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GREAT MIGRATIONS A PEOPLE ON THE MOVE



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Great Migrations, the latest documentary series from Dr. Henry Louis Gates, Jr., tells the fascinating story of African American movement over the 20th and 21st centuries, and how it has shaped the nation, by exploring the meaning behind these movements.

While many may think of the Great Migration as a singular event in the early 1900s when more than a million Black Americans fled the Jim Crow South for the promised lands of the North, the four-part series also explores subsequent waves of African and African American migration. Viewers will discover how these extensive population shifts shaped the fabric of America's biggest cities, industries, music, food, politics, and so much more.

Moving en masse to other regions of the country is not unique to any single ethnicity or group. However, it is a deeply profound aspect of the modern African American experience because Black people were denied mobility for so long. Theirs was a forced emigration from Africa, followed by centuries of enslavement that kept them in place.

"The Great Migration was not just a seismic historical event; it's an ongoing story," says Gates. "Our series focuses on three

dramatic migrations that have profoundly shaped the African American experience and redefined what it means to be Black in this country."

Episode 1, "Exodus," follows the first wave of the Great Migration from the Deep South to the North. Episode 2, "Streets Paved in Gold," explores the second wave of the Great Migration and how Northern and Western Black communities transformed the cultural and political power of Black America. Episode 3, "One Way Ticket Back," delves into how a reversal occurring, with Black Americans moving back to the South, continues to reshape the country. The final episode of *Great Migrations*, "Coming to America," examines the astonishingly large emigration of Africans and West Indians to this country in recent decades and their profound impact on American culture.

Throughout the series, Gates gains the perspectives of dozens of journalists, scholars, professors, and experts including political leader Stacey Abrams, artist George F. Baker III, and journalist Charles M. Blow. As a world-renowned scholar and one of the preeminent documentarians in public media, Gates has also brought highly regarded programs such as *Making Black America* and *Gospel*, as well as the viewer favorite *Finding Your Roots*, to PBS audiences.

Airs Tuesdays, beginning January 28, at 8 p.m.



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What Are UFOs? _

Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) have long captivated the imagination of the public, but for decades most scientists treated the subject as taboo. Now these mysterious phenomena are moving out of the shadows and into the light, as NASA pledges to study them scientifically. This new *NOVA* investigation looks at the evidence and features expert opinions from physicists, engineers, cosmologists, and others to solve these mysteries.

Many UFO sightings can be attributed to physical objects including balloons, drones, weather phenomena, or optical illusions, but others remain inexplicable. What other potential explanations remain? Could they be the result of secret new technologies developed by other governments — or our own? And what would it take for alien engineers to traverse vast distances to send probes or visit Earth from other solar systems? Tune into *What Are UFOs?* and find out what's known and what remains unsolved.

Airs Wednesday, January 22, at 8 p.m.

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Words from the President...

Dear Friends,

Have you heard of hygge? It's a Danish concept that encompasses feelings of comfort, contentment, and well-being. Think hot cider, woolly sweater, blazing fire, and a good book. You can also think of hygge as time spent watching KLRN, beginning with the premiere of two wonderful programs from Henry Louis Gates, Jr. In addition to a new season of the Emmy Award-nominated *Finding Your Roots*, Dr. Gates has created a fascinating new four-part docuseries, *Great Migrations: A People on the Move*.

Speaking of fascinating stories, I know many of our members are eagerly awaiting the new season of *All Creatures Great and Small*. I'm looking forward to seeing James and Tristan return to Skeldale House and seeing what mischief Tricki Woo will get into.

Miss Scarlet is also back for a fifth season with new adventures and a new face at Scotland Yard.

After all the excitement of the holidays, I hope you'll take time for yourself to enjoy everything that KLRN has to offer. Remember it's your amazing membership support that makes this public media service possible.

Thank you and best wishes for a happy, healthy 2025.

Sincerely,



Arthur R. Emerson
President and CEO



ALL CREATURES GREAT & SMALL

SEASON 5

Admit it. You've been waiting for *All Creatures Great and Small* ever since season 4 ended with James heading off to serve with the Royal Air Force. The beloved series begins its fifth season, reuniting all your favorite characters in our Skeldale House family.

Back from his overseas service in the Royal Veterinary Corps — and sporting a very handsome new mustache — is prodigal son and newly minted uncle figure Tristan Farnon. What will he make of Richard Carmody? Filling their home with heart are lovestruck new parents Helen and James Herriot with

their deliciously adorable baby, Jimmy. As always, mercurial mentor Siegfried Farnon is in cracking form, and we'll see compassionate Mrs. Hall in uniform. Of course, Mrs. Pumphrey and the most pampered Pekingese of all, Tricki Woo, return, along with a host of animal friends.

Be sure to have your cup of tea and box of tissues ready as *All Creatures Great and Small* warms up these long winter nights with stories of kindness and community.

**Airs Sundays, beginning January 12,
at 8 p.m.**

MISS SCARLET

SEASON 5

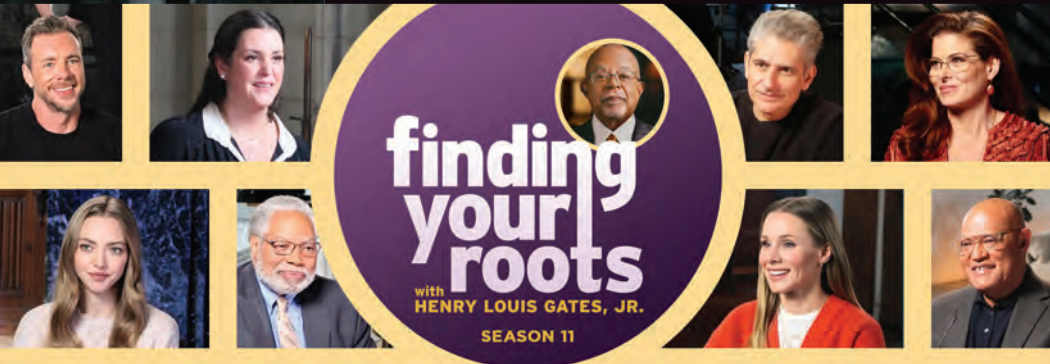
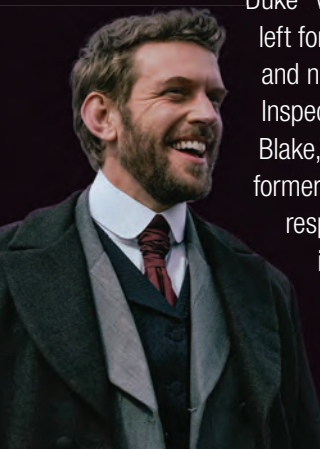
Miss Eliza Scarlet returns for a fifth season of daring investigations. Eliza's private detective agency is thriving, and her professional life is on a successful path. On the personal side, however, William "The Duke" Wellington has left for New York and new Detective Inspector Alexander Blake, a handsome former soldier and respected detective inspector, has joined the force at Scotland Yard to replace him.

While Blake isn't particularly shocked by a woman working as a private eye, their relationship gets off to a rocky start since Blake has decided not to allow private detectives to aid in his investigations. Can Eliza navigate building a relationship with him if she's going to continue having access to police resources? As Blake and Miss Scarlet cross paths at various crime scenes across London, they can't help but develop mutual respect for one another and maybe more.

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Fresh off the series' first Emmy® nomination, *Finding Your Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr.* returns for its eleventh season with a guest roster as rich and diverse as America itself. Among them are actors Laurence Fishburne and Debra Messing, celebrity chef José Andrés, novelist Amy Tan, Secretary of the Smithsonian Lonnie Bunch, and model Chrissy Teigen.

Over the course of 10 new episodes, Gates and his team use genealogical detective work and cutting-edge DNA analysis to bring the guests' ancestors to life. As the pages turn in each book of life, his guests learn what

every family history shares — love, courage, and sacrifice — and how our histories transcend borders. Along the way, viewers are transported from coastal Africa to the Mississippi Delta; from shtetls in the former Russian Empire to the ancestral lands of the Lakota Nation; from villages in the Philippines to a pirate enclave in Puerto Rico. What's more, this new season also includes a solution to a mystery that has haunted Gates' own family for generations.

Airs Tuesdays, beginning January 7, at 7 p.m.



CHAUTAUQUA AT 150: WYNTON MARSALIS' ALL RISE

Chautauqua Institution was founded in the late 19th century on the shores of Chautauqua Lake in southwestern New York as a place for Americans to make purposeful use of leisure time. Since then, Chautauqua has dedicated itself to the arts and education. *Chautauqua at 150: Wynton Marsalis' All Rise* tells the story of this national treasure through the voices of its current patrons and partners, and centers around a new production of the jazz symphony *All Rise*, written by award-winning trumpeter and composer Wynton Marsalis.

Viewers will see Wynton Marsalis lead the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra along with a symphonic orchestra and choir in this epic twelve-part composition for big band, gospel choir, and symphony orchestra. The composition examines the global commonalities in music across culture, time, and circumstance — from New Orleans brass bands to clave and samba, to church music and Chinese parade bands, the Italian aria, and more. In addition to capturing the performance for the documentary, a full-length performance of *All Rise* will be available for streaming on PBS Passport.

Airs Tuesday, February 11, at 9 p.m.

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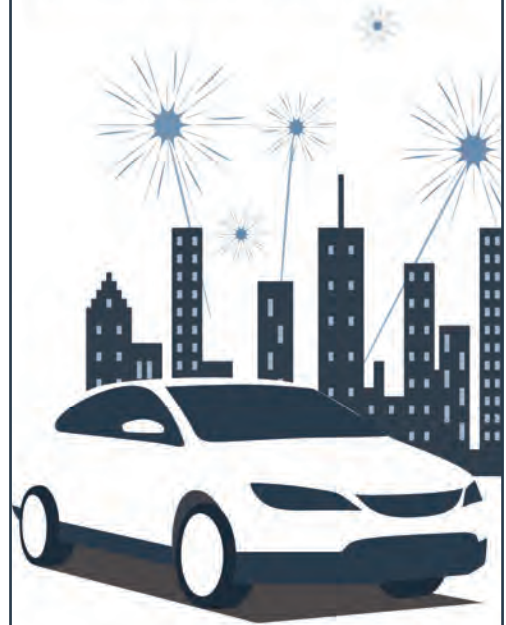


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