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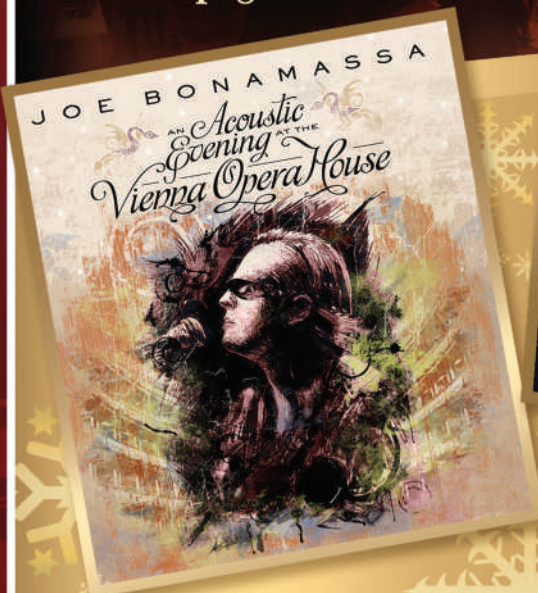
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Jenny Herstein

The holidays are a time for family, friends and reflection. This year, I have given thanks for good health, for the gift of my wonderful family and supportive friends and for the relationships we at NET have with our viewers, listeners and wider community members. Each of you deserves our thanks; we deeply value your monetary and moral support.

NET Television and NET Radio provide you with amazing, exceptional and extraordinary experiences. We are proud to connect you with the world's best cultural and entertainment programs, children's programming, beautiful music and trusted news. We connect Nebraskans to each other, and to the world.

As you enjoy our holiday programs and see how your family loves NET Television and NET Radio, remember that a special holiday or end-of-the-year gift to NET can ensure that programs that matter, that engage your mind and that are important to you will always be available.

NET is where you come for positive affirmation; we're a place that opens each of us to human connections and to exploration of the vibrant world around us. We are a place of intellect, a place that nurtures the spirit and fills the soul with joy.

Thank you for being part of that unique and extraordinary effort.

Whatever your faith tradition, your friends at NET wish you the most joyous of holidays and a prosperous and peaceful New Year.

Jenny Herstein
NET Director of Development

P.S. For information about the benefits of end-of-the-year-giving, please turn to Page 12.

**Former Board Member
Roger Larson Passes Away**

The NET community extends its condolences to the family of Roger Larson, who served on the NET Foundations Board for Radio and Television for nine years. Larson, 87, died in October. His term on the Foundations Board ended in June.

Larson followed a successful 40 year career in commercial radio with work at Lincoln's National Bank of Commerce until it sold to Wells Fargo. He spent his last four years working as fundraising consultant with SLR Communications, which is owned by his daughter Susan Larson Rodenburg.

Larson served in leadership roles for more than 40 organizations and raised millions of dollars for community projects. His attitude toward community involvement began with his Swedish family heritage. He simply believed it was his duty and responsibility to work to improve his community and society in general, and to make things better for future generations.

He was gifted with an imaginative and visionary mind and the ability to make every person he met feel as if they were the most interesting person in the world.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Shirley; his three children and their spouses: Ted (Susie), Tom (Kim Collier) and Susan Larson Rodenburg (Rich); his grandchildren: Kalie Maree Larson, William Thomas Larson, Carolyn Irene Collier, Max Larson Rodenburg, Jack Larson Rodenburg, Uta Maree Larson, Thor Bjorn Larson, all of Lincoln; and two brothers, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.

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Membership Spotlight

Upcoming NET Happenings



Downton Abbey Events!

Tea with *Downton Abbey* and NET in Omaha
1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at Lauritzen Gardens in Omaha

View a sneak-preview of *Downton Abbey*, Season Four, ahead of the January Premiere and enjoy tea and “crumpets” amid the extravagant holiday decorations at Lauritzen Gardens. Call 800-634-6788 for information or to RSVP. This event is free and open to the public.

A *Downton Abbey* Tea in Scottsbluff
3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15 at the historic Midwest Theater
1707 Broadway St., Scottsbluff

Join us for tea and a sneak-peek preview of the first hour of the Season Four Premiere of *Downton Abbey*.

Call 308-632-4311 for information.
 This event is free and open to the public.



Spies of Mississippi
Free film screening and discussion
Sunday, Dec. 15, 1 p.m.
Mary Riepma Ross Media Arts Center

Spies of Mississippi reveals a different side of the civil rights movement: a world of informants, infiltrators and agent provocateurs – some African American – who used tax-payer dollars to spy on its citizens. The mission? To preserve segregation at any cost.

“Coffee and Conversation in the Community” is presented by NET Learning Services in partnership with The Ross, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, KZUM and the Malone Community Center as a part of the ITVS Community Cinema initiative.

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Program Highlights

How Sherlock Changed the World

Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. CT
on NET1

The fictional Sherlock Holmes was a scientist who used chemistry, bloodstains and minute traces of evidence to catch criminals. In an era when eyewitness reports and “smoking gun” evidence were needed to convict criminals, Holmes’ crime-scene methods were revolutionary. Forensic scientists, crime historians and Sherlockian experts reveal the impact Arthur Conan Doyle’s creation had on the development of real-life criminal investigation and forensic techniques. With a mix of interviews, dramatic reconstruction and archives, the story of the impact and legacy of history’s most-famous crime fighter comes alive.



Ashfall unearthed

Friday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m. CT
Tuesday, Dec. 31, at 8:30 p.m. CT

This half-hour music special features the television premiere of “Ashfall,” an original composition by Rusty Banks and performed by the Nebraska Chamber Players. Banks was inspired by the scenic north central Nebraska landscape near Nebraska’s Ashfall Fossil Beds, which expose the 12-million-year-old fossil remains of hundreds of animals killed when a massive volcano hundreds of miles west dropped ash that eventually smothered the creatures.



Captivating music weaves with animations of the ash fall, current footage from the Ashfall Fossil Beds State Historical Park and interviews with Banks, Nebraska Chamber Players’ Artistic Director Becky Van de Bogart, and the man who first discovered the fossils, paleontologist Mike Voorhies, providing insightful context for the music and the place that inspired the large-scale chamber work.

This project is made possible in part by the Nebraska Arts Council and the Nebraska Cultural Endowment and the NET Foundation for Television.

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Jiro Dreams of Sushi

Monday, Dec. 23, at 9 p.m. CT

Eighty-five-year-old Jiro Ono, considered the world's greatest sushi chef, is the proprietor of Sukiyabashi Jiro, a 10-seat restaurant inauspiciously located in a Tokyo subway station. Despite its humble appearance, it is the first sushi restaurant to be awarded a three-star Michelin Guide rating, and sushi lovers from around the globe make pilgrimages. A thoughtful and elegant meditation on work, family and the art of perfection. By David Gelb.



Downton Abbey Season 3 Marathons

Sunday, Dec. 22, at 8 and 10 p.m. CT
Episodes 1 and 2

Sunday, Dec. 29, at 8, 9 and 10 p.m.
CT Episodes 3, 4 and 5

Relive the ups and downs of season three, and refresh your memory in time for the series' fourth season, debuting Jan. 5.



Mr. Stink

Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7 p.m. CT on NET1

Chloe (Nell Tiger Free) sees Mr. Stink (Hugh Bonneville) every day, but she's never spoken to him, which isn't surprising, because he's a tramp — and he stinks. But soon, she has an unusual friend hiding in her garden shed when it seems Mr. Stink and his stinky dog, Duchess, might be driven out of town. As Chloe struggles to make sure no one sniffs out Mr. Stink, she also has to cope with her mum and dad, her sister and some mean-girl classmates. And turns out there is more to Mr. Stink than meets the eye ... or nose. This special family comedy with a nose-clenching twist is based on David Walliams' best-selling book.

NET1 Schedule – Programming is subject to change. Visit netNebraska.org/television for daily listings and updates to the regular programming schedule. Programs are listed in Central Time. All programs are closed-captioned.

SUNDAY • 12/1

Special Pledge Programming All Day

- 7:00 AM – Unleash the Power of the Female Brain with Dr. Daniel Amen
 9:00 AM – Drop 7 Foods, Feel Better Fast with JJ Virgin
 10:30 AM – 3 Steps to Incredible Health! with Joel Fuhrman, MD
 Noon – Deepak Chopra: What Are You Hungry For?
 1:30 PM – Brainchange with David Perlmutter, MD
 3:00 PM – Young For Life
 4:30 PM – Dash Diet with Marla Heller MS, RD
 6:00 PM – Doc Martin: Revealed
 7:30 PM – Rick Steves' European Insights
 8:00 PM – Return to Downton Abbey
 9:30 PM – Farm Story with Jerry Apps
 11:00 PM – Doc Martin: Revealed

MONDAY • 12/2

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
Special Pledge Programming
 7:00 PM – **Nebraska's Capitol Masterpiece**
 8:30 PM – British Beat
 10:30 PM – Dash Diet with Marla Heller MS, RD

TUESDAY • 12/3

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – **Big Red Wrap-Up**
Special Pledge Programming
 8:00 PM – Joe Bonamassa: An Acoustic Evening at the Vienna Opera House
 9:30 PM – Deepak Chopra: What Are You Hungry For?
 11:00 PM – **Big Red Wrap-Up**

WEDNESDAY • 12/4

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
Special Pledge Programming
 7:00 PM – **Great Plains: America's Lingering Wild**
 9:30 PM – 60s Girl Grooves
 11:30 PM – **Great Plains: America's Lingering Wild**

THURSDAY • 12/5

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
Special Pledge Programming
 7:00 PM – Celtic Thunder Christmas
 8:30 PM – Farm Story with Jerry Apps
 10:00 PM – Magic Moments - the Best of 50's Pop

FRIDAY • 12/6

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
Special Pledge Programming
 7:00 PM – Magic Moments - the Best of 50's Pop
 9:00 PM – Great Performances: Pavarotti: A Voice For the Ages
 10:30 PM – Oscar Hammerstein II - Out of My Dreams

SATURDAY • 12/7

Special Pledge Programming All Day

- 7:30 AM – Easy Yoga For Easing Pain
 8:30 AM – Heal Yourself: Mind Over Medicine with Lissa Rankin
 10:00 AM – Drop 7 Foods, Feel Better Fast with JJ Virgin
 11:30 AM – Brainchange with David Perlmutter, MD
 1:00 PM – Heart of Perfect Health with Brenda Watson
 3:00 PM – Deepak Chopra: What Are You Hungry For?
 4:30 PM – Rick Steves' European Christmas
 6:30 PM – Rick Steves' Delicious Europe
 7:00 PM – Doc Martin: Revealed
 8:30 PM – Return to Downton Abbey
 10:00 PM – Joe Bonamassa: An Acoustic Evening at the Vienna Opera House
 11:30 PM – Doc Martin: Revealed

SUNDAY • 12/8

- Special Pledge Programming**
 4:30 PM – Lawrence Welk Holiday Special: Great Moments and Memories
 7:00 PM – Celtic Woman: Home For Christmas
 8:30 PM – **Nebraska's Capitol Masterpiece**
 10:00 PM – Lawrence Welk Holiday Special: Great Moments and Memories

MONDAY • 12/9

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – Antiques Roadshow: Des Moines, IA, Pt. 2
 8:00 PM – Antiques Roadshow: Des Moines, IA, Pt. 3
 9:00 PM – Hollywood Christmas with Mulberry Lane
 10:00 PM – Christmas on the Trail
 11:00 PM – Globe Trekker: Globe Trekker Special: World War II in the Pacific

TUESDAY • 12/10

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – **Big Red Wrap-Up**
 8:00 PM – Israel: Facing the Future
 9:00 PM – Frontline: Raising Adam Lanza
 10:00 PM – My Vietnam Your Iraq
 11:00 PM – **Big Red Wrap-Up**

WEDNESDAY • 12/11

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – Nature: Magic of the Snowy Owl
 8:00 PM – NOVA: Ultimate Mars Challenge
 9:00 PM – Extreme By Design
 10:00 PM – QUEST
 10:30 PM – QUEST
 11:00 PM – Nature: Magic of the Snowy Owl

THURSDAY • 12/12

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – Pioneers of Television: Miniseries
 8:00 PM – Antiques Roadshow: Des Moines, IA, Pt. 2
 9:00 PM – Agatha Christie's Poirot
 10:00 PM – Dalziel and Pascoe
 11:00 PM – **Consider This...**
 11:30 PM – Scully/The World Show

FRIDAY • 12/13

- 6:00 PM – PBS Newshour
 7:00 PM – **Ashfall Unearthed**
 7:30 PM – **Marijuana Crossroads**
 8:00 PM – Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
 8:30 PM – Charlie Rose: The Week
 9:00 PM – Silent Night

*NET Television / Local Nebraska Program.

Programming

NET Television has extended programming one hour, from 11 p.m. to midnight MT & Midnight to 1 a.m. CT for over-the-air viewers.

11:00PM – As Time Goes By
11:30PM – Keeping Up Appearances

SATURDAY • 12/14

Special Pledge Programming All Day

7:30 AM – BEST OF NET & Special Pledge Programming TBA

SUNDAY • 12/15

Special Pledge Programming All Day

7:00 AM – BEST OF NET & Special Pledge Programming TBA

MONDAY • 12/16

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk
8:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Trash to Treasure
9:00PM – Independent Lens: Playwright: From Page to Stage
10:00PM – **Casting Call to Curtain Call**
11:00PM – Globe Trekker: Antarctica

TUESDAY • 12/17

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – Red Metal: The Copper Country Strike of 1913
8:00PM – How Sherlock Changed the World
10:00PM – **Mind Over Murder**
11:00PM – **Ashfall Unearthed**
11:30PM – **Marijuana Crossroads**

WEDNESDAY • 12/18

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – Nature: Cold Warriors: Wolves and Buffalo
8:00PM – NOVA: Extreme Ice
9:00PM – Life on Fire
10:00PM – QUEST
10:30PM – QUEST
11:00PM – Nature: Cold Warriors: Wolves and Buffalo

THURSDAY • 12/19

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – **Don't Touch That Dial!**
8:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Junk in the Trunk
9:00PM – Agatha Christie's Poirot
10:00PM – Dalziel and Pascoe
11:00PM – **Consider This...**
11:30PM – Scully/The World Show

FRIDAY • 12/20

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – **Casting Call to Curtain Call**
8:00PM – Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
8:30PM – Charlie Rose: The Week
9:00PM – Craft in America
10:00PM – Craft in America
11:00PM – As Time Goes By
11:30PM – Keeping Up Appearances

SATURDAY • 12/21

6:00PM – Lawrence Welk Show
7:00PM – Doc Martin
8:00PM – Lark Rise to Candleford
9:00PM – Call the Midwife
10:00PM – As Time Goes By
10:30PM – Keeping Up Appearances
11:00PM – Austin City Limits: Tom Waits

SUNDAY • 12/22

6:00PM – Doc Martin
7:00PM – Mr. Stink
8:00PM – Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Season 3 - Part 1
10:00PM – Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Season 3 - Part 2
11:00PM – Live From the Artists Den: Mayer Hawthorne

MONDAY • 12/23

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Finders Keepers
8:00PM – Christmas in Norway with the St. Olaf Choir
9:00PM – Independent Lens: Jiro Dreams of Sushi
10:30PM – European Christmas Markets
11:00PM – Globe Trekker: Caribbean Islands: St. Lucia, Martinique & Montserrat

TUESDAY • 12/24

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – National Christmas Tree Lighting 2013
8:00PM – Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir
9:00PM – Frontline: From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians
11:00PM – **Casting Call to Curtain Call**

WEDNESDAY • 12/25

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – Nature: Christmas in Yellowstone
8:00PM – NOVA: Building the Great Cathedrals
9:00PM – Christmas Carol: The Concert
10:30PM – Christmas on the Danube
11:00PM – Nature: Christmas in Yellowstone

THURSDAY • 12/26

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – **Casting Call to Curtain Call**
8:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Finders Keepers
9:00PM – Agatha Christie's Poirot
10:00PM – Dalziel and Pascoe
11:00PM – **Consider This...**
11:30PM – Scully/The World Show

FRIDAY • 12/27

6:00PM – PBS Newshour
7:00PM – **Remembered Voices**
8:00PM – Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
8:30PM – Charlie Rose: The Week
9:00PM – American Masters: Marvin Hamlisch: What He Did For Love
10:30PM – **Ashfall Unearthed**
11:00PM – As Time Goes By
11:30PM – Keeping Up Appearances

SATURDAY • 12/28

6:00PM – Lawrence Welk Show
7:00PM – Doc Martin
8:00PM – Lark Rise to Candleford
9:00PM – Call the Midwife
10:00PM – As Time Goes By
10:30PM – Keeping Up Appearances
11:00PM – Austin City Limits: Rodrigo Y Gabriela

SUNDAY • 12/29

6:00PM – **Nebraska Stories**
6:30PM – Call the Midwife Holiday Special
8:00PM – Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Season 3 - Part 3

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NET1 Prime-time continued...

- 9:00PM – Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Season 3 - Part 4
- 10:00PM – Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Season 3 - Part 5
- 11:00PM – Call the Midwife Holiday Special

MONDAY • 12/30

- 6:00PM – PBS Newshour
- 7:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Phoenix, AZ, Pt. 2
- 8:00PM – Antiques Roadshow: Phoenix, AZ, Pt. 3
- 9:00PM – Independent Lens: How to Survive a Plague
- 10:30PM – Marijuana Crossroads
- 11:00PM – Globe Trekker: Mozambique

TUESDAY • 12/31

- 6:00PM – PBS Newshour
- 7:00PM – Live From Lincoln Center: New York Philharmonic Gala with Yo-Yo Ma
- 8:30PM – Ashfall Unearthed
- 9:00PM – Frontline: From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians
- 11:00PM – Remembered Voices

PBS Kids Holiday and Winter Specials – December on NET1

During December, families can enjoy special holiday programs featuring their favorite PBS Kids characters on NET1. In addition to the programs below, watch for special winter-themed episodes of *Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood*, *Thomas & Friends*, *Super Why*, and *Dinosaur Train*, as well as other favorites.

Sid's Holiday Adventure

Sid celebrates the winter holidays in a place that is very cold and learns that temperatures are different all over the world.

- Monday, Dec. 2, at noon
- Thursday, Dec. 12, at noon
- Wednesday, Dec. 25, at noon

Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas

Christmastime is an exciting time of year, especially when you're a monkey! Curious George learns the joy of giving as he chooses a gift for the Man in the Yellow Hat.

- Monday, Dec. 9, at 8 a.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 8 a.m. & 4 p.m.



Arthur's Perfect Christmas

Plans are underway in Elwood City for the best holidays ever with perfect gifts, perfect parties and perfect family traditions. But, just like in real life, perfection is hard to attain.

- Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 7 a.m.



Elmo's Christmas Countdown

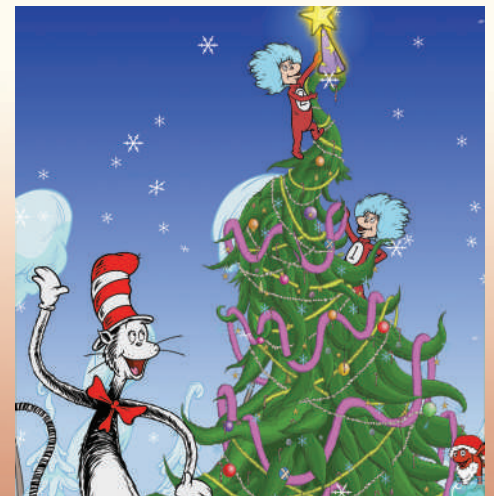
When the boxes in Stiller the Elf's magical Christmas Counter Downer become lost, the arrival of Christmas is in doubt. Can Elmo and Abby Cadabby save the holiday?

- Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 9 a.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 9 a.m.

The Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About Christmas!

The Cat in the Hat, Nick and Sally go on a journey around the world to help a lost reindeer find his way home in time for Christmas.

- Friday, Dec. 13, at 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.



Caillou's Christmas

Caillou goes out caroling for the very first time – staying up late and surprising his friends with carols.

- Monday, Dec. 9, at 1:30 p.m.
- Monday, Dec. 23, at 1:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 1:30 p.m.

NET1 Daytime Schedule



MONDAY-FRIDAY

6:00 AM – Clifford the Big Red Dog
 6:30 AM – Martha Speaks
 7:00 AM – Arthur
 7:30 AM – Wild Kratts
 8:00 AM – Curious George
 8:30 AM – Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About That!
 9:00 AM – Sesame Street
 10:00 AM – Peg + Cat
 10:30 AM – Dinosaur Train
 11:00 AM – Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
 11:30 AM – Super Why!
 NOON – Sid the Science Kid
 12:30 PM – Thomas & Friends
 1:00 PM – Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
 1:30 PM – Caillou
 2:00 PM – Super Why!
 2:30 PM – Dinosaur Train
 3:00 PM – Peg + Cat
 3:30 PM – Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About That!
 4:00 PM – Curious George
 4:30 PM – Arthur
 5:00 PM – WordGirl
 5:30 PM – Wild Kratts

SATURDAY

6:00 AM – America's Heartland
 6:30 AM – Market to Market
 7:00 AM – Market Journal
 7:30 AM – American Woodshop
 Pledge Specials all day 12/7 & 12/14, see page 6 for details
 8:00 AM – Woodwright's Shop
 8:30 AM – Hometown
 9:00 AM – This Old House
 9:30 AM – Ask This Old House
 10:00 AM – Garden Smart
 10:30 AM – P. Allen Smith's Garden Home
 11:00 AM – Best of the Joy of Painting

11:30 AM – Julia and Jacques Cooking at Home
 NOON – Ciao Italia
 12:30 PM – America's Test Kitchen From Cook's Illustrated
 1:00 PM – Sewing with Nancy
 1:30 PM – Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting
 2:00 PM – Quilting Arts
 2:30 PM – Scrapbook Soup
 3:00 PM – Chef's Life
 3:30 PM – Aviators
 4:00 PM – Family Travel with Colleen Kelly
 4:30 PM – Rick Steves' Europe
 5:00 PM – This Old House Hour

SUNDAY

6:00 AM – Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
 6:30 AM – Bob the Builder
 7:00 AM – Barney & Friends
 Pledge Specials all day 12/1, 12/8 & 12/15, see page 6 for details
 7:30 AM – Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That!
 8:00 AM – Peg + Cat
 8:30 AM – Dinosaur Train
 9:00 AM – Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
 9:30 AM – Super Why!
 10:00 AM – Arthur
 10:30 AM – McLaughlin Group
 11:00 AM – Market to Market
 11:30 AM – Consider This...
 NOON – 12/22 - Masterpiece Classic: Downton Abbey, Series 2 - Part 7 (2 hrs)
 12/29 – Our Vanishing Americana
 1:00 PM – Lark Rise to Candleford
 2:00 PM – Call the Midwife
 3:00 PM – Keeping Up Appearances
 3:30 PM – As Time Goes By
 4:00 PM – Agatha Christie's Poirot
 5:00 PM – Moyers & Company

*NET Television / Local Nebraska Program.

NET2 World Program Highlights

NET2 World brings you the best of PBS favorites like *Nature* (TUESDAYS – 8 PM), *PBS Newshour* (WEEKDAYS – 9 PM) and *Frontline* (WEDNESDAYS – 5 PM), plus special documentaries, NET Television local productions and NET News features.

WEEKDAY NEWS PROGRAMS

6:00 AM – BBC World News
 11:00 AM – Tavis Smiley
 12:30 PM – Consider This... (Tu/F)
 9:00 PM – PBS NewsHour
 10:00 PM – Nightly Business Report
 11:00 PM – Charlie Rose
 Plus – PBS NewsHour Weekend Saturdays at 5 PM

LOCAL SPECIALS INCLUDING:

Thursday, Dec. 5, 7 PM
Heuermann Lecture: Beyond GMOs to Honest Dialogue About Our Food, UNL Professor Sally Mackenzie
Thursday, Dec. 19, 7 PM
Hubbard Lecture: Indigenous Mentorship, author Gyasi Ross
Thursday, Dec. 19, 8 PM
State of Education in Nebraska: Superintendents Speak Out

Check out many NET and local news and public affairs programs available online at netNebraska.org via podcasts and public media archive. Programming is subject to change. Visit netNebraska.org/television for listings & updates to the programming schedule. **Programs are listed in Central Time.**

NET3 Create Program Highlights

SUNDAY-FRIDAY

6:00 AM – Cooking
 8:00 AM – Travel
 9:00 AM – Home & How-To
 NOON – Cooking & Travel
 2:00 PM – Travel
 3:30 PM – Home & How-To
 5:30 PM – Cooking
 9:00 PM – How-To & Travel
 10:30 PM – Cooking, Travel, Home & How-To repeats

SATURDAY ALL-DAY SPECIALS

12/7 – Cooking and Craft Specials
 12/14 – Cooking and Travel specials
 12/21 – Cooking and Travel specials
 12/28 – Cooking and Travel specials

Cooking

includes programs like:

- *Jacques Pepin: More Fast Food My Way*
- *Cooking Odyssey*
- *Sara's Weeknight Meals*
- ...and more

Travel

includes programs like:

- *Journeys in India*
- *Rick Steves Europe Classics*
- *Globetrekker*
- ...and more

Home, Garden & How-To

includes programs like:

- *American Woodshop*
- *P. Allen Smith's Garden Home*
- *Martha's Sewing Room*
- ...and more

NET3 Create features popular home, how-to, travel and lifestyle series. Programming is subject to change. Visit netNebraska.org/television for listings & updates to the programming schedule. **Programs are listed in Central Time.**

NET Radio Main FM Schedule

Available anywhere with the NET Radio Nebraska App

MONDAY-FRIDAY

- 5:00 AM – Morning Edition - **Nebraska News at 6:33, 7:06, 8:33**
- 8:58 AM – Writers Almanac
- 9:03 AM – **Morning Concert Friday Live (Friday)**
- NOON – **Afternoon Concert All About Books Thursday at 12:04, Classics by Request Friday at 1:00**
- 4:00 PM – All Things Considered **Nebraska News at 4:30, 5:30**
- 6:30 PM – Fresh Air
- 7:30 PM – Performance Today - **Friday: Big Band Spotlight at 8:30**
- 9:30 PM – Classical Music overnight

SATURDAY

- 6:00 AM – On Being
- 7:00 AM – Weekend Edition - **Nebraska Humanities Story at 8:30**
- 10:00 AM – Car Talk
- 11:00 AM – Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!
- NOON – Marketplace Money
- 1:00 PM – The Splendid Table

- 2:00 PM – RadioLab
- 3:00 PM – This American Life
- 4:00 PM – Weekend All Things Considered
- 5:00 PM – A Prairie Home Companion
- 7:00 PM – The Thistle and Shamrock
- 8:00 PM – **Jazz Currents**
- 10:00 PM – Classical Music overnight

SUNDAY

- 6:00 AM – Millennium of Music
- 7:00 AM – On Being
- 8:00 AM – Weekend Edition - **Nebraska Humanities Story at 9:30**
- 10:00 AM – Car Talk
- 11:00 AM – A Prairie Home Companion
- 1:00 PM – **Nebraska Concerts**
- 3:00 PM – Travel with Rick Steves
- 4:00 PM – Weekend All Things Considered
- 5:00 PM – This American Life
- 6:00 PM – Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!
- 7:00 PM – **The Verge**
- 9:00 PM – Music from Hearts of Space
- 11:00 PM – Classical Music overnight

NET Radio HD-2 Schedule

Available with an HD Radio across most of Nebraska or anywhere with an Internet connection or with the NET Radio Nebraska App

HD-2 MONDAY-FRIDAY

- 5:00 AM – Morning Edition - **Nebraska News at 6:33, 7:06, 8:33**
- 9:00 AM – On Point
- 11:00 AM – The Story
- NOON – Fresh Air
- 1:00 PM – Here & Now
- 3:00 PM – All Things Considered **Nebraska News at 4:30, 5:30**
- 7:00 PM – Jazz all evening & overnight

HD-2 SATURDAY

- 8:00 AM – Weekend Edition - **Nebraska Humanities Story at 8:30**
- 10:00 AM – Car Talk
- 11:00 AM – Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!
- NOON – Marketplace Money
- 1:00 PM – The Splendid Table
- 2:00 PM – On Being

- 3:00 PM – On the Media
- 4:00 PM – Weekend All Things Considered
- 5:00 PM – A Prairie Home Companion
- 7:00 PM – Jazz all evening & overnight

HD-2 SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM – Weekend Edition - **Nebraska Humanities Story at 9:30**
- 10:00 AM – Car Talk
- 11:00 AM – A Prairie Home Companion
- 1:00 PM – Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!
- 2:00 PM – The Splendid Table
- 3:00 PM – Fresh Air Weekends
- 4:00 PM – Weekend All Things Considered
- 5:00 PM – American Routes
- 7:00 PM – **The Verge**
- 9:00 PM – Jazz overnight

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Genevieve Randall

Artist's Work Highlights
Radio Thank-You Gifts

Wendy Jane Bantam

Critically acclaimed artist Wendy Jane Bantam has been a fan of NET Radio for years. Bantam is a Nebraska

native with degrees from the University of Kansas and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She travels throughout Europe and the U.S. for artist residencies and teaching programs and has made Lincoln her home base for more than 20 years. She generously offered to design artwork to use on thank-you gifts to help raise money for NET Radio. Her whimsical design features some distinguished looking cats and dogs listening to their favorite station, NET Radio, and debuted during the November membership drive. Missed the drive? There's still a way to get in on the fun. New and upgrading renewing members may select this design on T-shirts, tote bags and notecards. Donate on line, netNebraska.org/radio or via phone, 1-800-634-6788.

Celebrate the Season with Nebraska Concerts on NET Radio

Among the special holiday programs on NET Radio this season are five *Nebraska Concerts* programs featuring the best of music performed in Nebraska by Nebraska artists. *Nebraska Concerts* airs on NET Radio on Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m. CT. *Nebraska Concerts* is hosted by Michael Keelan and produced by Dave Hughes.

Dec. 1: From a 2012 Abendmusik at First-Plymouth concert, Abendchor and the Abendmusik Chamber Players, directed by conductors Therees Tkach Hibbard and Tom Trenney, present George Frideric Handel's "Messiah" and "Coronation Anthems."

Dec. 8: Also from 2012, the Nebraska Brass perform its annual Christmas concert called, "A Nebraska Brass Christmas." And the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra play with guest trumpeter Willie Murillo and guest vocalist Becky Martin in a program called "High Intensity." Martin sings a few holiday tunes at the end of the concert with the orchestra.

Dec. 15: From 2012, Lincoln vocal group Dulces Voces and the Lincoln Early Music Consort perform a

selection of early music tunes for the Christmas season called "Arise and Sing!"

Dec. 22: And from another 2012 Abendmusik at First-Plymouth concert, The Abendmusik Chorus, The Plymouth Brass, The Plymouth Ringers, with narrator Suzanne Jouvenat and dancer Maribel Cruz, perform a holiday celebration called "Let Heaven and Nature Sing."

Dec. 29: From the 2013 holiday concert by Lincoln's Symphony Orchestra, Tyler White conducts the annual "Deck The Halls" holiday concert. Guests include actor Tim Marrone; students and teachers from the Lincoln Suzuki studios; Lincoln Midwest Ballet Company; and the UNL Big Red Singers.



John Mills
Randy Bretz
Mary Douglass



New Voices on NET Radio

NET Radio has three new announcers whose voices you've been hearing and will hear over the holidays as our regular announcers take some much-deserved time off.

Mary Douglass is on the air late afternoons and evenings. Her education and experience are in theater and communications. She is an adjunct instructor and a professional actress.

Randy Bretz retired from Nelnet and FACTS Management Co. and returned to broadcasting, his first love, when he joined the NET Radio staff as an on-call announcer.

John Mills brings a strong music background to NET Radio. He has a master's degree in choral conducting from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and will be filling in during classical shifts.

NET News Explores Superfund Sites

Located a short drive from downtown Denver, Rocky Mountain Arsenal is one of the largest urban wildlife refuges in the United States: 15,000 acres of lakes, wetlands, and prairie grasslands. But a few decades ago, this land was a hazardous waste site, contaminated from years of manufacturing chemical weapons and pesticides. In nearby Boulder, the former Rocky Flats nuclear weapons facility has been cleaned up and converted to an urban wildlife refuge—though some environmental groups and locals aren't convinced a radioactive site can ever be safe. In a two-part report for NET News and the QUEST Science collaborative, Ariana Brocious looks into how these contaminated sites have been transformed, and similar efforts taking place in Nebraska. Her stories will air on NET Radio on Dec. 18 and 19 at 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. CT, with more information at netNebraska.org/news.

In addition, NET News will air the "Best of 2013 Signature Stories" from Dec. 23-27.

Remember NET in Your End-of-Year Giving

The end of the calendar year can bring a mad dash of holiday frenzy, or a more leisurely and planned way to celebrate. One way to plan to reduce your tax load next April is by making an end-of-the-year gift to NET. And you'll enjoy the good cheer of giving to your favorite public media stations.



There are a number of ways to make charitable gifts to NET.

- Cash or online contributions are the easiest and fastest way to ensure your gift arrives by Dec. 31.
- Giving appreciated investment securities that are worth more than they cost can result in savings at tax time. Such gifts are generally deductible for tax purposes at their full value if owned for more than a year, and no capital-gains tax is payable on the gift.
- If investments have depreciated, it's usually better to sell at a loss, then give the cash proceeds. You may be able to deduct the loss from your taxable income and take the tax deduction for the gift.
- Changes made to the American Taxpayer Relief Act in 2013 actually increase the tax-savings for charitable gifts of cash and appreciated property

for higher income taxpayers. And future tax-law proposals could reduce those incentives.

- Retirement plan assets can be a source for charitable giving. Reducing these assets can have tax benefits for heirs. And if you report the amount withdrawn from the plan along with offsetting charitable deductions, there may be little or no tax impact to yourself.
- If you are older than 70 and ½, special provisions are in effect for IRA giving and could satisfy minimum required distributions. You can transfer up to \$100,000 directly to one or more qualified charities, but only from your IRA. Check with your adviser or plan administrator for details.
- You may give through your will or living trust.
- You may give the gift of life insurance, either by naming NET as the beneficiary, or by donating the surrender value to NET.
- You may create a charitable gift annuity that gives you guaranteed income and benefits NET.

Remember the deadline is Dec. 31, 2013.

For a handy free estate planning kit, or for more information about charitable gift annuities and other ways you can support NET Television and NET Radio, please visit our web page: netNebraska.org/giftplanning, or contact one of our Foundations staff members.

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NET Store Offers DVDs and More



Need holiday gift ideas? Why not give a little piece of Nebraska with gifts from the NET Store? DVD titles include sports and stories of Nebraska. You'll find special pricing and limited quantities on some titles; visit us at shop.netnebraska.org.

Nebraska Welcomes A Prairie Home Companion

It was a full house on Oct. 19 when *A Prairie Home Companion* originated its live national broadcast from the Lied Center for Performing Arts in Lincoln. NET Radio listeners were thrilled by Garrison Keillor, Sara Watkins, the Guy's All-Star Shoe Band and Nebraskans Curt Friesen, a farmer from Henderson, Nebraska, and Jackie Allen, a jazz singer and teacher from Lincoln. Friesen chatted with Keillor about the state of farming in Nebraska, and Allen gave a lesson in torch singing to Watkins and Keillor, advising them to perhaps take a story-telling class or attend a poetry slam, which could ready them for the national stage.

Keillor talked about the Sand Hills and sang an original composition about the blue prairie skies.

About 200 NET Radio members attended the mid-afternoon dress rehearsal and participated in an audience Q and A with Keillor. They enjoyed some snacks and beverages at receptions prior to the 5 p.m. performance.

NET Radio Manager Nancy Finken received several letters from listeners after the show, thanking NET for bringing the show to Lincoln. Here are a couple of excerpts:

"Nancy, I just wanted to say hello and thank you to NET for bringing PHC to Nebraska. It was a perfect blend of material for the state, performed only as GK can, and allowed me to check something off my bucket list. Only now, I have another item on the list: to see GK again, but this time from the Front Row!!!"

Bob and Sue from Kearney

"My husband and I were able to attend the broadcast of *Prairie Home Companion* on Saturday evening. We were thrilled to have the chance to be there for the live performance, which was even better than we had anticipated. What a great evening! I came home and called the rest of my Nebraska family to make sure they listened to the rebroadcast on Sunday. I often say that at the end of a long week, *Prairie Home Companion* is the vitamin pill for my spirit.

"Thank you to all of you who worked to make this happen in Lincoln, and for everything you do throughout the whole year to provide us with Nebraska public radio. Even though we don't tell you often enough, we do appreciate your time, talents and efforts to keep us informed and entertained."

Bob and Beth from Seward

NET Radio thanks all the listeners and friends who made this show a success. Thanks, too, to Assurity Life Insurance Co. of Lincoln for helping underwrite the performance.

Here are the lyrics to Garrison Keillor's Nebraska song, set to the tune of "Annie Laurie." You can find the entire show archived at <http://prairiehome.publicradio.org/programs/2013/10/19/>

Nebraska

O the snow-capped peaks are lovely
And ocean beaches too
But the prairies of Nebraska
Are where I'll live with you.

Are where I'll live with you
Beneath a bright blue sky
On the prairies of Nebraska
I'll live until I die.

In the Sand Hills of Nebraska
The geese and swans come there
The honking every springtime
Like music in the air.

Like music in the air
Beneath the bright blue sky
On the prairies of Nebraska
I'll live until I die.

We cheer for our Cornhuskers
Nebraska Red always
Together in the bleachers
On glorious Saturdays.

On glorious Saturdays
Beneath the bright blue sky
On the prairies of Nebraska
I'll live until I die.

And when the snow is flying
And we turn up the heat
And in your arms I'm lying
And singing low and sweet.

And singing low and sweet
Beneath the winter sky
On the prairies of Nebraska
I'll live until I die.

O the snow-capped peaks are lovely
And ocean beaches too
But the prairies of Nebraska
Are where I'll live with you

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Connecting Communities

Guests Attend Remembered Voices Premieres



Lincoln Premiere



Several hundred people attended premiere screenings of NET Television's *Remembered Voices* program in Omaha on Nov. 7 and in Lincoln on Nov. 6.

Remembered Voices documents how contemporary students learn about the Holocaust through the art and music created in the 1940s by people

sent to Terezin, a concentration camp in what is now the Czech Republic. Weaving history and Terezin survivor interviews with modern day lessons, *Remembered Voices* is a compelling look at how voices from the past transform us today.

Major funding for *Remembered Voices* was provided by the Slosburg

Family Charitable Trust, the Nebraska Arts Council, the Nebraska Cultural Endowment, Humanities Nebraska, the Leonard Goldstein Trust, and Richard D. Holland. Additional funding was provided in part by Henry A. Davis, Art and Chris Zygielbaum, and the NET Foundation for Television.



Omaha Premiere



Fremont Launches NET's Second Ready To Learn

event for Fremont-area preschoolers featuring 10 interactive learning stations and PBS costumed characters occurred Nov. 14.

Fremont has become the second NET Ready To Learn community. A kickoff

Ready To Learn is a coordinated educational experience that connects concepts learned in preschool, school, after school, summer programs and at home to strengthen children's math and literacy skills. Ready To Learn is a national partnership between the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and Public Broadcasting Service under the U.S. Department of Education

Ready To Learn grant.

NET Learning Services and the State Department of Education/Office of Early Childhood/Head Start-State Collaboration Office are piloting Ready To Learn in Nebraska. Auburn had its kickoff in April 2013.

Ready To Learn activities will continue in Fremont through 2015.

Pledge Specials



Return to Downton Abbey

Sunday, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m. CT and Saturday, Dec. 7, at 8:30 p.m. CT on NET1

Oscar-winner **Susan Sarandon** hosts an all-new look at the past three seasons of *Downton Abbey*, mixing behind-the-scenes footage, interviews with cast and creators and clips of favorite moments from the first three seasons of this favorite series. The show looks at the most-compelling aspects of *Downton Abbey*, and previews the intriguing fourth season, which premieres on Jan. 5.



Doc Martin Revealed

Sunday, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. CT, and Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. CT on NET1

This special features behind-the-scenes footage from the newest *Doc Martin* (Series 6), shot on location in Port Isaac, Cornwall, England. Viewers get inside access to the actors and crew as they film sequences on the balcony at Large's Restaurant and in the nearby pub that doubles for the Crab & Lobster.



An Acoustic Evening at the Vienna Opera House

Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. CT on NET1

Filmed in at the historic Vienna Opera House during a two-week long unplugged tour, guitar legend **Joe Bonamassa** played to a limited audience over seven exclusive European shows. Varying from his predominantly electric blues shows, this presentation was an all-acoustic concert performance, making it a unique and special show fans had been waiting years to experience. *Members who pledge at appropriate levels during this program will receive tickets to Bonamassa's April 2014 appearance at Omaha's Music Hall.*



Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. CT on NET1

Internationally renowned for alluring stage productions and heartwarming songs, Celtic Woman's new *Home for Christmas* special includes timeless holiday classics with the group's distinctive and signature Celtic twist. With a large orchestra and choir, this show was filmed in Dublin.



Call the Midwife Holiday Special

Sunday, Dec. 29, at 6:30 p.m. CT on NET1

Rendered homeless when an unexploded WWII bomb is discovered near Nonnatus House, the nuns and local families scramble to collect themselves at Christmas time. Dr. Turner is in a race against time to immunize children against polio, but when the illness strikes closer to home, he finds there's nothing he can do but hope. Chummy persuades a royal visitor to the East End to open the new Community Centre. It's a race against time as Chummy tries to get everything in place for the big day.

Nebraska's Capitol Masterpiece

Monday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. CT

This NET Television Production looks at the magnificent Nebraska State Capitol, exploring the building inside and out.



Great Plains—America's Lingerin' Wild

Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. CT

See what bits of wildness remain on the North American Great Plains in this NET Television Production.

NET brings you the best in holiday programming. Tune in and relax as some new classics and old favorites cheer you and your family in December. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, and joyous New Year, from your friends at NET. (All programs on NET1.)



Celtic Thunder Christmas
Thursday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. CT

Rick Steves' European Christmas
Saturday, Dec. 7, at 4:30 p.m. CT



Great Moments and Memories: The Lawrence Welk Holiday Special
Sunday, Dec. 8, at 4:30 p.m. CT

Celtic Woman: Home for Christmas
Sunday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. CT



Holiday Christmas with Mulberry Lane
Monday, Dec. 9, at 9 p.m. CT

Christmas on the Trail
Monday, Dec. 9, at 10 p.m. CT

Silent Night
Friday, Dec. 13, at 9 p.m. CT

This new opera recounts the Christmas Eve truce of 1914 when French, British and German soldiers laid down their arms and spontaneously celebrated peace and humanity.



Casting Call to Curtain Call
Friday, December 20, at 7 p.m. CT
A production of NET Television

Craft In America "Holiday"
Friday, Dec. 20, at 10 p.m. CT

Christmas in Norway with the St. Olaf Choir
Monday, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m. CT

Filmed in Trondheim, Norway's great Nidaros Dom cathedral, with the incomparable St. Olaf Choir.

European Christmas Markets
Monday, Dec. 23, at 10:30 p.m. CT

The National Christmas Tree Lighting
Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 7 p.m. CT



Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir featuring Alfie Boe and Tom Brokaw
Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 8 p.m. CT

Frontline From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians – Pax Romana/A Light to the Nations
Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 9 p.m. CT

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Nature Christmas in Yellowstone
Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 7 p.m. CT

Christmas Carol: The Concert
Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 9 p.m. CT

Christmas on the Danube
Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 10:30 p.m. CT

Call the Midwife Holiday Special
Sunday, Dec. 29, at 6:30 p.m. CT

Live from Lincoln Center New York Philharmonic Gala with Yo-Yo Ma
Tuesday, Dec. 31, at 7 p.m. CT