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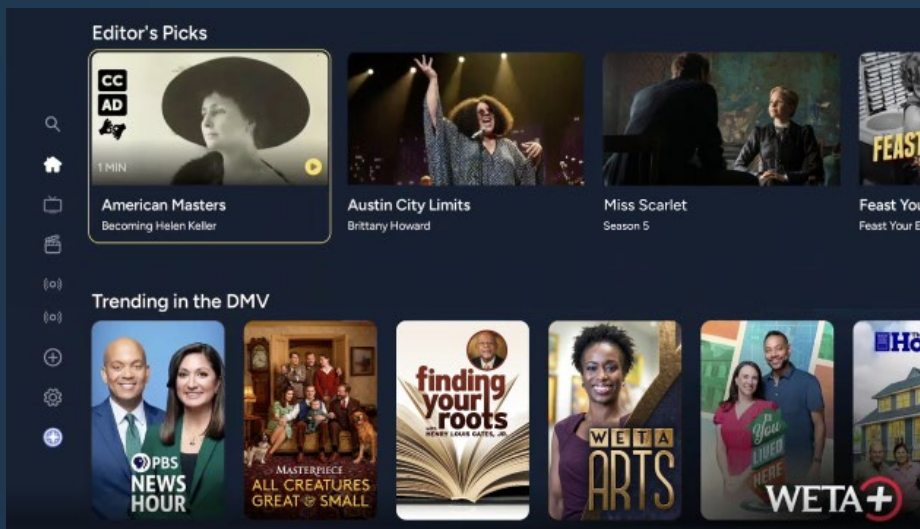
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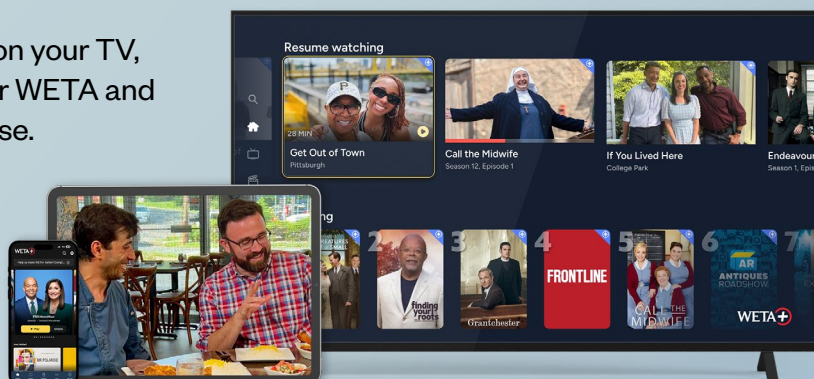
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Weekdays

9:30 AM ROSIE'S RULES

WETA PBS

Follow the adventures of Rosie Fuentes, an inquisitive and hilarious five-year-old girl just starting to learn about the “wow-mazing” world around her. And she is ready to learn it all by figuring it out herself.

Repeats weekdays, 1:30pm, 2pm on WETA PBS Kids

12:30 PM ALMA'S WAY

WETA PBS

This engaging, modern-day animated series for children ages four to six is about a Puerto Rican girl living in the Bronx with her family. Six-year-old Alma Rivera shares her observations and feelings while offering a window into her everyday life.

Repeats weekdays, 3:30pm on WETA PBS Kids

Sunday, September 14

12:00 PM VOCES AMERICAN HISTORIA: THE UNTOLD STORY OF LATINOS

WETA PBS

Episode 1. Echoes of Empires. Join host John Leguizamo as he examines the accomplishments and rise of the Great Empires and civilizations from the Taino to the Olmec, Inca, Maya, Aztec, and more.

Wednesday, September 17

7:00 PM INDEPENDENT LENS: EL EQUIPO

WETA World

The film chronicles legendary U.S. anthropologist Dr. Clyde Snow as he sets out to train a new group of Latin American students in the use of forensic anthropology. Their goal is to investigate disappearances in Argentina during the “dirty war.” The group expands its horizons, traveling to El Salvador, Bolivia, and Mexico, doggedly working behind the scenes to establish the facts for the families of the victims.

Thursday, September 18

7:00 PM FLAMENCO: THE LAND IS STILL FERTILE

WETA World

Narrated by flamenco singer Antonio de la Malena, the film explores the origin of flamenco dancing and whether it can survive in the modern world.

8:00 PM AMERICA REFRAMED: LA MANPLESA: AN UPRISING REMEMBERED

WETA World

People took to the streets of Washington, D.C.'s Mount Pleasant neighborhood to protest the police shooting of a young Salvadoran man, Daniel Gomez, on May 5, 1991. Through testimony, song, poetry, and street theater, this film weaves together the collective memory of one of D.C.'s first barrios and dives into the roots of the '91 rebellion.

Thursday, September 18

9:00 PM PROFE

WETA World

In Minnesota, the Latine community burgeons amidst a vast opportunity gap. Two charter schools, rooted in decades of struggle, champion equity through decolonized, bilingual education. The film delves into this educational revolution, blending history and contemporary narratives to illuminate its profound impact.

10:00 PM BECOMING FRIDA KAHLO

WETA Metro

Explore the life of celebrated artist Frida Kahlo in a three-part docuseries. *Part 2 of 3. Love and Loss.* Now married and living in Depression-era America, Kahlo sees the dark side of capitalism, while political scandal engulfs Rivera. Miscarriage and bereavement propel Kahlo to her most significant work yet.

Repeats Sat 10/4, 7pm on WETA PBS

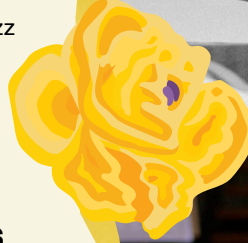


Saturday, September 20

9:00 PM VOCES: MAMBO LEGENDS: THE MUSIC NEVER ENDS

WETA World

This musical documentary follows The Mambo Legends Orchestra, some of whom are former members of the legendary Tito Puente Orchestra. The film traces the cultural significance of Afro-Cuban jazz—a fusion of the big band sound of the jazz era with Cuban music created in New York City in the 1940s.



Sunday, September 21

12:00 PM VOCES AMERICAN HISTORIA: THE UNTOLD STORY OF LATINOS

WETA PBS

Episode 2. Threads in the American Tapestry. Explore how Latino DNA was woven into the identity of the United States before its inception and has been pivotal all along the way. Host John Leguizamo looks back at Pre-Colonial North America, the American Revolutionary War, the Mexican-American War, the Civil War, and Westward Expansion as we learn how Latino participation has influenced the course of the nation's history.

1:00 PM AMERICAN MASTERS: SONG FOR CESAR

WETA PBS

Trace the life and legacy of labor activist Cesar Chavez. Through interviews with Maya Angelou, Joan Baez, Carlos Santana, and more, see how music and the arts were instrumental to the success of the farmworkers' movement that Chavez helped found.



Monday, September 22

9:00 PM RUDOLFO ANAYA: THE MAGIC OF WORDS

WETA World

Rudolfo Anaya perseveres through poverty, injury, and an artistic struggle to become the first Hispanic-American writer to achieve major publishing success.





Tuesday, September 23

8:00 PM FINDING YOUR ROOTS: MEXICAN ROOTS

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the deep Mexican roots of talk show host Mario Lopez and comedian Melissa Villaseñor, uncovering ancestors stretching back to the 1500s. Weaving together stories of migratory farmers, Spanish Conquistadors, and Native Americans, Gates conjures up personal histories of diverse, sometimes conflicting, elements.

9:00 PM AMERICAN MASTERS: OROZCO: MAN OF FIRE

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

The life of Mexican muralist José Clemente Orozco (1883-1949) was a life filled with drama, adversity, and triumph. 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.

10:00 PM VOCES: LETTERS TO ELOISA

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

A haunting portrait of a writer's life and struggle for artistic freedom, meet Cuba's Jose Lezama Lima, an all but forgotten figure of the Latin American literary boom that included Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Octavio Paz and Mario Vargas Llosa.

Repeats Thu 10/2, 10pm on WETA Metro

Wednesday, September 24

7:00 PM THE LATINX PHOTOGRAPHY

WETA World

The documentary explores how a creative practice like photography can succeed at cultivating leaders who are grounded in community cohesion. With photography as their medium, the participants in this project carve a path in a community that, years ago, was foreign to most immigrant farmworkers.

Thursday, September 25

8:00 PM AMERICA REFRAMED: COMO VIVIMOS (HOW WE LIVE)

WETA World

In California's Central Valley, The Artesi II Migrant Family Housing Center is home to 100 Mexican-American families whose careers are dedicated to tending California's economic engine: agriculture. Yet, due to an antiquated set of policies, families must uproot their lives every December and travel 2,000 miles back to Mexico for at least three months. *Como Vivimos* observes the construction of second-class citizenship through bureaucratic machinery. But more intimately, the film is an invitation into the rhythms and routines of resident families as they navigate belonging and rootedness through one complete cycle of moving in, out, and back in.

8:00 PM AMERICAN MASTERS: JULIA ALVAREZ: A LIFE REIMAGINED

WETA Metro

Explore the story of Julia Alvarez, the Dominican American poet and novelist who burst onto the literary scene and blazed a trail for a generation of Latino authors.

Repeats Fri 10/3, 10pm on WETA PBS

Thursday, September 25

10:00 PM BECOMING FRIDA KAHLO

WETA Metro

Part 3 of 3. A Star is Born. In this episode, Frida Kahlo's later life is explored.
Repeats Sat 10/4, 8pm on WETA PBS

Friday, September 26

8:00 PM AMERICAN MASTERS: RITA MORENO: JUST A GIRL WHO DECIDED TO GO FOR IT

WETA World

Discover how Rita Moreno defied her humble upbringing and racism to become one of a select group of Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony Award winners. Explore her 70-year career with new interviews, clips of her iconic roles and scenes of the star on set today.

9:00 PM 38TH HISPANIC HERITAGE AWARDS

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

Celebrate 38 years and a new class of Hispanic Heritage Award honorees. Started by the White House to commemorate the establishment of Hispanic Heritage Month in America, the Hispanic Heritage Awards are among the highest honors given to U.S. Latinos by Latinos.

10:00 PM VOCES: OMARA – CUBA'S LEGENDARY DIVA

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

Meet the beloved Cuban singer Omara Portuondo, who has thrilled audiences for over half a century, from the stages of Havana's legendary nightclubs to worldwide fame as part of the Grammy-winning Buena Vista Social Club.
Repeats Sun 9/28, 10pm on WETA World

Saturday, September 27

5:00 PM PATI'S MEXICAN TABLE

WETA PBS

New Season. In each episode, Pati embarks upon an exciting and entertaining journey, where each dish serves as a point of departure into Mexico's rich history and culture, Pati's personal experiences, her family life, and her ongoing conversations with cooks in both Mexico and the United States.

7:00 PM BECOMING FRIDA KAHLO

WETA PBS

Part 1 of 3. The Making and Breaking. Explore the early life of Frida Kahlo as she discovers her genius for painting following a tragic, life-changing accident, leading her to encounter world-famous muralist Diego Rivera, whom she later marries twice.

7:00 PM BIRTHRIGHT

WETA World

Follow Cuban American electro-funk musicians, Cristy 'Cuci Amador' Garcia and Tony 'Smurphio' Laurencio on their first trip to Cuba. In desperate straits, 60 years prior, their parents left the island as political exiles. In 2016, the dynamic Miami-based duo, known as Afrobeta, were invited back to perform in Havana.





Sunday, September 28

12:00 PM VOCES AMERICAN HISTORIA: THE UNTOLD STORY OF LATINOS

WETA PBS

Episode 3. Solidarity in a New Era. Host John Leguizamo reflects on the rise of the new empire, the United States, and the challenges faced by Latinos in preserving their cultural identity.

6:30 PM SALSA! THE DANCE SENSATION

WETA World

This film delves into the dance as an art form, as a bonding agent, and as a chronicler of history and family tradition.



Monday, September 29

9:30 PM STORIES FROM THE STAGE: GROWING UP LATINA

WETA World

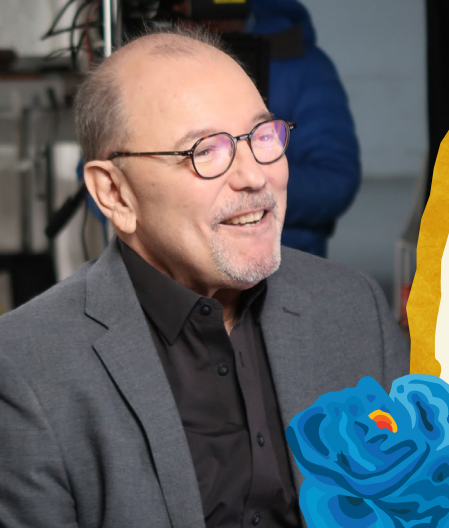
Rosanna discovers that friendship can cross all borders; Ana describes her last night at home before leaving Cuba forever; and Michele turns lemons into lemonade when she gets busted moonlighting.

Tuesday, September 30

8:00 PM FINDING YOUR ROOTS: LATIN ROOTS

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. meets musician Rubén Blades and journalist Natalie Morales.



Tuesday, October 7

9:00 PM FINDING YOUR ROOTS: ANCHORMAN

WETA Metro & WETA PBS

On this episode, Henry Louis Gates, Jr. features trailblazing journalist Jim Acosta and delves into his Cuban heritage and background.

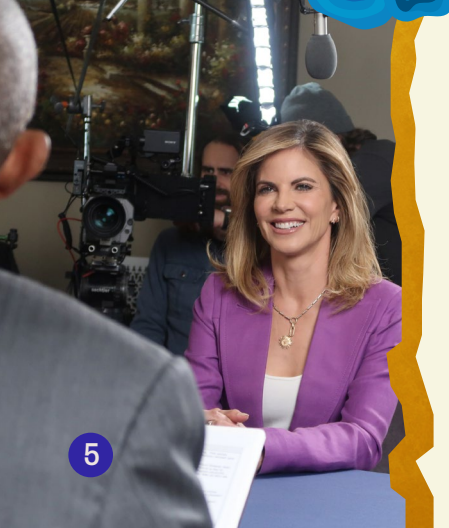


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