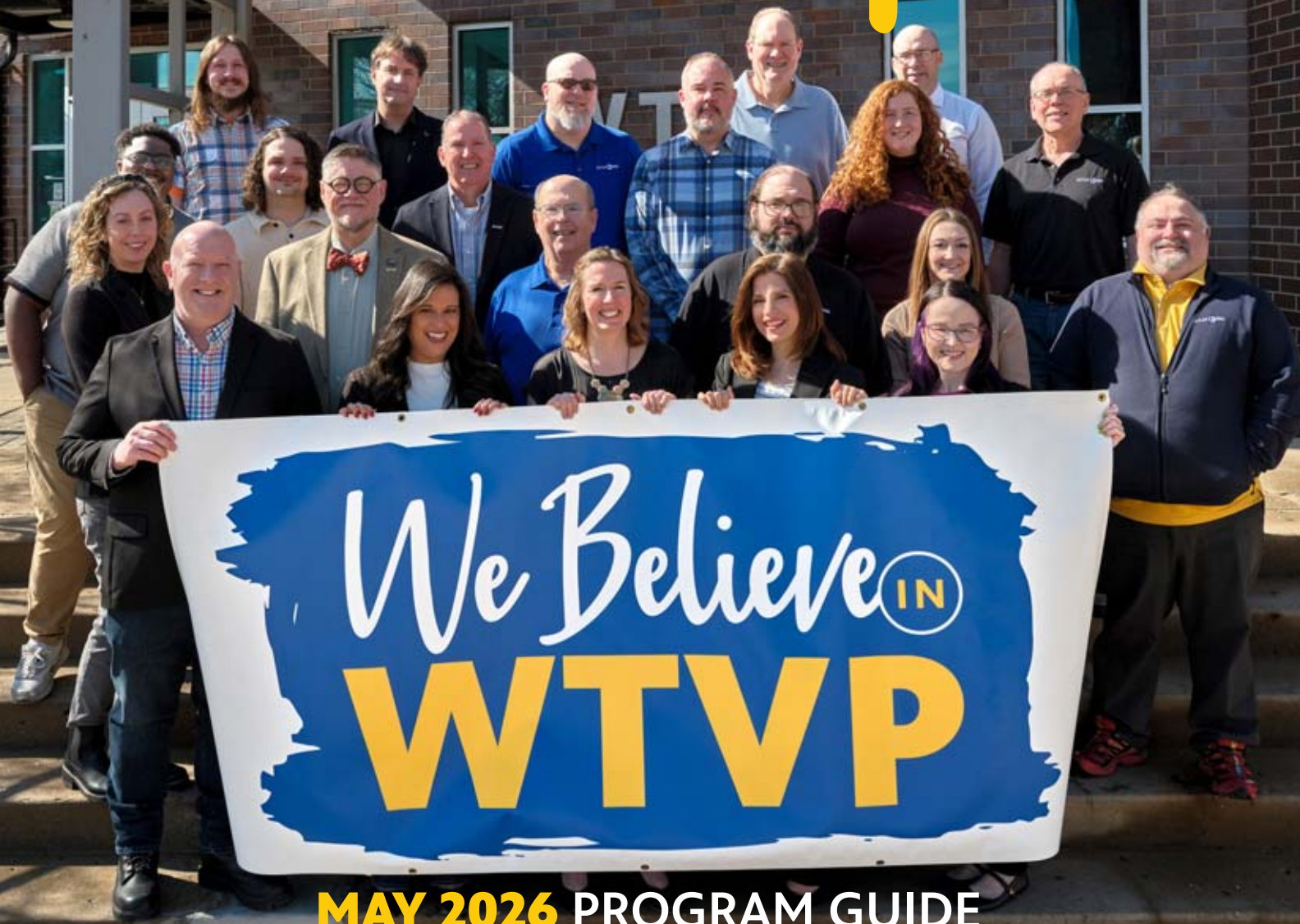


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ON THE COVER:

Last July, **WTVP** launched the We Believe in **WTVP** Campaign in response to the loss of federal funding. Our community responded helping us reach our \$1 million goal in record time! Because of you, the station is here today, and will be for years to come, continuing to inspire and connect central Illinois with quality content that educates, informs and entertains.

From all of us here at the station, *thank you!*

Let us know what you think of these and other programs you see on any of our channels.
Send your comments to wtpmail@wtpv.org or call **309.677.4747**.



JENN GORDON
President and CEO

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

WHAT'S ON YOUR SCREEN?

I am convinced that within the next 10 years, media diets will become a thing. By then, there will have been countless studies proving what we already know: that the time we spend watching screens and what we watch on them affects our health. A lot.

Have you ever paused after you watch something to take inventory of how it makes you feel? We've all had those experiences of watching something and feeling a bit sour inside—like you just ate an entire bag of potato chips. Not only does your stomach hurt a little, but you are still (frustratingly) hungry for real food.

Like a great book or a well-balanced conversation, a healthy media diet makes you feel good inside—satisfied too! It stirs your curiosity, fires up your synapses and activates your imagination. When you watch something great, you find yourself asking more questions, having more conversations and connecting with more people. We were built to learn, discover, connect, debate, analyze, create and explore. Truly great content helps to activate us. It is not a passive experience. It is one that drives us forward!

WTVP PBS provides something unique that you can't find anywhere else in today's media landscape—a safe, intentional space that fosters learning, connections and growth. We are like a community garden offering free, fresh produce for the whole neighborhood. History, science, the arts, DIY, cooking, documentaries, news, culture, local—it's all here, commercial-free, ready to activate your mind and inspire your sense of adventure.

So, when you watch something great on **WTVP** this month—tell a friend! Chances are, there is someone around you who is ready to ditch the “potato chips” for something better!

With gratitude,



**NEW
EPISODE**



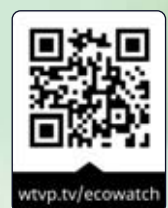
WTVP ECOWATCH



SUNDAY, MAY 3, 5:30PM **WTVP HD 47.1**

Embark on an eco-friendly adventure with Mark Welp as he brings you the latest, most captivating environmental stories right from the heart of Illinois. *EcoWatch* is a quarterly environmental special that is your ticket to explore the initiatives, innovations and incredible individuals dedicated to making the Land of Lincoln a better place for mankind and animals.

In this episode, we look at how central Illinois communities are fighting against data centers and winning. Meet a homeowner who powers his home with only electricity. Learn how using fire to burn vegetation benefits nature and why more of our communities aren't using it. Plus, see how thousands of kids are learning how to protect our environment at a young age.



All that and more when *EcoWatch* debuts Sunday, May 3rd at 5:30pm.

MEMORIAL DAY

AFTER IKE – A JOURNEY THAT CHANGED AMERICA

MONDAY, MAY 11, 8 PM

A century after the 1919 Transcontinental Military Convoy battled 3,251 miles along the Lincoln Highway, this documentary retraces the grueling journey that shaped Dwight D. Eisenhower and the nation. Through resilience, innovation and 62 days of obstacles, the expedition sparked a new era of American mobility and connectivity.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 7 PM (LIVE) AND 8:30 PM (REPLAY)

America's national night of remembrance hosted by Tony Award-winner Joe Mantegna and Emmy Award-winner Gary Sinise airs live from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol. The evening will feature powerful storytelling and musical salutes featuring world-renowned artists with the National Symphony Orchestra and a special commemoration of the country's 250th Anniversary highlighting the all-volunteer force that won our independence in the American Revolution.

WAAL RIVER CROSSING: 1944

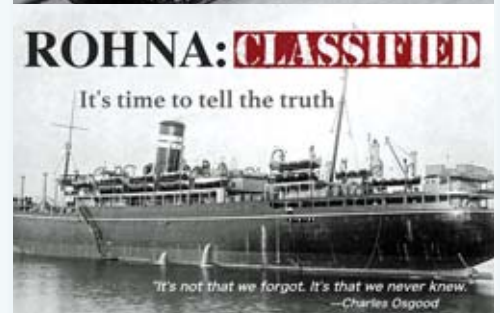
MONDAY, MAY 25, 8 PM

Narrated by actor Paul Giamatti, WAAL RIVER CROSSING: 1944 is an hour-long documentary that reveals the story behind one of World War II's most heroic missions. The paratroopers of the 82nd Airborne Division were given a suicide mission: to cross one of Europe's largest and fastest-flowing rivers in broad daylight under the watchful eye of their German adversaries. They were outmanned and outgunned but somehow the American paratroopers were able to complete their mission and wrestle two bridges away from German troops in Holland.

ROHNA: CLASSIFIED

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 9 PM

Nearly 2,000 American soldiers board an overcrowded transport ship, unaware of its non-functioning lifeboats and inadequate lifebelts. When one of World War II's first radio-guided missiles strikes, the *Rohna* sinks, claiming 1,015 lives—the single greatest loss of life at sea by enemy action in U.S. history. Government officials deflect responsibility by declaring the attack classified.





LIFE ON EARTH: ATTENBOROUGH'S GREATEST ADVENTURES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 7 PM

In 1976, David Attenborough embarked on his most ambitious project ever. No one had ever attempted a natural history series on this scale before. His reputation was on the line. This is the story behind TV's first wildlife blockbuster, LIFE ON EARTH.



INDEPENDENT LENS NATCHEZ

MONDAY, MAY 11, 9 PM

Antebellum homes draw visitors to Natchez, Mississippi but not everyone agrees on the stories being told. As tour guides, homeowners and activists navigate competing histories, the town confronts the tension between preservation and truth, offering a glimpse into a Southern community wrestling with race, memory and identity.



5/14: THE JOURNEY HERE, THE HOPE TO COME

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 10 PM

The heart-wrenching aftermath of the tragic mass shooting at Tops Supermarkets in Buffalo, New York in 2022. Through intimate interviews with survivors, loved ones of victims and community leaders, this film explores the profound impact of the event on the East Side of Buffalo and sheds light on systemic injustice.



UNVEILED: DAISY BATES AND JOHNNY CASH

MONDAY, MAY 18, 8 PM

For more than a century, the U.S. Capitol's National Statuary Hall had displayed two statues from each state, recognizing remarkable individuals whose achievements reflect and contribute to the nation's collective identity. UNVEILED: DAISY BATES AND JOHNNY CASH follows the creation and installation of two new statues from Arkansas and celebrates the enduring legacies of two of the state's most iconic figures. Daisy Bates, who courageously led the fight for civil rights, and Johnny Cash, whose music captured the soul of America, are now immortalized in bronze in the U.S. Capitol.

GREAT PERFORMANCES
AN EVENING WITH NICOLE SCHERZINGER

FRIDAY, MAY 22, 8 PM

Recorded in October 2025, Nicole Scherzinger performs at London's Royal Albert Hall for the first time in her first major U.K. solo show in 13 years. Accompanied by a full orchestra, Scherzinger sings a mix of beloved Broadway standards and pop hits from her career as lead singer of The Pussycat Dolls.



THE CARNIVAL OF MORE ANIMALS

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 6 PM

Frenchman Camille Saint-Saëns composed "The Carnival of the Animals" in 1886 and it has been a long-cherished work for children and families ever since. The Palm Beach Symphony's unique adaptation, THE CARNIVAL OF MORE ANIMALS, incorporates over a dozen animals native to Florida. The hour-long program combines Saint-Saëns' composition with lively narration by wildlife biologist Forrest Galante, who guides viewers on an engaging, fact-based educational journey accompanied by projected onscreen visuals of these animals.



SECRETS OF THE DEAD
CHINA'S BRONZE KINGDOM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 9 PM

The chance discovery of a jade artifact has led to the unearthing of an ancient city hidden in the mountains of Sichuan. With more than 10,000 items found so far, is this the capital of the ancient Shu kingdom?



GREAT PERFORMANCES
BROADWAY MUSICALS: A JEWISH LEGACY

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 8 PM

From Irving Berlin to Stephen Sondheim and from Fanny Brice to Barbra Streisand, this documentary explores the phenomenon of how Jewish-American songwriters created a uniquely American art form. Narrated by Joel Grey, the film explores the unique role of Jewish composers and lyricists in the creation of the modern American musical.

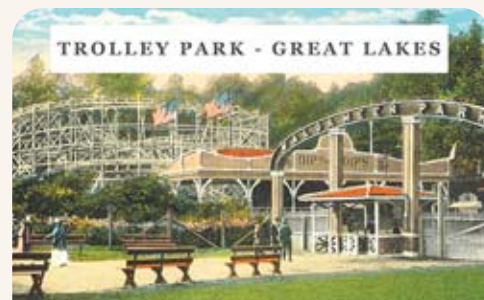


GREAT ESCAPES

TROLLEY PARK: GREAT LAKES

MONDAY, MAY 4, 8:30 PM

Trolley Parks were born when trolley companies began adding picnic areas, playgrounds and carousels to the ends of lines to increase weekend ridership. In the early 1900s, there were more than 1,000 trolley parks, but today, only a dozen remain. TROLLEY PARK: GREAT LAKES is a half-hour documentary that reveals the rich histories of two iconic, surviving trolley parks located on the shores of the Great Lakes: Seabreeze Park and Waldameer Park.



CAMP RICSTAR

MONDAY, MAY 4, 9 PM

CAMP RICSTAR explores the history and impact of a one-of-a-kind music therapy camp for people with disabilities on its 20th anniversary. The film follows eight spirited campers as they sing, dance, create, connect and perform in a joyful showcase where every ability is celebrated center stage.



ADVENTURE CITIES SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA AND MONTREAL, CANADA

SATURDAY, MAY 9, 6:30 PM

Award-winning travel journalist Jonathan Thompson has visited more than 100 countries across seven continents. His experience as a wordsmith and globetrotter makes him the perfect host for ADVENTURE CITIES—a fast-paced, smart and playful exploration of the urban jungles we call home. Strap on your rucksack and prepare for a wild ride as each episode unpacks two distinct cities' best adventures.



DOWN THE DUCK WITH JOHN GUIDER

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 10 PM

Award-winning photographer, boatsman and septuagenarian John Guider embarks on a month-long adventure canoeing all 270 miles of Middle Tennessee's Duck River, one of the most ecologically diverse rivers in the world. DOWN THE DUCK WITH JOHN GUIDER follows his journey and weaves together a diverse group of voices that bring context and gravity to the Duck River's significance—and so many other rivers across the country.





VIBE 309 WITH BLAKE WIRTH



BLAKE'S TAKE

FROM VIBE 309, EPISODE 105
BY BLAKE WIRTH

In the last paragraph of the “About” page on Jehan Gordon-Booth’s website, Jehan mentions one of the biggest lessons her mom taught her: “bettering a community takes everybody’s help.”

Her mother was right, like most mothers are. This simple statement got me thinking about all the ways we’ve bettered our community, just in the last year or so:

- The Peoria Stadium Dome opened this year. This state-of-the-art facility has over 140,000 square feet and is open year-round for kids to train, to compete, to grow.
- The Golf Learning Center got a full makeover, with more space, new technology and a new restaurant. Even if you’re terrible at golf, you’ll leave saying, “What an awesome asset for our community!”
- The Steamboat Classic, now known as SC415, hosted the USA Track & Field 4-Mile Championships last summer and will do so again this summer. Olympic hopefuls are coming to our city, boosting our economy and running on our streets.
- The St. Jude Telethon raised a record \$12.1 million last year. Central Illinois is widely recognized as leading the nation per capita in support for St. Jude. In its 48-year history, the Peoria-based telethon has raised over \$200 million for St. Jude in their mission to cure childhood cancer.
- The community helped **WTVP** reach its goal of \$1 million through the **#WeBelieveinWTVP** campaign in response to the loss of federal funding. Fifteen hundred new donors became members. It’s just one more example of how this community not only cares but comes through when it really matters.

When you add up all those wins, you know what it’s called? Momentum. And it’s undeniable if you’re paying attention.

There are many others in the 309 bringing good things to our community. Just like Annie Jo Gordon said, “bettering a community takes everybody’s help.” And in that, our community is second to none.

(Scan the QR code to watch the full episode and catch all the good vibes!)



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**DON'T MISS
THE NEXT EPISODE OF
VIBE 309 WITH BLAKE WIRTH!**

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 8:30 PM

In May, Vibe 309 welcomes powerhouse vocalist LiV Warfield—a protégé of Prince and Golden Buzzer recipient from America’s Got Talent—for a conversation that hits on her journey, her artistry and the connection she still carries with her hometown.

The episode’s Vibe Check goes behind the scenes with LiV and the Peoria Symphony Orchestra as they rehearse for Liv’n It Up at the Peoria Civic Center.

INTRODUCING

James KERR

WTVP'S
NEW CHIEF OFFICER
OF CONTENT/DIGITAL MEDIA



In April, **WTVP** welcomed James Kerr to the critical role of Chief Officer of Content/Digital Media. Kerr now leads the station's multimedia strategy, content development and audience engagement efforts across all platforms to connect central Illinois with trusted, meaningful content.

Kerr brings more than two decades of experience in local television and media leadership, including 18 years working here at home in central Illinois. His career has centered on building audience engagement, strengthening brand identity and using storytelling to help organizations better connect with the communities they serve. "What excites me the most is the mission," says Kerr about joining the **WTVP** team. "**WTVP's** secret sauce is storytelling with a purpose and the opportunities are limitless."

Kerr has also worked closely with nonprofit organizations including The Salvation Army and the Center for Prevention of Abuse, helping elevate awareness and support through strategic storytelling. He serves on the board of directors for FamilyCore, reflecting his ongoing commitment to strengthening families and communities in the region.

"**WTVP** is thrilled to welcome James both for his depth of experience as well as his connection to the community," says Jenn Gordon, **WTVP's** President and CEO. "His

commitment to creating quality content and elevating local voices aligns with **WTVP's** mission and will serve and expand our audience across the region."

Serving **WTVP's** audience is a responsibility Kerr takes seriously. "**WTVP** is truly community supported and that matters. We're not just serving the community; we belong to it. The people believe in **WTVP** and are willing to fight for it. It's an honor to be able to serve the community in such an authentic way."

Kerr has belonged to central Illinois for most of his life. A graduate of Southern Illinois University Carbondale, he grew up in Morton and, like many of us, had an early connection to PBS. "I learned my ABCs from Big Bird and my manners from Mr. Rogers. I grew up on PBS and never left." He now lives in Tremont with his wife, Suzannah, and their two children, Jack and Evelyn.

Kerr is excited to jump into the work of **WTVP**, making the most of this valuable community resource. "People have all kinds of media at their fingertips. There is no shortage of content but there is a shortage of trust." Kerr believes that public media is a trusted source of information as it draws from local voices. "**WTVP** is local to the core," says Kerr. "These are your friends and neighbors telling the stories. And right now, local voices matter more than ever."

PLEASE JOIN US IN
WELCOMING JAMES KERR TO THE WTVP TEAM!

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

AH QUON MCELRATH: THE STRUGGLE NEVER ENDS!

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 9 PM

Ah Quon McElrath was an intellectual force who gave voice to Hawaii's working class and helped power a labor movement based on racial equality. Born to immigrant Chinese parents and raised in extreme poverty, she became one of Hawaii's most influential leaders.

FOOD ROOTS

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 8 PM

Billy Dec travels through the Philippines to find his last living relatives and face a haunting family tragedy. By embracing the culinary and cultural treasures of the Philippines and confronting family secrets, Billy gains a deeper understanding of his family history and how food has shaped them.

INDEPENDENT LENS LIGHT OF THE SETTING SUN

MONDAY, MAY 18, 9 PM

After a family member has a mental breakdown, filmmaker Vicky Du traces generational trauma rooted in her family's displacement during China's 1949 revolution. Across Taiwan and New Jersey, she explores if healing can break the mental illness cycle.

INDEPENDENT LENS THIRD ACT

MONDAY, MAY 25, 9 PM

Filmmaker Tadashi Nakamura chronicles his father Robert A. Nakamura's life—from WWII incarceration to becoming a pioneer of Asian American cinema. As Parkinson's and political unrest open old wounds, father and son confront art, memory and legacy.

PICTURES FROM A HIROSHIMA SCHOOLYARD

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 10 PM

In 1995, a box of drawings by elementary children in Hiroshima, Japan was uncovered by a parishioner of All Souls Unitarian Church in Washington, D.C. In 2010, members of All Souls embarked on a journey to return the images to Japan and reunite them with the artists who created them.



BIOPICS

BLUE – THE LIFE AND ART OF GEORGE RODRIGUE

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 10 PM

This documentary tells the remarkable story of Louisiana artist George Rodrigue. A man of his surroundings and culture, and a vigorously collected and admired figure, the "Blue Dog" painter has created a legacy that endures. Rodrigue's life story and artistic contributions are a vivid part of the Louisiana landscape, continuing to play an important part in the American art world and beyond.



THE MONTIERS: AN AMERICAN STORY

MONDAY, MAY 4, 8 PM

Family portraits found under a bed unraveled the story of an African-American family with a rich history and blood ties to the first mayor of Philadelphia, Humphrey Morrey, appointed by William Penn in 1691. The Montiers' interracial love story is both unlikely and remarkable.



INVISIBLE NATION

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 8 PM

INVISIBLE NATION offers viewers unprecedented, intimate access to Tsai Ing-wen, Taiwan's first female president, providing a character-centered study of her leadership during a period of complex global and geopolitical challenges. The documentary explores Taiwan's evolution, highlighting its vibrant democracy, hard-won civil liberties and established democratic processes, including robust and fair elections. From the island's past to its uncertain future, the program focuses on its ongoing efforts to preserve its autonomy and maintain stability within the current international landscape.



AMERICAN MASTERS W.E.B. DU BOIS: REBEL WITH A CAUSE

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 8 PM

Discover W.E.B. Du Bois' remarkable life from his birth, just five years after the Emancipation Proclamation; to his death, on the eve of the March on Washington in 1963, and how his legacy as an activist continues to resonate today.





THURSDAY, MAY 21, 8:30 PM

BRINGING YOU FRESH STORIES EVERY MONTH, THE MAY EPISODE WILL FEATURE:

REPAIR CAFÉ: Don't pitch it; fix it! The Repair Café is a place where volunteers help repair a wide range of items for free. This community-driven group brings people together to fix broken items, reduce landfill waste and share skills by connecting those in need with people who know how to repair it.

GMB ARTS IN EDUCATION SPRING CELEBRATIONS: A cherished tradition returns with this year's annual Spring Celebration, highlighting the important role art plays in our community. The event not only brings people together but also inspires kids to explore their creativity, build confidence and express themselves. Discover what this celebration means and the history behind it.

DON'T MISS THESE COMPELLING, LOCAL STORIES ON YOU GOTTA SEE THIS!, AIRING ON THURSDAY, MAY 21, AT 8:30 P.M.

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Haunted by the killing of her daughter, Karin's trauma collides with each investigation. As storms, secrets and violence surge, the past proves impossible to escape. In German and Polish with English subtitles.

▶ **PATIENCE | SEASON 2**

EARLY PASSPORT RELEASE – SEASON 1 STREAMING NOW | SEASON 2 STREAMING MAY 31

Patience returns to help tackle crimes in York. When new detective Frankie Monroe bursts on the scene, there's initially tension but soon they learn to work as a team. Meanwhile, Patience faces challenges in love and loss.

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Part adventure, part history lesson, part treasure hunt, 23-time Emmy® Award-nominated ANTIQUES ROADSHOW began its 30th broadcast season in 2026 and is the most watched ongoing primetime PBS series. Catch several new episodes this month!



GRANT'S FARM HOUR 2

MONDAY, MAY 4, 7 PM

ROADSHOW harvests hidden treasures at Grant's Farm, including a 1960 Ansel Adams Portfolio III: Yosemite Valley, a Persian Qashqai Gabbeh rug, ca. 1935 and 1959 JFK's boxer shorts with signed photo. One find reaches \$40,000-\$60,000!



GRANT'S FARM HOUR 3

MONDAY, MAY 11, 7 PM

Catch a crop of ROADSHOW discoveries at Grant's Farm, including a Cartier Art Deco Tutti Frutti clutch, ca. 1925, a Carl Kauba cowboy bronze, ca. 1900 and a Sumerian cuneiform tablet, ca. 2150 BCE. One find has a value of \$30,000 - \$100,000!



JUNK IN THE TRUNK MONDAY, MAY 18, 7 PM

Visit all five cities from ROADSHOW's celebratory Season 30 for never-before-seen finds, including a 1961 JFK Santa Claus Letter, a 1979 Ed Ruscha Stage Fright ink on paper and a John Juzek violin, ca. 1950. Guess the hour's big find!

STAMPING *the* PASSPORT

Welcome to **WTVP's** monthly article featuring a **WTVP** staff member reviewing a new-to-them show on **Passport**.

WTVP  **Passport**



CALEB RAMSEY EXPLORES INFLUENCE IN NOVA'S "YOUR BRAIN: WHO'S IN CONTROL?"

You may have seen Caleb Ramsey around town, capturing video footage for one of **WTVP's** local shows. He's been a Videographer and Editor at the station for about a year, working on programs like *At Issue* and *Docs on Call*.

Searching for something "science-y" to watch, Caleb recently turned to *NOVA*—PBS's premiere science series. Running since 1974, the show has broadcast over 1,000 episodes across 53 seasons, many of which are available on demand with PBS Passport.

Caleb was specifically interested in an episode from season 50, "Your Brain: Who's in Control," noting the relevance of the topic. "It's particularly pertinent now to think about how we're influenced and the decisions we make," said Caleb.

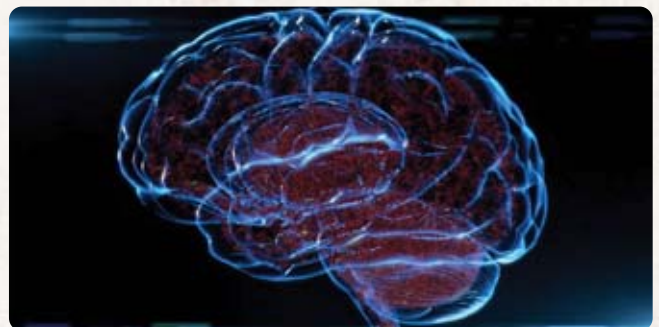
He was fascinated by a segment of the show about split brain surgery—a procedure that disconnects the brain hemispheres for those suffering from severe epilepsy. Test subjects who saw an object with only their left eye could draw the object but not describe it, illustrating the separate functions carried out by different parts of the brain.

Another segment told the story of Phineas Gage, a railroad construction foreman who survived an explosion that drove a tamping iron through his head in 1848. The striking changes to his personality after the accident reveal some of the brain's role in determining personality.

Caleb was also intrigued by the segment on generational trauma. An experiment found that mice who developed extra cells in their nose to avoid an electrical shock also passed down that trait to their offspring.

The episode has caused Caleb to pause and consider his beliefs and decision-making. "It reminds me to reflect on why I'm thinking about and believing the things I do. While I think I'm making these decisions, often it's because of environmental factors."

He also found the episode to be really important for this moment in our culture. "If we as a society had more awareness and were more critical of the information we received and more discerning of where it came from, I think we would have a more honest society. There are a lot of people out there who want to manipulate us and it's important we understand that and are aware."



*If you too want to explore the science behind influence, point your phone camera at the **QR code** and follow the link. This episode of **NOVA**, plus over 60 more, are available to stream on demand with **PBS Passport**.*



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A SHOT OF AG
WITH ROB SHARKEY
SATURDAY, MAY 2, 8:30 PM

WTVP ECOWATCH
SUNDAY, MAY 3, 5:30 PM

ENERGY SWITCH
DATA CENTERS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 10 PM

AT ISSUE
WITH MARK WELP
THURSDAY, MAY 7, 8 PM

1 FRIDAY

- 7:00 PM Washington Week with the Atlantic
- 7:30 PM Consider This with Christine Zak-Edmonds Robin Raymer- Artist, Author, The Plaster Man
- 8:00 PM Great Performances Now Hear This: The Iceland Sound
- 9:00 PM Great Performances Now Hear This: The Composer Is Yoo
- 10:00 PM Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow Portland - A Multitude of Indie Record Stores
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

2 SATURDAY

- 6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe Germany's Dresden and Leipzig
- 6:30 PM Travels with Darley Mississippi College Towns
- 7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show America at Play
- 8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions The Steeldrivers
- 8:30 PM A Shot of Ag (WTVP)
- 9:00 PM Call The Midwife Season 13, Episode 5
- 10:00 PM State & Water Kevin Hart and the Vibe Tribe - Part 2
- 10:30 PM Austin City Limits Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo
- 11:30 PM Stage The Cactus Blossoms Featuring Jack Klatt

3 SUNDAY

- 3:00 PM Epic Trails
- 3:30 PM Wild Foods Montana
- 4:00 PM You Gotta See This! Astronaut | Solar Car Lunar Robot

- 4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
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4 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow Grant's Farm, Hour 2
- 8:00 PM Montiers: An American Story
- 8:30 PM Trolley Park: Great Lakes
- 9:00 PM Camp Ricstar
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5 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots In The Blood
- 8:00 PM Invisible Nation
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- 10:00 PM Healthy Minds with Dr. Jeffrey Borenstein Treatment of Psychosis In Teens and Young Adults
- 10:30 PM Ireland with Michael Adventures in the North
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

6 WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 PM Life On Earth: Attenborough's Greatest Adventure
- 8:00 PM NOVA Decoding The Universe: Cosmos

- 9:00 PM Shared Planet Open Spaces
- 10:00 PM Energy Switch Data Centers
- 10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

7 THURSDAY

- 7:00 PM This Old House Walpole Adu | Retro Vibes
- 7:30 PM Ask This Old House Paver Walkway, Mowing A Lawn 101
- 8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 8:30 PM Vibe 309 with Blake Wirth
- 9:00 PM Miss Scarlet and the Duke On Masterpiece The Woman In Red
- 10:00 PM Ridley The Memory Jar, Part 2
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

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- 7:30 PM Consider This with Christine Zak-Edmonds Sydney Russell, MS, RDN, LDN - Outpatient Clinical
- 8:00 PM Great Performances Suff's
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

9 SATURDAY

- 6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe Germany's Frankfurt and Nurnberg
- 6:30 PM Adventure Cities Scottsdale, Arizona and Montreal, Canada
- 7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show Caribbean Cruise
- 8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions The Headhunters
- 8:30 PM A Shot of Ag (WTVP)
- 9:00 PM Call The Midwife Season 13, Episode 6

- 10:00 PM State & Water Ex Bombers - Part 2
- 10:30 PM Austin City Limits Gary Clark Jr./Black Pumas
- 11:30 PM Stage Chastity Brown Featuring Humbird

10 SUNDAY

- 3:00 PM Epic Trails Backpacking South Dakota
- 3:30 PM Wild Foods Spring Awakenings Vermont
- 4:00 PM Vibe 309 with Blake Wirth
- 4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 5:30 PM DW Focus On Europe
- 6:00 PM Classical Tahoe
- 7:00 PM Call The Midwife Season 15, Episode 8
- 8:00 PM MaryLand On Masterpiece Episode 2
- 9:00 PM The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece The Last Two
- 10:00 PM Down The Duck with John Guider
- 11:00 PM Murder in the Mountains Firestarter

11 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow Grant's Farm, Hour 3
- 8:00 PM After Ike - A Journey That Changed America
- 9:00 PM Independent Lens Natchez
- 10:30 PM Whitney Reynolds Show Home Grown
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

12 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots Far from Home
- 8:00 PM Food Roots
- 9:00 PM Frontline
- 10:00 PM 5/14: The Journey Here, The Hope to Come



VIBE 309 WITH BLAKE WIRTH
LIV WARFIELD | PEORIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
THURSDAY, MAY 7, 8:30 PM

FRONTLINE

FRONTLINE
THE PRESIDENT VS. THE FED
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 9 PM



DOWNTON ABBEY
SEASON 1
SUNDAY, MAY 17, 9 PM

YOUR STORY MATTERS



WHITNEY REYNOLDS SHOW
DIGGING UP DREAMS
MONDAY, MAY 18, 10:30 PM

10:30 PM Ireland with Michael Limerick, You're A Lady
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

13 WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Nature
Attenborough and the Sea Dragon
8:00 PM NOVA
Decoding The Universe: Quantum
9:00 PM Shared Planet
Forests
10:00 PM Energy Switch
Extreme Weather Part 1
10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

14 THURSDAY

7:00 PM This Old House
Walpole Adu
An Attic Adu
7:30 PM Ask This Old House
Tile Soap Holders;
Swirl Ceiling
8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
8:30 PM WTVP's Docs on Call
9:00 PM Miss Scarlet and the Duke
On Masterpiece
Deeds Not Words
10:00 PM Miss Scarlet and the Duke
On Masterpiece
Memento Mori
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

15 FRIDAY

7:00 PM Washington Week
with the Atlantic
7:30 PM Consider This with
Christine Zak-Edmonds
8:00 PM Great Performances
Top Hat
10:30 PM Market to Market
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

16 SATURDAY

6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe
Bulgaria
6:30 PM Adventure Cities
La Paz, Mexico and
Lafayette, Louisiana
7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show
Tribute to Irving Berlin
8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions
Buckethead
8:30 PM A Shot of Ag (WTVP)
9:00 PM Call The Midwife
Season 13, Episode 7
10:00 PM State & Water
The Belle Rangers - Part 2
10:30 PM Austin City Limits
Jelly Roll/The War and
Treaty
11:30 PM Stage
Tall Paul Featuring
Joe Rainey

17 SUNDAY

3:00 PM Epic Trails
Backpacking Lake Powell,
Utah
3:30 PM Wild Foods
Arizona
4:00 PM WTVP's Docs on Call
4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
5:30 PM DW Focus On Europe
6:00 PM Classical Tahoe
7:00 PM Lucy Worsley's Royal
Myths & Secrets
Elizabeth I: The Warrior
Queen
8:00 PM MaryLand On Masterpiece
Episode 3
9:00 PM Downton Abbey Season 1
On Masterpiece
Downton Abbey - Part 1
10:30 PM Dirigo: Maine at Gettysburg
11:00 PM Murder in the Mountains
Rotten Eggs

18 MONDAY

7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow
Junk in the Trunk
8:00 PM Unveiled: Daisy Bates
and Johnny Cash
9:00 PM Independent Lens
Light of the Setting Sun
10:30 PM Whitney Reynolds Show
Digging Up Dreams
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

19 TUESDAY

7:00 PM Finding Your Roots
Stranger Than Fiction
8:00 PM American Masters
W.E.B. Du Bois: Rebel
with a Cause
10:00 PM Recipe for Wellness
Bali
10:30 PM Ireland with Michael
Follow Me Up to Carlow
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

20 WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Nature
Attenborough's Wonder
of Song
8:00 PM NOVA
When Whales Could Walk
9:00 PM Shared Planet
Waters
10:00 PM Energy Switch
Extreme Weather Part 2
10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

21 THURSDAY

7:00 PM This Old House
Walpole Adu | Board &
Batten Down The Hatches
7:30 PM Ask This Old House
Picnic Table; Insurance
Policies
8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
8:30 PM You Gotta See This!

9:00 PM Miss Scarlet and the Duke
On Masterpiece
Cell 99
10:00 PM Miss Scarlet and the Duke
On Masterpiece
The Case of Henry Scarlet
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

22 FRIDAY

7:00 PM Washington Week
with the Atlantic
7:30 PM Consider This with
Christine Zak-Edmonds
Steve Spain - The Costume
Trunk
8:00 PM Great Performances
An Evening with Nicole
Scherzinger
9:30 PM Great Performances
Now Hear This: Rising
Stars
10:30 PM Market to Market
11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

23 SATURDAY

6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe
Romania
6:30 PM Adventure Cities
Lexington, Kentucky and
Whistler, Canada
7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show
Grammy Award Songs
8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions
Flatland Cavalry
8:30 PM A Shot of Ag (WTVP)
9:00 PM Call The Midwife
Season 13, Episode 8
10:00 PM State & Water
The Accidentals - Part 1
10:30 PM Austin City Limits
Chris Stapleton
11:30 PM Stage
Soul Asylum Featuring
Loki's Folly



YOU GOTTA SEE THIS!
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 8:30 PM

FRONTLINE
THE WAR CABINET
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 9 PM

DOCS ON CALL
PALLIATIVE CARE
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 8:30 PM

CONSIDER THIS
WITH CHRISTINE ZAK-EDMONDS
FRIDAY, MAY 29, 7:30 PM

24 SUNDAY

- 3:00 PM Epic Trails
Backpacking Victoria, Australia
- 3:30 PM Wild Foods
Adirondacks - Upstate New York
- 4:00 PM You Gotta See This!
- 4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 5:30 PM DW Focus On Europe
- 6:00 PM The Carnival of More Animals
- 7:00 PM National Memorial Day Concert 2026
- 8:30 PM National Memorial Day Concert 2026
- 10:00 PM Downton Abbey Season 1 On Masterpiece
Downton Abbey - Part 2
- 11:30 PM Murder in the Mountains
Break It Up

25 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow
Celebrating Asian-Pacific Heritage
- 8:00 PM Waal River Crossing: 1944
- 9:00 PM Independent Lens
Third Act
- 10:30 PM Whitney Reynolds Show
Light Through The Battle
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

26 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots
Dreamers One and All
- 8:00 PM Seabiscuit: American Experience
- 9:00 PM Frontline
- 10:00 PM Recipe for Wellness
Baja
- 10:30 PM Ireland with Michael
The Riches of Wicklow
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

27 WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 PM Nature
Attenborough and the Jurassic Sea Monster
- 8:00 PM NOVA
Great Mammoth Mystery
- 9:00 PM Secrets of the Dead
China's Bronze Kingdom
- 10:00 PM Energy Switch
Air Conditioning
- 10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

28 THURSDAY

- 7:00 PM This Old House
Walpole Adu
A Double Homecoming
- 7:30 PM Ask This Old House
Outdoor TV; Granite Firepit
- 8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 8:30 PM WTVP's Docs on Call
- 9:00 PM Rohna Classified
- 10:00 PM Pictures from a Hiroshima
Schoolyard
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

29 FRIDAY

- 7:00 PM Washington Week
with the Atlantic
- 7:30 PM Consider This with
Christine Zak-Edmonds
- 8:00 PM Great Performances
Broadway Musicals:
A Jewish Legacy
- 10:00 PM Papa Ray's Vintage
Vinyl Roadshow
Seattle - Musical Nirvana
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

30 SATURDAY

- 6:00 PM Lawrence Welk -
Milestones & Memories
- 9:00 PM Woody Guthrie at 100!
Live at the Kennedy
Center

10:30 PM Earth, Wind & Fire:
iheart Radio Live

31 SUNDAY

- 3:30 PM Behind The Scenes of
Leonardo da Vinci with
Ken Burns
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 5:30 PM 60s Pop, Rock & Soul
(My Music Presents)
- 7:30 PM Our Favorite Things
About Grantchester
- 9:00 PM Downton Abbey Season 1
On Masterpiece
Downton Abbey - Part 3
- 11:00 PM Chicago & Friends:
Live at 55

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DAYTIME schedule

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
MAY 1 -31	5:00	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics	Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics	Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr	Your Fountain of Youth with Lee Holden
	5:30	Odd Squad				
	6:00	Wild Kratts				
	6:30	Weather Hunters				
	7:00	Lyla In The Loop				
	7:30	Carl The Collector				
	8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood				
	8:30	Phoebe & Jay				
	9:00	Sesame Street				
	9:30	Work It Out Wombats!				
	10:00	Donkey Hodie				
	10:30	Rosie's Rules				
	11:00	Elinor Wonders Why				
	11:30	Sara's Weeknight Meals	Pocket Sketching With Kath Macaulay	Garden SMART	My Greek Table	Fit 2 Stitch
	12:00	Texas Parks and Wildlife	Antiques Roadshow	Finding Your Roots	NOVA	Shared Planet
	12:30	Cycle Around Japan Highlights				
	1:00	Museum Access	Books by the River	Lawrence Welk Show	Ambient Film	Lucky Chow
	1:30	MotorWeek	Medical Frontiers		Painting and Travel with Roger & Sarah Bansemer	The Best of The Joy of Painting
	2:00	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics				
	2:30	Odd Squad				
	3:00	Molly Of Denali				
	3:30	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum				
	4:00	Menghayati!/Into The Outdoors/SciGirls/Curious Crew/Woodsongs Kids/Biz Kid\$				
	4:30	Arthur				
	5:00	WTVP BUSINESS BLOCK – DW News				
	5:30	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack	A Shot of Ag	MotorWeek	Fork and Hammer	History with David Rubenstein
	6:00	PBS NewsHour				

WEEKEND schedule

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
5:00	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
5:30	Arthur	Arthur
6:00	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts
6:30	Weather Hunters	Weather Hunters
7:00	Lyla In The Loop	Lyla In The Loop
7:30	Carl The Collector	Carl The Collector
8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
8:30	Phoebe & Jay	Phoebe & Jay
9:00	Curious Traveler ¹	Sesame Street
9:30	Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting ¹	Albie's Elevator
10:00	Quilting Arts ¹	Wimee's Words
10:30	Garden SMART ¹	VegeSaus
11:00	America's Heartland ¹	Curious Crew

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
11:30	Family Plot: Gardening in the Mid-South ¹	Woodsongs Kids ¹
12:00	America's Test Kitchen ¹	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack ¹
12:30	This Old House ¹	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe ¹
1:00	Ask This Old House ¹	Market to Market ¹
1:30	Garage with Steve Butler ¹	CapitolView ¹
2:00	Woodsmith Shop ¹	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover ¹
2:30	Volunteer Woodworker ¹	People Of The North ¹
3:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street TV ¹	See WTVP-HD Daily Listings for Schedule
3:30	Dining with the Chef ¹	
4:00	Louisiana Coastal Cooking ¹	
4:30	Kitchen Curious ¹	
5:00	Compass Points From PBS News ¹	
5:30	MotorWeek/Weekend Discovery ¹	

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AT ISSUE WITH MARK WELP | ST. JUDE RUNS ONE CRAZY IDEA

Learn about a new St. Jude Memphis to Peoria Run documentary called *One Crazy Idea*.



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The president of Children's Hospital of Illinois finds creative ways to cheer hospital stays.



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Sprains, strains, tears and tendinitis—dealing with musculoskeletal injuries.



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SOUND BITES | LIV WARFIELD, PEORIA TO PRIMETIME

Peoria native and R&B sensation LiV Warfield talks about going from Peoria to primetime.



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VIBE 309 | JEHAN GORDON-BOOTH & EMILY CAHILL GOLF LEARNING CENTER

Blake Wirth talks with Jehan Gordon-Booth about momentum and visits the Golf Learning Center.

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Mark Welp hosts this twice-monthly program featuring health care experts from Carle Health and OSF HealthCare. Each episode will address a different topic, ranging from preventative care to diagnosis to treatment of health conditions. New episodes air the second and fourth Thursdays of the month.

This month, on May 14, we'll dive into the challenging topic of childhood cancer with experts from OSF HealthCare. Then on May 28, Carle Health professionals will address palliative care.

Get help for heavy issues with *Docs on Call*.





YOUR GUIDE TO FUN IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS

Catch *Living It Up*, WTVP'S WEEKLY GUIDE TO WEEKEND FUN.

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Opening Day
May 1



Clink Bar
Friday Night Heights
May 1, 22



Peoria Zoo
Glow Wild
May 1



Peoria Civic Center
Peoria Ballet: Swan Lake
May 2



Dozer Park
Peoria Chiefs Games
May 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24



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May 6



Contemporary Art Center of Peoria
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May 7



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Wildlife Prairie Park Train Day
May 9



Peoria Zoo
Zootini
May 14



Three Sisters Park
Summer Camp Music Festival
May 21-24



Bust'd Brewing
Bust'd Beer Bash
May 24



Pour Bros Craft Taproom
Trivia on Tap
May 28

DEVELOPMENT

Team

You have seen their faces on TV, read their letters and heard their voices on the phone. Now meet the team responsible for **WTVP's** fundraising, community engagement and membership services.



AUDREY KAMM | CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Audrey Kamm leads **WTVP's** fundraising and community engagement efforts. Before joining the station, she worked as a Development Advisor for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and previously held leadership roles with Midwest Food Bank and the Peoria Area Chamber of Commerce. She has been honored as one of Peoria's 40 Leaders Under Forty (2019) and received the Emerging Leader Award (2022). Audrey lives in Metamora with her husband, Andrew, and their two sons, Logan and Lincoln.



BRIAN COLLINS | CORPORATE SUPPORT MANAGER

As the Corporate Support Manager, Brian Collins establishes and nurtures partners and sponsors for **WTVP**. A graduate of the University of Georgia, he served in the military and has over 20 years' experience in marketing and finance. Brian moved to central Illinois in 2025 but is originally from Atlanta and most recently lived in Charlotte. He's an avid Georgia Bulldogs football fan and loves supporting animal welfare causes.



TIFFANY DEAKIN | DEVELOPMENT & EVENTS COORDINATOR

Tiffany Deakin is the Development & Events Coordinator, handling events from start to finish and helping connect the community to **WTVP's** work. She has a background in the ag industry, where she worked in her family's business, managing purebred livestock auctions across the country and publishing a nationwide sheep magazine. A University of Illinois alum, she was thrilled to watch Illini's March Madness success (even if it ruined her bracket). She lives in Fulton County on the family farm and stays involved in the sheep industry.



KACY MEISCHNER | MEMBERSHIP SERVICES COORDINATOR

Kacy Meischner is the main point of contact for **WTVP's** members. As the Membership Services Coordinator, she processes donations and responds to member requests. Prior to joining **WTVP**, Kacy worked at OSF HealthCare as a paralegal. Originally from Chillicothe, Kacy now lives in Germantown Hills with her husband Josh, son Alex and their two dogs.



CHRISTIAN SAUDER | OFFICE SUPPORT

Christian Sauder splits his time at **WTVP** between serving on crew and working in the office. As a crew member, he helps build, set up and tear down sets, operates camera and audio and occasionally serves as technical director. In the office, he answers phones and helps with various clerical tasks. Christian enjoys music, singing with Nova Singers and playing baritone sax in the Peoria Municipal Band alongside his flute-playing wife, Eva. Their cat, Cacahuate, does not play an instrument.



AMY WALTERS | MARKETING COPYWRITER

Bringing her love of storytelling to the station, Amy is responsible for **WTVP's** Program Guide, social media, newsletter and scripts. She has a BA and an MA in Applied Linguistics and over 20 years' experience in nonprofit communications. As a boomerang, Amy grew up in East Peoria, lived in Michigan for almost 20 years and now lives in Dunlap with her husband and two children, Sophie (15) and Eli (12).



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GRANDMA STAND

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 10 AM

At a time when the lack of connection is epidemic, wise and witty grandmothers sit behind a lemonade-style stand in NYC's Central Park, offering heartfelt life lessons to passersby. Inspired by the importance of his own grandmother's guidance, Mike Matthews created the "Grandma Stand" as a place where anyone can find emotional comfort through conversations with an impartial grandma. It has become so popular that "Grandma Stands" are now opening in other states and countries.



A LIFE REIMAGINED: THE GEORGE MASA STORY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 6 PM

Working backward through filmmaker Paul Bonesteel's decades-long fascination, *A LIFE REIMAGINED: THE GEORGE MASA STORY* unravels the mysterious life of George Masa, a Japanese immigrant whose extraordinary photographs helped define the identity of the Great Smoky Mountains. Joined by a devoted circle of historians, naturalists and artists, Bonesteel traces Masa's journey from a small village in Japan to the rugged peaks of North Carolina, where he found both purpose and hardship.



PRICE OF PARADISE

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 7 PM

At the age of 55, Lindamae Lawelawe Carillo Maldonado discovered the truth about her identity and the existence of her birth family. She was born on the Island of Moloka'i, where people suspected of having Hansen's Disease (leprosy) were isolated. Lindamae was among the many children taken away from their mothers at birth and placed for adoption. In the hour-long documentary *PRICE OF PARADISE*, Lindamae and her newly discovered family set out to uncover the truth behind their forced separation.



BUILDERS OF THE SILICON DREAM

MONDAY, MAY 25, 6 PM

This film weaves the tales of influential Asian immigrants who were instrumental in Silicon Valley's semiconductor supremacy. Their personal and professional triumphs are underscored by the obstacles of cultural resistance and the need for embracing a more inclusive society that recognizes and benefits.



Weekend MARATHONS



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FRIDAYS, 8 PM — 1 AM

SATURDAYS, 9 AM — 2 PM

SUNDAYS, 11 AM — 4 PM

Let **WTVP Create** spark your creativity with these engrossing marathons!

FIESTA WITH PATI

FRIDAY, MAY 1 — SUNDAY, MAY 3

Let's have a fiesta on La Frontera! Pati Jinich leads us through the fascinating and often misunderstood U.S.–Mexico border region to showcase the rich culture, people and cuisines of these dynamic communities.



HAPPY TRAVELS, RICK!

FRIDAY, MAY 8 — SUNDAY, MAY 10

It's Rick Steves' birthday and he's taking us to some of his favorite places! Get ready for a tour of fabulous European destinations that are sure to inspire some travel dreams for your next adventure.



CREATING IN COMMUNITY: ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN CULTURE

FRIDAY, MAY 15 — SUNDAY, MAY 17

Celebrate AAPIH Month with stories that show how creativity comes to life through community and culture and experience food, fashion and family from all corners of the globe.



NATIONAL BARBECUE MONTH (VIEWER'S CHOICE)

FRIDAY, MAY 22 — SUNDAY, MAY 24

The smoke, the sizzle, the rich flavor... there is so much to love about barbecue! Enjoy a feast of grilled perfection that spans many cuisines, selected by Detroit PBS viewer Tom D. from New Baltimore, Michigan as we mark National Barbecue Month.



WEEKEND PROJECTS

FRIDAY, MAY 29 — SUNDAY, MAY 31

Join Create for a weekend of tips and tricks to crack your to-do list, ranging from home fixes and furniture repairs to projects that hone your handiwork skills.



PUBLIC MEDIA GIVINGDAYS

MAY 1-2
2026

You're invited to join **WTVP** as we participate in the fourth annual **Public Media Giving Days** on May 1 and 2. This growing national tradition is a time to celebrate public media's impact on you and your community—and to join together in giving back!

Your voice matters. Tell your family, friends and neighbors what **#PublicMediaGives** to you. Share your favorite programs and memories from **WTVP** and encourage others to join the conversation. Your voice will become part of the nationwide chorus of people sharing their love for public media.

Then consider making an additional gift on May 1 or 2 to help keep **WTVP** independent and accessible so that we can continue to provide the programs and services you and your community rely on. Your generosity will inspire others!

Because of the recent loss of federal funding for public media, **Public Media Giving Days** carries more weight than ever before. Your support can help move public media forward, protecting access to educational resources, cultural programs and community services.

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DirecTV: Channel 47

Dishnet: with Local Channels: 7756

Comcast Regular Cable: Channel 12 in the Peoria, Morton, Pekin, Canton, and Galesburg areas—Channel 12 in the Bloomington/Normal area—Channel 3 in the Kewanee area—and Channel 96 in the Lincoln area.

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Cass Communications: Channel 4 in the Forest City/Manito/Havana area

H.I. Cable: Channel 20 in Lostant

Heartland Cable: Channel 12 in Armington and Channel 13 in Flanagan/Tonica

McNabb Cable & Satellite: Channel 27 in McNabb

MidCentury TeleCom: HD Channel 421 and SD Channel 21 in Knox, Stark, Fulton and Peoria Counties

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Tel-Star Cablevision: Channel 21 in the Edelstein, Woodland Heights, Brimfield, Hanna City, Mackinaw area

i3 Broadband: Channel 447 in Pekin and Morton

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i3 Broadband: Channel 48 in Pekin and Morton

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Mediacom Digital Cable: Channel 121 in Fairbury, Atlanta, LeRoy, Heyworth, Chillicothe and McLean County

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