

# WHYY's TV Highlights Guide



## Prime July Highlights:

- **Frontline** – Tuesdays, July 1, 15 & 29 10 PM
- **Walking With Dinosaurs** – Wednesday, July 2 at 8 PM
- **A Capitol Fourth 2025** – Friday, July 4 at 8 PM
- **POV Season 38** – Monday, July 7 at 10 PM
- **Renaissance: The Blood and the Beauty** – Tuesday, July 8 at 9 PM
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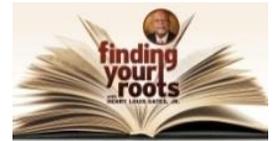
## WHYY Movie Classics

Theatrical Movies are back on WHYY July through December. The movies will air Saturdays at 9 PM with an encore on Sundays at 2 PM.

*Please note: Movie titles do not have streaming or Passport rights*

### **Tuesday, July 1 at 8 PM: *Finding Your Roots - Fathers and Sons***

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. meets actors LeVar Burton and Wes Studi two men who grew up without their fathers. With few clues to guide him, Gates introduces them to ancestors they've never known revealing connections to key moments in history.



### **Tuesday, July 1 at 9 PM: *Iconic America - Our Symbols and Stories with David Rubenstein: The Statue of Liberty* – Encore**

This episode reveals the evolving meaning of this symbol for a “nation of immigrants,” and how it embodies our values and our conflicts, from abolition and women’s suffrage to refugees.



### **Tuesday, July 1 at 10 PM: *FRONTLINE - Syria After Assad***

*Frontline* covers Syria’s uncertain future under Jihadist-turned-statesman Ahmad al-Sharaa. After the fall of Bashar al-Assad, Correspondent Martin Smith travels the country tracing al-Sharaa’s rise to power, and the emerging threats to the country’s stability.



### **Wednesday, July 2 at 8 PM: *Walking with Dinosaurs - The River Dragon***

A Spinosaurus - the world's largest ever predatory dinosaur--struggles to bring up his babies and lead his young family across one of the deadliest environments in Earth's history.



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**Wednesday, July 2 at 10 PM: *NOVA - Dino Birds* – Encore**

Why are birds the only dinosaurs still alive today? Rare fossil discoveries reveal the secrets of bird evolution, telling the story of how some resilient feathered dinos became the vast array of bird species that fill our skies.



**Thursday, July 3 at 10:30 PM: *Concord's Secret History* – Premiere**

Unravelling a long-suppressed secret set in the birthplace of the American Revolution, where the opening shots were fired on April 19, 1775, this documentary explores a history that few people know - how slavery affected Concord and its surrounding areas.



**Friday, July 4 at 8 PM: *A Capitol Fourth 2025* – Premiere**

Celebrate our country's 249th birthday live from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol with all-star performances from pop, country, R&B, classical and Broadway artists. Joined by the National Symphony Orchestra America's biggest birthday party features the greatest display of Independence Day fireworks anywhere in the nation lighting up the iconic D.C. skyline. (Encore at 9:30 PM)



**Saturday, July 5 at 8 PM: *Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries - Murder Most Scandalous***

When Jack's ex-father-in-law, Deputy Commissioner George Sanderson, is implicated in the murder of a prostitute, Jack is determined to clear his name. Despite instructions from Jack not to meddle in his case Phryne decides to perfect her 'fan dance' in order to go undercover at the gentleman's club.



**Sunday, July 6 at 8 PM: *Patience - The Locked Room***

A bestselling crime writer, Harry Franklin, is found dead behind locked doors. He was one of Patience's favorite writers and she is intrigued by his death and his reclusive life. Patience helps make an important breakthrough in the case.



**Sunday, July 6 at 9 PM: *Grantchester on Masterpiece***

Alphy and Geordie investigate witchcraft at a home for orphaned and disadvantaged children run by Alphy's old friend. When a body is found, Alphy struggles to consider his friend as a suspect.



**Monday, July 7 at 10 PM: *POV - Igualada: Refusing to Know Your Place* – Premiere**

Black activist Francia Márquez rises from rural Colombia to launch a historic presidential campaign that defies the political establishment. By espousing a different way of doing politics and championing equality, she inspires a nationwide movement that challenges centuries of exclusion.



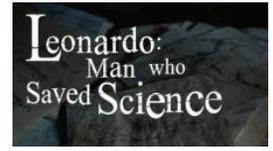
**Tuesday, July 8 at 9 PM: *Renaissance - The Blood and The Beauty*— Premiere (3 parts)**

The greatest artworks in western civilization emerged from one of the bloodiest periods in history. This series explores the lives of three of the greatest artists in history -- Michelangelo, Leonardo and Raphael -- as they craft beauty from chaos.



**Tuesday, July 8 at 10 PM: *Secrets of the Dead - Leonardo, The Man who Saved Science***

Leonardo da Vinci is well known for his inventions and his art. New evidence shows that many of his ideas were realized long before he sketched them - some 1,700 years before him! This film features drawings of his ideas and inventions, some of which trace their original creation to ancient Greece.



**Wednesday, July 9 at 9 PM: *Human Footprint - Dressed to Kill***

Look in the mirror... do you like what you see? From biotech labs to beaver ponds, from New York Fashion Week to Chile's textile graveyards, Shane unravels how the trends we chase to fit in and stand out leave a lasting mark on our planet.



**Thursday, July 10 at 7:30 PM: *Check, Please! Philly - Fiore, Abyssinia, Cafe Carmela***

Three locals sit down and talk about their favorite restaurants in the Philly area. First up, Fiore is a casual spot in Fishtown, serving up some seriously delicious authentic Italian baked goods. Next, we try Ethiopian classics at Abyssinia, a neighborhood fixture in West Philly. Last, we check out Cafe Carmela, a red sauce and pizza joint in Huntingdon Valley.



**Friday, July 11 at 9 PM: *The Great American Recipe - First Impressions - Premiere (Season 4)***

A brand-new season of this uplifting cooking competition returns with 8 talented home cooks from different regions of the country showcasing their beloved signature dishes and competing to win the national search for *The Great American Recipe*. Host, Alejandra Ramos returns, along with judges Tiffany Derry, Tim Hollingsworth, and Francis Lam.



**Friday, July 11 at 10 PM: *American Masters - Marcella - Premiere***

Marcella Hazan changed how we cook and experience Italian food. A disabled woman trained as a scientist, Marcella never cooked until she immigrated to America. But through her cookbooks and teaching -- and an uncompromising commitment to Italian tradition -- her impact was felt in millions. A new film tells her extraordinary, improbable, delicious story.



**Saturday, July 12 at 12:30 PM: *Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television - New Potatoes***

Christopher Kimball visits Turkiye, where he learns a recipe for cheesy Turkish Mashed Potatoes. Then, Wes Martin prepares Patatas Bravas, sharing tips for getting perfect crispy potatoes. Finally, Rosemary Gill brings out the spice with Suya-Spiced Roasted Potatoes with Tomato-Chili Relish.



**Sunday, July 13 at 12:30 PM: *Great Performances at the Met - Fidelio***

Soprano Lise Davidsen stars as Leonore, who risks everything to save her husband from the clutches of tyranny. Tenor David Butt Philip is the political prisoner Florestan. Susanna Malkki conducts the Met's striking production of Beethoven's stirring paean to freedom.



**Sunday, July 13 at 10 PM: *Atlantic Crossing on Masterpiece - Empty Promises***

This episode of *Atlantic Crossing* Martha uses dinner-table tactics to help Norway. The first lady gives Martha unusual lessons in public speaking while the president gets on dangerous ground with Martha.



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**Monday, July 14 at 10 PM: *POV - Made in Ethiopia* – Premiere**

Inside Ethiopia's largest Chinese-run industrial park, three women stand at the crossroads of rapid development. A Chinese director drives expansion, while a local farmer and factory worker grapple with promises of prosperity and the cost of progress in their transforming community.



**Tuesday, July 15 at 10 PM: *FRONTLINE - Trump's Power & the Rule of Law***

Inside the high-stakes showdown between Donald Trump and the courts over presidential power. Trump allies, opponents and experts on how he is testing the extent of his power; the legal pushback; and impact on the rule of law.



**Wednesday, July 16 at 9 PM: *Human Footprint - The Honey Trap***

Everyone knows the honeybee, but it's just one species - there are 20,000 others! Humans have depended on bees, both wild and managed, for millennia. But as bee populations collapse around the world, can we save them before it's too late?



**Thursday, July 17 at 9:30PM: *WHYY Movies - A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum***

A wily Roman slave schemes to earn his freedom by romantically uniting his master with a courtesan. But matters get complicated and he ends up dragging in his neighbors around him, leading to chaos. Stars - Zero Mostel, Phil Silvers, Buster Keaton



**Friday, July 18 at 8:30 PM: *On Stage at Curtis - Student Life***

In this episode we see what it's like to be a student at the Curtis Institute of Music. Outside of the curriculum there is a life that needs to be lived to be well rounded. The curtain is gone, and the 4th wall is up as we take cameras behind the scenes of the students.



**Saturday, July 19 at 7:30 PM: *City of Songs - Montreal***

Music is a universal language that connects us all. In *City of Songs*, musician and Actress Stephanie Hunt embarks on a global journey to uncover the sounds and stories that shape iconic cities.



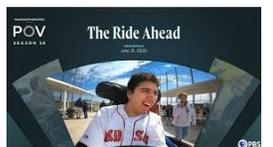
**Saturday, July 19 at 10 PM: *WHYY Movies - Airplane!***

After the crew becomes sick with food poisoning, a neurotic ex-fighter pilot must land an airplane full of passengers safely. The film stars Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty and Leslie Nielsen. *(Encore July 20 at 2 PM)*



**Monday, July 21 at 10 PM: *POV - The Ride Ahead* – Premiere**

Turning 21, Samuel wants his independence. Yet every rite of passage is fraught with challenges and social barriers. Seizures and uncontrollable movements. Inaccessible housing. Can a community of disability activists help him follow his dreams?



**Tuesday, July 22 at 10 PM: *POV - Maya Lin: A Strong Clear Vision* – Encore**

The Vietnam War Memorial was one of the most controversial monuments of its time. Thrust into the eye of the storm was architect-sculptor Maya Lin, whose design for the memorial was chosen when she was a 21-year-old college student. Withstanding bitter attacks, she held her ground with clarity and grace.



**Wednesday, July 23 at 10 PM: *NOVA - Rise of the Mammals***

Sixty-six million years ago, an asteroid wiped out the dinosaurs in a fiery global catastrophe. An amazing new trove of fossils reveals how mammals took over, ultimately evolving into the huge array of species, including us, that rule Earth today.



**Thursday, July 24 at 9:30 PM: *Gene Hackman - Star of the Silver Screen* – Premiere**

This new documentary explores the remarkable career of the legendary actor Gene Hackman (1930-2025), a two-time Academy Award winner for his roles in *The French Connection* and *Unforgiven*. The documentary includes clips from his breakout role in *Bonnie and Clyde* and other notable dramas such as *The Conversation*, *Hoosiers* and *Mississippi Burning*. (Encore Sunday, July 27 at 6 PM)



**Thursday, July 24 at 10:15 PM: *Grace Kelly - Missing Millions***

Gemma Godfrey hunts for Kelly's missing fortune, her struggle for self-sufficiency, and the impact of the gender pay gap. It also reveals how Kelly was worth millions to Monaco yet earned little for herself. Even after her death, Kelly's name and image continue to generate millions, but who benefits?



**Saturday, July 26 at 1 PM: *People of the North - Arctic Treats***

A trip to Tromso offers unique experiences, including the world's northernmost brewery. Explore an Arctic marine life aquarium or brave floating in near-freezing waters. Visitors flock to witness the midnight sun in summer and the northern lights in winter.



**Saturday, July 26 at 9 PM: *WHYY Movies - Catch Me If You Can***

Barely 17 yet, Frank is a skilled forger who has passed as a doctor, lawyer and pilot. FBI agent Carl becomes obsessed with tracking down the con man, who only revels in the pursuit. The film stars Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hanks and Christopher Walken. (Encore Sunday, July 27 at 1 PM)



**Sunday, July 27 at 8 PM: *Lucy Worsley Investigates - Jack the Ripper***

Lucy Worsley examines how the unsolved case of London serial killer Jack the Ripper fueled sensationalist journalism. With access to rare police files, 1888 newspapers and expert contributors, Lucy sets out to shed new light on this series of crimes.



**Monday, July 28 at 10 PM: *Voces - Slumlord Millionaire* – Premiere**

In New York City's most quickly gentrifying neighborhoods, a group of fearless residents, activists, and nonprofit attorneys fight corrupt landlords for the basic human right to a home.



**Tuesday, July 29 at 9 PM: *American Experience - Ruthless: Monopoly's Secret History***

Discover the fascinating and unexpected history behind America's favorite board game. Part detective story and part pop culture commentary; the film explores what makes this game - a celebration of unbridled capitalism - such an enduring favorite.



**Tuesday, July 29 at 10 PM: *FRONTLINE - Remaking the Middle East: Israel vs. Iran***

How Israel ended up fighting wars in Gaza and Iran - and the U.S. role. Benjamin Netanyahu's long campaign to defeat Iran; the conflict with the Palestinians; and his difficult relations with the U.S. over peace and Iran's nuclear ambitions.



**Wednesday, July 30, 10 PM: *NOVA - Ancient Maya Metropolis***

The ancient Maya built large complex cities with towering pyramids and temples that served as centers for a thriving civilization. Follow archaeologists exploring new evidence into the mystery of why after hundreds of years the cities were abandoned.



**Thursday, July 31 at 9:30 PM: *Shelter Me - The Cancer Pioneers* – Encore**

A feature documentary about groundbreaking clinical trials for dogs with cancer and how these same treatments are being fast-tracked for people with cancer. The film features some of the leading scientists at the National Cancer Institute / National Institutes of Health, the University of Pennsylvania and Colorado State University. The immunotherapies that dogs and people are receiving are showing tremendous results.

