



RIISING TO THE CHALLENGE

Susan Adams
Producer GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE

Encyclopedias, biology and social studies textbooks, reference tools and notebooks filled with scrawled ideas are found in the home of NHPBS Education Manager Susan Adams. As co-producer of NHPBS' long-running educational game show GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE, Adams finds herself always seeking questions — and answers — spanning history, math, science, current events, pop culture and spelling, among other subjects.

“What we’re hoping to do with GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE is entertain, inform and enlighten,” says Adams. “We want to maybe surface something you don’t know, and we want to encourage an enthusiasm for lifelong learning in both our kids and our audience.”

Every autumn, interested schools can form a team and attend an open qualifying event, where they complete a 100-question test to earn the chance to proceed in the competition. In its 41 season history, more than 6,500 New Hampshire high school students have participated in the program.

For every episode of GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE, Adams prepares 120 questions – though not every question makes it on the air. She also produces a weekly online quiz. To keep up, she sets herself a goal to write five original questions every weekday.

Before every live show, Adams, program host Jon Cannon, show judge Ann Boulanger and the crew conduct a full read out of all the questions and answers to check for clarity and eliminate the possibility of multiple correct answers.

Adams believes teenagers like the competitive element of game shows, but knowledge-gathering

is also a function of the digital world we live in. “There are constant invitations to apply and explore information in the age of the Internet, whether it’s top-ten lists, quizzes or ask-me-anything type interviews,” she explains. “We can ask our players questions about music or pop culture going back decades because they’re exposed to it. The breadth and depth of information at their fingertips is astounding.”

Cannon, a social studies teacher at Bow High School, says participating in the show offers positive reinforcement for students. “You sometimes get kiddos that are cool and unique, but there’s not a place in school where they really get to shine,” he says. “GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE is special because you don’t have to be academically gifted to do it, but you do have to know things and prepare. It gives kids the chance to stand out and earn acclaim and congratulations.”

As a former GSC team coach himself, Cannon says students who work diligently with a coach tend to perform best. “Teams that are good are not just talented – they put in the work. They get up to speed on subjects like New Hampshire history and study up on trivia. Plus, it’s just really cool to know stuff.”

What are his favorite subjects? He likes the social studies, history and geography topics best. You can catch Jon Cannon hosting GRANITE STATE CHALLENGE every Thursday evening at 7:30 PM on NHPBS or online at nhpbs.org/gsc.

Are you ready to expand YOUR knowledge? The online quiz is tiered by school level but is open to anyone looking to up their trivia game. Subjects range from U.S. presidents and Shakespeare to New Hampshire symbols and Ancient Rome. Try the weekly quiz at nhpbs.org/gsc.

NHPBS PRIMETIME PICKS



**Windows to the Wild:
Journey Across Ireland**
WED Apr 5 | 7:30 PM NHPBS

Host Willem Lange and a group of folks from throughout New England take a trip to Ireland where they experience the country's natural beauty and rich culture. Come along on the adventure!



Finding Your Roots
TUE Apr 4 | 8 PM NHPBS

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uncovers the lost roots of actors Billy Crudup and Tamera Mowry-Housley, traveling back generations to recount significant events in history—from the American Revolution to the journey of the *Mayflower*—in a deeply personal way.



My Grandparents War: Season 2
TUE Apr 11 | 9 PM NHPBS

Kit Harington, Keira Knightley, Toby Jones and Emeli Sandé journey into the past to learn about their grandparents' wartime experiences and discover the extraordinary impact of global conflict on their families.



Nature: The Hummingbird Effect
WED Apr 12 | 8 PM NHPBS

Explore Costa Rica, one of the most biodiverse places on the planet. From rainforests to volcanos, tiny architects and caretakers at the heart of this vast wildlife diversity keep this ecological giant running: the hummingbirds.



Kate Humble's Coastal Britain
THU Apr 27 | 9 PM NHPBS

Kate Humble takes us on six journeys, walking some of the most beautiful coasts in the world. Kate meets the people who live and work along them as she discovers paths she's never walked before and reveals the secrets of others she knows well.



Tom Jones on Masterpiece
SUN Apr 30 | 9 PM NHPBS

One of the greatest novels in the English language comes to MASTERPIECE in a four-part adaptation of Henry Fielding's *Tom Jones*, giving a new twist to the tale of a young man's love for a wealthy heiress.

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THU Apr 20 | 9 PM **NHPBS**

NHPR, in collaboration with NHPBS, brings together people from across the region to talk about opportunities for transformative action in the face of the climate change crisis. Join NHPR's climate & energy reporter Mara Hoplamazian to learn how local changemakers are advancing discussions around climate resiliency and solutions-based advocacy.



OUR MIRACLE YEARS

WED Apr 5 | 10 PM **NHPBS EXPLORE**

Follow three sisters in an industrialist family in post-war Germany. In a politically, morally and economically destroyed country, these young women reinvent themselves and set the course for their future.



GROWING A GREENER WORLD

TUE Apr 21 | 9 PM **NH CREATE**

NHPBS Create celebrates Earth Day with a special GROWING A GREENER WORLD marathon. Join Joe Lamp'I as he highlights ways to leave a lighter footprint on the planet and shares gardening tips and sustainable living trends.



POETRY IN AMERICA

MON Apr 10 | 2 PM **NH WORLD**

"I cannot dance upon my Toes —" Emily Dickinson wrote, "No Man instructed me." Join host Elisa New, actor Cynthia Nixon, cellist Yo Yo Ma, dancer and choreographer Jill Johnson and poet Marie Howe in an exploration of the challenges of art and audience across time, space and artistic medium.



NATURE CAT

MON Apr 17 | 3:30 PM **NHPBS KIDS**

We've got all new episodes this week of NATURE CAT! Join Nature Cat as he gets his big break when director Quentin Bearantino sees how perfect he is for the role of Cowboy Kitty; Nature Cat and the gang bring Hugo's farm back to life.

CELEBRATING EARTH DAY



AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: THE SUN QUEEN

TUE Apr 4 | 9 PM **NHPBS**



DEFENDING THE DARK

THU Apr 6 | 9:30 PM **NHPBS**



BENEATH THE POLAR SUN

SUN Apr 9 | 9 PM **NHPBS EXPLORE**



WINDOWS TO THE WILD: CHANGING WINTER

WED Apr 12 | 7:30 PM **NHPBS**



CHANGING PLANET: SEASON 2

WED Apr 19 | 9 PM **NHPBS**

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NH PBS APRIL 2023 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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Sat. 4/1	Ireland with Michael	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Mr. Bean The Curse of Mr. Bean	The Goes Wrong Show	Traces		Death In Paradise**
Sun. 4/2	Opportunity Knock\$	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Call The Midwife		Sanditon On Masterpiece		Marie Antoinette**
Mon. 4/3	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow		La Frontera with Pati Jinich Fronterizos of the Golden Coast		Antiques Roadshow**
Tue. 4/4	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Basic Black	Finding Your Roots Out of the Past		American Experience The Sun Queen		Frontline** America and the Taliban, Part 1
Wed. 4/5	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Windows to the Wild Journey Across Ireland	Nature Remarkable Rabbits		Nova Arctic Sinkholes		Secrets of the Dead**
Thu. 4/6	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Granite State Challenge	Windows to the Wild Journey Across Ireland	Stories from the Stage	Journey to the White Mountains: In Words and Songs	Defending The Dark	Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed The World**
Fri. 4/7	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Piazzolla's History with Tango		Art21: Art in the Twenty-First Century**
Sat. 4/8	Ireland with Michael	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Mr. Bean Mr. Bean Goes to Town	The Goes Wrong Show	Traces		Death In Paradise**
Sun. 4/9	Opportunity Knock\$	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Call The Midwife		Sanditon On Masterpiece		Marie Antoinette**
Mon. 4/10	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow		La Frontera with Pati Jinich Ancient Seeds & Desert Ghosts		Antiques Roadshow**
Tue. 4/11	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Basic Black	Finding Your Roots Hidden Kin		My Grandparents' War Kit Harington		Frontline** America and the Taliban, Part 2
Wed. 4/12	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Windows to the Wild Changing Winter	Nature The Hummingbird Effect		Nova Weathering The Future		The Earthshot Prize 2022**
Thu. 4/13	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Granite State Challenge	Windows to the Wild Changing Winter	Stories from the Stage	Saving Songbirds		LightHawk: Destination Conservation**
Fri. 4/14	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Schumann: Genius and Madness		Next at the Kennedy Center**
Sat. 4/15	Ireland with Michael	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Mr. Bean The Trouble with Mr. Bean	The Goes Wrong Show	Traces		Death In Paradise**
Sun. 4/16	Opportunity Knock\$	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Call The Midwife		Sanditon On Masterpiece		Marie Antoinette**
Mon. 4/17	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow		La Frontera with Pati Jinich Back to the Middle		The U.S. and the Holocaust: Insight and Understanding**
Tue. 4/18	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Basic Black	Finding Your Roots Salem's Lot		My Grandparents' War Keira Knightley		How Saba Kept Singing**
Wed. 4/19	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Windows to the Wild All Persons Trail	Nature Niagara Falls		Changing Planet**		
Thu. 4/20	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Granite State Challenge	Windows to the Wild All Persons Trail	Stories from the Stage	By Degrees Climate Summit		The Merrimack: River at Risk**
Fri. 4/21	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Andy Akiho Found (his) Sound		Next at the Kennedy Center**
Sat. 4/22	Ireland with Michael	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Mr. Bean Mr. Bean Rides Again	The Goes Wrong Show	Traces		Death In Paradise**
Sun. 4/23	Opportunity Knock\$	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Call The Midwife		Sanditon On Masterpiece		Marie Antoinette**
Mon. 4/24	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Antiques Roadshow		Antiques Roadshow		Independent Lens** Free Chol Soo Lee
Tue. 4/25	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Basic Black	Finding Your Roots Secret Lives		My Grandparents' War Toby Jones		Frontline** America and the Taliban, Part 3
Wed. 4/26	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Windows to the Wild Coastal Trek	Nature The Secret Crown		Nova Chasing Carbon Zero		Iconic America: Our Symbols and Stories with David
Thu. 4/27	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Granite State Challenge	Windows to the Wild Coastal Trek	Stories from the Stage	Kate Humble's Coastal Britain		
Fri. 4/28	PBS NewsHour*	Joseph Rosendo's Travelscope	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Albeniz: Portraits of Spain		International Jazz Day from the United Nations**
Sat. 4/29	Ireland with Michael	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip		Mr. Bean Merry Christmas Mr. Bean	The Goes Wrong Show	Traces		Death In Paradise**
Sun. 4/30	Opportunity Knock\$	Sister Boniface Mysteries		Call The Midwife		Tom Jones On Masterpiece		Marie Antoinette**

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Sun. 4/2	Escape to the Chateau DIY*	Nature Born in the Rockies: Growing Up		Nova Einstein's Quantum Riddle		Mr. Tornado: American Experience		Finding Your Roots** Anchormen
Mon. 4/3	Samantha Brown's Places to Love	PBS NewsHour		Midsomer Murders		Before We Die		Broadchurch**
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