

# OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

## BALL STATE PBS

**VOCES “ASCO: Without Permission”** Merging activism with radical art-making, ASCO, a revolutionary Chicano art group who turned 1970s LA into their defiant canvas, challenged the established order of Hollywood, museums, and media and are now considered amongst the 20th century’s most significant artists.

**Friday, October 2 at 10 p.m.**

**NOVA “Space Wars”** A high-stakes war is silently escalating above our heads. Once purely a realm of scientific wonder, space is now a critical battleground, as global military powers race to weaponize it. **Wednesday, October 7 at 9 p.m.**

### **Nature: Sesame Street and the Great Elephant Adventure**

Join Elmo and the Sesame Street gang on a once-in-a-lifetime African safari adventure. After adopting an orphaned elephant online, Elmo, Abby and Nina travel to a Kenyan sanctuary to meet the young elephant alongside other iconic wildlife. **Wednesday, October 14 at 8 p.m.**

### **Secrets of the Dead “Africa’s Golden City”**

Great Zimbabwe was one of the most prominent ancient civilizations of the African continent. Built between the 11th and 15th centuries by ancestors of today’s Shona people, it was the thriving capital of a massive trading empire — but for hundreds of years was dismissed by European explorers. **Wednesday, October 14 at 10 p.m.**

### **Maigret on Masterpiece, Season 2 Premiere**

Two brutal murders. Growing public outrage. A department eager to take him down a peg. Chief Inspector Jules Maigret is back, and the stakes have never been higher. **Sunday, October 18 at 9 p.m.**

### **The Gold on Masterpiece, Season 2 Premiere**

The stage is set for The Gold’s final season with answers as to where over three tons of stolen gold bullion went. Season 2 picks up as police realize they were only ever chasing half of what was stolen. **Sunday, October 18 at 10 p.m.**

## INDIANA PUBLIC RADIO

## The Facing Project

### **Facing Adversity & Resilience in Sports**

J.R. Jamison sits down with Dr. Adam Kuban, editor of *Facing Adversity & Resilience in Sports*, to explore the book’s collection of first-person stories from athletes, coaches, and sports-media professionals whose lives have been shaped by challenges and transformative experiences within the world of sports. They’ll be joined by Ryan Sierocki, a contributor to the book and assistant

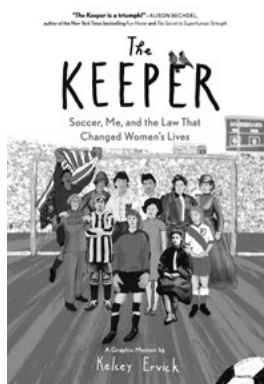
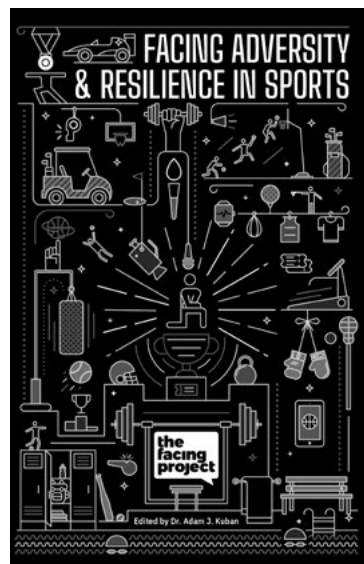
athletic director at Kentucky Wesleyan

University. Later, J.R. welcomes

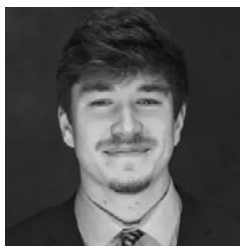
Kelcey Ervick, author of *The*

*Keeper: Soccer, Me, and the Law That Changed Women’s Lives*, for a conversation about her graphic memoir and its exploration of soccer, gender, and social change.

**Saturday, October 31 at 1 p.m.; encore Sunday, November 1 at 7 p.m.**



Dr. Adam Kuban



Ryan Sierocki



Kelcey Ervick

## Get ready for spooky season with BlueNotes

In October, BlueNotes presents “Autumn Jazz.” Join host Larry Beck for two hours of charts dedicated to the fall season and Halloween and a special tribute to jazz icons Sonny Rollins and Cassandra Wilson who recently passed away. BlueNotes airs **Saturday, October 31 at 8 p.m.**



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# OCTOBER PRIMETIME LISTINGS

|           | 8 P.M.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 8:30 P.M.                                                        | 9 P.M.                                                                                                                                                               | 9:30 P.M. | 10 P.M.                                                                                                                                    | 10:30 P.M.                            |
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| 1<br>THU  | Now Entering “Union City, Part 3” ❖                                                                                                                                                                                             | Story of Jim Davis ❖                                             | Astrid “Guilty” Raphaëlle is found amnesic at the wheel of a wrecked car with the corpse of a gunshot victim beside her.                                             |           | Professor T “Swansong” The CID team blunders into a Drugs Squad operation after finding the body of an undercover police officer.          |                                       |
| 2<br>FRI  | Washington Week with the Atlantic                                                                                                                                                                                               | Firing Line with Margaret Hoover                                 | 39th Hispanic Heritage Awards Join the Hispanic Heritage Foundation in celebrating Latino history and culture.                                                       |           | Voces “Asco: Without Permission” Tells the story of a revolutionary Chicano art group who turned 1970s LA into their defiant canvas.       |                                       |
| 3<br>SAT  | The Declaration’s Journey Trace the story of the Declaration of Independence from Thomas Jefferson’s pen to movements for freedom.                                                                                              |                                                                  | American Rebels In Cuba An extraordinary insight on the story of Neill and Nancy Macaulay and their impact on the Cuban Revolution.                                  |           | Papa Ray’s Vintage Vinyl Roadshow “Florida”                                                                                                | The Songwriters “John Prine - Part 1” |
| 4<br>SUN  | The Marlow Murder Club On Masterpiece “An Appetite for Murder Part One” The group is back and now a key part of DI Tanika Malik’s team.                                                                                         |                                                                  | Marble Hall Murders On Masterpiece “Episode 5” Turmoil worsens when Susan goes to the prison to meet Charles Clover.                                                 |           | Trespasses “Episode 3” Cushla and Michael’s love deepens amid secrets and danger.                                                          |                                       |
| 5<br>MON  | Antiques Roadshow “Vintage First Finds, Hour 3” Travel back to the beginnings of ROADSHOW for finds from the very first season.                                                                                                 |                                                                  | Antiques Roadshow “Vintage Milwaukee 2020” Discover magnificent Milwaukee treasures including 1869 Louisa May Alcott books.                                          |           | Independent Lens “My Omaha” Nick Beaulieu explores his hometown’s justice movement while trying to reconnect with his conservative father. |                                       |
| 6<br>TUE  | Finding Your Roots “Tragedy + Time = Comedy” Uncover a history of tragedies and triumphs in the families of three of America’s funniest men.                                                                                    |                                                                  | American Masters “American Pachuco: The Legend of Luis Valdez” Follow the legacy of filmmaker and playwright Luis Valdez, a founding figure of the Chicano Movement. |           |                                                                                                                                            | Finding Your Roots “Mexican Roots”    |
| 7<br>WED  | Big Cats 24/7 “Episode 6” As lion numbers rise, the competition for food becomes fierce; A lioness risks her life to feed her five cubs.                                                                                        |                                                                  | NOVA “Space Wars” A high-stakes war is silently escalating above our heads; once purely scientific wonder, space is now a critical battleground.                     |           | Secrets of the Dead “Cleopatra’s Last Temple” A French explorer makes an unprecedented discovery in Alexandria’s harbor.                   |                                       |
| 8<br>THU  | Now Entering “Anderson - Extras” ❖                                                                                                                                                                                              | Sports Link: On the Line ❖                                       | Astrid “You Only Die Once” A woman with no history is killed by a poisoned dart. Astrid links it to a mafia hitman -long retired.                                    |           | Professor T “Heir to the Throne” Professor T is banged up in prison awaiting trial. Dan and Lisa try to distract him with a murder case.   |                                       |
| 9<br>FRI  | Washington Week with the Atlantic                                                                                                                                                                                               | Firing Line with Margaret Hoover                                 | Austin City Limits “Olivia Rodrigo” Three-time Grammy Award winner returns to the stage and performs highlights from her new album.                                  |           | Great Musicians of Our Time “Itzhak Perlman: Virtuoso Violinist” This intimate portrait follows Itzhak Perlman at the dawn of stardom.     |                                       |
| 10<br>SAT | The War of 1812<br>Examine the conflict that shaped the destiny of a continent, revealing how the glories of war become enshrined in history while failures are quickly forgotten, and inconvenient truths are ignored forever. |                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                      |           | Papa Ray’s Vintage Vinyl Roadshow “Jamaica”                                                                                                | The Songwriters “John Prine - Part 2” |
| 11<br>SUN | The Marlow Murder Club On Masterpiece “An Appetite for Murder Part Two” The group brings unconventional methods to a string of crimes.                                                                                          |                                                                  | Marble Hall Murders On Masterpiece “Episode 6” Blakeney decides, on Susan’s advice, to try and solve Eliot’s murder by writing the end of the book.                  |           | Trespasses “Episode 4” A grieving Cushla confides in Gerry and Gina. Tommy is charged with murder and the McGeowns lose their home.        |                                       |
| 12<br>MON | Antiques Roadshow “Vintage First Finds, Hour 4” Fabulous finds from the shows first season including an Albrecht Durer engraving.                                                                                               |                                                                  | Antiques Roadshow “Vintage Mobile” Revisit Alabama appraisals 14 years later.                                                                                        |           | Voces “Paquito D’Rivera: from Carne Y Frijol to Carnegie Hall” Meet jazz legend Paquito D’Rivera and follow his extraordinary journey.     |                                       |
| 13<br>TUE | Finding Your Roots “Visionaries” Business mogul Richard Branson and architects Maya Lin and Frank Gehry discover their ambitious ancestors.                                                                                     |                                                                  | American Experience “Jesse James” One of America’s most cherished tales... and one of its most fictitious.                                                           |           | FRONTLINE “American Voices 2026” Following the changing views and experiences of Americans from the 2020 election to today.                |                                       |
| 14<br>WED | Nature “Sesame Street and the Great Elephant Adventure” Join Elmo and the Sesame Street gang on a once-in-a-lifetime African safari.                                                                                            |                                                                  | NOVA “Evolution: Brain Power” Discover how our sophisticated human brains, and those of our animal cousins, evolved from our ancestors,                              |           | Secrets of the Dead “Africa’s Golden City” Once home to 20,000 people, Great Zimbabwe’s legacy lingers as a mysterious, forgotten city.    |                                       |
| 15<br>THU | Now Entering “Elwood Extras” ❖                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Black Baseball In Indiana “Virginia Ball Center for Creative...❖ | Astrid “But That’s Such A Long Time!” Astrid and Raphaëlle reluctantly become double agents, caught in a game between France and the U.S.                            |           | Professor T “The Perfect Picture” A bride is found dead on her wedding night floating in the hotel swimming pool.                          |                                       |

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| <b>16<br/>FRI</b> | <b>Washington Week with the Atlantic: The Fight for Control of Congress</b> The show travels to Austin to explore issues that matter most to voters.            |                                          | <b>Great Performances</b> <i>"The Magic of Nureyev"</i> This fascinating behind the scenes film features extensive excerpts from Nureyev's Swan Lake.                                                                                   |           | <b>Great Musicians of Our Time</b> <i>"Pinchas Zukerman: Here to Make Music"</i> Captures the early brilliance and charisma of the Israeli-American violinist. |                                                                    |
| <b>17<br/>SAT</b> | <b>General Dodge and the Transcontinental Railroad</b> Examine the extraordinary life and accomplishments of Dodge and his lasting impact.                      |                                          | <b>Graceball: The Story of Bobby Richardson</b> Through interviews, the program celebrates and explores the ball player's accomplishments and career.                                                                                   |           | <b>Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow</b> <i>"Missouri Breaks"</i>                                                                                              | <b>The Songwriters</b> <i>"John Scott Sherrill"</i>                |
| <b>18<br/>SUN</b> | <b>Professor T</b> <i>"Natural Causes"</i> Jasper and Helena test their new romance at a luxury spa, but two suspicious deaths pull Jasper into a mystery.      |                                          | <b>Maigret On Masterpiece</b> <i>"The Hanged Man - Part 1"</i> Feeling responsible for a young woman's death, Maigret investigates her past.                                                                                            |           | <b>The Gold On Masterpiece</b> <i>"Episode 1"</i> Police uncover an international criminal network as the proceeds from the stolen gold are laundered.         |                                                                    |
| <b>19<br/>MON</b> | <b>Antiques Roadshow</b> <i>"Vintage First Finds, Hour 5"</i> Discover today's values for ROADSHOW's first finds including a 1933 Duck Soup movie poster.       |                                          | <b>Antiques Roadshow</b> <i>"Vintage Philadelphia"</i> Flashback to phenomenal Philadelphia finds from 2006 including an asscher-cut yellow diamond ring.                                                                               |           | <b>Declarations: Black Americans and the Revolutionary War</b> Trace the heroic stories of the enslaved and freed Black Americans.                             |                                                                    |
| <b>20<br/>TUE</b> | <b>Finding Your Roots</b> <i>"War Stories"</i> Uncover a long history of military service in the families of Patricia Arquette, Julianne Moore and John McCain. |                                          | <b>Annie Oakley: American Experience</b> Meet the Ohio sharpshooter who won fame and fortune in a man's world for never missing a shot.                                                                                                 |           | <b>Frontline</b> <i>"Haiti Deportation Crisis"</i> Insight on the Trump administration and the rising fear of deportation for thousands of Haitians.           |                                                                    |
| <b>21<br/>WED</b> | <b>Nature</b> <i>"Tiger Island, Part I"</i> A team of cinematographers and big cat experts take on an expedition to follow the lives of two tiger mothers.      |                                          | <b>NOVA</b> <i>"Evolution: Need to Feed"</i> Discover how our planet's diverse creatures became the feeding machines they are today, one mutation at a time.                                                                            |           | <b>Secrets of the Dead</b> <i>"Raising Lady Liberty"</i> With new sources, witness how France and the U.S. produced an iconic symbol of freedom.               |                                                                    |
| <b>22<br/>THU</b> | <b>Now Entering</b> <i>"Hagerstown Extras"</i> ❖                                                                                                                | <b>Freedom Is Written in the Stars</b> ❖ | <b>Astrid</b> <i>"Mandala"</i> The commissioner's friend is having a recurring nightmare of a Tibetan monk's murder- a case resolved 20 years earlier.                                                                                  |           | <b>Professor T</b> <i>"Truth and Justice"</i> Professor T is up in court, and he must decide whether to save himself or his former lover.                      |                                                                    |
| <b>23<br/>FRI</b> | <b>Washington Week with the Atlantic</b>                                                                                                                        | <b>Firing Line with Margaret Hoover</b>  | <b>Great Performances</b> <i>"Tammy Wynette: Forever Yours"</i> From Nashville's Ryman Auditorium and the stage of The Grand Ole Opry, a diverse mix of talents pay tribute to Wynette's life, legacy, and music.                       |           |                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Gospel Live! Presented By Henry Louis Gates, Jr.</b>            |
| <b>24<br/>SAT</b> | <b>A Nation Begins: The Maryland Statehouse at 250</b> Explore Maryland's, and America's, ongoing pursuit of the Founders' promise.                             |                                          | <b>Unveiled: Daisy Bates and Johnny Cash</b> Celebrate enduring legacies of Arkansas's most iconic figures, with new statues at the National Statuary Hall.                                                                             |           | <b>Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow</b> <i>"Denver- Record..."</i>                                                                                            | <b>The Songwriters</b> <i>"Tom Shapiro"</i>                        |
| <b>25<br/>SUN</b> | <b>Professor T</b> <i>"The Ring"</i> A boxing champ is found murdered. Adelaide's health declines and Dan's romance hits trouble.                               |                                          | <b>Maigret On Masterpiece</b> <i>"Episode 2"</i> Maigret and his team continue investigating Adeline's past from his apartment.                                                                                                         |           | <b>The Gold On Masterpiece</b> <i>"Episode 2"</i> As pressure builds on those laundering the proceeds of the stolen gold, police intensify their surveillance. |                                                                    |
| <b>26<br/>MON</b> | <b>Antiques Roadshow</b> <i>"Vintage First Finds, Hour 2"</i> See premiere vintage finds from ROADSHOW's first season including a Gibson style H-2 mandola.     |                                          | <b>Antiques Roadshow</b> <i>"Vintage Honolulu"</i> Say Aloha to amazing Season 11 appraisals revisited 14 years later.                                                                                                                  |           | <b>VOCES: OMARA - CUBA'S LEGENDARY DIVA</b> Meet the beloved Cuban singer Omara Portuondo, who has thrilled audiences for over half a century.                 |                                                                    |
| <b>27<br/>TUE</b> | <b>Finding Your Roots</b> <i>"The Pioneers"</i> Discover how Neil Patrick Harris, Gloria Steinem and Sandra Cisneros are connected to pioneers.                 |                                          | <b>Breaking The Deadlock</b> Moderator Aaron Tang guides a panel of prominent voices through encouraged civil dialogue.                                                                                                                 |           | <b>In Pursuit: Lessons of American Leadership</b> Retro Report brings leadership lessons learned from presidents and first ladies vividly to life.             |                                                                    |
| <b>28<br/>WED</b> | <b>Nature</b> <i>"Tiger Island, Part II"</i> The crew uses thermal cameras to film tigers at night, revealing previously unseen behavior.                       |                                          | <b>NOVA</b> <i>"Evolution: Body Builders"</i> From the first time two cells stuck together, evolution has been crafting new biological machines.                                                                                        |           | <b>Secrets of the Dead</b> <i>"Field of Vampires"</i> A terrifying discovery: A skeleton dating from 1650 buried with a sickle across her neck.                |                                                                    |
| <b>29<br/>THU</b> | <b>Now Entering</b> <i>"Downtown Muncie"</i> ❖                                                                                                                  | <b>Sunny Days</b> ❖                      | <b>Astrid</b> <i>"The Last of the Aztecs"</i> A famed archaeologist-turned-treasure hunter is found heartless in an Aztec ritual.                                                                                                       |           | <b>Professor T</b> <i>"A Little Drop of Poison"</i> Out of prison, the Professor is desperate to get back to his work at the university and with the police.   |                                                                    |
| <b>30<br/>FRI</b> | <b>Washington Week with the Atlantic</b>                                                                                                                        | <b>Firing Line with Margaret Hoover</b>  | <b>Great Performances</b> <i>"Jimmy Webb: American Songwriter"</i> A hit-filled tribute to master songwriter, storyteller, musician and performer Jimmy Webb, who's iconic hits include 'Up, Up and Away,' 'Wichita Lineman,' and more. |           |                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Great Performances</b> <i>"Samara Joy at Royal Albert Hall"</i> |
| <b>31<br/>SAT</b> | <b>A Call to Freedom with the Ohio Valley Symphony</b> One of the great movements of American history told through narration and music of the era.              |                                          | <b>Samhain: The Birth of Halloween</b> Host Michael Londra embarks on a journey through Ireland to uncover the Ancient Celtic Festival.                                                                                                 |           | <b>Papa Ray's Vintage Vinyl Roadshow</b> <i>"The New Jersey ..."</i>                                                                                           | <b>The Songwriters</b> <i>"Rafe Van Hoy"</i>                       |

# Celebrate local arts with Pop of Culture

Get ready for a night packed with creativity, comedy and live performances at the inaugural **Pop Fest!**

Join us as Pop of Culture guests take the stage to share their talents, from live music by Lollapalooza 2026 act **Free Joel** and local favorite **Caleb McCoach** to stand-up comedians, including **Dafina Kirk**, hosted by **Ray Toffer**. Meet local artists and authors while shopping for unique pieces at the arts market. Plus, you'll have a front-row seat for a **live taping of Pop of Culture!**

## Pop Fest

**When:** Saturday, Oct. 17, 5-9 p.m.

**Where:** Cornerstone Center for the Arts

**Tickets:** \$15 GA and \$10 for students (plus fees)

**Info:** indianapublicradio.org/popfest

## 55 years of Ball State PBS

On October 31, 1971, thanks to the grassroots efforts of a small group of determined Muncie mothers, our community's own public television station, WIPB-TV, made its very first broadcast.

Over the decades, the station (now Ball State PBS) has grown with the support of the community and Ball State University,

producing local content and even becoming the home base for the iconic "The Joy of Painting" with Bob Ross.

We're proud of our history and our continued mission to provide valuable programming and educational experiences to our community. Thank you to everyone who has supported us over the years!

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