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ADVENTURE FOR ALL ON WINDOWS TO THE WILD



When we think of outdoor adventure, our minds might turn to achievements that only a hypothetical person who's fitter and more skilled than us can pull off. Over the years, however, the crew behind *WINDOWS TO THE WILD* has learned that, not only is there a place for everyone in the outdoors, but there's a compelling story to be found in the ordinary as well as the extraordinary.

"Not everyone wants to run or ski through the White Mountains at record pace," said *WINDOWS TO THE WILD*'s Executive Producer Phil Vaughn. "But so many people have great stories to tell."

Over the course of eight episodes and 22 stories, season 21 of *WINDOWS TO THE WILD* casts a wide net as to the experiences it shares—from precedent-setting solo odysseys to friends enjoying quality time together.

For the show's host, Willem Lange, one story in particular allowed him the chance to reconnect with an old friend. Scott Ellis, an educator who has appeared on *WINDOWS* in the past, introduced Willem to his new passion for disc golf this season.

"He's a great buddy and he has great ideas," said Lange, who always enjoys the chance to banter with Ellis. "We're in sync and we just enjoy each other."

That sense of connection can be hard to come by, and many stories focus on people intentionally seeking out a sense of community. Phil Vaughn was especially impressed by the Exeter Walking Club, which was founded by a group of newly retired men.

"They all retired and realized their wives had their own lives," Vaughn said. "They decided if their wives were doing stuff together, *they* needed to find stuff to do together."

Ultimately, building community appeals to people at every stage of life. For many, time outdoors just adds to the fun, as it does for a group that meets to swim together every week in Maine.

"At the Kittery swimming hole, it's mostly young people, and they have a blast getting together every Friday before work," Vaughn said. "They bring food, they share stories, and then they jump in the water."

Then there are those who reconnect with themselves in the wild. Greg Kretschmar, a popular radio host, took up nature photography after his daughter recovered from a life-threatening health scare. He said what began as a hobby is now an essential way for him to process stress.

"If you have a lot going on in your life—and everybody does—find your peace and protect it," advised Kretschmar. "Don't feel bad about creating space for you to do what lets you breathe."

Renée Blacken took a 3,200-mile solo row across the Atlantic Ocean to create space for herself and others, as she rowed to raise awareness for trauma survivors. While the journey was epic, her emotions were deeply relatable. "You feel all the things," she acknowledged. "Like 'Am I ready?'"

What may have seemed like a simple housekeeping task—scraping barnacles off the boat—was one of the scariest moments of Blacken's trip, because it required her to jump into the ocean with no help in sight.

"She was tethered, but if the boat had become untethered, it would've drifted away so quickly," noted Vaughn. "When she got back on board, she said, 'I did it!' She was able to overcome her fears and uncertainties."

Whether getting outdoors means taking to the high seas or exploring the neighborhood, Vaughn wants viewers to know that the benefits of the outdoors are something we all deserve. "I think that's really what we want to promote," he acknowledged.

Plus, as Lange pointed out, "It's handy. It's right outside the door, this outdoors."

The new season of *WINDOWS TO THE WILD* was made possible by viewers like you. Season 21 premieres on Thursday, October 15 at 8 PM on New Hampshire PBS and nhpbs.org/windows.

NHPBS PRIMETIME PICKS



VOCES – ASCO: Without Permission
FRI Oct 2 | 10 PM NHPBS

Follow the rise of a group of creators who were ahead of their time. Founded by four Chicano youths from East Los Angeles, the art collective ASCO, whose name is derived from the Spanish for “disgust,” challenged Latinx representation in art, film and politics throughout the 70s and 80s.



NOVA: Evolution
WED Oct 14 | 9 PM NHPBS

Ponder this: All animal life on Earth sprang from a single organism. Discover how every animal we know today sprang from creatures that looked nothing like them. Full of surprising twists and turns over billions of years, this epic tale reveals the remarkable power of evolution.



Windows to the Wild Season 21
THU Oct 15 | 8 PM NHPBS

Join host Willem Lange for a new season spent meeting fascinating people and exploring how they connect with the outdoors. This season's stories feature a family of surfers, a master falconer, a woman who rowed solo across the Atlantic and a visit to a famous garden on the Isles of Shoals.



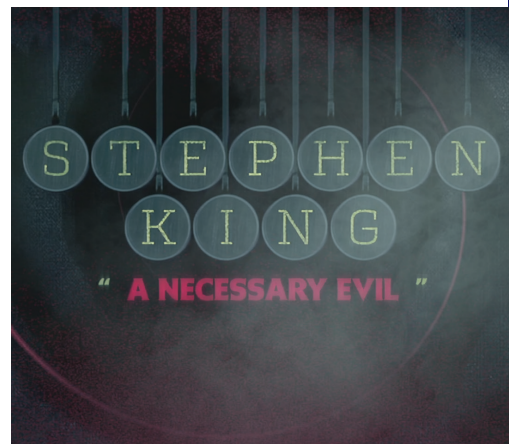
Professor T Season 5
SUN Oct 18 | 8 PM NHPBS

Jasper and Helena test their fragile spark at a secluded spa, but an “accidental” death rekindles Jasper’s instincts and threatens their new romance. The team faces twisting cases and, with Maiya in the lead, Chloe grows bolder. Meanwhile, Dan’s romance threatens to destroy him.



Pati Jinich Explores PanAmericana Season 2
MON Oct 26 | 9 PM NHPBS

Traveling from Montana through Arizona, Pati Jinich meets people from ranching communities, Indigenous lands and desert borderlands. Along the way, she explores how food and culture unite people across the Americas.



Stephen King: A Necessary Evil
THU Oct 29 | 8:30 PM NHPBS

Stephen King has been one of the world’s bestselling authors for decades. Featuring rarely shown interviews with the author, this film explores why King’s horror stories touch readers so deeply and how he succeeded in creating such popular work over the years.

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NATURE: SESAME STREET AND THE GREAT ELEPHANT ADVENTURE

WED Oct 14 | 8 PM NHPBS

Join Elmo and the Sesame Street gang on a once-in-a-lifetime African safari adventure. After adopting an orphaned elephant online, Elmo, Abby and Nina travel to a Kenyan sanctuary to meet the young elephant alongside other iconic wildlife.



THE BRONTËS AND ME: SISTERS OF DISRUPTION

FRI Oct 16 | 9 PM NHPBS EXPLORE

Anita Rani explores the Brontë sisters and the impact they've had on millions of readers, including her own experience, as a lonely teenager, with the works of Anne, Emily and Charlotte. Fellow Brontë fans and experts discuss how and why these sisters became ground-breaking "literary disruptors."



SPOOKY SEASON SALUTE

FRI Oct 30 | 9 PM NH CREATE

From spooky Samhain rituals to sweet cider doughnuts, tricks and treats abound in a celebration of all things spooky. Stroll through famous cemeteries, craft an ofrenda offering, and soak in the autumn air all weekend long. For those who find 9 PM too close to the witching hour, this macabre marathon will air multiple times over the weekend.



INDEPENDENT LENS: MY OMAHA

WED Oct 7 | 8:30 PM NH WORLD

As his hometown is rocked by protests, unrest and a polarizing death, filmmaker Nick Beaulieu navigates racial justice and a personal reckoning with his conservative father. His journey becomes an exploration of identity, family and truth.



SUPER WHY'S COMIC BOOK ADVENTURES

MON Oct 5 | 7 AM NHPBS KIDS

SUPER WHY'S COMIC BOOK ADVENTURES supports early literacy for preschoolers and kindergarteners through 7-minute action-packed stories that follow the adventures of the beloved Super Readers in the epic comic book world of Reader Valley.

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INSPECTOR GEORGE GENTLY
THU Oct 1 | 10 PM EXPLORE



VELVET SEASON 3
SAT Oct 17 | 11 PM NHPBS



MAIGRET ON MASTERPIECE SEASON 2
SUN Oct 18 | 9 PM NHPBS



THE GOLD ON MASTERPIECE SEASON 2
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