

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

BALL STATE PBS

Our New World What world will we live in tomorrow as climate change reshapes the Earth? Our planet has many surprises in store. This film reveals Nature's astonishing adaptation abilities, and how we humans can become a supporting force. **Wednesday, Apr. 1 & 8 at 10 p.m.**

Independent Lens "The Tallest Dwarf" Follow filmmaker Julie Forrest Wyman as she searches for her place in the little people community and unpacks rumors of dwarfism in her own family. **Wednesday, Apr. 6 at 10 p.m.**

Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution With access to expert insights and original evidence, Lucy explores the motivations behind the Americans' will for independence; uncovers how the American Revolution affected Britain with sabotage, espionage, and political unrest reshaping the empire and asks whether this explosive break-up could have been avoided. **Tuesday, Apr. 7 & 14 at 9 p.m.**

Nature: Becoming Elephant The Orphans of Reteti In the remote wilds of northern Kenya, follow the remarkable journey of orphaned elephants at Reteti, the first community-owned elephant sanctuary in Africa. Raised by Samburu keepers who act as surrogate parents, these elephants, many rescued from poaching, drought, or human-wildlife conflict, are nurtured back to health and prepared for life in the wild. **Wednesday, Apr. 8 & 15 at 8 p.m.**

FRONTLINE "Caught in the Crackdown" The violence, protests, and arrests stemming from the federal immigration sweeps across the country. With ProPublica, examining the tactics, legal cases, and impact from Los Angeles to Chicago to Minneapolis. **Tuesday, Apr. 14 at 10 p.m.**

Great Performances: Now Hear This "The Call of Istanbul" Discover the art, food, traditions, and fusion of cultures that shape the music of today's Istanbul, revealing a musical heritage that has influenced Western music. **Friday, Apr. 24 at 9 p.m.**

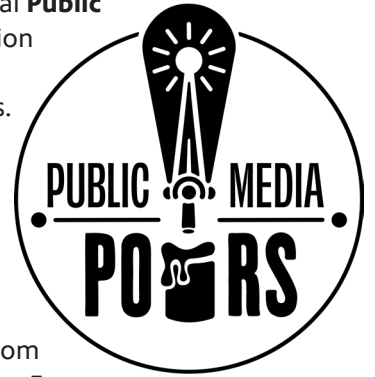
INDIANA PUBLIC RADIO

Raise a glass to public media!

Join Ball State Public Media for the inaugural **Public Media Pours**, a relaxed afternoon celebration bringing community, culture, and conversation together over regional flavors.

On **Saturday, April 11 from 3-6 p.m. at Cornerstone Center for the Arts**, guests will sample a variety of regional beverages from local brewers, distillers, winemakers, and more, along with food from 1925 Pubhouse and live music. As part of the main event, attendees will enjoy hearing from Chef Jason Reynolds and Jeff Clark of A Taste For Whiskey, who will share approachable pairing tips and highlight some of their favorite food-and-whiskey combinations.

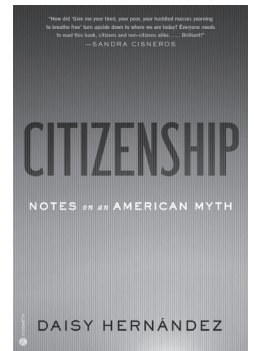
The All Access Pass includes a General Admission ticket, plus an exclusive whiskey-and-food pairing class led by A Taste for Whiskey's Chef Jason and Jeff. **More info and tickets can be found at indianapublicradio.org.**



The Facing Project

Citizenship: Notes on an American Myth

Guest host Kelsey Timmerman is joined by author and educator Daisy Hernández to discuss her new book, *Citizenship*, a provocative and intelligent examination of our country's ongoing debate about what it means to be an American. In their conversation about her work, Hernández braids together memoir, history, and cultural criticism to expose the truths and lies of how we define ourselves as a country and a people. **Saturday, Apr. 25 at 1 p.m.; encore Sunday, Apr. 26 at 7 p.m.**



BlueNotes celebrates Leonard Bernstein

In April, BlueNotes celebrates the Jazz of Leonard Bernstein. Remembered as a world renowned conductor and composer of orchestral works, many of Bernstein's compositions were influenced by American jazz, especially his Broadway musical scores. Join host Larry Beck for a playlist that includes Marian McPartland, the Smithsonian Jazz Masterworks Orchestra, Dave Grusin, Bill Evans, Mandy Patinkin, Audra McDonald and many more. **Saturday, Apr. 25 at 8 p.m.**

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APRIL PRIMETIME LISTINGS

	8 P.M.	8:30 P.M.	9 P.M.	9:30 P.M.	10 P.M.	10:30 P.M.
1 WED	Nature “Raptors: A Fistful of Daggers: Extreme Lives” From snowy owls in the high Arctic to honey buzzards raiding hornet nests in Taiwan.		NOVA “Your Brain: Perception Deception” Join neuroscientist Heather Berlin on a quest to understand how your brain shapes your reality.		Our New World “The Pulse of Change” Four people on four continents face environmental shifts driven by climate change.	
2 THU	Now Entering “Hartford City, Part 1” ❖	Sculpting the Wind: Alexa King and the Making of ... ❖	Murder in the Mountains “Rubbish Diver” Nina and Lukas connect a poisoning case to the murder of a prostitute.		RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service “Separation Anxiety” Eliza second-guesses herself. Pete and Wayne try to put their personal grievances aside.	
3 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Martha Graham Dance Company: We Are Our Time “Athletes of God” Follow the dancers from studio to stage in stunning dance sequences.		Great Performances “The Magic of Nureyev” Experience Rudolf Nureyev’s legendary production of “Swan Lake.”	
4 SAT	The Dream Whisperer In the midst of segregation, the all-Black Tennessee A&I Tigers made history by winning three straight national championships.		October Shadows: An Exploration of Trauma And Healing After An intimate exploration of the ramifications of the October 7 Hamas attacks on Israeli survivors and families who lost loved ones.			Papa Ray’s Vintage Vinyl Roadshow “Jamaica”
5 SUN	Call The Midwife “Season 15, Episode 3” Rosalind faces a troubling domestic issue as Joyce befriends a single mother with placenta previa.		The Forsytes On Masterpiece “Episode 3” Jo hopes to fulfill newfound obligations while James’s attempts to sabotage him intensify.		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece “The Treasure” Edmond escapes the castle and discovers Mercedes’ marriage.	
6 MON	Antiques Roadshow “Castle Farms, Hour 2” See Michigan marvels unveiled during ROADSHOW’s stop at Castle Farms in Charlevoix!		Antiques Roadshow “Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Hour 3” Visit Akron, OH for astonishing finds, including a Fox Kids promotion kit.		Independent Lens “The Tallest Dwarf” A filmmaker seeks belonging in the little people community and explores dwarfism within her family.	
7 TUE	Finding Your Roots “Song of the South” Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores the family secrets of actor Danielle Deadwyler and musician Rhiannon Giddens.		Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution “The Break Up” What led to America’s Declaration of Independence from Britain in 1776.		FRONTLINE “The Deal: Trump, Bukele & the Gangs of El Salvador” The Salvadoran president’s deal with Trump to imprison deportees.	
8 WED	Nature “Becoming Elephant: The Orphans of Reteti, Baby Steps” At Reteti Sanctuary in Kenya, the team helps a disabled orphan elephant.		NOVA “Your Brain: Who’s In Control?” Dive into the latest research on the subconscious to see what’s really driving the decisions you make.		Our New World “A Wild Renaissance” Five ecosystems are reshaped by climate change. Ice fields and underwater forests vanish.	
9 THU	2026 Ball State PBS Spelling Bee Champion spellers from nearly 40 schools competed in early March at Sursa Performance Hall on the campus of Ball State University. The winner will compete at the nationals finals in May.			A Dreamer’s Search Artist Rockwell Kent looks for inspiration.	RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service “Source Control” Eliza and Pete remain at odds. Wayne struggles to turn his work switch off with family.	
10 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances “Now Hear This Brahms: Free But Alone” Journey through Germany to uncover the composer’s private world.		Lafayette: The Lost Hero The story of the Marquis de Lafayette and his quest to bring democracy to America and France.	
11 SAT	Forgotten Fame: The Marion Miley Story The story of the headline-grabbing crime that cut short the life of a pioneering professional golfer.		Crossroads of a Nation: Missouri’s Rhythm, Roads & Roots Learn how Missouri’s cultural contributions helped shape the very identity of America.		The Ship That Turned Back A dramatic escape from Poland in 1940.	Papa Ray’s Vintage Vinyl Roadshow “New Orleans”
12 SUN	Call The Midwife “Season 15, Episode 4” Sister Catherine is distressed when a newborn baby is taken from the maternity home.		The Forsytes On Masterpiece “Episode 4” Jo recommits to his family, James is furious with Soames and Irene & Soames’ adventure ends early.		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece “The Red Room” After reinventing himself, Edmond tracks down the men who betrayed him.	
13 MON	Antiques Roadshow “Castle Farms, Hour 3” Treasures found in a castle during a stop in Michigan include Tiffany Studios lily sconces, ca. 1905.		Antiques Roadshow “Santa Fe’s Museum Hill, Hour 1” Visit the “Land of Enchantment” on the hunt for hidden treasures in Santa Fe.		Independent Lens “Backside: The Unseen Hands of Horse Racing” A portrait of the immigrant grooms who care for Kentucky Derby racehorses.	
14 TUE	Finding Your Roots “Rags to Riches” Henry Louis Gates, Jr. maps the roots of actor Kate Burton and media mogul Barry Diller.		Lucy Worsley Investigates: The American Revolution “A Messy Divorce” How the American Revolution affected Britain, reshaping the empire.		FRONTLINE “Caught in the Crackdown” The violence, protests, and arrests stemming from the federal immigration sweeps across the country.	
15 WED	Nature “Becoming Elephant: The Orphans of Reteti, Graduation Day” Orphan elephants learn how to survive the wild and the challenges of dry season.		NOVA “Athens: Birth of Democracy” Archaeologists investigate the dramatic origins of democracy in ancient Greece 2,500 years ago.		Secrets of the Dead “The Civil War’s Lost Massacre” The search for remains of formerly enslaved Black Union soldiers murdered as the Civil War ended.	

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16 THU	Now Entering "Hartford City, Part 2" ❖	The Story of Jim Davis ❖ A biopic of the cartoonist.	Murder in the Mountains "Firestarter" A biker gang's arrival in Kitzbuhel causes chaos after one of their members is poisoned by snake venom.		RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service "Non Negative" Eliza visits a terminally ill patient requesting help with voluntary assisted dying.	
17 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances At The Met "Now Hear This Everyone Loves Joplin" Discover the king of ragtime, Scott Joplin, with host Scott Yoo.		A More Perfect Union: Inspiring Civic & Civil Conversations Ken Burns and others discuss liberty, equality, democracy and separation of powers.	
18 SAT	Friends & Neighbors: Stories of Hope & Healing Inspired by the wisdom of Fred Rogers, seeks to cultivate depth and simplicity in complex lives.		Her War, Her Story: World War II This documentary shows how women were equal to men in patriotism, service and steadfastness in critical moments.		I'll Find A Way Or Make One: A Rosie Story How Viola Hippert became a Rosie the Riveter at Bell Aircraft Corporation during WWII.	
19 SUN	Call The Midwife "Season 15, Episode 5" When tragedy strikes the Poplar family due to a severe illness, Dr. Turner's actions come under scrutiny.		The Forsytes On Masterpiece "Episode 5" Disaster strikes at Forsyte & Co. as Soames puts an end to Irene's Parisian dreams.		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece "The Ball" Edmond continues to infiltrate the lives of his betrayers and discovers more dark secrets.	
20 MON	Antiques Roadshow "250 Years of Americana" ROADSHOW discoveries reflecting 250 years of American art, artifacts, crafts and collectibles.		The American Revolution "In Order to Be Free" Opposition in colonial North America to British policies over taxes, land, and sovereignty escalates into violent confrontation. Fighting in Massachusetts ignites a war that gives common cause to thirteen otherwise disunited colonies.			
21 TUE	Finding Your Roots "Puritans and Pioneers" Actors Ted Danson, Mary Steenburgen and William H. Macy trace their nonconformist ancestors.		The American Revolution "An Asylum for Mankind" As New Englanders work to force the British Army from Boston, Congress puts George Washington in command of a new Continental Army. In July 1776, Congress declares American independence, insisting on the people's right to resist tyranny.			
22 WED	Nature "Legendary Tigers of India" Uncover the story of the revival of northwestern India's legendary tiger clan.		NOVA "Rain Bombs" An atmospheric force is wreaking havoc, sinking superyachts, flattening forests, and bringing down airliners.		Wilding The story of a young couple who dare to bet the future of their failing, four-hundred-year-old estate on the power of nature.	
23 THU	Now Entering "Hartford City, Part 3" ❖	The Hobby ❖ The collectors, history and legacy of Ball jars.	Murder in the Mountains "Rotten Eggs" Nina and Lukas investigate the mysterious death of a young journalist.		RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service "Blood" It's Christmas Eve. Wayne, Mira and Matty attend a jet ski accident. Pete opens up.	
24 FRI	Washington Week with the Atlantic	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	Great Performances At The Met "Now Hear This The Call of Istanbul" Explore the layered sounds of Istanbul where empires met and music evolved.		International Jazz Day from Abu Dhabi Performances by Herbie Hancock, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Kurt Elling, Jose James, and more.	
25 SAT	I Will Build This World from Love A bishop in Tbilisi, Georgia and his community create a Peace cathedral - a mosque, synagogue and church under one roof.		George H. White: Searching for Freedom Explore the life and legacy of one of the most significant African American leaders of the Reconstruction Era.		Jazz Tonight Recorded live in Austin PBS Studio A, Jazz Tonight welcomes trumpeter and singer Benny Benack III.	
26 SUN	Call The Midwife "Season 15, Episode 6" An expectant father receives a life-threatening diagnosis. Trixie assists a female wrestler.		The Forsytes On Masterpiece "Episode 6" Soames commissions a country house, despite Irene's distress. Ann reveals a dark secret.		The Count of Monte Cristo On Masterpiece "Providence" Now deeply entrenched in Paris high society, Edmond meddles in his enemies' lives.	
27 MON	Antiques Roadshow "Grants Farm, Hour 1" Meet us in St. Louis as ROADSHOW discovers treasures including an Andrew Clemens sand bottle.		The American Revolution "In Order to Be Free" Opposition in colonial North America to British policies over taxes, land, and sovereignty escalates into violent confrontation. Fighting in Massachusetts ignites a war that gives common cause to thirteen otherwise disunited colonies.			
28 TUE	Finding Your Roots "Hidden in the Genes" Henry Louis Gates, Jr. helps Rebecca Hall and Lee Daniels solve family mysteries.		The American Revolution "Conquer by a Drawn Game" After beating General Washington in battle, General Howe takes Philadelphia, forcing Congress to flee the city. But the Americans' surprising victory over General Burgoyne at Saratoga encourages France to openly support the United States.			
29 WED	Nature "Woodpeckers: The Hole Story" With over 240 species of woodpeckers identified, explore their unique evolutionary journey.		NOVA "Return to the Moon" The Artemis missions aim to bring astronauts back to the Moon and establish a lunar space station.		Shared Planet "Cities" A stunning global series that shows how sharing space with wildlife benefits people.	
30 THU	Now Entering "Fortville, Part 1" ❖	Thy Will Be Done: The Trey Utrecht Story ❖	Murder in the Mountains "Break It Up" An unusual new business venture in Kitzbuhel reveals relationship secrets.		RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service "Step Potential" A busy New Year's Eve sees Eliza, Pete and Ryan contend with a risky retrieval.	

A note from Ball State Public Media

In a year of extraordinary challenges, we want to share a few updates about changes within the leadership team at Ball State Public Media. First, we extend our thanks and congratulations to **Margaret Reeder**, our devoted Membership and Individual Giving Manager. Margaret has begun a new role as Managing Director for Ball State's Department of Theatre and Dance but will continue with us through the academic year leading our Public Media Accelerator (PMX) program. We are grateful for all she has contributed and wish her the very best.

Last month we said goodbye to **Dr. Phil Hoffman**, Assistant Dean of Media and General Manager of Ball State Public Media, who departed in March to become CEO of New Mexico PBS. During his tenure, Phil launched the nationally recognized PMX Fellowship Program, strengthened the station's



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content pipeline with audience-focused programs, and invested nearly \$1 million to modernize BSPM's broadcast infrastructure and prepare television operations for ATSC 3.0. We thank Phil for his transformational leadership at Ball State Public Media and congratulate him on his new appointment.

Following his departure, **Angie (Rapp) Grimes** has stepped into the role of Interim General Manager. Angie has spent many years helping shape

the storytelling, branding, and digital presence of BSPM's stations. Supporting her during this transition is **Heather Hunt**, a longtime television program manager whose deep experience in scheduling, traffic, production, and programming will help guide BSPM during this period of change.

And finally, this month we say goodbye to our Community Education Manager **Ashley Mann**. In her time with us, Ashley led our work with the Ready To Learn Grant among other duties. We wish Ashley the very best in her new venture.

Still, with all this change and uncertainty, one thing remains unchanged: the strength of Ball State Public Media has always been its people. With a talented and deeply committed team, we remain focused on serving our audiences with trusted journalism, inspiring stories, and meaningful connections to our community.

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