NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

BALL STATE PBS

Pati Jinich Explores PanAmericana, Season 2 Traveling through Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, Jinich encounters people whose traditions, ambitions and everyday acts of determination reflect the many threads that make up the United States. **Mondays at 9 p.m.**

NOVA "Evolution: The Mating Game" In the final installment of NOVA: Evolution, discover how the rise of sexual reproduction—with each new generation a roll of the genetic dice—fuels staggering diversity, pushing life to specialize and shaping everything from tiny single-celled organisms to towering ostriches. **Wednesday, November 4 at 9 p.m.**

We Chose to Go to the Moon Recorded live at Carnegie Hall, historian John Monsky tells the exhilarating story of America's journey to the Moon and the heroes in and outside of NASA who made it possible. Featuring iconic music from the 1960s and '70s performed by Broadway stars and a live orchestra, alongside rare archival imagery and historic flags, this living documentary brings the Space Race vividly to life. **Tuesday, November 10 at 8 p.m.**

FRONTLINE "Coal's Human Cost" Coal miners are suffering from incurable lung disease at the highest rates in nearly 50 years. With NPR, Public Health Watch and Kentucky Public Radio, how industry and government have failed to protect miners in Appalachia from black lung disease. **Tuesday, November 10 at 10 p.m.**

Crime and Punishment in America This four-part, 8-hour series tells the consequential story of criminal justice in America as it has never before been told — from the colonial era to today. It is the first documentary project to comprehensively explore the arguments Americans have had over the problem of crime, the purpose of punishment, and the meaning of justice for more than 250 years. **Monday, November 16 through Thursday, November 19 at 8 p.m.**

INDIANA PUBLIC RADIO

The Facing Project





Author Amy Fish

One in Six Million J.R. Jamison sits down with author Amy Fish to discuss her book, One in Six Million; a tale of unexpected coincidences, astonishing revelations, and the luck of lost—and found—identity.

In One in Six Million, Maria was only eight months old when a childless couple found her, wrapped in a blanket, at the side of a road near Krosno, Poland, in the middle of World War II. A note pinned to the blanket included only her first name and her date of birth. The couple raised Maria, but she grew up longing for identity and connection, until 74 years later when a break in genealogical records and smuggled DNA tests revealed who she was and what had happened to her family. ***Saturday, November 28 at 1 p.m.; encore Sunday, November 29 at 7 p.m.***

BlueNotes does a deep dive with eclectic jazz

In November, join *BlueNotes Classic Jazz* host Larry Beck for "Simply Jazz," two hours of electic jazz with many artists not heard on the program before. The playlist includes pianist Don Shirley, the Allan Vache Sextet, Chamber Jazz and the acid jazz group Peace of Mind. BlueNotes airs ***Saturday, November 28 at 8 p.m.***



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NOVEMBER PRIMETIME LISTINGS

	8 P.M.	8:30 P.M.	9 P.M.	9:30 P.M.	10 P.M.	10:30 P.M.
1 SUN	**Professor T** *"Retreat"* A death at a spiritual retreat seems simple until secrets emerge.		**Maigret On Masterpiece** *"Maigret's Revolver, Part One"* As Maigret investigates the drowning of a young woman, he is assigned another case.		**The Gold On Masterpiece** *"Episode 3"* As pressure builds on those laundering the proceeds of the stolen gold, police intensify their surveillance.	
2 MON	**Antiques Roadshow** *"Sensational Finds"* Watch as experts from auction houses and independent dealers offer free appraisals of antiques.		**Pati Jinich Explores PanAmericana** *"New Mexico & Colorado - Life Along The Rio"* Journey from Denver's jazz-filled south into New Mexico desert.		**Coming Home: from Shadowland to Spiritworld** Follow the Kashia Band of Pomo Indians as they undertake the effort to reclaim ancestral lands.	
3 TUE	**Vote 2026: PBS News Election Special** Coverage of the 2026 midterm elections.					
4 WED	**Nature** *"The Pigeon Hustle"* Follow in the footsteps of London and New York's pigeon flocks to uncover their secret world as never before.		**NOVA** *"Evolution: The Mating Game"* Discover how the rise of sexual reproduction shaped everything from single-celled organisms to towering animals.		**Secrets of the Dead** *"Saving Tangier Island"* As rising sea levels threaten the island, historians race to ensure it will reamain as a reminder of history.	
5 THU	**Now Entering** *"Berne"* ❖	**Covenants of the Land** ❖	**Astrid** *"Baptism of the Dead"* A Mormon's murder mirrors Joseph Smith's fate. Who could have wanted to harm this charismatic family man?		**Professor T** *"The Conference"* The Professor is under suspicion after the murder of his biggest rival, the man who replaced him at the university.	
6 FRI	**Washington Week with the Atlantic**	**Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**	**Salute to Service 2026: A Veterans Day Celebration** Jason Kelce hosts this action-packed show featuring unique musical performances.		**Salute to Service 2026: A Veterans Day Celebration** Jason Kelce hosts this action-packed show featuring unique musical performances.	
7 SAT	**A Sacred Thread** Follow the Snowbird Cherokee of western North Carolina as they fight to preserve their language, customs and ancestral traditions.		**Road to Rome: World War II** Narrated by Jim Nantz, this hour-long documentary chronicles the Allies' brutal campaign to take Italy.		**Daredevils of Niagara Falls** Intriguing and daring tales of the Falls	**The Songwriters** *"Kent Blazy"*
8 SUN	**Professor T** *"Ghostwriter"* When Jasper's former mentor is murdered, a suspect is arrested, but the truth hides darker secrets.		**Maigret On Masterpiece** *"Maigret's Revolver, Part Two"* Following the arrest of Delteil's killer, Maigret and his team close in on the murderer.		**The Gold On Masterpiece** *"Episode 4"* British police join forces with the DEA to bring down the international money laundering operation.	
9 MON	**Antiques Roadshow** *"Thrifty Deals"* Watch as experts from auction houses and independent dealers offer free appraisals of antiques.		**Pati Jinich Explores PanAmericana** *"Arizona - Abundance in the Desert"* travels through Arizona's Sonoran Desert.		**Medicine Ball** Native college athletes navigate college life and basketball at the University of Minnesota Morris.	
10 TUE	**We Chose to Go to the Moon** Recorded live at Carnegie Hall, historian John Monsky tells the exhilarating story of America's journey to the Moon and the heroes in and outside of NASA who made it possible. Featuring iconic music from the 1960s and '70s performed by Broadway stars and a live orchestra.				**FRONTLINE** *"Coal's Human Cost"* How industry and government have failed to protect miners in Appalachia from black lung disease.	
11 WED	**Nature** *"Humanlike: The Chimps of Fongoli"* A group of remarkable chimpanzees that hold clues to how we became human.		**NOVA** *"Evolution: on the Run"* Billions of years ago, the twitch of the first muscle cells ignited a revolution of purposeful movement.		**Secrets of the Dead** *"Finding America's Fallen"* Explore how the Continental soldiers' devastating loss turned the tide of the American Revolution.	
12 THU	**Now Entering** *"Pendleton (2025)"* ❖	**Lenape on the Wapahani River**.❖	**Astrid** *"Wolf, Are You There?"* Under a full moon, another "Werewolf" victim is found.		**Professor T** *"Attachment Issues"* A woman is found dead at the scene of a car crash, but the accident didn't kill her.	
13 FRI	**Washington Week with the Atlantic**	**Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**	**Great Performances** *"Romeo & Juliet"* Directed by the Associate Artistic Director Saheem Ali, the Public's new production of the classic Romeo and Juliet will mark the first time in nearly 20 years that the iconic star-crossed lovers will captivate Free Shakespeare in the Park audiences.			
14 SAT	**One in a Million** Follow a family's courageous efforts to save their dying son and build a public bone marrow registry that saves thousands.		**The Gettysburg Book: A Father, Son and the Killer Angels** Explore the the Pulitzer Prize winning novel and the history behind it.		**Ireland In Music** *"David Kitt"*	**The Songwriters** *"Steve Bogard"*
15 SUN	**Professor T** *"Cipher"* A brutal murder on a golf course, cryptic ciphers and rising tensions put Jasper, Maiya and Dan in the crosshairs.		**Maigret On Masterpiece** *"The Yellow Dog, Part One"* After a businessman is killed, Maigret, realizes the key lies in a case from 15 years ago.		**The Gold On Masterpiece** *"Episode 5"* With old and new Brink's-Mat criminals hiding around the world, police and criminal rivals close in from all fronts.	

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16 MON	**Crime and Punishment In America** *"A House of Repentance (Beginnings to 1880)"* Some colonists argue that public punishments make "bad men worse" and look for an alternative.				**Crime and Punishment In America** *"A House of Repentance (Beginnings to 1880)"*	
17 TUE	**Crime and Punishment In America** *"The Criminal Type (1880-1929)"* Progressive reformers try to make the justice system more fair.				**Crime and Punishment In America** *"The Criminal Type (1880-1929)"*	
18 WED	**Crime and Punishment In America** *"Public Enemies (1929-1969)"* The exploits of outlaws fill the headlines and the FBI promise to wage a war on crime.				**Crime and Punishment In America** *"Public Enemies (1929-1969)"*	
19 THU	**Crime and Punishment In America** *"Tough On Crime (1970-Onward)"* Violent crime is on the rise and Americans rally behind politicians who promote harsher laws and punishments.				**Crime and Punishment In America** *"Tough On Crime (1970-Onward)"*	
20 FRI	**Washington Week with the Atlantic**	**Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**	**Great Performances** *"Dudamel's Inaugural Season with NY Phil"* A program from David Geffen Hall featuring Mahler's dynamic Symphony No. 5 to celebrate acclaimed conductor Gustavo Dudamel.			**Carnival of the Animals**
21 SAT	**Reservation Redemption** Follow Chief Marchand Rice's journey from a near-death-penalty murder conviction to becoming a voice of hope.		**AfroPoP: The Ultimate Cultural Exchange** *"Paradox: Echoes of Reform & The Minneapolis Police"* Archival footage shows politics & activism.		**Ireland In Music** *"Wallis Bird"*	**The Songwriters** *"Gary Burr"*
22 SUN	**Professor T** *"The Things We Do for Love"* Dan's choice to expose his girlfriend's father sparks deadly revenge		**Maigret On Masterpiece** *"The Yellow Dog, Part Two"* Facing suspicion with his reputation on the line, Maigret takes drastic measures.		**The Gold On Masterpiece** *"Episode 6"* As the Task Force faces uncertainty, Brink's-Mat criminals in Britain and in America face their day in court.	
23 MON	**Antiques Roadshow** *"The Gen X Years"* Explore the era between Boomers and Millennials for exciting treasures from the mid-1960s to early 1980s.		**Antiques Roadshow** *"Treasure Fever"* Catch a case of "Treasure Fever" as Roadshow examines artifacts with health and medicine history.		**Independent Lens** *"Storming: Seasons of Care"* Meet a family in Storming, who provide 24-hour care for their son nearing 10 years in a coma.	
24 TUE	**Finding Your Roots** *"The Long Way Home"* Actress Julianna Marguiles, author Azar Nafisi and chef Lidia Bastianich are bound together by ancestry.		**American Masters** *Liz Diller & Ric Scofidio: Architect Provocateurs"* Follow two architects' journey to reshape the way cities think about public life.		**FRONTLINE** Experience powerful investigative storytelling that answers only to you.	
25 WED	**Nature** *"Christmas in the Alps"* In the Alps, December transforms the mountains and valleys into a winter wonderland.		**NOVA** *"Decoding Da Vinci"* Journey to Florence to discover how Leonardo da Vinci used science to create his legendary artwork.		**Secrets of the Dead** *"Jamestown's Dark Winter"* Follow forensic anthropologists as they excavate the early American colony and uncover secrets.	
26 THU	**Paul Simon: The Quiet Celebration Concert** Paul Simon brings his critically acclaimed and Grammy-nominated Seven Psalms to life in this first-ever live performance. An intimate evening spans his vast career and celebrates new arrangements of timeless classics, deep cuts, and new musical discoveries.				**An Anthem to America: Ken Burns & Florentine Films Celebrates 50 Years** Look back over five decades of groundbreaking documentaries.	
27 FRI	**Washington Week with the Atlantic**	**Johnny Mathis - Wonderful, Wonderful!** A 2006 concert with 2,000 of Johnny Mathis's closest friends at the Tropicana Hotel in Atlantic City, regaled with an amazing concert and unforgettable hits.			**David Gilmour: Live at the Circus Maximus, Rome** David Gilmour's 2024 sold-out return to Rome's historic venue during his Luck and Strange tour.	
28 SAT	**The Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra Family Christmas Show** Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin join together for this memorable celebration filmed in 1967. They perform a medly of their most beloved songs and holiday classics.			**Deconstructing The Beatles** Acclaimed "Beatle-ologist" Scott Freiman guides you, step by step, on an educational journey through several of The Beatles' milestone albums and the fascinating stories that accompanied them.		
29 SUN	**Lawrence Welk - Milestones & Memories** More than 40 stars from The Lawrence Welk Show sing and play their hearts out in a once-in-a-lifetime reunion concert, taped Labor Day weekend 2000.			**All Creatures Great and Small: Christmas Cheer**		
30 MON	**60s and 70s Soul Celebration (My Music Presents)** The legends of 60's and 70's soul music return to perform their biggest hits. Featuring The Temptations, James Brown, Patti LaBelle, The Chi-Lites, The Spinners, Sam Moore and more in this first-time-ever classic R&B and soul compilation from 30 years of the TJL archive.					

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Pop Fest was a big hit

The inaugural Pop Fest was an incredible celebration of local art and culture!

We were delighted to see you talking with the talented artists in the arts market, laughing along with the hilarious Dafina Kirk, Jeff Crone and Ray Toffer, swaying to rocking performances from Caleb McCoach and Free Joel, sampling delicious pizza from the Downtown Farm Stand, and of course, enjoying tasty beverages from The Guardian Brewing Co.

Thank you for coming out to have fun—and for supporting local public media! If you weren't able to join us this year, take a look at photos on our Indiana Public Radio Facebook page and the Ball State Public Media Instagram. Thanks to our sponsors: 3Rivers Federal Credit Union, Stallings Wealth Management, Bob Ross Inc., and Sight & Sound Music Center.





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