarlet and The Duke, Series 4 on Masterpiece

Sundays, Sept. 1, 8 & 15 at 3:30 p.m.
on WETA PBS

WETA reprises the most recent season of *Masterpiece* mystery *Miss Scarlet and The Duke*, presenting the six episodes of Series 4 doubled-up on three Sunday afternoons in September. Kate Phillips and Stuart Martin star as the dynamic, head-butting duo Eliza Scarlet, private investigator, and William Wellington ("The Duke"), police detective, in the drama set in Victorian London. In Series 4, Eliza has taken over the business of Nash & Sons and things are a bit bumpy, but help arrives from familiar sources. Outside of work, her relationship with William builds towards a looming decision. Among the episodes' storylines, the pair investigate a burglary in a high-end brothel whose clients include important members of the British government; and we learn the story of how it all began as the series flashes back 12 years to when the two met for the first time. Episodes 3 and 4 repeat September 12 at 10 p.m.; stream the series with WETA Passport.



COURTESY MASTERPIECE

Stream with WETA Passport



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GPB/IGER/ASPECT PRODUCTIONS

The Good Karma Hospital, Series 1 & 2

A drama follows a junior doctor who takes a job in a cottage hospital run by an eccentric English-woman in South India. Amanda Redman stars. Binge-watch 12 episodes with WETA Passport as of Sept. 1.



COURTESY MASTERPIECE

Moonflower Murders on Masterpiece

Susan Ryeland investigates the truth behind a real-life murder detailed in an Atticus Pünd novel. Lesley Manville and Timothy McMullan star. Binge-watch 6 episodes with WETA Passport as of Sept. 15.



WEST ROAD PICTURES & ASMI

Ridley, Series 2

Adrian Dunbar returns as retired police detective Alex Ridley, who aids authorities in probing more cases led by his former protégée. Binge-watch 8 new episodes with WETA Passport as of Sept. 15.



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Van der Valk, Series 4 on Masterpiece

Marc Warren reprises his role as Amsterdam detective Piet Van der Valk, whose team cracks murder cases in the colorful city. Binge-watch 6 new episodes with WETA Passport as of Sept. 15.



PUBLIC DOMAIN

American Experience: Sandra Day O'Connor: The First

The history series' biographical film about the U.S. Supreme Court's first female justice explores the pioneering jurist's story. Stream the program with WETA Passport before it departs Sept. 14.



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Feast Your Ears: The Story of WHFS 102.3

A documentary spotlights the beloved progressive D.C.-area radio station and its influence in an era of great social, cultural and political upheaval. Stream the film with WETA Passport as of Sept. 1.

Also streaming with WETA Passport are a wide array of news and public affairs series. Watch WETA productions *PBS News Hour*, *PBS News Weekend*, *Washington Week with The Atlantic* and more with WETA Passport.

Primetime

WETA PBS in September



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 Denotes WETA productions, co-productions and presentations

	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30
1 Sun	Hotel Portofino, Series 3 (Pt 6 of 6. <i>Masquerades</i>)			<i>All Creatures Great and Small: A Season 4 Change</i>		
2 Mon	If You Lived Here, Season 3: Rosslyn, VA	If You Lived Here, Season 3: Columbia, MD	If You Lived Here, Season 3: Foggy Bottom, DC	If You Lived Here, Season 3: Rockville, MD	John Denver's Rocky Mountain High (to 11:30pm)	
3 Tue	Ken Burns: One Nation, Many Stories				Classical Rewind (to 11:30pm)	
4 Wed	Great Performances: Rodgers & Hammerstein's 80th Anniversary				Nature: Saving the Animals of Ukraine (to 11:30pm)	
5 Thur	<i>Endeavour, Series 9 on Masterpiece (Pt 3 of 3. Exeunt)</i>				COBRA, Series 3: Rebellion (Pt 6 of 6)	
6 Fri	Washington Week with <i>The Atlantic</i>	Memory Makeover with Daniel Amen, MD			Moments to Remember (to 1am)	
7 Sat	(from 7pm) Driving While Black: Race, Space and Mobility in America				New Kids on the Block: iHeart Radio Live (to 11:30pm)	
8 Sun	<i>Sherlock on Masterpiece: The Abominable Bride</i>				John Denver's Rocky Mountain High (to 11:30pm)	
9 Mon	Get Out of Town, Season 2: Baltimore, MD	Get Out of Town, Season 2: Lancaster, PA	Get Out of Town, Season 2: Williamsburg, VA	Get Out of Town, Season 2: Snowshoe, WV	This Land Is Your Land (to 11:30pm)	
10 Tue	5 Minute Yoga with Peggy Cappy		PBS News Special: ABC Presidential Debate Simulcast			
11 Wed	NOVA: The Planets: Jupiter			Moments to Remember (to 12m)		
12 Thur	<i>Sherlock on Masterpiece: The Abominable Bride</i>				<i>Miss Scarlet and The Duke, Series 4 on Masterpiece (Pts 3 & 4 of 6) (to 12:30am)</i>	
13 Fri	Washington Week with <i>The Atlantic</i>	'70s Soul Superstars				
14 Sat	(from 7pm) WETA Viewer Favorites		Feast Your Ears: The Story of WHFS 102.3			WETA Viewer Favorites (to 11:30am)
15 Sun	Ridley, Series 2 (<i>A Sleeping Tiger, Pt 1</i>)		<i>Moonflower Murders on Masterpiece (Pt 1 of 6)</i>		<i>Van der Valk, Series 4 on Masterpiece (Pt 1 of 6. Safe in Amsterdam, Pt 1)</i>	
16 Mon	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Honolulu		Feast Your Ears: The Story of WHFS 102.3			WETA Arts
17 Tue	Finding Your Roots w/ Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Series 8 Encore: <i>Activist Roots</i>		American Masters/Voces: Julia Alvarez: A Life Reimagined			
18 Wed	Big Cats 24/7 (Pts 1 & 2 of 6)				Secrets of the Dead: Sunken Basilica	
19 Thur	Agatha Christie's <i>Sparkling Cyanide</i>				Agatha Christie: Lucy Worsley on the Mystery Queen (<i>Cat Among the Pigeons</i>)	
20 Fri	Washington Week with <i>The Atlantic</i>	The David Rubenstein Show: Peer to Peer Conversations, Series 3	Deadlock		<i>America's Test Kitchen Celebrates 25 Years</i>	
21 Sat	American Experience: LBJ (Pt 1 of 2. <i>Beautiful Texas</i>)				American Experience: LBJ (Pt 2 of 2. <i>My Fellow Americans</i>) (to 12m)	
22 Sun	Ridley, Series 2 (<i>A Sleeping Tiger, Pt 2</i>)		<i>Moonflower Murders on Masterpiece (Pt 2 of 6)</i>		<i>Van der Valk, Series 4 on Masterpiece (Pt 2 of 6. Safe in Amsterdam, Pt 2)</i>	
23 Mon	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Atlantic City, Hour 1		Crossroads: A Conversation with America (with Judy Woodruff)		Who's Afraid of Nathan Law? (to 11:30pm)	
24 Tue	Finding Your Roots w/ Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Series 8 Encore: <i>Mexican Roots</i>		Frontline: The Choice 2024			
25 Wed	Big Cats 24/7 (Pts 3 of 6)		NOVA: Einstein's Quantum Riddle		Secrets of the Dead: Jurassic Fortunes	
26 Thur	(from 7:58pm) Agatha Christie's <i>Why Didn't They Ask Evans?</i> (to 11:04pm)					
27 Fri	Washington Week with <i>The Atlantic</i>	The David Rubenstein Show: Peer to Peer Conversations, Series 3	Voces American Historia: The Untold Story of Latinos (Pt 1 of 3. <i>Echoes of Empire</i>)		37th Hispanic Heritage Awards	
28 Sat	(from 7pm) American Experience: Reagan (Pt 1 of 2. <i>Lifeguard</i>)		American Masters: Rita Moreno: Just a Girl Who Decided to Go For It			
29 Sun	Ridley, Series 2 (<i>The Hollow Tree, Pt 1</i>)		<i>Moonflower Murders on Masterpiece (Pt 3 of 6)</i>		<i>Van der Valk, Series 4 on Masterpiece (Pt 3 of 6. Hope in Amsterdam, Pt 1)</i>	
30 Mon	Antiques Roadshow: Vintage Atlantic City, Hour 2		Get Out of Town, Season 2: Middleburg, VA	WETA Arts	Independent Lens: One Person, One Vote? (to 11:30pm)	

PBS News Hour airs weeknights at 7 p.m.
PBS News Weekend airs Sat./Sun. at 6 p.m.

Amanpour and Company airs late weeknights (check listings)

TV Listings

WETA PBS in September

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WETA PBS is devoted to children's educational programming 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday. For 24 hours of children's programming each day, tune in to the WETA PBS Kids channel. See page 15 for information.

Program Key

Blue type – WETA productions, co-productions and presentations.

R – Repeat of recent programming.

HELEN WILLIAMS, PLAYGROUND ENTERTAINMENT & MASTERPIECE



Sunday, September 1 at 9:30 p.m. on WETA PBS

All Creatures Great and Small: A Season 4 Change goes behind the scenes of the *Masterpiece* series based on James Herriot's books. Above: Rachel Shenton and Nicholas Ralph star.

1 Sunday

- 6AM MEMORY MAKEOVER WITH DANIEL AMEN, MD** – See the Friday, September 6, 8:30 p.m. listing. **Rpts Wed 9/4, 3pm; Fri 9/6, 8:30pm; Tue 9/10, 11pm**
- 8AM RICK STEVES: FASCISM IN EUROPE** – With travel expert Rick Steves, explore how fascism rose and fell in Europe, tracing the ideology's history. Steves visits sites throughout Europe relating to fascism and talks to eyewitnesses. **Repeats tonight, 1:30am; Mon 9/9, 11:30pm**
- 9:30 GREAT PERFORMANCES: RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY** – See the Wednesday, September 4, 8 p.m. listing.
- 11:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – **R**
- 12N CLASSICAL REWIND** – See the Tuesday, September 3, 10 p.m. listing.
- 1:30 KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES** – See the Tuesday, September 3, 8 p.m. listing.
- 3:30 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE** – Kate Phillips and Stuart Martin star in the Victorian London mysteries. Eliza has taken over Nash & Sons and faces a looming decision about her relationship with The Duke. *Parts 1 & 2 of 6. Elysium.* Eliza and The Duke investigate a burglary in a high-end brothel whose clients include important members of the British government. *Six Feet Under.* When a close friend of Mr. Potts is murdered, Eliza finds herself investigating the macabre world of Victorian undertakers. **Repeats tonight, 11pm; Sat 9/7, 11:30am**
- 6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND** – John Yang anchors. **Repeats Monday, 7am**
- 6:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3** – The renowned Washington, D.C.-based financier, author and philanthropist explores successful leadership through interviews with influential people. *Episode 3. Lorne Michaels, Saturday Night Live creator and executive producer.*
- 7:00 MISS FISHER'S MURDER MYSTERIES, SERIES 2** – Essie Davis stars as glamorous private detective Miss Phryne Fisher, who investigates crimes in 1920s Melbourne, Australia. *Episode 5. Murder à la Mode.* When Phryne arrives for a fitting at Madame Fleuri's

exclusive fashion salon at the "Paris end" of Collins Street, she unexpectedly finds herself amidst a murder scene, and everyone present is a suspect.

- 8:00 HOTEL PORTOFINO, SERIES 3** – Natascha McElhone and Mark Umbers star. *Part 6 of 6. Masquerades.* During Claudine's perfume launch, Bella fights to get the business grant she needs. As Lucian and Constance prepare to run away, Cecil's plan to dis-pense with Danioni fails, but a shocking move by Virat brings havoc.
- 9:30 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL: A SEASON 4 CHANGE** – Go behind the scenes of Season 4 of the charming *Masterpiece* series as the war intrudes on daily life in the Yorkshire Dales in ways big and small. From rationing to divorce, pregnancy to weather forecasts, Season 4 is full of surprises. **Repeats Wed 9/4, 11:30pm; Sat 9/7, 4:30pm; Tue 9/10, 3pm**
- 11:00 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE** – *Parts 1 & 2 of 6. Elysium + Six Feet Under. R*

2 Monday

- 8AM SANTANA LIVE AT THE US FESTIVAL**
- 9AM THE ROLLING STONES: GRRR LIVE!**
- 11AM THE DOOBIE BROTHERS: 50TH ANNIVERSARY AT RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL**
- 12:30 THE WHO HITS 50! LIVE**
- 2:00 THE HIGHWAYMEN: LIVE AT NASSAU COLISEUM**
- 3:30 SIMON AND GARFUNKEL: THE CONCERT IN CENTRAL PARK**
- 5:00 AMANPOUR AND COMPANY**
- 6:00 BBC NEWS: THE CONTEXT + BBC NEWS AMERICA**
- 7:00 PBS NEWS HOUR** – Weeknights. Visit pbs.org/newshour. **Repeats next day, 7am**
- 8:00 IF YOU LIVED HERE, SEASON 3** – WETA's local house-hunting and neighborhood exploration series reprises previous episodes featuring hosts Christine Louise and John Begeny touring area communities with local realtors. *Rossllyn, VA.* In Rossllyn, with realtor Aiden Berri, the hosts explore urban living, from a ground-level condo with patio, to a two-bedroom with incredible views, to a stunning penthouse. Learn about Rossllyn's history and residential renaissance – and about nearby Arlington National Cemetery.



SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT

Monday, September 2 at 10 p.m. on WETA PBS

John Denver's Rocky Mountain High celebrates the popular musical artist and his iconic 1972 album, presenting him performing at Colorado's Red Rocks Amphitheater in a 1974 concert.



Tuesday, September 3 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS

Ken Burns: One Nation, Many Stories explores the recent work of the famed documentary filmmaker and longtime WETA production partner, spotlighting his major film projects since 2017.

8:30 IF YOU LIVED HERE, SEASON 3 – Columbia, MD. Realtor Peter Boscas takes Christine and John on a tour of Columbia, a planned community that inspires local residents with its vision for diversity and inclusion. The hosts visit a classic townhome, a contemporary property, and a newly built four-bedroom home. The episode also spotlights Merriweather Post Pavilion and shares stories of artists who performed there.

9:00 IF YOU LIVED HERE, SEASON 3 – Foggy Bottom, DC. John and Christine explore life along the Potomac River with realtor Gigi Watson. They tour an updated one-bedroom unit, followed by a two-bedroom townhouse, and then a dream renovation overlooking the river at the Watergate Complex. Also, dive into the history and activities of the Kennedy Center and the past, present and future of the Watergate.

9:30 IF YOU LIVED HERE, SEASON 3 – Rockville, MD. Together with Rockville realtor Rowena De Leon, Christine and John visit three homes in the Maryland neighborhood, from a starter condo to a dream bungalow. Along the way, the hosts explore the history of Rockville Pike and Offutt's General Store (later Hank Dietle's Tavern) – and stop by Gwenie's Pastries.

10:00 JOHN DENVER'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH – Enjoy the iconic title track and more from the musical artist's 1972 album with a 1974 concert filmed at Colorado's outdoor Red Rocks Amphitheater. The performance features Denver in his prime. **Repeats Sun 9/8, 10pm; Mon 9/9, 3pm**

11:30 YOUNG FOREVER WITH MARK HYMAN, MD – Learn dozens of science-based strategies and tips from functional medicine practitioner Dr. Mark Hyman, who offers a revolutionary, practical guide to creating and sustaining health – for life. **Repeats Wed 9/11, 3pm; Fri 9/13, 11pm**

1AM AMANPOUR AND COMPANY – Capping primetime programming each weeknight, Christiane Amanpour leads conversations with global thought leaders on contemporary issues. **Repeats next weekday, 5pm**

3 Tuesday

WEEKDAYS IN SEPTEMBER:

6AM NHK NEWSLINE

6:30AM BBC NEWS

7AM (Mondays:) PBS NEWS WEEKEND

7AM (Tuesdays-Saturdays:) PBS NEWS HOUR – R

7:30 (Mon:) WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – R

8AM-3PM WETA KIDS PROGRAMMING

5PM AMANPOUR AND COMPANY – Repeat of previous night

6PM BBC NEWS: THE CONTEXT

6:30 BBC NEWS AMERICA

7:00 PBS NEWS HOUR – Each weeknight, the WETA production presents in-depth news reports and analysis of current events with a news summary, live studio interviews and discussions of domestic and international issues. Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett anchor. Visit pbs.org/newshour. **Rpts next day, 7am**

8:00 KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES – Explore the acclaimed filmmaker and longtime WETA partner's more recent work in new interviews with Burns and his colleagues. The special program features excerpts

from Florentine Films and WETA co-productions *Country Music*, *Muhammad Ali*, *Benjamin Franklin*, *The U.S. and the Holocaust*, *The American Buffalo*, *The Vietnam War* and other films. **Repeats Thur 9/5, 3pm, 11pm; Sat 9/7, 8am, 11:30pm**

10:00 CLASSICAL REWIND – Experience the beauty and power of musical masterpieces in this joyride through the world of classical hits. Martin Goldsmith hosts, with reflections from Itzhak Perlman, Joshua Bell, Stewart Copeland of the band The Police, and others. **Repeats Sun 9/8, 7am**

11:30 GUT CHECK: HOPE FOR ULTIMATE HEALTH WITH BRENDA WATSON – Learn how to transform your health, decrease your biological age and live a life of vitality. Through research and success stories, the program demonstrates how to use dietary tools to realize true health.

4 Wednesday

8:00 GREAT PERFORMANCES: RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY – Explore the vast repertoire of musical theater pioneers Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II in a star-studded concert featuring Aaron Tveit, Patrick Wilson and others, who perform songs from shows *Carousel*, *South Pacific*, *The King and I*, *The Sound of Music* and more. **Repeats Fri 9/6, 3pm**

10:00 NATURE: SAVING THE ANIMALS OF UKRAINE – From the heart of war-torn Ukraine, see stories of survival, love, and resilience emerge beyond the battles. In this film directed by Anton Ptushkin, learn about the effects of war on animals, and meet the humans who help them.

11:30 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL: A SEASON 4 CHANGE – R

5 Thursday

8:00 ENDEAVOUR, THE FINAL SEASON ON MASTERPIECE – *Part 3 of 3. Exeunt.* In the drama's final episode, someone is placing death notices for people not yet dead. As preparations for Joan's wedding proceed, the Blenheim Vale case reaches a climax.

10:00 COBRA, SERIES 3: REBELLION – Robert Carlyle and Victoria Hamilton star. *Part 6 of 6.* Despite securing the ransom funds, Goddard's mission isn't over. Dan breaks into Archie's home, demanding Sutherland resign from his post, or he will use the weapon.

11:00 KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES – R

6 Friday

8:00 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – In WETA's weekly production, *The Atlantic* editor-in-chief Jeffrey Goldberg moderates a roundtable discussion with award-winning journalists who provide reporting and analysis of the major news stories from the nation's capital. Visit pbs.org/washingtonweek. **Repeats Sat 9/7, 6am, 6:30pm; Sun 9/8, 11:30am; Mon 9/9, 7:30am**

8:30 MEMORY MAKEOVER WITH DANIEL AMEN, MD – Psychiatrist, neuroscientist and *New York Times* bestselling author Dr. Daniel Amen explains how to supercharge memory and remember what matters most to you. **Repeats Fri 9/13, 3pm**



Wednesday, September 4 at 10 p.m. on WETA PBS

Nature: Saving the Animals of Ukraine follows efforts to rescue the animals left behind by those forced to flee war in Ukraine. Above: A stray cat peers out of a bombed-out building in Borodyanka.



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Sunday, September 8 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS
The Abominable Bride, an Emmy Award-winning episode of *Sherlock on Masterpiece*, stars Benedict Cumberbatch and Martin Freeman in a mystery set in Victorian London.

10:30 MOMENTS TO REMEMBER – Patti Page, Nick Clooney, Peter Marshall, Wink Martindale and *The Lawrence Welk Show's* Mary Lou Metzger co-host performances and celebrate archival classics from the late 1950s and early 1960s pop era. Musical artists include Frankie Laine, the Four Lads, Four Aces, Four Freshmen, Roger Williams, and the Platters – with archival performances from Rosemary Clooney, Perry Como and Nat King Cole. **Repeats Sun 9/8, noon; Wed 9/11, 9:30pm**

7 Saturday

- 6AM WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – R
- 6:30 FIRING LINE WITH MARGARET HOOVER**
- 7AM PBS NEWS HOUR** – R
- 8AM KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES** – R
- 10AM THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND** – See the Monday, Sept. 9, 10 p.m. listing.
- 11:30 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE** – Parts 1 & 2 of 6. *Elysium + Six Feet Under*. R
- 2:00 '70S SOUL SUPERSTARS** – In this reprised special, join host Patti LaBelle for an all-star reunion of the legends of 1970s Motown, R&B and Soul, including the Commodores; original lead Eugene Record reuniting with the Chi-Lites; the Stylistics; Yvonne Elliman; Heatwave; the Trammps; and the Emotions. **Repeats Fri 9/13, 8:30pm**
- 4:30 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL: A SEASON 4 CHANGE** – R
- 6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND** – John Yang anchors.
- 6:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – R
- 7:00 DRIVING WHILE BLACK: RACE, SPACE AND MOBILITY IN AMERICA** – A documentary by Gretchen Sorin and Ric Burns explores how the advent of the automobile brought new freedoms and perils for African Americans traveling in America. **Repeats tonight, 1:30am; Sun 9/8, 8:30am**
- 10:00 NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK: IHEART RADIO LIVE** – Celebrate the enduring legacy of the iconic boy band that continues to capture the hearts of millions. The concert features fan-favorite pop anthems, dance tracks and love songs, including "Step By Step" and "Cover Girl."
- 11:30 KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES** – R
- 1:30AM DRIVING WHILE BLACK: RACE, SPACE AND MOBILITY IN AMERICA** – R

8 Sunday

- 6AM AGING BACKWARDS 4: THE MIRACLE OF FLEXIBILITY**
- 7AM CLASSICAL REWIND** – R
- 8:30 DRIVING WHILE BLACK: RACE, SPACE AND MOBILITY IN AMERICA** – R
- 11:30AM WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – R
- 12N MOMENTS TO REMEMBER** – R
- 2:30 5 MINUTE YOGA FIX WITH PEGGY CAPPY**
- 3:30 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE** – Parts 3 & 4 of 6. *Origins*. The story of how it all began: It's 12 years earlier and Eliza and The Duke meet for the very first time. *The Diamond Feather*. Things are going well for Eliza until a familiar face

shows up to question her role at Nash & Sons. Meanwhile, The Duke receives an offer that brings their relationship to a crisis point. **Repeats Thur 9/12, 10pm**

- 6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND** – John Yang anchors. **Repeats Monday, 7am**
- 6:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3** – Episode 4. *Charles Schwab, Chairman & Founder, Charles Schwab*.
- 7:00 MISS FISHER'S MURDER MYSTERIES, SERIES 2** – Essie Davis stars. *Episode 6. Marked for Murder*. The captain of a local football team is found hanged before a game against the crosstown rivals, who appear to be the likely suspects.
- 8:00 SHERLOCK ON MASTERPIECE: THE ABOMINABLE BRIDE** – Benedict Cumberbatch and Martin Freeman reprise their roles as Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson in a special Emmy Award-winning episode that visits 1890s London. Mary Morstan (Amanda Abbington), Inspector Lestrade (Rupert Graves) and Mrs. Hudson (Una Stubbs) also turn up at 221b Baker Street. **Repeats Thur 9/12, 8pm**
- 10:00 JOHN DENVER'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH** – R
- 11:30 RICK STEVES' ART OF EUROPE MARATHON** – Travel expert Rick Steves presents an ambitious sweep through the entire span of European art history in six episodes. Beginning in prehistoric Europe, Egypt, and ancient Greece, Steves weaves a compelling narrative through ancient Rome, medieval Europe, the Renaissance, the Baroque period and the Age of Revolution, and the modern age. (6.5 hrs)

9 Monday

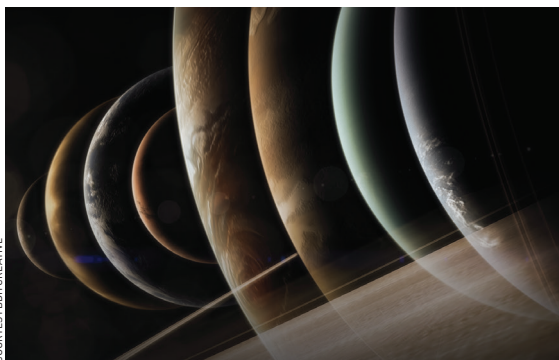
- 7:00 PBS NEWS HOUR** – Weeknights. Visit pbs.org/newshour. **Repeats next day, 7am**
- 8:00 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2** – With a new episode premiering September 30, WETA reprises Season 2 episodes of the local travel and adventure series that features mother-daughter hosts Laurita and Lauren Portee exploring destinations within a few hours travel of the Washington, D.C. area. **Baltimore, MD**. The hosts enjoy a weekend of waterfront views, cracking crabs, and trips to the National Aquarium and Fort McHenry.
- 8:30 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2** – **Lancaster, PA**. Lauren and Laurita embrace the culture of the Amish and the Pennsylvania Dutch, visiting farming communities and enjoying a different pace of life. **Repeats 9/12, 4:30pm**
- 9:00 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2** – **Williamsburg, VA**. The hosts step into history and holidays at Colonial Williamsburg and ride the rollercoasters of Busch Gardens surrounded by 10 million lights.
- 9:30 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2** – **Snowshoe, WVA**. Lauren and Laurita travel to West Virginia's winter wonderland for snow tubing, snowboarding and the ultimate in cozy lodging. **Repeats Mon 9/16, 3pm**



LANCASTER, PA; MEGAN DEMAGNIUS FOR WETA

GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2
 A WETA PRODUCTION

Monday, September 9, 8-10 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro
 WETA's local travel series *Get Out of Town* returns with new episodes starting Sept. 30, featuring mother-daughter hosts Laurita & Lauren Portee. Four previous episodes air Sept. 9.



Wednesday, September 11 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS

WETA reprises *NOVA: The Planets* episode *Jupiter*, a PBS and BBC co-production that presents research, interviews of leading scientists from space missions, and footage captured by orbiters.

10:00 THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND – The Smothers Brothers and musical artist Judy Collins host a journey through the evolution of modern American folk music. Featured acts include the Brothers Four, Glenn Yarborough, the Highwaymen, Roger McGuinn and John Sebastian.

11:30 RICK STEVES: FASCISM IN EUROPE – R

10 Tuesday

8:00 5 MINUTE YOGA FIX WITH PEGGY CAPPY – Learn how to combat the effects of aging with stretching, breath work and strength-building to maintain flexibility, balance and mobility.

9:00 PBS NEWS SPECIAL: ABC PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE SIMULCAST – PBS News simulcasts the ABC Presidential Debate between Vice President Kamala Harris and former President Donald Trump. Geoff Bennett and Amna Nawaz co-anchor special post-debate coverage that will include reporting from the News Hour team and analysis from guests.

11:00 MEMORY MAKEOVER WITH DANIEL AMEN, MD – R

11 Wednesday

8:00 NOVA: THE PLANETS: JUPITER – Jupiter's massive gravitational force made it a wrecking ball when it barreled through the early solar system. But it also shaped life on Earth, delivering comets laden with water – and perhaps even the fateful asteroid that wiped out the dinosaurs. **Repeats Thur 9/12, 3pm**

9:30 MOMENTS TO REMEMBER – See Sept. 6, 10:30 p.m. R
12M AGING BACKWARDS 4: THE MIRACLE OF FLEXIBILITY – R

12 Thursday

8:00 SHERLOCK ON MASTERPIECE: THE ABOMINABLE BRIDE – See the Sunday, Sept. 8, 8 p.m. listing. R

10:00 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE – Parts 3 & 4 of 6. *Origins + The Diamond Feather*. R
12:30AM GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 1 – St. Michaels, MD.

13 Friday

8:00 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – Jeffrey Goldberg moderates the roundtable discussion of the week's top news with award-winning journalists. Visit pbs.org/washingtonweek. **Repeats Sat 9/14, 6am, 6:30pm; Sun 9/15, 11:30am; Mon 9/16, 7:30am**

8:30 '70S SOUL SUPERSTARS – In this reprised special, join host Patti LaBelle for an all-star reunion of the legends of 1970s Motown, R&B and Soul, including the Commodores; original lead Eugene Record reuniting with the Chi-Lites; the Stylistics; Yvonne Elliman; Heatwave; the Trammps; and the Emotions. R

11:00 YOUNG FOREVER WITH MARK HYMAN, MD – R

14 Saturday

6AM-8AM See the Saturday, September 7 listings.
8AM-6PM WETA VIEWER FAVORITES

6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND – John Yang anchors.
6:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – R

7PM-9PM WETA VIEWER FAVORITES

9:00 FEAST YOUR EARS: THE STORY OF WHFS 102.3 – A documentary revisits the era of the 1960s-1980s when free-form progressive FM radio was in its heyday in the United States. Broadcasting from Bethesda, WHFS was more than just a local station – it was a keystone countercultural voice in the nation's capital and focal point for the music of the era. Hear from renowned musicians, 'HFS deejays, record label veterans, journalists, historians, fans and others as they reflect on the station, the music and the social, cultural and political upheaval of those times. **Repeats Sun 9/15, 2pm, 11pm; Mon 9/16, 9pm; Tue 9/17, 3pm**

10:30PM-6AM WETA VIEWER FAVORITES

15 Sunday

6AM-11:30AM WETA VIEWER FAVORITES

11:30AM WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – R

12N-2PM WETA VIEWER FAVORITES

2:00 FEAST YOUR EARS: THE STORY OF WHFS 102.3 – R

3:30 MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE – Parts 5 & 6 of 6. *The Calling*. Eliza and Nash are still struggling to work together when an explosive case takes them into a cutthroat industry in which people will kill to keep their secrets. *The Fugitive*. Eliza is on the trail of a fugitive who is charged with murder. She must find him before the police do or risk losing everything.

6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND – John Yang anchors. **Repeats Monday, 7am**

6:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3 – Episode 5. *Bill Gates*. **Repeats Fri 9/20, 8:30pm**

7:00 MISS FISHER'S MURDER MYSTERIES, SERIES 2 – Essie Davis stars. *Episode 7. Blood at the Wheel*. A pioneering female racing driver dies after her car is tampered with, and the race against a rival men's team looks set to be abandoned.

8:00 RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – Adrian Dunbar returns as retired police detective Alex Ridley, who is lured back to work as a consultant to probe cases with his former protégée, DI Carol Farman. *A Sleeping Tiger, Part 1*. Ridley investigates a jewelry heist that soon turns into a murder case, working with an undercover source whose cover soon risks being compromised. **Repeats 1am**

9:00 MOONFLOWER MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE – Lesley Manville and Tim McMullan star in the *Magpie Murders* sequel. Susan must uncover a murder detailed in Alan Conway's book to find a missing woman before it's too late. *Part 1 of 6*. Susan is living in Crete, when a couple asks her for help finding their missing daughter, Cecily. They believe her disappearance is connected to a murder that happened at their hotel – and an Alan Conway novel that was inspired by the case.

10:00 VAN DER VALK, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE – Van der Valk and his team return to investigate new crimes in Amsterdam. Marc Warren and Maimie McCoy star. *Part 1 of 6. Safe in Amsterdam, Part 1*. After a whistleblower



Friday, September 13 at 8:30 p.m. on WETA PBS

'70s Soul Superstars presents a historic reunion of top Soul acts of the decade, including the Commodores, the Chi-Lites and others. Above: Musical artist Patti LaBelle hosts the show and performs.

is murdered under police protection, the team is called in to make sure the second whistleblower makes it to court to testify and take down a criminal empire. Van der Valk is conflicted when he finds out the protection officer in charge of the murdered whistleblower is a former flame.

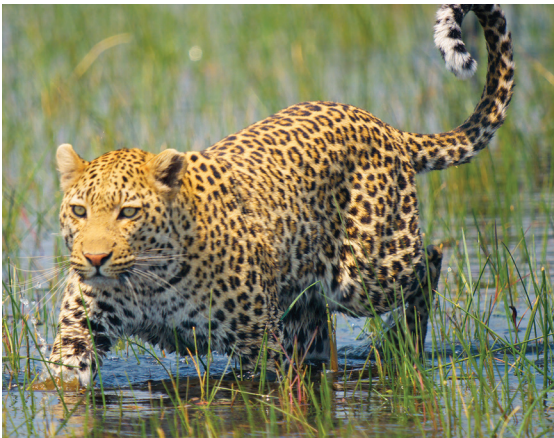
- 11:00 FEAST YOUR EARS: THE STORY OF WHFS 102.3 – R**
12:30AM A CHOCOLATE LENS – A film by Gabriel Veras chronicles local photographer Steven Cummings's journey on film through a disappearing Black Washington. His approach was simple: use the camera lens to find the power amidst the storm.
1AM RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – *A Sleeping Tiger, Part 1. R*

16 Monday

- 7:00 PBS NEWS HOUR** – Visit pbs.org/newshour. **Repeats next day, 7am**
8:00 ANTIQUES ROADSHOW: HONOLULU – See former appraisals revisited, including 19th-century Hawaiian poi pounders, a Dirk van Erp copper vase and an 1888 Joseph Nawahi oil painting. One is now worth up to \$300,000. **Repeats Fri 9/20, 3pm**
9:00 FEAST YOUR EARS: THE STORY OF WHFS 102.3 – See the Saturday, September 14, 9 p.m. listing. **Repeats Tue 9/17, 3pm**
10:30 WETA ARTS – Hosted by Felicia Curry, the Emmy Award-winning WETA series this month spotlights a radical new circus called Omnium that is designed to include all audiences, including people with disabilities; features a conversation between Curry and National Portrait Gallery director Kim Sajet about the significance of historical portraits; and explores the newly reopened Folger Shakespeare Library's exciting new wing. **Repeats Tue 9/17, 4:30pm; Sat 9/21, 7:30pm; Sun 9/22, 12:30pm; Tue 9/24, 3:30pm; Mon 9/30, 9:30pm**

17 Tuesday

- 8:00 FINDING YOUR ROOTS WITH HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR., SERIES 8** – In this WETA co-production, join Harvard scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr., as he delves into the genealogy of famous Americans. *Encore: Activist Roots.* Gates welcomes Brittany Packnett Cunningham and Anita Hill, two guests who made profound sacrifices for social justice, and helps them discover ancestors who made sacrifices for them. **Repeats Sat 9/21, midnight**
9:00 AMERICAN MASTERS/VOCES: JULIA ALVAREZ: A LIFE REIMAGINED – Explore the life and career of Julia Alvarez, one of the most influential Latina writers of her generation. Since bursting onto the American literary scene with her autobiographical novel "How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents" (1991), followed by "In the Time of the Butterflies" (1994), which raised awareness about three sisters assassinated by Dominican dictator Rafael Trujillo, Alvarez has blazed a trail into the literary mainstream for Latina authors. (2 hrs.) **Repeats Wed 9/18, 3pm; Sat 9/21, 1am; Sun 9/22, 1pm**



BBC STUDIOS

Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro
 Six-part series *Big Cats 24/7* follows lions, leopards and cheetahs in Botswana's wild Okavango Delta. The latest filming technology allows us to see these cats' lives like never before.



JENNA SCHWARTZ FOR WETA

WETA ARTS
 A WETA PRODUCTION

Monday, Sept. 16, 10:30 p.m. on WETA PBS; 9:30 p.m. WETA Metro
 Local culture series *WETA Arts* returns after a summer hiatus, this month spotlighting Omnium Circus and the National Portrait Gallery and visiting the Folger Shakespeare Library's new wing.

18 Wednesday

- 8:00 BIG CATS 24/7** – Wildlife filmmakers follow the Botswana Okavango Delta's big cats, revealing their lives. *Parts 1 & 2 of 6.* The team begins a six-month expedition following lions, leopards and cheetahs, day and night. A huge wildfire threatens both the team and the animals. Lions fight intruders, while leopards and cheetahs struggle to secure their next meal. **Repeats Thur 9/19, 3pm**
10:00 SECRETS OF THE DEAD: THE SUNKEN BASILICA – Uncover the sunken remains of a 4th-century basilica in western Turkey. Submerged beneath the waters of Lake Iznik for hundreds of years, the church could reveal crucial insights into the early days of Christianity. **Repeats Fri 9/20, 4pm**

19 Thursday

- 8:00 THRILLER THURSDAY CLASSIC EDITION: AGATHA CHRISTIE'S SPARKLING CYANIDE** – A 2003 adaptation of Agatha Christie's classic murder mystery is set in the world of wealth, politics and sport. An elderly husband and wife, actually secret agents, are brought in to investigate the murder of a powerful soccer club manager's wife at a glitzy event – and race against time to find the killer. Pauline Collins, Oliver Ford Davies, Kenneth Cranham, Susan Hampshire, Clare Holman and James Wilby star.
10:00 AGATHA CHRISTIE: LUCY WORSLEY ON THE MYSTERY QUEEN – Historian Lucy Worsley investigates author Agatha Christie and the experiences that shaped her fiction. *Cat Among the Pigeons.* Worsley explores Christie's haunted, unconventional early life to discover the origins of her talent for murder – and uncovers some carefully concealed secrets.

20 Friday

- 8:00 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – Jeffrey Goldberg moderates the roundtable discussion of the week's top news with award-winning journalists. Visit pbs.org/washingtonweek. **Repeats Sat 9/21, 6am, 6:30pm; Sun 9/22, 11:30am; Mon 9/23, 7:30am**
8:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3 – *Episode 5. Bill Gates. R*
9:00 DEADLOCK – A new special aims to facilitate civil dialogue in an era dominated by polarizing debates. Moderated by Aaron Tang, professor at UC Davis School of Law, the series features a diverse panel of influential figures from legal, political, and cultural spheres delving into complex ethical dilemmas based on real-life scenarios. A host will begin the hour, setting the tone and topic. **Repeats Wed 9/25, 4pm**
10:00 AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN CELEBRATES 25 YEARS – To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the popular public television cooking show, the *America's Test Kitchen* cast hosts a party. Bridget Lancaster, Julia Collin

Davison and the test cooks highlight the food, science, kitchen ingenuity and fun that have made the show a fan favorite for more than 600 episodes. The program rolls out its 25th season on September 21 (11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on WETA PBS). **Repeats Sat 9/21, 5pm**

21 Saturday

6AM-8AM See the Saturday, September 7 listings.

- 8AM** JOURNEYS IN JAPAN
8:30 DINING WITH THE CHEF
9AM THIS OLD HOUSE + ASK THIS OLD HOUSE
10AM HOMEMADE LIVE!
10:30 MOTORWEEK
11AM AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN FROM *COOK'S ILLUSTRATED*
 – New Season 25 episodes start September 21.
11:30 KEVIN BELTON'S NEW ORLEANS CELEBRATIONS
12N IN JULIA'S KITCHEN WITH MASTER CHEFS
12:30 CHRISTOPHER KIMBALL'S MILK STREET TELEVISION –
 New Season 8 episodes start September 21.
1:00 MY GREEK TABLE WITH DIANE KOCHILAS
1:30 LIFE OF LOI: MEDITERRANEAN SECRETS
2:00 MARY BERRY MAKES IT EASY – Starts September 21.
2:30 WEEKENDS WITH YANKEE
3:00 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 1 – Hosted by mother-daughter duo Laurita and Lauren Portee, WETA's series spotlights must-see destinations within a few hours of the D.C. area. September episodes feature Harpers Ferry, WV, and Charlottesville, VA.
3:30 AMERICA THE BOUNTIFUL
4:00 COOK'S COUNTRY FROM AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN
 – New Season 17 episodes start September 21.
4:30 AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN FROM *COOK'S ILLUSTRATED*
 – New Season 25 episodes start September 21.
5:00 AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN CELEBRATES 25 YEARS – R
6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND – John Yang anchors.
6:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH *THE ATLANTIC* – R
7:00 DEATH OF A PLEDGE: THE ADAM OAKES STORY – While a freshman at Virginia Commonwealth University, 19-year-old Adam Oakes made the decision to join a fraternity – a decision that would cost him his life. On Feb. 26, 2021, Oakes attended a fraternity event and the next morning was found dead from alcohol overdose – a result of hazing. **Repeats Sun 9/22, noon**
7:30 WETA ARTS – R
8:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: LBJ – A film by documentarian David Grubin follows the life of one of the most perplexing, astute and larger-than-life politicians in modern American history, Lyndon Baines Johnson. David McCullough narrates. *Part 1 of 2. Beautiful Texas.* See LBJ's rise from obscurity in Texas to Congress, the Senate and candidacy for VP. Big, brash, intimidating and driven by an all-consuming ambition, Johnson dominated people and institutions. Part 1 covers Johnson's life through his victory in the 1964 election.
10:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: LBJ – *Part 2 of 2. My Fellow Americans.* Spotlights are the president's energetic pursuit of the "War on Poverty" and a range of other social programs; the country's deepening involvement in Vietnam and the process by which Johnson committed more troops and dollars to the conflict; and the personal toll on the president as his popularity plummeted,



Thursday, September 19 at 8 p.m. on WETA PBS

Mystery drama *Agatha Christie's Sparkling Cyanide* (2003), set in the world of wealth, politics and sport, features a cast that includes Pauline Collins, Kenneth Cranham, Clare Holman and James Wilby.

social strife spread, and the war dragged on. **Repeats Sun 9/22, 4pm, 11pm; Mon 9/23, 3pm**

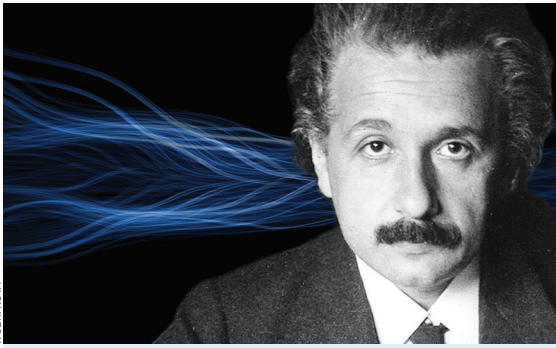
- 12M** FINDING YOUR ROOTS WITH HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR., SERIES 8 – *Encore: Activist Roots. R*
1AM AMERICAN MASTERS/VOCES: JULIA ALVAREZ: A LIFE REIMAGINED – R

22 Sunday

- 6AM-9AM** WETA KIDS PROGRAMMING
9AM WHITE HOUSE CHRONICLE
9:30 THIS IS AMERICA AND THE WORLD WITH DENNIS WHOLEY
10:00 DW EUROMAXX – LIFESTYLE EUROPE
10:30 MOTORWEEK
11:00 FIRING LINE WITH MARGARET HOOVER
11:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH *THE ATLANTIC* – R
12N DEATH OF A PLEDGE: THE ADAM OAKES STORY – R
12:30 WETA ARTS – R
1:00 AMERICAN MASTERS/VOCES JULIA ALVAREZ: A LIFE REIMAGINED – R
3:00 AMERICAN MASTERS: OROZCO: MAN OF FIRE – The life of renowned Mexican muralist José Clemente Orozco (1883-1949), filled with drama, adversity and triumph, is one of the great stories of the modern era. Despite poverty, childhood rheumatic fever that damaged his heart, and an explosion in his youth that cost him his left hand, Orozco persisted in his wish to become an artist.
4:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: LBJ – *Part 2 of 2. My Fellow Americans. R*
6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND – John Yang anchors. **Repeats Monday, 7am**
6:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3 – *Episode 6. Melinda French Gates. Repeats Fri 9/27, 8:30pm*
7:00 MISS FISHER'S MURDER MYSTERIES, SERIES 2 – *Episode 8. The Blood of Juana the Mad.* Medical students assembled for an anatomy lecture are shocked to find the cadaver they expected is actually the fresh corpse of one of their professors.
8:00 RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – Adrian Dunbar stars. *A Sleeping Tiger, Part 2.* Ridley and Farman are close to cracking their murder case. Their leads unveil connections to a stud farm, a drug dealer, and a wealthy businessman. **Repeats 1am**
9:00 MOONFLOWER MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE – Lesley Manville and Tim McMullan star. *Part 2 of 6.* At the Treherne's hotel, Susan meets Cecily's sister and husband and learns more about the hotel's former employee found guilty in the murder of Frank Parris. In Conway's novel, Pünd investigates Melissa James' murder and learns about possible suspects.
10:00 VAN DER VALK, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE – Marc Warren and Maimie McCoy star. *Part 2 of 6. Safe in Amsterdam, Part 2.* The investigation continues after a whistleblower is murdered. The team is offered the chance to work with the head of the criminal empire to find the killer. Will Van der Valk take the opportunity, or go it alone?
11:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: LBJ – *Part 2 of 2. My Fellow Americans. R*
1AM RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – *A Sleeping Tiger, Part 2. R*

23 Monday

- 7:00** PBS NEWS HOUR – Weeknights. Visit pbs.org/newshour. **Repeats next day, 7am**
8:00 ANTIQUES ROADSHOW: VINTAGE ATLANTIC CITY, HOUR 1 – 2009 Atlantic City finds reevaluated in today's market including a Walt Whitman-inscribed memorandum; 1906-1909 Buffalo Bill & Pawnee Bill posters; and an 1870 Cornelius Krieghoff oil painting. One is updated to \$150,000-\$250,000. **Repeats Fri 9/27, 3pm**
9:00 CROSSROADS: A CONVERSATION WITH AMERICA – Join Judy Woodruff and a panel of insightful guests in a town-hall-style WETA special – taped in the battleground state of Wisconsin – that explores the issues at the heart of our nation's divisions; the values that bind us together, regardless of party or politics; and ideas for restoring some civility to the public square. **Repeats Tue 9/24, 4pm; Sun 9/29, 4pm**
10:00 POV: WHO'S AFRAID OF NATHAN LAW? – At 21, he was a leader of Hong Kong's Umbrella Revolution. By 23, he became Hong Kong's youngest elected lawmaker. At 26, he was Most Wanted under the National Security Law.



WGBH/NOVA

Wednesday, September 25 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS & WETA Metro NOVA: Einstein's Quantum Riddle explores the physics theory of quantum entanglement (Einstein's "spooky action at a distance"). If real, it may revolutionize technology; *NOVA* follows an experiment.

This *POV* film offers a close look at Hong Kong's most famous dissident to uncover what happens to freedom when authoritarian power goes unchecked. (90 min.)

24 Tuesday

- 8:00 FINDING YOUR ROOTS WITH HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR., SERIES 8** – In this WETA co-production, join Harvard scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr., as he delves into the genealogy of famous Americans. *Encore: Mexican Roots*. Gates and guests Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor look at the Mexican American experience as seen through the lens of two families. **Repeats Sat 9/28, 1am**
- 9:00 FRONTLINE: THE CHOICE 2024** – As American voters face the upcoming presidential election, *Frontline* presents a deep examination of the candidates in the newest installment of its landmark series, *The Choice*. Drawing on extensive interviews with those who best know the candidates, *The Choice 2024* investigates the life experiences, decisions, and times that forged the candidates and shaped how they could lead the country. (2 hrs.) **Repeats Sat 9/28, 11pm; Sun 9/29, noon**

25 Wednesday

- 8:00 BIG CATS 24/7** – Wildlife filmmakers follow the Botswana Okavango Delta's big cats. *Part 3 of 6*. A fight with intruders leaves the lion pride males injured and the mothers with cubs vulnerable to attack. Xudum, the female leopard, takes risks to find a mate. **Repeats Thur 9/26, 3pm**
- 9:00 NOVA: EINSTEIN'S QUANTUM RIDDLE** – Quantum entanglement is poised to revolutionize technology from networks to codebreaking, but first we need to know it's real. Join physicists as they capture light from across the universe in a bid to prove Einstein's "spooky action at a distance." **Repeats Thur 9/26, 4pm**
- 10:00 SECRETS OF THE DEAD: JURASSIC FORTUNES** – Discover the world of dinosaur fossil collecting. Hear perspectives on the controversial hobby from private collectors, paleontologists and others as Big John – the largest Triceratops fossil ever found – is assembled in Italy and auctioned in France. **Repeats Fri 9/27, 4pm**

26 Thursday

- 7:58 THRILLER THURSDAY CLASSIC EDITION: AGATHA CHRISTIE'S WHY DIDN'T THEY ASK EVANS?** – A 1980 adaptation of Agatha Christie's classic presents a tale of murder, suspense, intrigue and false identities, in which Bobby Jones (James Warwick) and Lady Frankie

Derwent (Francesca Annis) probe the mystery of a dying man's last words. Sir John Gielgud and Eric Porter also co-star. (to 11:04pm)

27 Friday

- 8:00 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – Jeffrey Goldberg moderates the roundtable discussion of the week's top news with award-winning journalists. Visit pbs.org/washingtonweek. **Repeats Sat 9/28, 6am, 6:30pm; Sun 9/29, 11:30am; Mon 9/30, 7:30am**
- 8:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3** – *Episode 6. Melinda French Gates. R*
- 9:00 VOCES AMERICAN HISTORIA: THE UNTOLD HISTORY OF LATINOS** – Actor/playwright John Leguizamo travels throughout Mexico and the U.S. to uncover Latino and Latina heroes and their often overlooked contributions, from the grand ancient empires to the present. *Part 1 of 3. Echoes of Empire*. Join Leguizamo as he examines the rise and legacy of the great empires and civilizations in Mexico, South America and the Caribbean: the Taino, Olmec, Inca, Maya, Aztec and more. **Repeats Mon 9/30, 3pm**
- 10:00 37TH HISPANIC HERITAGE AWARDS** – Celebrate the recipients of the 37th annual Hispanic Heritage Awards. The evening commemorating Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15) includes performances and appearances by some of the country's most celebrated Hispanic artists and visionaries. **Repeats Mon 9/30, 4pm**

28 Saturday

- 6AM-5PM See the Saturday, September 21 listings.**
- 5:00 PATI'S MEXICAN TABLE** – New Season 13 episodes start September 28.
- 5:30 LIVE FROM THE LBJ LIBRARY WITH MARK UPDEGROVE** – An interview series features thought leaders speaking about contemporary issues. *Episode 7. Julian Zelizer*. The professor of history and public affairs at Princeton University and CNN political analyst puts the challenges we face as a nation today into historical context.
- 6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND** – John Yang anchors.
- 6:30 WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC** – **R**
- 7:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: REAGAN** – Recall the life of the man who saw himself as the defender of the "shining city on a hill" and became one of the most popular presidents of the 20th century – and one of the most controversial. *Part 1 of 2. Lifeguard*. Follow Reagan's path from his youth in the American heartland to the triumph of his "revolution" in 1981. Reagan was a



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Saturday, September 28 at 9 p.m. on WETA PBS
American Masters: Rita Moreno: Just a Girl Who Decided to Go For It, airing as part of WETA's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, follows the life and career of the iconic, trailblazing performer.

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9:00 AMERICAN MASTERS: RITA MORENO: JUST A GIRL WHO DECIDED TO GO FOR IT – Explore the trailblazing life and 70-year career of the iconic Latina actor, performer and activist with interviews along with clips of her iconic roles. Discover how Moreno defied her humble upbringing and racism to become one of a select group of Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony Award winners. Repeats Sun 9/29, 11pm

11:00 FRONTLINE: THE CHOICE 2024 – R

1AM FINDING YOUR ROOTS WITH HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR., SERIES 8 – *Encore: Mexican Roots.* R

29 Sunday

6AM-11:30AM See the Sunday, September 22 listings.

11:30AM WASHINGTON WEEK WITH THE ATLANTIC – R

12N FRONTLINE: THE CHOICE 2024 – R

2:00 AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: REAGAN – Part 1 of 2. *Life-guard.* R

4:00 CROSSROADS: A CONVERSATION WITH AMERICA – See the Monday, September 23, 9 p.m. listing. R

5:00 COUNTING THE VOTE: A FIRING LINE SPECIAL WITH MARGARET HOOVER – Margaret Hoover embarks on a journey to explore voting systems across the United States. She examines methods to increase voter confidence and spotlights states that face challenges in their vote count processes as the 2024 election approaches.

6:00 PBS NEWS WEEKEND – John Yang anchors. Repeats Monday, 7am

6:30 THE DAVID RUBENSTEIN SHOW: PEER TO PEER CONVERSATIONS, SEASON 3 – Episode 7. *Aliko Dangote, Dangote Industries CEO.*

7:00 MISS FISHER'S MURDER MYSTERIES, SERIES 2 – Episode 9. *Framed for Murder.* The on-set death of the leading man jeopardizes the future of *The Bride of Babylon*, an Australian silent movie trying to fend off competition from Hollywood.

8:00 RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – *The Hollow Tree, Part 1.* When a body is found in the woods, Ridley unearths a connection to a cold case. He brings disgraced ex-cop Jean Dixon back to investigate. Repeats 1am

9:00 MOONFLOWER MURDERS ON MASTERPIECE – Part 3 of 6. In London, Susan investigates what Alan Conway knew about the Frank Parris murder, but DS Locke warns her to stay away from the case. In Conway's novel, a Ponzi scheme and an affair are possible motives for the murder of Melissa James.

10:00 VAN DER VALK, SERIES 4 ON MASTERPIECE – Part 3 of 6. *Hope in Amsterdam, Part 1.* The team is called in when an environmental campaigner is murdered on the eve of a global conference. One of several potential suspects would appear to be Cobie Stegenga, a famous singer who went missing, presumed dead.

11:00 AMERICAN MASTERS: RITA MORENO: JUST A GIRL WHO DECIDED TO GO FOR IT – R

1AM RIDLEY, SERIES 2 – *The Hollow Tree, Part 1.* R

30 Monday

7:00 PBS NEWS HOUR – Weeknights. Visit pbs.org/newshour. Repeats next day, 7am

8:00 ANTIQUES ROADSHOW: VINTAGE ATLANTIC CITY, HOUR 2 – Revisit Atlantic City treasures, including a Pablo Picasso lithograph & ceramic plate; a Louis XVI-style chandelier, ca. 1965; and a George Bellows oil painting, ca. 1913. One is now valued at \$150,000.

9:00 GET OUT OF TOWN, SEASON 2: MIDDLEBURG, VA – In the first of four new Season 2 episodes, WETA's local travel and adventure series visits Middleburg, Virginia, the "Nation's Horse and Hunt Capital." Mother-daughter hosts Laurita and Lauren Portee experience the excitement of Middleburg's Spring Races, learn about the art of wine blending, and taste fresh local seafood.

9:30 WETA ARTS – R

10:00 INDEPENDENT LENS: ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE? – At a time when many Americans question democratic institutions, this program examines the complexities of the Electoral College, the uniquely American (and often misunderstood) mechanism for electing a president. The documentary follows four presidential electors representing different parties in Colorado during the intense 2020 election. (90 min.)

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The WETA PBS Kids channel offers a safe haven for young viewers, presenting educational programming 24 hours each day, seven days a week.

WEEKDAYS ON WETA PBS KIDS

- Clifford the Big Red Dog, 6am
- Dinosaur Train, 6:30am
- Pinkalicious & Peterrific, 7am
- Sesame Street: Mecha Builders, 7:30am
- Sesame Street, 8am, 8:30am
- Work It Out Wombats!, 9am, 9:30am
- Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood, 10am, 10:30am
- Curious George, 11am, 11:30am
- Donkey Hodie, 12n, 12:30pm
- Elinor Wonders Why, 1pm
- Rosie's Rules, 1:30pm, 2pm
- Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum, 2:30pm
- Alma's Way, 3pm, 3:30pm
- Lyla in the Loop, 4pm
- Nature Cat, 4:30pm
- Arthur, 5pm
- Odd Squad, 5:30pm
- Wild Kratts, 6pm, 6:30pm
- Lyla in the Loop, 7pm
- Molly of Denali, 7:30pm, 8pm
- Hero Elementary, 8:30pm
- Cyberchase, 9pm
- Let's Go Luna! 9:30pm
- Rosie's Rules, 10pm
- Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum, 10:30pm
- Alma's Way, 11pm, 11:30pm

Visit weta.org/schedule for complete WETA PBS Kids listings.

WEEKDAYS ON WETA PBS, 8 AM – 3 PM

- Lyla in the Loop, 8am
- Wild Kratts, 8:30am
- Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood, 9am
- Rosie's Rules, 9:30am
- Sesame Street, 10am
- Work It Out Wombats!, 10:30am
- Donkey Hodie, 11am
- Pinkalicious & Peterrific, 11:30am
- Elinor Wonders Why, 12n
- Nature Cat, 12:30pm
- Curious George, 1pm
- Xavier Riddle & the Secret Museum, 1:30pm
- Molly of Denali, 2pm
- Alma's Way, 2:30pm

SUNDAYS ON WETA PBS, 6 AM – 9 AM

- Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, 6am
- Arthur, 6:30am
- Molly of Denali, 7am
- Alma's Way, 7:30am
- Lyla in the Loop, 8am
- Wild Kratts, 8:30am

British Television at Its Best

The WETA UK channel is devoted to the best in British television programming, presenting beloved classics and contemporary series around the clock, seven days a week. WETA UK offers a full schedule of fine entertainment programming – featuring drama, mystery and comedy – in addition to documentary series and news reports.

SEPTEMBER P.M. PROGRAMMING ON WETA UK

VISIT WETA.ORG/SCHEDULE FOR A PROGRAM LINEUP

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12pm	Agatha Christie's Partners in Crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9/2, 7:00am-5pm: Miss Scarlet and The Duke, Series 4 Marathon • Noon: Call the Midwife, Series 13 to 9/13; then Series 10 to 9/25; then Series 11 • 1pm: Royal Flying Doctor Service, Series 1 & 2 to 9/20; then World on Fire, Series 1 on Masterpiece starts 9/23 	Call the Midwife, Series 13 to 9/13; then Series 10 to 9/25; then Series 11				(10am) A. Christie (Seven Dials/Ask Evans/Sparkling Cyanide); 9/28: Vicar of Dibley
12:30pm			Royal Flying Doctor Service, Series 1 & 2 to 9/20; then World on Fire, Series 1 on Masterpiece starts 9/23				
1pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grantchester, Series 7; Inside the Mind of A. Christie (9/22); Vicar of Dibley (9/29) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1pm: Royal Flying Doctor Service, Series 1 & 2 to 9/20; then World on Fire, Series 1 on Masterpiece starts 9/23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madame Blanc Mysteries • Shakespeare & Hath. Series 4 (as of 9/10) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COBRA, Series 3 • Margaret: Rebel Princess (9/18-9/25) 	Sister Boniface Mysteries, Series 2	The Good Karma Hospital (starts 9/6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madame Blanc Mysteries • Shakespeare & Hath. Series 4 (starts 9/14)
1:30pm							
2pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Indian Doctor, Series 1 (Series 2 starts 9/8) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2pm: The Good Karma Hospital • 3pm: Doc Martin, Series 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries, Series 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss Friman's War 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agatha Christie's Partners in Crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doc Martin, Series 9 (starts 9/6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries, Series 2
2:30pm							
3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ridley, Series 1 • In Their Own Words: Queen Elizabeth II (9/29) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4pm: The Indian Doctor, Series 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Fisher's Modern Murder Mysteries, Series 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School of Champions • The Paris Murders, Series 1 (starts 9/11) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Indian Doctor, Series 2 • Shakespeare & Hath. Series 4 (as of 9/12) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Indian Doctor, Series 2 (starts 9/6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Fisher's Modern Murder Mysteries, Series 2
3:30pm							
4pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baptiste, Series 1; Margaret: Rebel Princess (9/15-9/22); Own Words: Diana (9/29) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context • BBC News America 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foyle's War, Series 4 & 5 (90 min.) • Endeavour, Series 8 (2 hrs; as of 9/28)
4:30pm							
5pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foyle's War, Series 4; • Endeavour, Series 8 (9/29, 4:57pm-6:36pm) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still Open All Hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBC News: The Context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foyle's War, Series 4 & 5 (90 min.) • Endeavour, Series 8 (2 hrs; as of 9/28)
5:30pm							
6pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Time Goes By 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Time Goes By 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Time Goes By 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Time Goes By 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Time Goes By 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30pm: Ridley (through 9/21) • 9/7, 7:30pm: Baptiste, Series 1 • 9/14-9/21, 7:30pm: Adrian Dunbar: My Ireland • 9/28, 7pm: Maggie Murders
6:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30pm: Sister Boniface Mysteries, Series 2 • 9/29, starting 7pm: Maggie Murders on Masterpiece • 7:30pm through 9/22: Twenty Twelve (6:36pm on 9/29) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Antiques Road Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Antiques Road Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Antiques Road Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Antiques Road Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrity Antiques Road Trip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30pm: Ridley (through 9/21) • 9/7, 7:30pm: Baptiste, Series 1 • 9/14-9/21, 7:30pm: Adrian Dunbar: My Ireland • 9/28, 7pm: Maggie Murders
7pm							
7:30pm							
8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9/1, 8-11pm: Treasures with Bettany Hughes, Series 1 • 9/8-9/29, 8pm: The Good Karma Hospital • 9/8-9/29, 9pm: Doc Martin, Series 9 • 9/8-9/29, 10pm: The Indian Doctor, Series 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Madame Blanc Mysteries • Shakespeare & Hath. Series 4 (as of 9/9) • Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries, Series 2 • Ms. Fisher's Modern Murder Mysteries, Series 2 (starts 9/2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign Favourites • 8pm: Miss Friman's War • 9pm: School of Champions • 9pm: The Paris Murders, Series 1 (starts 9/10) • 10pm: Sisi: Austrian Empress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sister Boniface Mysteries, Series 2 • Vicar of Dibley, Series 1 (starts 9/25) • Agatha Christie's Partners in Crime • Agatha Christie's Poirot, Series 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Good Karma Hospital (starts 9/5) • Doc Martin, Series 9 (starts 9/5) • The Indian Doctor, Series 2 (starts 9/5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masterworks Showcase • 8pm: Foyle's War, Series 4 & 5 • 8pm as of 9/27: Endeavour, Series 8 on Masterpiece (2 hrs) • 9:30pm: Ridley, Ser. 1 (through 9/20) • 10:30pm: Baptiste, Series 1 on Masterpiece (through 9/6) • 10:30pm 9/13-9/20: BBC Antiques Roadshow • 10pm as of 9/27: Maggie Murders on Masterpiece 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries, Series 2 • Agatha Christie's Partners in Crime • BBC Antiques Roadshow • Shakespeare & Hath. Series 4 (as of 9/14)
8:30pm							
9pm							
9:30pm							
10pm							
10:30pm							
11pm	Still Open All Hours	BBC News	BBC News	BBC News	BBC News	BBC News (as of 9/13)	Twenty Twelve (through 9/7)
11:30pm		[See 8pm]	Miss Friman's War	[See 8pm]	[See 8pm]	[See 8pm]	Still Open All Hours
	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

WETA UK Highlights

The Good Karma Hospital

Thursdays at 8 p.m.
starting Sept. 5 on WETA UK

A six-part series set in a coastal town in tropical South India tells the story of junior doctor Ruby Walker, who arrives in India looking for a job and a distraction from her heartbreak. She anticipates the sunshine, the palm trees and picture-perfect beaches; what she doesn't expect are the realities of work, life and even love at an under-resourced and overworked cottage hospital. Run by eccentric Dr. Lydia Fonseca, the Good Karma Hospital is the heart of the local community. Held together by a team of British and Indian medics, the institution turns no one away. The life-affirming contemporary series' cast includes Amanda Redman (*New Tricks*); Neil Morrissey (*Line of Duty*); Philip Jackson (*Poirot*); and Phyllis Logan (*Downton Abbey*).



CHRIS BURGESS

Shakespeare & Hathaway, Private Investigators, Series 4

Mondays at 8 p.m. starting Sept. 9 on WETA UK

The oddball, oddly matched Stratford-upon-Avon-based sleuths Luella Shakespeare and Frank Hathaway — portrayed by Jo Joyner and Mark Benton — return in an encore airing of Series 4 of the British mystery series. From suspected ghosts to the passions and rivalries of ballroom dancing and a plot to sabotage Christmas, it's business as usual for the debt-laden ex-policeman and his much-more-credible partner in crime. In the ten Series 4 episodes, Lu joins a diet club, and Frank finds himself on the wrong side of the law, accused of murder. Meanwhile, the set of characters is as colorful as always, from a drowned ex-Miss Stratford-upon-Avon named Ophelia to an author murdered with his own Samurai sword.



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The Vicar of Dibley

Wednesdays at 8 p.m. starting Sept. 25 on WETA UK

WETA reprises the popular British sitcom spotlighting a community's remarkable new vicar, portrayed by comedian Dawn French. The series, written for French as protagonist, was created by screenwriter/director Richard Curtis (*Four Weddings and a Funeral*, *Bridget Jones's Diary*, *Notting Hill*, *Love Actually*, *Blackadder* and *Mr. Bean*). Emma Chambers stars as the vicar's assistant, Alice. Set in a fictional Oxfordshire village, the storyline follows the vicar, newly assigned after the 1992 changes in the Church of England that permitted the ordination of women. The tiny congregation reacts to the vicar's arrival with a mixture of wonder and horror as Rev. Geraldine Granger steps full of optimism into Dibley's quaint world.



BBC

Also this month: *A Miss Scarlet and The Duke, Series 4* marathon airs Sept. 2, 7 a.m.; *Doc Martin, Series 9* (penultimate season), airs Sundays at 9 p.m. starting Sept. 8; *The Paris Murders, Series 1* airs Tuesdays at 9 p.m. starting Sept. 10; and *Endeavour, Series 8 on Masterpiece* airs Fridays at 8 p.m. starting Sept. 27.

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FILM STILL/SAM GEORGE

Out to Vote

Monday, Sept. 23 at 8 p.m. on WETA Metro

When has an individual convicted of a felony fully repaid their debt to society? When should they be welcomed back into the fabric of civic life as a contributing and engaged citizen? In a documentary film by Samuel George of the Bertelsmann Foundation (*Go-Go City: Displacement and Protest in Washington, D.C.*), after winning a fight to restore voting rights for formerly incarcerated people on parole or probation, returning citizens Bobby Perkins, Nicole Hanson-

Mundell and Monica Cooper become leaders for democracy and voting advocacy in their community, going all-in to get out the vote in Baltimore, Maryland in the run-up to the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election.



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Prince George's Film Festival Selects

Monday, Sept. 23 at 8:30 p.m. on WETA Metro

The Prince George's Film Festival is the premier event for new film works from up-and-coming and established independent filmmakers with diverse voices. In partnership with WETA Metro, *Prince George's Film Festival Selects* highlights two exceptional short films from the festival: In the whimsical *Crown*, from filmmaker Nofisat Almaroof, an aspiring ballet dancer struggles to tame her hair into submission as she embarks on the

most important audition of her life. In the animated short *Agwe*, created by Ina Sotirova, a young priestess on a Caribbean island must overcome her insecurities, defy tradition and step into her power to save her people from looming danger. The Prince George's Film Festival runs September 26-29 this year.



CAESAR (ANDONIS ANTHONY); PHOTO: LAURENCE GENDROWICZ, BBC

Julius Caesar: The Making of a Dictator

Tuesday, Sept. 3, 8-11 p.m. on WETA Metro

A BBC-produced historical docudrama explores Roman emperor Julius Caesar's rise to power and the destruction of Roman democracy, illuminating how the nearly five-centuries-old Roman polity was overthrown in just 16 years. Spotlighting a brazen power grab that saw Caesar consolidate control over the vast Roman Republic, the story is told through the eyes of expert British and American historians and scholars. Illustrated with dramatic moments, the miniseries unfolds like a political thriller, with complex power dynamics playing out for high stakes.

The WETA World channel is a 24/7 news and public affairs service devoted to fact-based nonfiction programming, sharing broad perspectives, stories and ideas. WETA World informs and educates, presenting award-winning documentaries and domestic and international news broadcasts. The channel features a slate of original programs that examine issues with a diversity of voices and illuminate conflicts, movements and cultures around the globe.

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Local, USA: Silence in Sikeston + Segregation Scholarships

Monday, Sept. 16 at 8 & 9 p.m. on WETA World

Local USA, the series featuring stories curated around a single theme, presents two new programs on September 16. Hour-long film *Silence in Sikeston* (8 p.m.), exploring history, trauma, silence and resilience, follows the story of how a 1942 lynching continues to haunt a small Missouri city. In 2020, the past reverberates in the police killing of a young Black father. Then, *Segregation Scholarships* (right, 9 p.m.) examines the role of education in transforming social conditions, spotlighting Black Americans who pursued higher education in the North when Southern graduate schools were white-only. Leaving during the Great Migration, the academics returned to the Jim Crow South to strengthen their communities.



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POV: Name Me Lawand

Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 8:30 p.m. on WETA World

An acclaimed *POV* film spotlights Lawand, a young Kurdish boy deaf since birth — and his transformative journey to learn to communicate. With the youngster facing a bleak future in Iraq, his family decides to leave their home and seeks a fresh start in the UK. After a year in a refugee camp, the help of a deaf volunteer brings the family to Derby, home to the Royal School for the Deaf. There, Lawand learns British Sign Language (BSL) and discovers a way to communicate. As he thrives, his family faces deportation, challenging their stability. *Name Me Lawand* is a love letter to the power of friendship and community.



COURTESY POV

Independent Lens: A Thousand Pines

Monday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. on WETA World

Airing as part of WETA's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, this *Independent Lens* documentary follows Raymundo Morales and his crew of 12 Oaxacan guest workers as they labor planting trees throughout the United States over the course of a grueling eight months. This award-winning intimate portrait shows how hard it is to balance the physical demands of reforestation and the job's extreme isolation, as the men try to remain connected to the life they are providing for back home. As the season progresses, they become a small family, cooking and caring for each other to endure the punishing work.



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COURTESY THE ARTIST

Sam Post

Local Pianist/Composer Sam Post on *Front Row Washington*

Monday, September 2 at 9 p.m.

Front Row Washington showcases live-concert recordings from the Washington area and features some of the most prominent names in classical music today. After a summer hiatus, the program returns on September 2 with a concert featuring local pianist and composer Sam Post. In an April 2024 performance from the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Bethesda, Maryland, Post is joined by others in presenting his own music, in addition to works by Robert Schumann and Bernard Vallandingham. You can learn more about this program and other upcoming performances on the *Front Row Washington* page at wetaclassical.org. The broadcast airs each Monday night at 9 p.m. on WETA Classical.

Choral Showcase Spotlights Bruckner

Sundays in September at 9 p.m.

WETA Classical's *Choral Showcase* celebrates Bruckner 200 this month, the bicentennial of Austrian composer Anton Bruckner's birth. A devout Catholic, Bruckner composed quite a bit of choral music, some of which we'll hear in conjunction with works from other composers. On Sept. 1, his Mass No. 2 will be paired with one that inspired it, Palestrina's *Missa Brevis*. Bruckner's early *Requiem* in d minor will be coupled with Fauré's *Requiem* on Sept. 8; and on Sept. 15, another rare Bruckner work, the *Missa Solemnis*, will be heard with Mozart's own *Missa Solemnis*, the "Coronation Mass." Bruckner's motets — and some of Bach's — will be featured on Sept. 22, and we conclude our celebration on Sept. 29 with *Te Deum*, presenting Bruckner's masterwork along with those of Haydn and Dvořák.



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The Queen of Spades

The Queen of Spades on Opera Matinee

Saturday, September 21 at 1 p.m.

This month on *Opera Matinee*, Tchaikovsky's opera *The Queen of Spades*, considered the composer's greatest work in the genre, navigates the dark and obsessive tale of a man caught in a web of desire, gambling and the supernatural. This recorded performance from Bavarian State Opera airs September 21, stars Brandon Jovanovich, and is led by Aziz Shokhakimov. Additional operas this month are Mozart's *Idomeneo* (Sept. 7) from the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, with Andrew Staples in the title role and Sir Simon Rattle conducting; Puccini's *Tosca* (Sept. 14) from the Bavarian State Opera, with Eleonora Buratto and conducted by Andrea Battistoni; and a Listener's Choice opera selection on September 28. Tune in to *Opera Matinee* each Saturday afternoon on WETA Classical.

Classical for Washington

The Bruckner Problem(s)

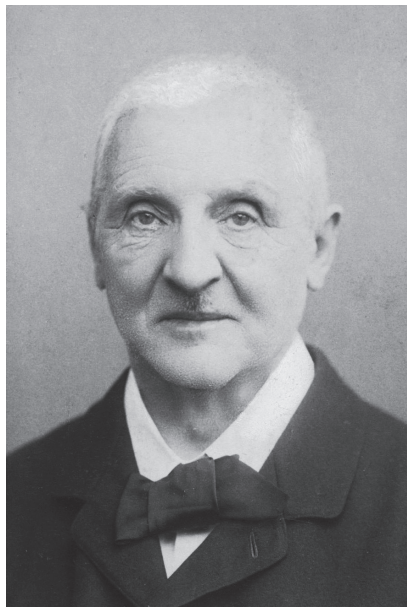
By Evan Keely, WETA Classical On-Air Host

Austrian composer Anton Bruckner (1824-1896), whose 200th birthday falls on September 4, was by any account a singular figure. A passionately devoted Roman Catholic who knelt in prayer when he heard church bells in the distance, and who cut his teeth as an organist during an adolescence spent at a monastery, he had a habit of counting windows and bricks on buildings, and a bizarre fascination with corpses. He was an awkward, lonesome figure who once gratefully tipped a prominent conductor with a coin. (The maestro proudly wore Bruckner's quirky gift on his watch chain thereafter.)

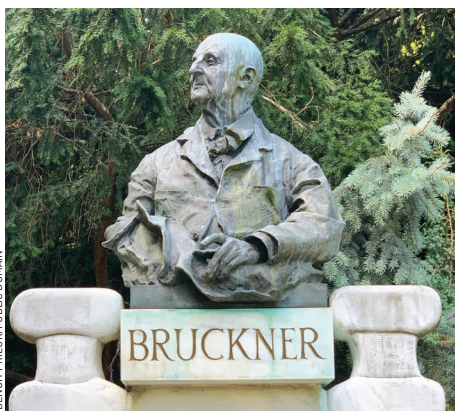
And then there's what musicologists call the "Bruckner Problem": he continually revised his symphonies, so for each of them there are multiple, often profoundly different versions. With any Bruckner symphony, a conductor or classical radio programmer must first decide: which version?

Choral music by Bruckner can be heard on WETA VivaLaVoce, but WETA Classical doesn't often share the composer's symphonies with our audience. On a practical level, their awesome length makes them difficult to program, but another "problem" besides their massive scope is their complexity. Bruckner's music is characterized by a use of repetition that borders on the compulsive, coupled with a wild harmonic adventurousness that stretches the boundaries of tonality. An hour or more of absolute music played by a huge orchestra is something quite different from what most composers are writing today. For instance, just the third movement of his Symphony No. 8 is half an hour long. Yet that movement is so achingly, poignantly beautiful that one almost wonders how a finale could succeed it. But the finale sounds a note of teeth-baring defiance, a quartet of Wagner tubas and a trio of harps joining in with 15 other brass instruments, triple woodwinds, strings and percussion to usher in a final victory paradoxically pyrrhic and laurel-crowned.

Bruckner was relentlessly demanding of himself, and he makes similarly stringent demands upon us. He wrote music that is an affirmation of life and truth: bold declarations of courage, of perseverance, of an almost superhuman invincibility — and yet what makes his music truly compelling, thrilling, and even breathtaking is how anguish, despair and terror blend with the heroic. Bruckner infused an incarnational dimension into his sound-world, the divine comedy of life and death made flesh in Romanesque pillars of rhythm and harmony. Join WETA Classical as we explore Anton Bruckner's rich legacy this month.



Anton Bruckner, 1890



Bruckner monument, Vienna

More from WETA Classical on Bruckner 200

Visit WETA Classical's blog [ClassicalScore.org](https://www.classicalscore.org) to learn about all of WETA Classical's Bruckner 200 celebrations. On the *Classical Breakdown* podcast, which returns for Season 6 this month, a new episode available September 3 takes a deep dive into Bruckner's *Symphony No. 4* "Romantic." John Banther and Evan Keely share what to listen for, discuss the "Bruckner problem," and enjoy an exciting and complete recording. Visit [ClassicalBreakdown.org](https://www.classicalbreakdown.org).

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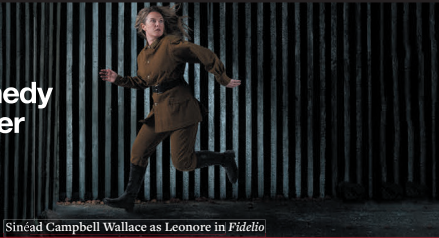
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