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CELEBRATING KEN BURNS AND THE AMERICAN IDEA

This June, New Hampshire filmmaker Ken Burns will sit down with journalist Laura Knoy for an in-depth look back at his work. Presented by New Hampshire PBS, New Hampshire Humanities and The New Hampshire Historical Society, this event isn't a simple career retrospective. It's a uniquely meaningful way to commemorate 250 years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence. As one of the nation's premier historians, Burns will speak about the themes and ideas he's uncovered while sharing American history with the world.

"**Ken Burns and the American Idea** is a celebration, not just of Burns' film *THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION* but of all of his films that celebrate the idea of what it means to be an American and what America is becoming," said NHPBS Vice President and Chief Content Officer Dawn DeAngelis.

DeAngelis has been learning about history from Ken Burns for years. Her first experience of his work took place before either she or Burns worked with PBS. "In college, I lived around a lot of art theaters, so the first films of his that I saw were *THE STATUE OF LIBERTY* and *THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE*."

Since then, she's been an avid fan. She has reveled in the lives of *THE ROOSEVELTS*, been moved by the story of *THE AMERICAN BUFFALO* and has fond memories of watching *THE NATIONAL PARKS* with her son when he was small. He set up a pup tent in the living room to better experience the adventure.

When *THE VIETNAM WAR* premiered in 2017, DeAngelis led screenings for communities across the state. These events sometimes resulted in difficult conversations among audience members—but also new understanding. She recalled one screening where a veteran and a conscientious objector had a tense back and forth, but the two men sought each other out to shake hands as the discussion ended. "That was a very meaningful engagement program," she remembered, "probably the most rewarding of my career."

Since November, DeAngelis has been part of running similar screenings for *THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION*. Whether shown at a high school, local theater, continuing care community or even to a group of Revolutionary War re-enactors, the film has inspired nuanced conversations about what the past can teach us about the present.

"The 250th is absolutely a milestone moment in American history, but I think people feel that the present time is fraught. Many people are questioning the roots of democracy and whether it will survive," she said. "I think *THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION* really explores that and allows people to come together and talk about it."

The event **Ken Burns and the American Idea** was inspired by that spirit. The goal of sparking meaningful conversations is one shared by event partners New Hampshire Humanities and The New Hampshire Historical Society .

"The 250th anniversary only happens once," said New Hampshire Humanities Executive Director Michael Haley Goldman. "You owe it to yourself and your community to take part in the discussion about where we come from as a country and help shape where we want to go next."

Elizabeth Dubrulle of the New Hampshire Historical Society points out that the event is also a rare opportunity to hear Burns speak live. "His vision in reshaping documentary filmmaking is groundbreaking. He has truly elevated it to an art form," she noted. "Listening to him in conversation with Laura Knoy—another New Hampshire treasure!—is going to be a real treat."

For DeAngelis, the value of being a part of this evening is clear. "You'll be in a room with somebody who's contributed so much to our shared understanding of American history," she said. "You'll be inspired."

Ken Burns and the American Idea, will take place on Tuesday, June 9th at the Capitol Center for the Arts in Concord. To learn more and purchase tickets visit ccanh.com.

NHPBS PRIMETIME PICKS



Wild Foods

THU Apr 2 | 7:30 PM NHPBS

Want to know more about where your food comes from? Join host Kevin Chap—environmentalist, educator and professional forager—as he travels the globe gathering wild ingredients and preparing authentic feasts with help from local chefs and community members.



Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution

TUE Apr 7 | 9 PM NHPBS

Lucy Worsley investigates one of history's most explosive break-ups: the split between Britain and 13 of its North American colonies. Along the way, she uncovers the sabotage, espionage and political unrest that reshaped the empire.



Nature – Becoming Elephant: The Orphans of Reteti

WED Apr 8 | 8 PM NHPBS

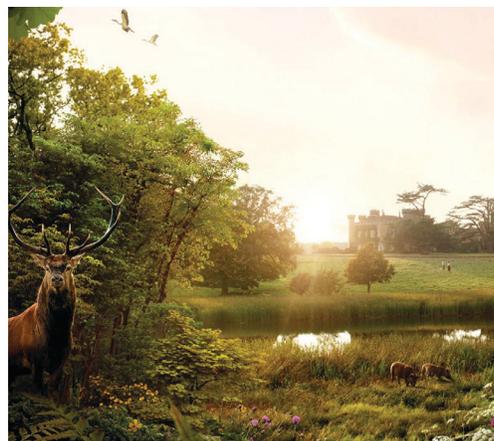
Set in the remote wilds of northern Kenya, follow the remarkable journey of orphaned elephants at Reteti, the first community-owned elephant sanctuary in Africa. Raised by Samburu keepers, the elephants are nurtured back to health and prepared for life in the wild.



Great Performances: Now Hear This Season 7

FRI Apr 10 | 9 PM NHPBS

Go on a voyage of musical discovery with virtuoso violinist Scott Yoo as he explores how great music is created. Season 7 includes in-depth looks into the music of Iceland, Scott Joplin, Kyung-Wha Chung and Johannes Brahms.



Wilding

WED Apr 22 | 10 PM NHPBS

Discover the extraordinary story of how Charlie Burrell and Isabella Tree—facing bankruptcy and inspired by a new thesis on ecology—dared to take a leap of faith. The couple turned their back on intensive farming and handed their 3,500-acre estate back to nature.



NOVA: Return to the Moon

WED Apr 29 | 9 PM NHPBS

A half-century after Apollo, the Artemis missions aim to bring astronauts back to the Moon and establish a lunar space station. Follow the Artemis II engineers and crew on the perilous 10-day journey to orbit the Moon.

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AN INVITATION TO WONDER

THU Apr 9 | 9 PM NHPBS

Guided by the wisdom of his grandfather, a young filmmaker journeys through the mysterious wetland in his grandparents' backyard. Navigating the challenges of this environment, the film uncovers the life, secrets and importance of wetlands and reminds us of our connection to all living things.



THE SHIP THAT TURNED BACK

SAT Apr 11 | 10:30 PM NHPBS EXPLORE

Filmmaker Allie Light recounts the dramatic escape of her late husband, Irving Saraf, from Poland to Palestine in 1940, when he was just seven years old. The film explores his memories through the dual lens of the 7-year-old boy who experienced it and the older man recounting his dramatic escape to his grandchildren.



MILK STREET: RETHINK THE CLASSICS

FRI Apr 10 | 9 PM NH CREATE

There's a reason the classics never go out of style, but it doesn't mean you can't shake them up a bit! Join MILK STREET for new takes on tried-and-true recipes that may just become your new favorites. You can meet MILK STREET TELEVISION host Chris Kimball this April at LaBelle Winery in Derry. Visit nhpbs.org/events to learn more.



INDEPENDENT LENS: THE TALLEST DWARF

WED Apr 8 | 7:30 PM NH WORLD

Through family archives and the voices of little people, THE TALLEST DWARF explores dwarfism and belonging. Filmmaker Julie Wyman highlights personal stories, creative collaborations and medical debates that challenge ideas of normalcy.



NATURE CAT'S NATURE MOVIE SPECIAL EXTRAORDINAIRE!

SAT Apr 11 | 7 PM NHPBS KIDS

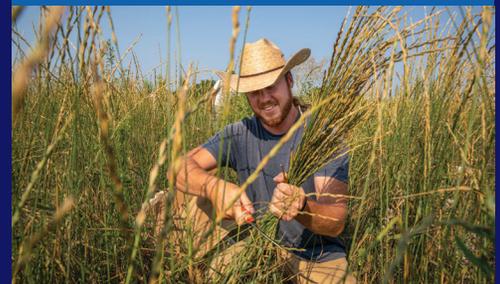
Nature Cat and his pals realize they've come to the end of their Nature Curiosity List. Meanwhile, Sir Galahad gives himself the title of King and moves into a barren castle and steals pieces of nature to make his castle look more beautiful. Oh no!

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY



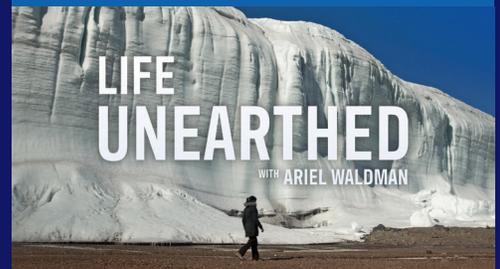
OUR NEW WORLD

WED Apr 1 | 10 PM NHPBS



PRAIRIE PROPHECY

THU Apr 9 | 10 PM NHPBS



LIFE UNEARTHED WITH ARIEL WALDMAN

WED Apr 15 | 7:30 PM NHPBS



NATURE: LEGENDARY TIGERS OF INDIA

WED Apr 22 | 8 PM NHPBS



THE POWER OF WATER

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THU Apr 23 | 9:30 PM NHPBS

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Wed. 4/1	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions	Nature Raptors: A Fistful of Daggers: Extreme Lives		NOVA Your Brain: Perception Deception		Our New World**
Thu. 4/2	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Wild Foods	Windows to the Wild Echoes of Granite State History	Granite State Challenge	Kid Power! A Conversation with Marley Dias	Joe Bonamassa: The Spirit of Rory Live from Cork**	
Fri. 4/3	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Martha Graham Dance Company: We Are Our Time		
Sat. 4/4	Ireland with Michael	Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries		Father Brown		Sister Boniface Mysteries		Seaside Hotel**
Sun. 4/5	Granite State Challenge	Grantchester On Masterpiece		Call The Midwife		The Forsytes On Masterpiece		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece**
Mon. 4/6	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Weekends with Yankee	Antiques Roadshow		Antiques Roadshow		Independent Lens** The Tallest Dwarf
Tue. 4/7	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Kid Power! A Conversation with Marley Dias	Finding Your Roots Song of the South		Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution		Frontline**
Wed. 4/8	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	50 States of Sustainability	Nature Becoming Elephant: The Orphans of Reteti		NOVA Your Brain: Who's In Control?		Our New World**
Thu. 4/9	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Wild Foods	Windows to the Wild Guardians of the Wild	Granite State Challenge	An Invitation to Wonder		Prairie Prophecy**
Fri. 4/10	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Brahms		Creation Rose**
Sat. 4/11	Ireland with Michael	Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries		Father Brown		Sister Boniface Mysteries		Seaside Hotel**
Sun. 4/12	Grantchester Season 3 On Masterpiece			Call The Midwife		The Forsytes On Masterpiece		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece**
Mon. 4/13	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Weekends with Yankee	Antiques Roadshow		Antiques Roadshow		Independent Lens** Backside: The Unseen Hands of Horse Racing
Tue. 4/14	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions	Finding Your Roots Rags to Riches		Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution		Frontline**
Wed. 4/15	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Life Unearthed with Ariel Waldman	Nature Becoming Elephant: The Orphans of Reteti		NOVA Athens: Birth of Democracy		Secrets of the Dead**
Thu. 4/16	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Wild Foods	Windows to the Wild Strong Kids, Wild Places	Granite State Challenge	Four Seasons for the Five Senses		The Everglades: A Symphony of Life**
Fri. 4/17	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Joplin		A More Perfect Union: Inspiring Civic & Civil Conversation
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Sun. 4/19	Granite State Challenge	Grantchester Season 3 On Masterpiece		Call The Midwife		The Forsytes On Masterpiece		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece**
Mon. 4/20	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Weekends with Yankee	Antiques Roadshow 250 Years of Americana		The American Revolution**		
Tue. 4/21	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions	Finding Your Roots Puritans and Pioneers		The American Revolution**		
Wed. 4/22	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Life Unearthed with Ariel Waldman	Nature Legendary Tigers of India		NOVA Rain Bombs		Wilding**
Thu. 4/23	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Wild Foods	Windows to the Wild River Runs and Nightfall Trails	Granite State Challenge	Peaks to Prairie: A Holistic Regenerative Approach	The Power of Water	Hope in the Water**
Fri. 4/24	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Rick Steves' Europe	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances Now Hear This Istanbul		International Jazz Day from Abu Dhabi**
Sat. 4/25	Ireland with Michael	Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries		Father Brown		Sister Boniface Mysteries		Seaside Hotel**
Sun. 4/26	Granite State Challenge	Grantchester Season 3 On Masterpiece		Call The Midwife		The Forsytes On Masterpiece		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece**
Mon. 4/27	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Weekends with Yankee	Antiques Roadshow		The American Revolution**		
Tue. 4/28	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Burt Wolf: Travels & Traditions	Finding Your Roots Hidden in the Genes		The American Revolution**		
Wed. 4/29	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Life Unearthed with Ariel Waldman	Nature Woodpeckers: The Hole Story		NOVA Return to the Moon		Shared Planet**
Thu. 4/30	PBS News Hour*	Weekends with Yankee	Wild Foods	Windows to the Wild When The Wild Needs Us	Granite State Challenge	Hope in the Water		Hope in the Water**

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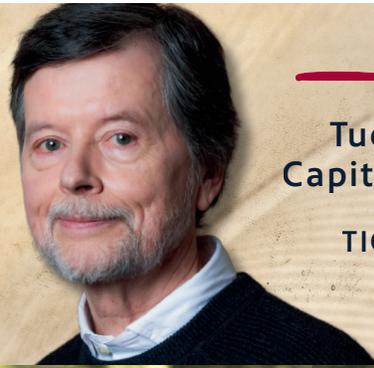
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