

# Insider News

*Jane Austen's unfinished novel...*

## SANDITON



The fictional seaside town of Sanditon was created by Jane Austen when she was writing her last novel. She spent imaginary time there when she was chronically ill with a mysterious disease in early 1817. Sadly, Austen never finished the novel.

Now, noted screenwriter Andrew Davies, who also adapted Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* for television, has taken her 11 original chapters and finished the story, and is bringing *Sanditon* to television.

The bold and lavish eight-part miniseries presented by *Masterpiece* has everything you would want for a rousing good time — lively characters, romance, plot twists, fortune hunters, exquisite costumes, a magnificent mansion for rollicking parties, and more!

The star-studded cast includes Rose Williams as the lively but levelheaded heroine, Charlotte Heywood; Theo James as the charming and slightly wild Sidney Parker; Anne Reid as the forthright grande dame of Sanditon, Lady Denham; Kris Marshall as the enterprising promoter, Tom Parker; and Crystal Clarke as the mysterious West Indian heiress, Miss Lambe.

In episode 1, when we arrive at Sanditon, the sleepy coastal village is on its way to becoming a luxurious health resort, thanks to the vision of Tom Parker. To help him with this venture, he has enlisted the support of Lady Denham, who holds power over the residents and won't hesitate to use it.

Through a mishap, Tom meets the Heywoods and invites their daughter, Charlotte, to visit Sanditon. Starved for excitement, Charlotte throws herself into this new adventure, only to discover that the town's residents act in curious and unpredictable ways she could never have imagined. She is, however, quite intrigued with Tom's brother, Sidney. The arrival of young and wealthy Miss Lambe adds unforeseen complications.

The twists and turns of the plot will take you from Sanditon to the West Indies and the alleys of London. Will romance blossom between Charlotte and Sidney? Will Tom's tourist spa succeed? Who is Young Stringer and what are his intentions toward Charlotte? What is Lady Denham's real goal?

Tune in to find out the answers to these questions and many more when *Sanditon* premieres on Sunday, January 12, at 8 p.m.







# finding your roots

with  
HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR.  
SEASON 6

"It turns the family narrative upside down..."

"It's just a random piece of luck  
I'm here at all..."

"This moment changed everything in  
the history of the family..."

These are just a few of the reactions that guests have when their ancestry is revealed! Each week, Executive Producer Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Alphonse Fletcher University Professor and director of the Hutchins Center for African and African American Research at Harvard University, reveals the family tree surprises of celebrity guests on one of the most popular shows on public television: *Finding Your Roots*.

Gates works with genealogists to reconstruct the historical clues left behind by their ancestors and with geneticists to decode DNA to travel back into the past to discover their origins.

Among the fascinating stories you'll discover this season are those of:

- Sigourney Weaver, Amy Ryan, and Justina Machado in "Secrets & Lies"
- Queen Latifah and Jeffrey Wright in "This Land Is My Land"
- Harold Varmus, Francis Collins, and Shirley Jackson in "DNA Pioneers"

The show is much more than a romp through famous people's backgrounds; it goes to the heart of America's sense of itself and stimulates a national conversation about the connections that bind us all.

**Airs Tuesdays at 7 p.m. starting January 7.**

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## Words from the President...

Dear Friends,

Thank you for making 2019 a year to remember. Because of *you*, our community enjoyed more than 35,000 hours of inspiring and informative content across KLRN's four channels, streamed hundreds of programs on KLRN Passport, and joined KLRN at screenings and educational workshops across San Antonio.

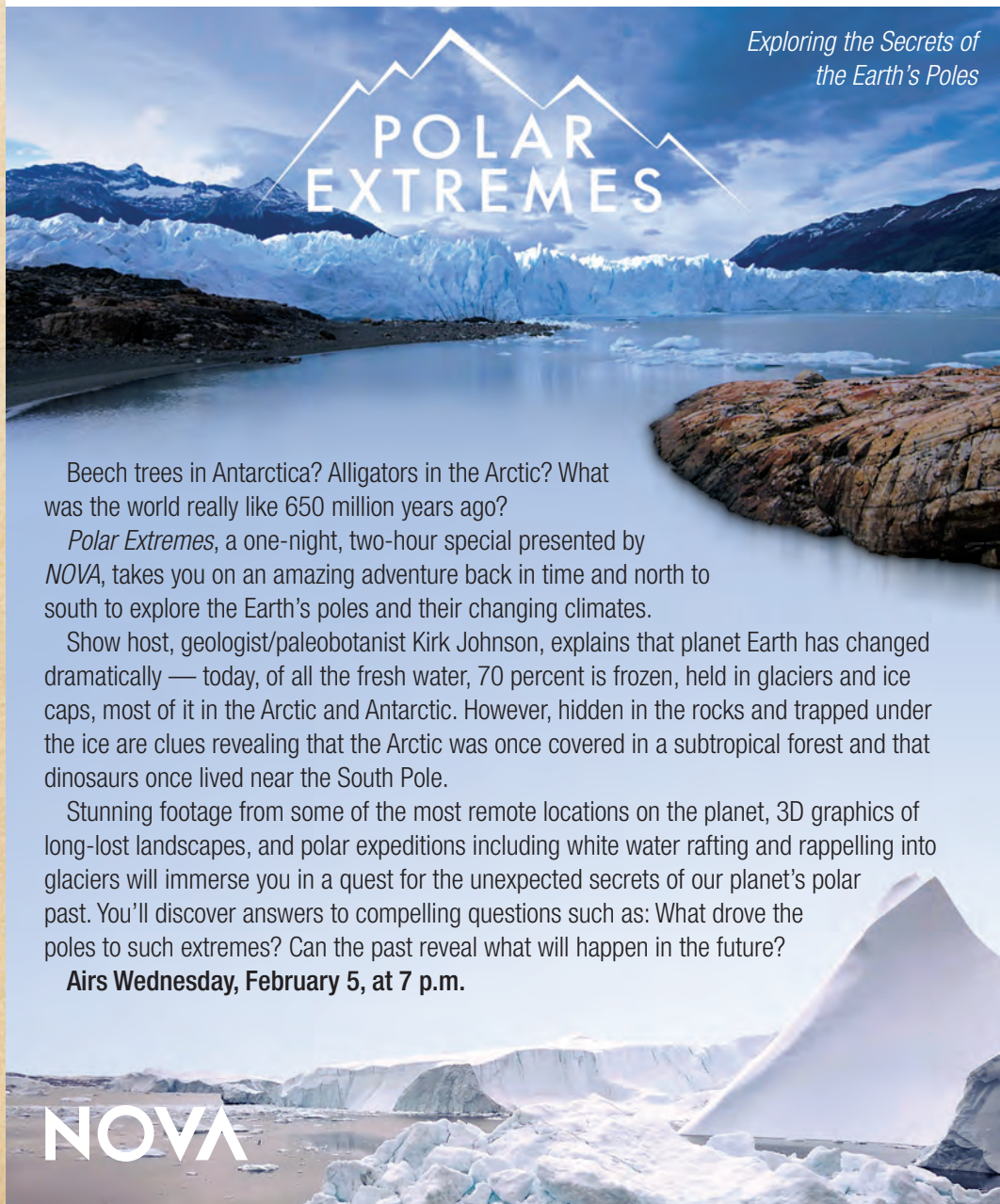
We have so much to look forward to in the year ahead. Together we'll experience *Masterpiece's* bold and lavish adaptation of *Sanditon*, Jane Austen's unfinished novel about an enterprising promoter looking to turn a sleepy seaside village into a fashionable health resort. We'll also join

Pulitzer Prize-winning author Siddhartha Mukherjee, M.D., and acclaimed filmmaker Ken Burns for a new documentary inspired by Mukherjee's best-selling 2016 book, *The Gene: An Intimate History*. We hope you'll follow along with us.

Here's to another year full of fascinating stories and endless possibilities.

Happy viewing,

**Arthur R. Emerson**  
President and CEO



*Exploring the Secrets of  
the Earth's Poles*

## POLAR EXTREMES

Beech trees in Antarctica? Alligators in the Arctic? What was the world really like 650 million years ago?

*Polar Extremes*, a one-night, two-hour special presented by NOVA, takes you on an amazing adventure back in time and north to south to explore the Earth's poles and their changing climates.

Show host, geologist/paleobotanist Kirk Johnson, explains that planet Earth has changed dramatically — today, of all the fresh water, 70 percent is frozen, held in glaciers and ice caps, most of it in the Arctic and Antarctic. However, hidden in the rocks and trapped under the ice are clues revealing that the Arctic was once covered in a subtropical forest and that dinosaurs once lived near the South Pole.

Stunning footage from some of the most remote locations on the planet, 3D graphics of long-lost landscapes, and polar expeditions including white water rafting and rappelling into glaciers will immerse you in a quest for the unexpected secrets of our planet's polar past. You'll discover answers to compelling questions such as: What drove the poles to such extremes? Can the past reveal what will happen in the future?

**Airs Wednesday, February 5, at 7 p.m.**

# NOVA



# THE FIRST RAINBOW COALITION

They were radically different, but they had common goals such as ending police brutality, improving education in the schools, and creating better housing for low-income families.

*The First Rainbow Coalition*, premiered by *Independent Lens*, tells the story of the movement started in May 1969 by Chicago Black Panther leader Fred Hampton to form alliances across lines of race and ethnicity with other groups including the Latino group of the Young Lords Organization and the southern whites of the Young Patriots Organization.

The Rainbow Coalition quickly grew into a formidable youth-driven political movement attracting the support of other disenfranchised groups. By 1973, the

coalition collapsed under the weight of relentless harassment and retaliation by local and federal law enforcement. Although short-lived, it has had lasting impact — breaking down barriers among communities and presenting a model for activists throughout the nation.

“Today its message of unity over division is needed more than ever,” said film producer Ray Santisteban. “This film presents an alternative vision — one where diverse communities embrace cooperation rather than competition to try to make a better world.”

**Airs Monday, January 27,  
at 9 p.m.**



INDEPENDENT  
LENS

A FRESH LOOK AT THE NOTORIOUS SENATOR WHO LED THE COMMUNIST WITCH HUNT

# MCCARTHY

A new two-hour documentary, *McCarthy*, presented by *American Experience*, chronicles the rise and fall of Joseph McCarthy, the Wisconsin senator whose zealous anti-communist crusade tested the limits of American decency and democracy.

Based in part on David M. Oshinsky's book *A Conspiracy So Immense: The World of Joe McCarthy*, the film focuses on his rise to fame achieved by declaring that there was a vast conspiracy threatening the very existence of America — a threat not from a rival superpower but from within.

McCarthy accused a long list of people of being Communists and enemies of the state. His chilling campaign was marked by groundless accusations, bullying, intimidation, grandiose showmanship, and cruel victimization.

Many of those subjected to McCarthy's fierce interrogations, conducted in closed-door sessions and public hearings, lost their reputations and their livelihoods.

Featured in the film are witnesses who provided firsthand accounts including relatives, contemporaries, and those who were interrogated.

After years in the headlines, he was brought down by his own excesses and overreach. Not long afterward, he died a broken man. However, his name and the term “McCarthyism,” referring to a witch hunt, still live on.

**Airs Monday, January 6, at 9 p.m.**

AMERICAN  
EXPERIENCE

A gourmet tour from the  
comfort of your living room

**NO PASSPORT  
REQUIRED**  
with MARCUS SAMUELSSON

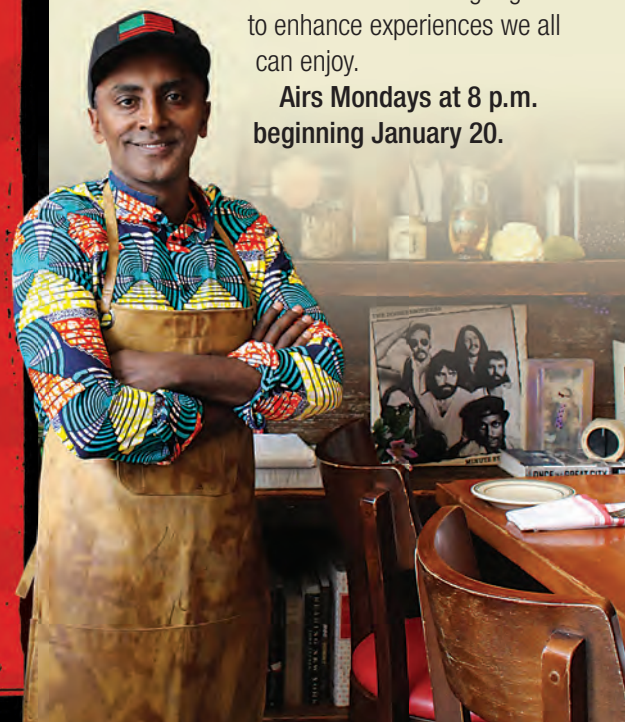
It's food, fun, and so much more! Renowned chef Marcus Samuelsson returns with a second season of *No Passport Required*, highlighting the rich diversity of immigrant cuisine and cultures in six cities across America.

You'll explore ingredients, flavors, and cooking techniques as Samuelsson visits both professional and home cooks in Houston, home to one of the highest number of West African expatriates in any U.S. city. In Seattle, you'll dine with the Filipino American community, part of the city's longstanding Asian Pacific American heritage.

Los Angeles opens up the world of Armenian cooking, and in Boston you'll be introduced to the dishes from Brazil, Cape Verde, and Portugal. Final stops on the “foodie tour” are Las Vegas with its Chinese American community and Philadelphia with its thriving Italian community.

“Each episode shows how important food can be in bringing Americans — old and new — together around the table,” Samuelsson said. By exploring the intersection between food and culture, you'll gain a deeper appreciation of cultural identity and the ways that immigrant communities are coming together to enhance experiences we all can enjoy.

**Airs Mondays at 8 p.m.  
beginning January 20.**







And the prize goes to . . .

### Dave Chappelle

The 22nd Annual Mark Twain Prize for American Humor is being presented to Dave Chappelle at the gala performance in the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Concert Hall. He joins humor celebrities Julia Louis-Dreyfus, David Letterman, and Bill Murray who have won the coveted prize in recent years.

The Mark Twain Prize recognizes people who have had an impact on American society in ways similar to the world-renowned novelist and essayist, Samuel Clemens, whose pen name was Mark Twain.

Chappelle is a stand-up comedian and actor who through wit and irreverent social commentary explores race, culture, sex, drugs, politics, and fame. In the past four years he has performed more than 1,600 shows worldwide, selling out within minutes of their being announced.

Chappelle was the mastermind behind the comedy hit *Chappelle's Show*, one of the highest rated programs on Comedy Central. His feature film credits include Spike Lee's *Chi-Raq*, *Undercover Brother*, *You've Got Mail*, *The Nutty Professor*, and many others.

During the gala, you'll enjoy performances by some of Chappelle's favorite musicians including Yasiin Bey, Common, Erykah Badu, Q-Tip, Frédéric Yonnet, and John Legend.

**Airs Tuesday, January 7, at 8 p.m.**



## KLRN IS COMMUNITY



## KLRN INSPIRES



## KLRN INFORMS

### Viewer Comments

"I was a PBS kid and loved that influence in my life. Now that we are parents, PBS programs are the only shows that we choose for our son. I know that they're educational and wholesome, and we look forward to continuing to support public television for years to come." — *D'Anna, KLRN member*

"The *Country Music* series was second to none. We watched every episode without missing one minute. This program alone is the reason why you matter. Thank you for that show and all of the others." — *KLRN viewer*

"We attended all of your Hispanic Heritage screenings and are so thankful that you tell the stories that need to be told. The people we met there and the stories we learned will never be forgotten." — *Jessica, KLRN community member*

### Mission Statement

KLRN's mission is to open a world of lifelong learning through trustworthy and enriching programs on-air, online, and in our community.