In 4.5 billion years our planet has never experienced anything like humans. We are no ordinary organism — even our most basic needs such as food, water, and shelter place a staggering burden on the planet’s resources.

Hosted by biologist and Princeton University Professor Shane Campbell-Staton, PhD, this new six-part science documentary HUMAN FOOTPRINT takes you across the globe to better understand the depth and breadth of humans’ impact as the planet’s top predator. You’ll travel from high-tech labs to primeval forests to meet scientists, historians, and even rat exterminators who discuss how humans are transforming our planet and what those actions tell us about who we are as a species.

Each episode is built on a foundation of science, but the biggest lessons are about human nature. Episode 1, Strangers in Paradise, examines some of the invasive species reshaping the world’s ecosystems and the question: In the age of humans, how does our species decide what belongs? Episode 2, Top Predator, explains how our characteristics, culture, and technology have transformed humankind into the world’s greatest predator.

In Man’s Best Friend, episode 3, you’ll discover how dogs have been reshaped by evolution into people’s perfect partner, and just as we’ve transformed them, they have left pawprints on us and the world we share.

Episode 4, The Replacements, introduces five animal and plant species that became allies of humans and grew to dominate the planet alongside us, changing their destinies and ours forever.

You’ll visit a modern city — an ecosystem built by and for us — in The Urban Jungle, episode 5, and become acquainted with three species that are thriving in the city; and in the 6th and final episode, The Ground Below, you’ll learn how cotton has reshaped our history, our culture, and our DNA.

As you travel backroads through farmland to back alleys in New York City, you’ll watch and learn from provocative science content that’s relevant and revealing!

Premieres Wednesday, July 5, at 8 p.m.
**Grantchester**

*Season 8*

*Grantchester* is a highlight of the summer television season, and six new episodes bring back series actors reprising their characters as well as introduce guest actors who add spice to the already intriguing story lines.

Reverend Will Davenport’s life has changed for the better now that he’s married to Bonnie, but an unexpected development rocks Will’s life. Meanwhile, DI Geordie Keating and wife Cathy appear content until they are both confronted with surprising announcements at work.

In episode 1, a biker is found dead after a charity motorbike race, and Will and Geordie are determined to find out who would want to hurt a gifted young man. In episode 2, Will thinks he is the cause of a fatal accident and Geordie rushes to exonerate his friend. A man is murdered, and a valuable painting is stolen at a prestigious Cambridge college in episode 3, and Geordie has to determine if the two crimes are linked.

In episode 4, Leonard is devastated when a halfway house resident is found dead. The man had confessed suicidal thoughts to Will, but it’s not clear if this is a suicide or a murder. In episode 5, Geordie is placed on desk duty and the next murder case is handed over to DC Larry Peters, who wisely enlists the help of Miss Scott.

And in final episode 6, Will disappears, but with Bonnie about to give birth, Geordie must find Will, bring him to his senses, and take him home.

Actor Tom Brittney who returns as Will comments, “To be part of a show as well loved as this one, that is now in its eighth series, is an absolute honor.”

Premieres Sunday, July 9, at 8 p.m.

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**The Belfast/Good Friday Agreement**, signed on April 10, 1998, brought an end to the 30-year conflict in Northern Ireland known as the Troubles. With the 25th anniversary of the agreement having occurred in April 2023, a new five-part series, *Once Upon a Time in Northern Ireland*, presents all sides of the conflict through the powerful personal memories of the people who lived through it. The series includes accounts by some who actively participated — along with dramatic archival footage.

The episodes run chronologically from the beginning of the Troubles in the late 1960s to the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement. You’ll hear from Fiona whose family was subjected to terrifying house searches by soldiers looking for hidden IRA weapons. Her world was destroyed by Bloody Sunday in January of 1972 and a decision made by a family member that led to tragedy. You’ll also meet June from rural Northern Ireland. For her, the violence of Belfast seemed a world away until her husband, Johnnie, decided to join the Royal Ulster Constabulary police force, which had devastating consequences.

**Airs Monday, August 28 and Tuesday, August 29, at 8 p.m.**

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**Dear Friends,**

*KLNRN is proud to bring you stories that celebrate our community’s unique history and culture. We’ve got a host of KLNRN Originals in store for you throughout the remainder of summer, including a look at the life and legacy of legendary artist Jesse Treviño. You can catch this program on-air and on-demand.*

**Speaking of celebrations, we’re thrilled to kick off season 3 of ¡Salud! with a special networking event for business leaders, young professionals, and college students.**

**On the national side, we’ll explore the creative milieu, fascinating personalities and evocative landscapes of the American South in the new series, *Southern Storytellers.* As always, thank you for being part of our neighborhood!**

Happy viewing,

**Arthur R. Emerson**

President and CEO
Celebrate with family and friends...

Now in its 43rd year, A Capitol Fourth honors our servicemen and women, past and present, who serve and sacrifice to keep us free. This spectacular 2023 Independence Day musical extravaganza will be broadcast live from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, DC.

It’s a great celebration with outstanding music plus fireworks and fun. The concert will be seen by millions of viewers on PBS and streaming platforms, and via the American Forces Network, which broadcasts to our troops and their families serving around the world.

This year’s program will feature some of the top country, classical, and Broadway musicians and orchestras in the country. Participants include the National Symphony Orchestra, the United States Army Band "Pershing’s Own," The U.S. Army Herald Trumpets, and many others. You can enjoy the exceptional musical performances and then watch the greatest display of fireworks in the nation. Television cameras strategically placed around Washington, DC, will give you the best possible viewing experience.

America’s Independence Day celebration airs Tuesday, July 4, at 7 p.m.

One of the musical highlights of the summer will be the Vienna Philharmonic’s Summer Night Concert 2023.

Filmed live, the concert takes place at the Schönbrunn Palace Park in Vienna, Austria. The program focuses on works drawing from French Romanticism to Impressionism and will consist of compositions by Georges Bizet, Lili Boulanger, Hector Berlioz, Maurice Ravel, and others.

For the first time, Maestro Yannick Nézet-Séguin will conduct. The two-time Grammy award winner is music director for three major orchestras — Orchestre Métropolitan, Quebec; the Metropolitan Opera, New York; and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

This year’s soloist is internationally renowned mezzo-soprano Elina Garanča, who has performed with leading opera companies and symphony orchestras around the world. She has captured acclaim for her beautiful voice, intelligent musicianship, and outstanding stage portrayals. Her performance will include arias from Bizet’s Carmen, Charles Gounod’s Sapho, and Camille Saint-Saëns’ Samson et Dalila.

Airs Friday, August 25, at 8 p.m.

The American South is known for its creative milieu, fascinating personalities, and evocative landscapes. The new three-episode series Southern Storytellers traverses the South from the mountains of Appalachia to the Gulf of Mexico to celebrate diverse tales that depict the resilience and joy of Southern people.

Country music artist Lyle Lovett, novelist Jesmyn Ward, poet Natasha Trethewey, and screenwriter Qui Nguyen are some of the most recognized wordsmiths from the worlds of music, literature, television, and film. They are among the creators featured in Southern Storytellers, describing the South through their words, music, and pictures.

The voices of these illustrious individuals and fellow Southern writers, poets, and performing artists will engage and inspire us as they discuss their relationships with the people and the places they call home. Southern Storytellers emerges from their desire as native Southerners to show the region in an authentic light. In sharing their own experiences, they offer narratives by which they define themselves rather than being defined by others.

Premieres Thursday, July 18, at 8 p.m.
Viewer Comments

“At 81 it’s wonderful to be able to travel the world and entertain my hungry thirst for experiences.” — Mary B., KLRN Member

“Splendid programming! Engaging, thoughtful, a real daily treat in a sometimes grim social and political landscape. Always the best of the best! Thank you!”
— Sheila S., KLRN Member

“Masterpiece is the best programming on TV and streaming.”
— Bill A., KLRN Member

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