1 Wednesday
9pm Frontline
Plastic Wars
Did the plastic industry use recycling to sell more plastic? With the industry expanding like never before and the crisis of ocean pollution growing, FRONTLINE and NPR investigate the fight over the future of plastics.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Reel South
Lumpkin, Ga
In a fading Georgia town, a community recalls its dark past and faces a grim present. An undocumented immigrant, caught in legal limbo and facing deportation, contemplates his future. In the midst of it all, a massive, private immigration prison generates millions in profits. Where these stories meet, the hidden epicenter of America's immigration crackdown is revealed—a place called Lumpkin, GA.

12:30am Independent Lens
One Child Nation
China's one-child policy forever changed the lives of mothers and children. Inspired by the birth of her first child, filmmaker Nanfu Wang returns to China to speak with her mother and brother, and explore the ripple effect of this social experiment.

2 Thursday
8pm Earth's Sacred Wonders
Closer to the Divine
Travel to Japan, where a Shinto devotee undertakes a grueling challenge at a sacred waterfall. A young Muslim helps re-plaster a mosque in Mali. At a New York City cathedral, an Episcopal priest brings people and their pets closer to God.

9pm Secrets of the Dead
Ben Franklin's Bones
When human bones were found in the basement of Benjamin Franklin's London home, people wondered if he had a dark side. The remains weren't victims of violent acts, however; they were used in an anatomy school that helped shape modern medicine.

10pm PBS NewsHour
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12am Nova
Cuba's Cancer Hope
When the U.S. trade embargo left Cuba isolated from medical resources, Cuban scientists developed their own biotech industry — and promising lung cancer vaccines. Can they now team up with U.S. partners to make the treatments available to all?

3 Friday
8pm Inheritance
Meet three women who are genetically predisposed to breast cancer. Follow Alejandra, Lilith and Bonnie as they undergo life-altering medical procedures in the hope of reducing their risk — and saving their lives.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Polio Crusade: American Experience
Discover the story of the dreaded disease that gripped the nation in fear, leaving thousands paralyzed. The film weaves personal accounts of polio survivors with the story of the ardent crusader who tirelessly fought against it.

4 Saturday
8pm Soundbreaking
The Art of Recording
Explore the role of the music producer tasked with turning an artist's vision into a hit and view the contrasting styles of some of the most accomplished producers. Featuring George Martin, Sam Phillips, Tom Petty, Dr. Dre and more.

9pm Soundbreaking
Painting with Sound
Learn how the recording studio itself became an instrument. From the advent of magnetic tape, chart the evolution of multi-track recording and the ingenuity of artists such as the Beatles, Beach Boys, Pink Floyd and Fleetwood Mac.

10pm America ReFramed
Finding Kukan
Filmmaker Robin Lung documents her 7-year journey to uncover the efforts of Li Ling-Ai, the visionary but uncredited producer of Kukan. Lung discovers a damaged film print of Kukan, and pieces together the untold tale of the two renegades behind its making — Li Ling-Ai and Rey Scott. A landmark film, Kukan showcased China's resistance to Japanese occupation during World War II, and was the first American feature documentary to receive an Academy Award in 1942.

11pm Massacre River: The Woman Without A Country
Massacre River: The Woman Without a Country is told through
the eyes of Pikilina, a Dominican-born woman of Haitian descent. Racial and political violence erupt when the country of her birth, the Dominican Republic reverses its birthright citizenship law and she is left stateless, along with over 250,000 others.

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5 Sunday
8pm Nature
Cuba’s Wild Revolution
In the crystal-clear waters of the Caribbean, Cuba is an island teeming with exotic biodiversity: from coral reefs pulsating with life to five-foot-long Cuban rock iguanas. As international relations thaw, what will become of this wildlife sanctuary?

9pm Rebels with a Cause
Narrated by Oscar-winning actress Frances McDormand, REBELS WITH A CAUSE spotlights a small group of people who banded together to protect and preserve open spaces near urban areas for parks and farms from rampant development. In doing so, they brought about America's system of national seashores and recreation areas. The film begins in the 1950s and tells the tale of this disparate band of activists who, despite reversals, diversions, and disappointments, persisted in their mission for 20 years. Their cause crosses party lines, unifies seemingly antagonistic foes, falters and is nearly extinguished many times along the way, but is ultimately victorious. REBELS WITH A CAUSE documents a fascinating example of a hard-fought campaign to preserve something important to all Americans - our public lands.

10pm Shifting Sands: On the Path to Sustainability
For more than a century, North America's giants in manufacturing (US Steel, Standard Oil and Bethlehem Steel) and preservationists battled over a 47-mile stretch of sandy shore along Lake Michigan that contains one of the most diverse ecosystems on the planet-the Indiana Dunes region. While the factories provided jobs and contributed to the community's economic growth, they also wiped out a tremendous amount of rare habitat, and polluted the waterways. In SHIFTING SANDS: ON THE PATH TO SUSTAINABILITY, the hour-long documentary takes a look at the decades-long effort to create the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore amid the presence of heavy industry along Lake Michigan. It also highlights the collaborative effort to clean up and restore the region. The clash over the Indiana Dunes—considered to be the birthplace of ecological science in North America—would lead to the creation of public policy with worldwide impact, and it would give the United States one of its first urban National Parks. Today, that decades-old battle has transformed into a new model of cooperation, where industrialists and environmentalists, once bitter adversaries, are now working together to steer this community toward sustainability.

11pm POV
Girl
After her town is left submerged by a tsunami of mud, Dian, a politically active teenager, galvanizes her neighbors to demand reparations from the corporate powers accused of one of the largest environmental disasters in recent history.

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6 Monday
8pm POV
Farmsteaders
9pm Local, USA
Opioids from Inside
Follow the journey of three women, all mothers, who have served time in New York State jails for opioid-related crimes. Growing up, these women dreamed of having a family, a career. But these women are not simply addicts, they are mothers and daughters, they are loved and feared, they are abusers and victims, but most of all, they are humans.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage
You Only Live Once
What is a life worth living? Certainly a life well lived...because it only happens once. Gianmmarco Soresi goes on a harrowing skydiving trip and realizes that sometimes in love we jump too late; at 15, Brendyn Schneider's dream of a first kiss finally comes true; and Alison Tocci and her family celebrate life and
death in wonderful and unique ways. Three storytellers, three interpretations of YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE, hosted by Theresa Okokon.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Independent Lens

Look & See: Wendell Berry's Kentucky

Experience the changing landscapes and shifting values of rural America in the era of industrial agriculture, as seen through the mind's eye of award-winning writer and farmer Wendell Berry, back home in his native Henry County, Kentucky.

7 Tuesday
8pm America ReFramed
Night School
Every year, over a million students drop out of high school. They may complete their graduate equivalency degrees, but then they discover they're still struggling to get good jobs. For some in Indianapolis, there's another option: a night school program that will get them their full high school diploma - if they can complete a tough curriculum that includes algebra and biology. NIGHT SCHOOL is an intimate look at a year in the lives of three students: a single father trying to make a better life for his young daughter, an older woman looking to complete the schooling she abandoned almost 40 years before, and a young woman who needs her diploma to enroll in nursing school.

8 Wednesday
9pm Frontline
China Undercover
A special undercover report from China's secretive Xinjiang region. Investigating the Communist regime's mass imprisonment of Muslims, and its use and testing of sophisticated surveillance technology against the population.

9pm W.S. Merwin: to Plant A Tree
Examine the life and work of the poet laureate, two-time Pulitzer Prize winner and environmental activist who has dedicated himself to preserving and regenerating native plants at his home on Maui.

10 Friday
8pm Gene: An Intimate History
Episode One
A fascinating history of the human genome weaves together science and personal stories. Patients with rare genetic diseases and their doctors seek to discover cures, often in a race against time.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Broken Places
Find out why some children are severely damaged by early adversity while others are able to thrive. By revisiting childhood trauma victims we profiled decades ago, we learn how their experiences shaped their lives as adults.

11 Saturday
8pm Soundbreaking
The Human Instrument
Celebrate the most essential part of a song and the most challenging to capture—the vocal track. Consider the ineffable emotional quality that makes a vocal track truly great; with Adele, Amy Winehouse and Christina Aguilera.

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Going Electric
From the electric guitar to synthesized music, learn how innovators used electricity to unleash new sounds. Evaluate the power of technology to continuously redefine music, from Delta blues to the Rolling Stones, Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Wonder and Devo.

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There are more than 100 domestic and wild kinds of rabbits and hares, from snowshoe hares to Flemish giants. Despite their remarkable ability to reproduce, many wild rabbits are in danger of being eradicated.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage
Love Calls
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What Lies Upstream
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Following in the footsteps of a wandering Florida black bear, three friends leave civilization and enter a lost American wilderness on a rugged thousand-mile journey by foot, paddle, and bike. Traversing Florida’s vast and seldom seen “Forgotten Coast,” the expedition encounters stunning and rare wildlife including black bears, manatees, alligators, ancient river fish, and endangered woodpeckers - all living within a fragile wildlife corridor stretching from the Everglades to the Florida-Alabama border. The Suncoast Emmy-Award winning documentary was also awarded the Exploration and Adventure award at the 2016 BLUE Ocean Film Festival.

14 Tuesday
8pm America ReFramed
America Dreams Deferred
A young Latino man, William Caballero, juggles unconditional family love with the challenges of breaking the cycle that has kept so many relatives from reaching their dreams. Set against a backdrop of Coney Island and Fayetteville, North Carolina, an NYU graduate student turns the camera on his Puerto Rican-American family plagued by social, medical and public health issues. U.S. health care and culture is examined through this young man’s lens, which also explores both his and family’s dreams. Many immigrants in the U.S. aspire to achieve the American dream and this Latino family comprised of immigrants to second-generation Americans is no different. As subjective as the barometer of reaching this goal is, the film begs the ultimate question: who attains their American dream?

15 Wednesday
8:30pm Independent Lens
Bedlam
Hear the poignant stories of people grappling with schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and other psychiatric conditions. Psychiatrist Kenneth Rosenberg visits ERs, jails and homeless camps to examine the national health crisis of mental illness.

16 Thursday
8pm Blood Sugar Rising
Diabetes is an epidemic that affects 100 million Americans, costing over $350 billion annually. Explore the history and science of this hidden crisis and meet some of the faces behind the statistics whose stories bring insights and hope.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am The Definition of Insanity
A team of dedicated Miami-Dade County public servants work to help people with mental illness navigate from lives of tragedy to possibility. The film reveals a humane criminal justice approach to mental illness.

17 Friday
8pm Gene: An Intimate History
Episode Two
Geneticists wrestle with the moral implications of groundbreaking new technologies that offer both promise and peril. Audrey, a determined young scientist with Spinal Muscular Atrophy, researches a treatment for her own condition.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am The Gene Doctors
Every year, a million babies are born with hereditary diseases. Physicians once had little to offer, but a new breed of gene doctors is now on the case. Devising treatments that target the root causes, they are transforming lives.

18 Saturday
8pm Soundbreaking
Four on the Floor
Chart the progression of the beat from drum and bass to beat box and beyond - from Little Richard and James Brown to disco with the Bee Gees, EDM and Beyonce. Witness the endless experimentation that transformed the bedrock of all music.

9pm Soundbreaking
The World Is Yours
Meet the pioneers of hip hop and explore how sampling - the practice of borrowing fragments from existing records-created a new genre of music that took over the world; including Public Enemy, Run DMC, the Beastie Boys, Beck and more.

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Born inside a sanctuary in the wilderness of Botswana, Naledi the baby elephant loses her mother and faces the world alone. It is now up to a devoted team of caretakers and researchers to urge Naledi to survive and help find her place in the herd.

9pm Reel South
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10pm Swimming In Auschwitz
SWIMMING IN AUSCHWITZ interweaves the stories of six Jewish women imprisoned inside the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp during the Holocaust. The women maintained a spiritual resistance against their Nazi aggressors through prayer, community, music and even humor. They speak of camp families and faith, uplifting one another while trying to retain their humanity. Their compelling testimonials reveal the power of laughter and community, even in the face of evil.

11pm After Auschwitz
Six Jewish women who survived the Holocaust - Eva Beckmann, Erika Jacoby, Rena Drexler, Lili Majzner, Renee Firestone and Linda Sherman - tell their extraordinary life stories. When Auschwitz was liberated in January 1945, it was the beginning of a lifelong struggle for these survivors. AFTER AUSCHWITZ recounts how the six women have built their lives since the war - getting married, immigrating to America, building careers, and raising children and grandchildren - while looking for a way to understand their trauma and loss.

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20 Monday
8pm Pacific Heartbeat
Anote's Ark
The Pacific Island nation of Kiribati (population: 100,000) is one of the most remote places on the planet, seemingly far-removed from the pressures of modern life. Yet it is one of the first countries that must confront the main existential dilemma of our time: imminent annihilation from sea-level rise. While Kiribati's President Anote Tong races to find a way to protect his nation's people and maintain their dignity, many Kiribati are already seeking safe harbour overseas. Set against the backdrop of international climate and human rights negotiations, Anote's struggle to save his nation is intertwined with the extraordinary fate of Tiemer, a young mother of six, who fights to migrate her family to New Zealand. At stake is the survival of Tiemer's family, the Kiribati people, and 4,000 years of Kiribati culture.

9pm Local, USA
The Seven Generation River
In a time when America's natural resources are caught in the
crossfire of deep divisions between Americans, the Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi Indians from the southwest corner of the Great Lakes might hold the key to healing our divisions, healing nature and healing ourselves. For the Pokagon, water is sacred. They are intimately tied to the lakes, rivers and streams that run through tribal lands. When the Federal government recognized the Pokagon as a sovereign tribal nation, the tribe launched a series of cultural preservation and environmental restoration efforts. The Pokagon are leading a major cultural preservation and environmental restoration effort in order to pave the way for the next seven generations.

21 Tuesday
8pm America ReFramed
Come Hell or High Water: The Battle for Turkey Creek
Come Hell or High Water: The Battle for Turkey Creek follows the painful but inspiring journey of Derrick Evans, a Boston teacher who moves home to coastal Mississippi when the graves of his ancestors are bulldozed to make way for the sprawling city of Gulfport. Over the course of a decade, Derrick and his neighbors stand up to powerful corporate interests and politicians and face ordeals that include Hurricane Katrina and the BP oil disaster in their struggle for self-determination and environmental justice.

22 Wednesday
8pm Independent Lens
The Hottest August
Listen as ordinary New Yorkers attempt to answer the question "What were you doing while the planet burned?" During one sweltering month in 2017, they discuss the biggest issues they face, from climate change to skyrocketing rents to mass shootings.

23 Thursday
8pm H2O: The Molecule That Made Us
Pulse
How did water arrive on Earth?
How did it come to underpin every aspect of existence from
dragonflies to deserts in bloom to human life? Dive in!

9pm Follow The Water
10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Nova

Killer Floods
Uncover geologic fingerprints of colossal floods that violently reshaped the ancient world. Follow geologists around the globe as they reconstruct catastrophic Ice Age floods more powerful than all the world’s top ten rivers combined.

24 Friday
8pm POV
Inventing Tomorrow
In preparation for the world’s largest convening of high school scientists, teenage innovators from around the globe create cutting-edge solutions to confront environmental threats while navigating the doubts and insecurities of adolescence.

9:30pm Far Afield: A Conservation Love Story
FAR AFIELD: A CONSERVATION LOVE STORY is a documentary about conservation icon and author Bert Raynes. It’s also a three-part love story involving Bert and his wife Meg, their love for Jackson Hole, Wyo., and their love for the environment. With a keen intellect, sharp wit and a twinkle in his eye, Bert has been inspiring the people of Jackson Hole to observe and care about their wild neighbors for more than 40 years. Introduced to the outdoors by his wife Meg in their 20s, the urban dweller became active in a variety of environmental causes over the course of his marriage. In 1972, the couple retired to Jackson Hole and in 1976, Bert founded the Jackson Hole Bird Club and soon after began writing a weekly wildlife column for the Jackson Hole News. The couple also performed boots-on-the-ground restoration of habitats in Jackson Hole, which eventually led to the creation of the Meg and Bert Raynes Wildlife Fund. The documentary also introduces several of the programs and projects Bert has helped moved forward - from nature mapping training for civilians to studying the Curlew bird. Young, old and ages in-between flock to this 91-year-old to discover how to become better stewards of the natural world. FAR AFIELD shares Bert’s vision for how citizen scientists can play a meaningful role, working in tandem with experts in caring for the wild places loved by all.

10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News

12am Man Who Tried to Feed The World: American Experience
Explore the life of 1970 Nobel Peace Prize winner Norman Borlaug, who tried to solve world hunger. He rescued India from a severe famine and led the "Green Revolution," estimated to have saved one billion lives. But his work later faced criticism.

25 Saturday
8pm Soundbreaking
Sound and Vision
Trace the rise of MTV and see how music videos transformed our experience of music - from David Bowie, Devo and Madonna to the Eurythmics and Nirvana. Learn how a marketing tool became an art form and a powerful mediator between artist and audience.

9pm Soundbreaking

I Am My Music
From LPs to cassette tapes, CDs and MP3s, discover how listening formats determine how and where we listen, and also the ways we collect, store and share the music we love; featuring Frank Sinatra, Marvin Gaye, Bob Dylan and the Grateful Dead.

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11:30pm Reel South
Divided City
Produced and Directed by: Katie Mitchell & Andrea B. Scott.
Monuments to the Confederacy permeate the American South. Emotions run high and tensions mount when, in 2015, the New Orleans city council convenes a public debate over the fate of its Confederate statues. As the council prepares to vote, Divided City reveals deep divisions about the history and symbolism of the monuments, and their place in the public space and in the South.

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26 Sunday
8pm Climate Change - The Facts
Scientists explore the impact of climate change and what could happen if global warming exceeds 1.5 degrees. Discover how the latest innovations and technology are posing potential solutions and what individuals can do to prevent further damage.

9pm Reel South
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LGBTQ West Virginians fight to live free from discrimination, calling us to reimagine the power of a small town queer community.

10pm Doc World
Elephant Path - Njaia Njoku
Captain Chris Scott rallies a colony of tent residents to defend their provisional homes against the forces of gentrification. As development encroaches on the community, the tragedies and personal experiences of a displaced community resurface among those clinging to their last remnant of stability.

27 Monday
8pm Pacific Heartbeat
Mele Murals
Mele Murals is a documentary about the transformative power of art through the unlikely union of graffiti and ancient Hawaiian culture. At the center of the story are two renowned street artists - Estria Miyashiro (aka Estria) and John Hina (aka Prime) - a group of Native Hawaiian youth, and the rural community of Waimea. Through their stories Mele Murals shows how public art and Native Hawaiian traditions transforms the artists, students and community.

9pm Butterfly Town, USA
The coastal city of Pacific Grove in Monterey County, Calif. is known as "Butterfly Town, U.S.A." for the annual migration of the Monarch butterflies. The Monarch Butterfly Grove Sanctuary in the town is one of the oldest Monarch over-wintering sights in California, but in recent years their numbers have been dwindling rapidly. In 2009, the city heavily pruned branches, and gaps in the tree canopy resulted in Monarch numbers dropping from nearly 18,000 to under 800. BUTTERFLY TOWN, USA centers on a community of activists, led by Bob Pacelli, who took action to save the Monarch Butterfly Grove Sanctuary. Pacelli and a group of volunteers planted 40 boxed trees to buffer the impact of the trimming. As a result, Monarch numbers increased by more than 500%. Motivated by their progress, more trees were planted which led to a clash between activists and the city about how best to protect the over-wintering site. BUTTERFLY TOWN, USA focuses on the local habitat protection for the Sanctuary, but also on a larger goal: citizens working together globally to limit habitat loss due to climate change, deforestation and pesticides.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage Tough Choices
10pm PBS NewsHour
11pm Dw The Day
11:30pm BBC World News
12am Himalaya Connection
Shot in Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, India, Mongolia, Nepal and Pakistan, the film explores the dramatic and far-reaching effects of the Indian and Asian tectonic plates crashing below the Himalayas and their impact on the region's geology, climate and people. It also reveals how the Indian-Asian plate collision created notable geologic superlatives: Earth's highest mountain range-the Himalayas-and some of Earth's largest rivers, such as the Brahmaputra, Ganges, and Indus, which flow from the Himalayas and the Tibetan Plateau to sustain 45 percent of all the people in the world. Yet these rich benefits to humanity are coupled with great risks in the form of major earthquakes, frequent flooding, landslides, and erosion. THE HIMALAYA CONNECTION explores how the devastating Nepal earthquake of 2015 spurred intensified efforts by scientists to better understand earthquake processes and to successfully push for stronger defensive measures throughout the region. A sense of urgency in the scientists' research builds to the climax of the film, when a group of seismologists and geologists working in Bangladesh and northeastern India discover a gigantic earthquake fault, previously unknown, which is actively building up strain across a landscape that is home to 140
28 Tuesday
8pm America ReFramed
*Island Soldier*
Filmed in Kosrae, Micronesia, *Island Soldier* follows the Nena family as they grieve the loss of their son, Sapuro "Sapp" Nena. His death in Afghanistan makes waves through the community where nearly everyone is connected to the U.S. Military. Known as a "recruiter's paradise," Micronesia, a U.S. territory in the Pacific Ocean, contributes a disproportionate number of soldiers to the American armed forces, who cannot receive benefits. Yet, scores of young men leave their families behind in pursuit of the American Dream.

9:30pm Native Waters: A Chitimacha Recollection
The Chitimacha, the 1,000-member tribe known as "the People of Many Waters," are heirs to an unbroken 8,000-year past. Living off the bounty of Louisiana's Atchafalaya Basin, one of the richest inland estuaries on the continent, this indigenous nation persists and rejuvenates its culture despite gradually losing its ancestral territory to environmental and man-made forces. NATIVE WATERS: A CHITIMACHA RECOLLECTION journeys into sacred places of the Atchafalaya Basin with author Roger Stouff, the son of the last chief of the Chitimacha Indians and a keeper of his family's oral tradition. Stouff shares native stories, beliefs and perspectives about this often overlooked people. An avid fly-fisherman, Stouff laments the certain demise of the river basin, the depletion of its sacred fishing and hunting grounds and the painful "vanishings" of the time-honored Chitimacha way of life.

29 Wednesday
8:30pm Independent Lens
*Jim Allison: Breakthrough*
Meet a visionary doctor on a journey to find a cure for cancer. Nobel Prize winner Dr. Jim Allison spent decades waging a lonely but ultimately fruitful quest to discover a way the immune system can stop cancer in its tracks.

9pm Secrets of the Dead
*Building Notre Dame*
Built more than 800 years ago, before modern construction tools, the cathedral of Notre Dame is a beloved, iconic monument of Gothic architecture. The film was shot before the tragic 2019 fire but provides insight into how the great church managed to stay standing as well as why the world reacted with an outpouring of sadness and support for it. Featuring historians, scientists, architects and engineers, as well as "The Pillars of the Earth" author Ken Follett, "Building Notre Dame" explores how this masterpiece of human ingenuity, with its soaring arches and Rose Window, was created. Viewers will stand alongside the builders of yesterday and today to understand the vast architectural, technical, human, financial and political challenges which played out during its turbulent history.

30 Thursday
8pm H2O: The Molecule That Made Us
*Civilizations*
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