



WSKG-DT4 June 2020 expanded listings

1 Monday

8pm Rick Steves Fascism In Europe

In this one-hour special, Rick Steves travels back a century to learn how fascism rose and then fell in Europe - taking millions of people with it. He traces fascism's history from its roots in the turbulent aftermath of World War I, when masses of angry people rose up, to the rise of charismatic leaders who manipulated that anger, and the totalitarian societies they built. In addition, Rick chronicles the brutal measures the leaders used to enforce their ideologies, and discusses the horrific consequences of genocide and total war. And yet despite all this, inspiration can be found by those who resisted. Along the way, Rick visits poignant sights throughout Europe relating to fascism, and talks with Europeans whose families lived through those times. The goal of the RICK STEVES SPECIAL: THE STORY OF FASCISM IN EUROPE is to learn from the hard lessons of 20th-century Europe, and to recognize that ideology in the 21st century.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage

Fresh Start

Life is full of opportunities to begin

again. Claritza Abreu prepares for her first job in the US by reading the phone book. In Afghanistan, Mahboba Akhtarzadah journeys to her classroom against all odds. Dillan DiGiovanni discovers that sometimes we need to face our past before moving forward.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Relieving Stress with Yoga with Peggy Cappy

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2 Tuesday

8pm America ReFramed

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9pm Reel South

Alabama Bound

Directed by: Lara Embry & Carolyn Sherer. In the months leading up to the Supreme Court decision on marriage equality, gay families in Alabama were busy fighting discriminatory state laws. Alabama

Bound chronicles the roller-coaster ride for gay rights in the South, and a resilient community that lives with both frustration and hope in a place where the line between church and state is often blurred. .

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3 Wednesday

8:05pm Africa's Great Civilizations

The Cross and the Crescent

Gates charts the rise of Christianity and Islam, whose economic and cultural influence stretched from Egypt to Ethiopia. Learn of African religious figures like King Lalibela, an Ethiopian saint, and Menelik, bringer of the Ark of the Covenant.

9:30pm Life on the Line

Flight to Survive

Follow an emergency trauma team as they transport injured children by air to one of the few level 1 pediatric trauma centers in the nation. From a near drowning to a child stroke, be inspired by some of the youngest members of society and their families as they fight to

overcome tragedy.

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Origins/The Cross and the Crescent

Journey with Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr. to Kenya, Egypt and beyond as he discovers the origins of man, the formation of early human societies and the creation of significant cultural and scientific achievements on the African continent.

4 Thursday

8:15pm Africa's Great Civilizations

Cities

Gates explores the power of Africa's greatest ancient cities, including Kilwa, Great Zimbabwe and Benin City, whose wealth, art and industry successes attracted new European interest and interaction along the continent's east and west coasts.

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The Atlantic Age/Commerce and the Clash of Civilizations

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uncovers the complex trade networks and advanced educational institutions that transformed early north and west Africa from deserted lands into the continent's wealthiest kingdoms and learning centers.

5 Friday

8:20pm Africa's Great Civilizations

Commerce and the Clash of Civilizations

Gates explores the dynamism of 19th-century Africa, the "scramble" by European powers for its riches,

and the defiant and successful stand of uncolonized Ethiopia.

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Gates explores the impact of the Atlantic trading world, giving rise to powerful new kingdoms, but also transatlantic slave trade. Learn of the revolutionary movements of the 18th-early 19th centuries, including the advent of the Sokoto Caliphate.

6 Saturday

8pm Ken Burns: Country Music

Join host Kathy Mattea to learn more about the making of the epic documentary series devoted to the history of this truly American art form. Features interviews with Rosanne Cash, along with Ken Burns and other members of the filmmaking team.

9:30pm Rise Up: Songs of the Women's Movement

Celebrate the centennial of women's right to vote through popular music, including performances by Aretha Franklin, Lesley Gore, Helen Reddy, Loretta Lynn, Gloria Gaynor, Dolly Parton, Joan Jett, Cyndi Lauper, Melissa Etheridge, Tina Turner and more.

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9:30pm Brain Secrets with Dr. Michael Merzenich

Join host Maria Shriver to discover how to improve and maintain cognitive fitness and deal with aging. Dr. Merzenich, a neuroscience pioneer, reveals new information about the brain and shows us how to rejuvenate and

reshape our brains.

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9pm Life on the Line

For The Love of Paradise

Brad Brown, a hospital chaplain in the town of Paradise, risked his own life to help patients escape the deadliest fire in the history of California. Hailed one of the biggest heroes by Time Magazine, he is returning to his burned community with his family and is set on helping others do the same. But as emotional trauma hits residents, a behavioral health trauma team zeroes in to help those impacted by

the fire.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage

Challenge Accepted! (Home Edition)

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Suze Orman's Ultimate Retirement Guide

Join the acclaimed personal finance expert for essential advice on planning for and thriving in retirement. With empathy, straight talk and humor, Suze provides information about key steps for anyone trying to achieve their "ultimate retirement."

9 Tuesday

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10 Wednesday

8:30pm Independent Lens

Acorn and the Firestorm

Explore the politically charged battle to take down ACORN, a controversial national community-organizing group. Working with lower income communities, the group was investigated by undercover journalists, cutting to the heart of the political divide.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

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12am POV

Call Her Ganda

Three women pursue justice for Jennifer Laude, a Filipina transgender woman who was brutally murdered by a U.S. Marine. In galvanizing a political uprising, they take on hardened histories of U.S. imperialism.

11 Thursday

8pm WWII Mega Weapons

Battleship Yamato

Learn how Japan, in a bid to dominate the Pacific, builds the biggest battleship in the world. A floating fortress with the most

powerful guns and the thickest armor ever mounted on a warship, the Japanese believe her unsinkable.

9pm Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed The World

The Telescope

Meet the brilliant minds throughout history, from Galileo to Edwin Hubble, responsible for creating the telescope. Today, their invention allows humanity to reach the furthest limits of seeing 13 billion light-years out.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

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12am Nova

Ghosts of Stonehenge

Who built Stonehenge and why?

Discover how the last decade of groundbreaking archaeological digs has revealed major new clues to Britain's enigmatic 5,000-year-old site and the people who constructed it.

12 Friday

8pm Stonewall Uprising:

American Experience

"Stonewall Uprising" explores the dramatic event that launched a worldwide rights movement. Told by those who took part, from drag queens and street hustlers to police detectives, journalists and a former mayor of New York, and featuring a rich trove of archival footage, this film revisits a time when homosexual acts were illegal throughout America, and homosexuality itself was seen as a form of mental illness. Hunted and often entrapped by undercover police in their hometowns, gays from around the U.S. began fleeing to New York in search of a sanctuary. Hounded there still by an aggressive police force, they

found refuge in a Mafia-run gay bar in Greenwich Village, the Stonewall Inn. When police raided Stonewall on June 28, 1969, gay men and women did something they had not done before: they fought back. As the streets of New York erupted into violent protests and street demonstrations, the collective anger announced that the gay rights movement had arrived.

9:30pm The Committee

The Committee is a documentary film about the little-known Florida Legislative Investigative Committee of the State Legislature from 1956-1965. Florida Senator Charley Johns chaired the committee, and its aim was to root out communist and homosexual teachers and students from state universities. It was successful in either firing or expelling more than 200 suspected gay and lesbian citizens. The film features two North Florida survivors (Rev. Ruth Jensen-Forbell and Chuck Woods) and one interrogator (John Tileston) who have never before spoken publicly about their experiences without anonymity. It culminates in a 50-year reunion between survivor and interrogator.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Secrets of the Dead

King Arthur's Lost Kingdom

Uncover new archaeological evidence at Tintagel that suggests the legend of King Arthur started in a prosperous and sophisticated trading village in 5th-century Britain following the departure of the Romans.

13 Saturday

8pm Terrence McNally: American Masters

Explore four-time Tony-winning playwright Terrence McNally's six groundbreaking decades in theater. The film delves into McNally's pursuit of love and inspiration, LGBTQ activism, triumph over addiction and the power of the arts to transform society.

9:30pm Two-Spirit Powwow

"Two-Spirit Powwow" shows how the San Francisco nonprofit Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirits (BAAITS) has hosted an annual queer-friendly powwow since 2012, the first and largest LGBTQI-hosted one of its kind in North America.

The film tracks growth from the modest one-room inaugural dance to the huge events now conducted at a massive venue. Staff works long hours to provide a warm welcome to native and ally visitors from around the country. When traditional conservative powwow protocol conflicts with queer-positive identity, the two-spirit powwow changes up the rules. For LGBTQI natives still facing prejudice and stigmatization at home, just attending the powwow is a pioneering act of resistance. But when they arrive, some are surprised to find welcoming community, great drumming and dancing, and a lot of fun.

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8pm Operation Maneater

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Canada's Hudson Bay where polar bears are causing havoc in isolated communities. He arrives in the town of Churchill hours after an attack has left two people with serious injuries and a bear dead. Mark joins the Polar Bear Alert team as they transport a captured bear by helicopter to a release site outside town. And in the Inuit town of Arviat, Mark works with wildlife officers to test an aerial drone early warning system, a military grade ultra-loud speaker to deter bears and a controversial experiment to place meat out on the tundra to divert bears away from town.

9pm College Behind Bars

Part One

Meet the incarcerated men and women admitted to the Bard Prison Initiative (BPI), one of America's most rigorous college programs behind bars. They soon learn that they are held to the same high standards as students on Bard College's main campus.

10pm Minor Injustice

As the nation progresses on criminal justice reform, can Texas morally keep sending its youth to adult prisons?

11pm Independent Lens

Real Boy

Real Boy is the coming-of-age story of Bennett, a trans teenager with dreams of musical stardom. During the first two years of his gender transition, as Bennett works to repair a strained relationship with his family, he is taken under the wing of his friend and musical hero, celebrated trans folk singer Joe Stevens.

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15 Monday

8pm Pacific Heartbeat

Born This Way: Awa's Story and the Rogers

Born This Way: Awa's Story - In New Zealand, Te Awarangi 'Awa' Puna is an openly transgender Maori teen attending her final year at Kapiti College in Wellington, New Zealand. This documentary follows her journey from male to female as we see the support of her family and the hurdles she must overcome. The Rogers - An intimate glimpse into the lives of those who formed the first visible group of transgender men in the Pacific Islands - The Rogers of Samoa - as they build an outside oven, seek romance, and prepare to perform a traditional men's dance in public. While still facing many obstacles, their stories illustrate the power that come when those rejected by society create their own community.

9pm Life on the Line

Erin's Story

Fourteen-year-old Erin Tharp is a star student, but then something happens that will change her life forever. When a mysterious illness

sends her into a coma, doctors and family members are left desperately trying to solve the mystery. Six months later, Erin is still in a coma, and the family is hanging onto their last shred of hope for her future. Will something trigger Erin's awakening?

9:30pm Stories from the Stage

Special Occasion

From a birthday party to a wedding ceremony, a reunion to an unexpected meeting, special events can create lasting memories. As a young boy in a holiday play, David Dean Bottrell discovers his lifelong passion after stealing the spotlight; over twenty years after penpalling her brother's Navy buddies, Juli-Anne Whitney Jensen finally understands the impact of her letters; and Don Picard's marriage ends up on the front page of his local newspaper. Three storytellers, three interpretations of SPECIAL OCCASION, hosted by Wes Hazard.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Pacific Heartbeat

Leitis In Waiting

Leitis in Waiting tells the story of Tonga's evolving approach to gender fluidity through a character-driven portrait of the most prominent leiti (transgender) in the Kingdom, Joey Mataele, a devout Catholic of royal descent. Over the course of an eventful year, Joey organizes a beauty pageant, mentors a young leiti who is rejected by her family, and attempts to work with fundamentalist Christians regarding Tonga's anti-sodomy and cross-dressing laws. Her story reveals what it

means to be different in a deeply religious and conservative society, and what it takes to be accepted without giving up who you are.

16 Tuesday

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Little Miss Westie

9:30pm Reel South

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8:30pm Frontline

The Virus: What Went Wrong?

As COVID-19 spread from Asia to the Middle East to Europe, why was the U.S. caught so unprepared? Despite repeated warnings of a potent contagion headed our way, America's leaders failed to prepare and protect us. Why and who is accountable?

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Independent Lens

Recorder: The Marion Stokes Project

Activist Marion Stokes secretly recorded American television 24 hours a day from 1975 to 2012, creating an invaluable comprehensive archive of the media. Her 70,000 VHS tapes reveal how television shaped - and continues to shape - our world.

18 Thursday

8pm Prehistoric Road Trip

Welcome to Fossil Country

Travel with Emily through billions of years of Earth's history to meet some of its earliest life forms, from primitive bacteria to giant reptiles and many surprising creatures in between.

9pm Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed The World

The Airplane

Take to the sky with the dreamers whose work gave humans the ability to fly. From Leonardo da Vinci's "flying machines" to the modern commercial plane, without these inventions, we may have never left the ground.

10pm PBS NewsHour

11pm Dw The Day

11:30pm BBC World News

12am Nova

Australia's First 4 Billion Years: Awakening

Of all the continents on Earth, none preserves a more spectacular story of its origins than Australia. NOVA's mini-series takes viewers on a rollicking adventure from the birth of the Earth to the emergence of the world we know today. With help from high-energy host and scientist Richard Smith, we meet titanic dinosaurs and giant kangaroos, sea monsters and prehistoric crustaceans, disappearing mountains and deadly asteroids. This is the untold story of the Land Down Under, the one island continent that has got it all. Hidden in the red hills of Australia are clues to the mysteries of Earth's birth, how life arose and how it transformed the planet into the world we now live in. Experts unveil the earliest forms of life: an odd assortment of bacterial slime. Life

like this would flood the atmosphere with oxygen and spark the biological revolution that conquered the planet. Travel with NOVA and host Dr. Richard Smith to meet the cast in the first scenes of the great drama of life on earth.

19 Friday

8pm 10 Parks That Changed America

Explore the serene spaces that offer city dwellers a respite from the hustle and bustle of urban life, from Savannah's elegant squares to a park built over a freeway in Seattle to New York's High Line.

9pm 10 Towns That Changed America

Visit influential towns across the country from Greenbelt, Maryland, and Seaside, Florida, to Riverside, Illinois, and Levittown, New York, that had a lasting impact on the way our cities and suburbs are designed.

10pm PBS NewsHour

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12am 10 Streets That Changed America

A whirlwind tour of 10 streets that change the way we get around: from Broadway in New York and Wilshire in Los Angeles, to the Boston Post Road and the Lincoln Highway. Find out which 10 streets made the list!

20 Saturday

8pm Mae West: American Masters

Mae West: Dirty Blonde

Dive into the life and career of groundbreaking writer, performer and subversive star Mae West. Over a career spanning eight decades, she broke boundaries and possessed creative and economic powers unheard of for a

female entertainer in the 1930s.

9:30pm Penny: Champion of the Marginalized

PENNY is a multi-dimensional portrait of Penny Cooper, a celebrated criminal defense attorney, art collector, supporter of female artists, and protector of the underdog. Cooper's life brims with stories mirroring the profound changes in our country from the 1940s to the present. In this revealing documentary, Cooper proves herself quite the raconteur with seemingly unlimited anecdotes. Her stories are engaging; sometimes funny, and sometimes distressing. The film is a collection of these moments as told by Cooper and the people who have been impacted by her dynamic spirit. The talented lawyer and art enthusiast offers a unique perspective on important social narratives such as criminal justice, the artists and collectors who generate today's global contemporary art market, gender equality, and more. Through it all, she has found herself at the center of dramatic social progress for women. A role model and pioneer, Cooper perhaps owes much of her success in transcending the glass ceiling to her unwavering resilience, fortitude and infamous humility.

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21 Sunday

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Love

Spy Creatures explore the rarely seen emotions of animals, revealing whether they are as strong and complex as our own. Join the spycams as they are accepted into a wild dog pack, witness elephant love, and are mourned by a troop of monkeys!

9pm College Behind Bars

Part Two

The debate team prepares to compete. Some students make great strides academically, only to discover that the college program keeps raising the bar. Being sent to the solitary housing unit puts an education in serious jeopardy. Jules returns home.

10pm Independent Lens

Tre Maison Dasan

Explore the lives of Tre, Maison and Dasan, three of the estimated one in 14 American children with a parent in prison. Take an emotional look at relationships tested by separation and the challenges of growing up with a parent behind bars.

11:30pm Pov Shorts

Money Rules

Court fees and fines lead to cycles of incarceration for the poor in "A

Debtor's Prison." An experiment in democracy is underway in "Public Money" as neighbors decide how to spend part of a public budget. Two short docs that talk about cities and money.

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22 Monday

8pm The Good Road

Bangkok, Thailand: River of Change

Earl Bridges and Craig Martin are introduced as co-hosts of The Good Road. They invite viewers, they call "do-gooders," to explore change-makers in the world of philanthropy. Returning to their "hometown" of Bangkok, the show starts with nostalgia and noodles as they recall their childhood in the city. Next, Craig and Earl take a train to Ayutthaya, exploring Thai history, and the importance of the Chao Phraya river. They then visit an illegal community along the river called Klong Toey, and discover many good things happening amidst the poverty that abounds. Earl spends the day with the founder and namesake of the Duang Prateep Foundation and learns the many reasons that living in the Klong Toey slum is so difficult. But, he also learns how Duang Prateep is making a difference in the lives of the residents. Meanwhile, Craig explores one of the foundation's

Thai kick-boxing youth programs and learns first-hand what it's like to get his butt kicked in the ring. From there it's on to Wat Paknam, one of Bangkok's most unique Buddhist temples. The duo is led around by monk Phra Pandit Bhikkhu to learn a little about the way of life and culture of a Buddhist monk. This wry monk of British origins has unique perspectives on the way of the Buddha against the backdrop of this sacred space. At day's end, Earl and Craig wind up back on the river to learn about the Thai government's plans to install a 50-kilometer promenade along the river. Mr. Yossapon Boonsom, founder of the Friends of the River (an activist group hoping to raise awareness around the promenade), takes the two on a tour and explains the potentially devastating effects that the promenade will have for residents living along the Chao Phraya. This journey leads viewers through Bangkok, a city of beauty and intrigue. It also explores what it means to engage in one's local community in a positive way regardless of formal occupation, religious affiliation or economic status.

8:30pm The Good Road

Chyulu Hills, Kenya: Big Life in the Wild

Earl and Craig embark on an adventure that starts in Nairobi, Kenya and ends at a wildlife ranger base in a remote region of the Chyulu Hills. The Good Road team joins a convoy of land rovers and motorcycles helmed by TED Fellow Erik Hersman and his fellow BRCK co-founders on this grand expedition. BRCK is a for-profit tech company based in Nairobi with the mission to provide free internet

access across the continent of Africa. BRCK is attempting to solve all kinds of different problems and create new opportunities for anyone in remote areas ignored by big internet service providers. First stop on the expedition was the Big Life Foundation HQ, an Anti-Poaching organization where we met up with Craig Millar. Craig was made famous through the documentary film "The Ivory Game", but, more importantly, he is an anti-poaching security chief for the Big Life Foundation. Flying a prop plane to work and chasing elephant poachers is Craig's daily routine. Craig toured us through the park which led to a memorable encounter with the world's largest elephant, Tim. After getting a sense of the work Big Life Foundation does, Craig and Earl follow BRCK to a remote anti-poaching camp where rangers from the Big Life Foundation and Kenyan Wildlife Service track animals and monitor poachers eager to kill and profit from elephants and black rhinos. The BRCK team installs hardware and software to provide the rangers fast and accessible internet access where it had been impossible before. After going on patrol with the rangers there is word of an incident and the arrest of a poacher. Craig and Earl discover that the issue of poaching isn't as clean cut as you might imagine. It is a matter of life and death not just for the animals but also for the poor, desperate farmers protecting their farms or just trying to eat. The episode concludes at sunset on a plain with Mount Kilimanjaro in the distance with "sundowners" (A Kenyan tradition the whole group can get behind). Earl, Craig, the

BRCK team and the rangers chat about what is possible through combining modern technology with anti-poaching efforts in the information age.

9pm Life on the Line

A Fragile Hope

Witness the harrowing journey of two babies and their families through one of the largest hospital NICUs in the country. One battling a deadly disease, the other fighting just to take his first breath. Doctors must overcome the odds if they are to give these families the greatest gift of all - a healthy child.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage

First Impressions

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Pipe Dreams

Follow four ultra-talented young people from all over the world as they play to win the Canadian International Organ Competition, which is open to virtuosos under age 35. Who will master the "king of instruments" and come out victorious?

9pm Frontline

Opioids, Inc.

The story of a drug company that pushed opioids by bribing doctors and committing insurance fraud. With the Financial Times, an investigation of how Insys Therapeutics profited from a fentanyl-based painkiller 50 times stronger than heroin.

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Memories of a Penitent Heart

Follow filmmaker Cecilia Aldarondo's investigation-both a love story and a tribute-of a buried conflict around her uncle Miguel's death during a time when AIDS was synonymous with sin.

25 Thursday

8pm Prehistoric Road Trip

We Dig Dinosaurs

Cruise with Emily into the Cretaceous, when astonishing creatures like T. rex dominated the planet. But what happened to these tremendous animals? And how did other life forms survive an apocalyptic asteroid crash into Earth 66 million years ago?

9pm Breakthrough: The Ideas That Changed The World

The Robot

Learn how robots were first conceptualized in ancient Rome and see how their use has evolved over the centuries, from the calculator to the Roomba. Then, take a sneak peek at what future robots will be able to do.

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Australia's First 4 Billion Years: Life Explodes

Of all the continents on Earth, none preserves a more spectacular story of its origins than Australia. NOVA's mini-series takes viewers on a rollicking adventure from the birth of the Earth to the emergence of the world we know today. With help from high-energy host and scientist Richard Smith, we meet titanic dinosaurs and giant kangaroos, sea monsters and prehistoric crustaceans, disappearing mountains and deadly asteroids.

This is the untold story of the Land Down Under, the one island continent that has got it all. How did life storm the beaches and dominate planet Earth? Ancient Australian fossils offer clues. While the oceans were teeming, the world above the waves remained an almost lifeless wasteland - until the Silurian period, when the conquest of the land began. Host Richard

Smith introduces Earth's forgotten pioneers: the scuttling arthropod armies that invaded the shores and the waves of green revolutionaries whose battle for the light pushed plant life across the face of a barren continent. Join NOVA's prehistoric adventure as four-legged animals walk onto dry land, with the planet poised for disaster.

26 Friday

8pm Toni Morrison: American Masters

Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am

Toni Morrison leads an assembly of her peers and critics on an exploration of the powerful themes she confronted throughout her literary career in this artful and intimate meditation that examines the life and work of the legendary storyteller.

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12am Considering Matthew Shepard

In October of 1998, Matthew Shepard was beaten, tortured, and left to die. Twenty years later his legacy is remembered in a unique production that uses music, poetry and interviews and to explore a pivotal time in our history. When a hate crime is committed, what does it mean to be a victim, a parent, a community member, a perpetrator? How do we learn to be compassionate and find hope in hopeless situations? As a response to this hate crime, Matthew's story is placed into the context of a passion story presented as a three-part oratorio, bringing new depth to a harrowing story of loss and highlighting the role of art and how we react to tragedy. At the

heart of this production is the renowned composer Craig Hella Johnson and the Grammy Award-winning choral group Conspirare. We follow the creative process as their art is used to explore how music can be a healing force and lift up voices that are rarely heard.

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Intelligence

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9pm College Behind Bars

Part Three

Students embark on yearlong senior projects. One student reckons with her path to prison, while another receives devastating news from home. The debate union

squares off against their rival across the river, West Point.

10pm Doc World

Unsettled: Seeking Refuge In America

11:30pm Living in the Overlap

Living in the Overlap is the improbably true story of two girls growing up in Brooklyn in the 1940s, falling in love in the Midwest, and making a life together in North Carolina. Filmmakers learned about Lennie Gerber and Pearl Berlin's 46-year love story from a newspaper article and wanted to share their philosophy of relationships and their vibrant personalities with a larger audience. Lennie is an attorney focusing on LGBT issues, and Pearl is a retired professor working on various political issues. They are surprised to have reached icon status for simply living their lives together. The film includes public and private moments in Lennie and Pearl's lives using interviews, archival material, and sequences shot during their efforts to defeat North Carolina's anti-gay marriage amendment. Living in the Overlap provides an overview of how Lennie and Pearl met and fell in love before focusing largely on key episodes in their lives together now. They are recent recipients of a major award from a foundation supporting LGBT issues, an award presented at a formal gala. Despite strong efforts against the measure, the amendment passed, and they appeared on *The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell* after the election. Along with reflections and insights about civil rights and the political process, they offer wisdom about enduring relationships, including an overarching

philosophy of their relationship. They think of themselves as two circles, often overlapping, who are both independent and interdependent. After 46-years of living in the overlap, Lennie and Pearl still have an indelible spark.

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29 Monday

8pm The Good Road

Alabama Village, Alabama: Light of the Village

Earl Bridges and Craig Martin travel to Alabama Village, a small community only a few miles outside of Mobile, but seemingly worlds apart. It is an impoverished and often violent community largely ignored by the world around it. But not by everyone... while there, Craig and Earl meet John and Dolores (D-Lo) Eads. John and D-Lo have a community center and church called "Light of the Village". In their 15 years serving the people of Alabama Village and the surrounding communities they have buried more than 30 of the young people who have been through their program due to gun violence. This is a violent, desperately poor community surrounded by drugs, crime, and few legitimate work opportunities. And yet with the support of Light of the Village program people like Jesse Darrington have a chance at escaping the cycles of crime and

violence. The Good Road team follows the life of Jesse as he makes his way through his senior year of high school and out of Alabama Village. Along the way, they meet Da'Cino Dees. Da'Cino is a role model for Jesse who explains what it's like to grow up in "The Village" and why it's important for Jesse to leave. The road out wasn't easy for Jesse though and along the way he loses the most important person in his life, his mother, to the same violence he is trying to escape. Craig and Earl are genuinely worried about what will happen to Jesse during this most trying time. Then, Jesse and the other youth of Light of the Village show true compassion by turning their attention to those even less fortunate than they are. They volunteer and then raise money for a mission trip doing philanthropic work in the poor Mexican border-town of Ciudad Juárez. This is a big moment for Jesse, and after returning home, and with the support of Da'Cino, John, and Dolores, Jesse becomes the first in his family to graduate High School, and take the first real steps towards a college education.

8:30pm The Good Road

Zanzibar Archipelago, Tanzania: Islands of Isolation

In this episode, Earl and Craig are back with the BRCK team as they bring WiFi to several small, remote Islands in the Zanzibar Archipelago. After an overnight journey from Kenya on an ancient wooden sailboat the The Good Road and BRCK teams land on a sandy beach at dawn where they off-load their supplies (and motorcycles). They have arrived on Pemba Island. After setting up

camp, they make for a lighthouse at the highest point on the island. The BRCK team is combining technology it has created to support a small weather station to be installed here. It is to provide local fishermen with hyper-local up to the minute weather information that most people take for granted. Craig and Earl talk to the lighthouse caretaker and he explains how weather information in any ocean-faring effort is critical for commerce and can even save lives. Next, they head off to an even smaller, more remote Island several hours sail from Pemba. Once there, BRCK sets up an internet access point for a community with no previous internet access. In addition, they provide the one local school with a BRCK developed ruggedized tablet education system. This has the potential to solve a myriad of problems often found in emerging economy classrooms and the children at the school take to it immediately. Before returning to Pemba, the BRCK and Good Road teams overcome a number of obstacles (one of which is a lack of generator fuel!) to connect a Title 1 school in Nashville to the school on Kakota via the internet. Youth from an underprivileged American school and a remote Tanzanian school get to connect to each other in a way not possible without technology. After returning to Pemba, the team enjoys one more sunset together while discussing the implications and importance of bringing the Internet to places like Pemba and Kakota.

9pm Life on the Line

Into The Unknown

Growing up in Spain, the Sabates

always dreamed of working with the less fortunate. After Ferran became a doctor and Conchita a nurse, they took positions working at a hospital in Angola just as civil war started to rage. Soon, their dream of helping others would turn into a nightmare of survival.

9:30pm Stories from the Stage

Next Stop

A change of place, temporary or permanent, can transform our perspectives - and our lives - forever. A bathroom remodeling project transports Lorena Leonard to her childhood in Medellin during the Colombian drug war of the '80s; Kelli Dunham finds herself in a not-so-ordinary boot camp in the middle of Florida's swamps; and Angie Chatman crosses racial boundaries during a turbulent flight. Three storytellers, three interpretations of NEXT STOP, hosted by Theresa Okokon.

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9:30pm Reel South

Driven Blind

Produced and Directed by: Scott E. Schimmel. Dan Parker, a world champion drag racer, struggles to adjust to his new reality after he is blinded in a fiery racing accident. Though visually impaired, Dan has not given up his love of working with his hands, or his love of racing. *Driven Blind* follows Dan's single-minded quest to find meaningful work and to get back behind the wheel.

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