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▶ From the Chief Executive Officer

February is typically a month that offers great reasons to stay inside — cold temperatures, televised football games, and Valentine's Day. For those days you choose to stay in and relax, we have some great programs planned. In celebration of Black History Month, check out Black Memorabilia from Independent Lens (February 4, 10 p.m.). Meet the people who reclaim black memorabilia, racially charged objects often wrapped in the protective embrace of antiquity and historical preservation. In Sammy Davis Jr.: I've Gotta Be Me (February 19, 9 p.m.) explore the entertainer's vast talent and journey for identity through the shifting tides of civil rights and racial progress during 20th century America.

Highlighting people and places closer to home, we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Attucks Theatre in Norfolk. This historic landmark opened in 1919 and hosted many notable performers including Cab Calloway, Duke Ellington, Mamie Smith, Nat King Cole, and Redd Foxx. Learn more of the theatre's history in our new documentary that will air on Friday, February 8, at 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday, February 9, at 8 p.m., we will air Won't You Be My Neighbor? the acclaimed documentary from Morgan Neville. Fred Rogers spent years teaching children through his Neighborhood of Make-Believe. He was known for tackling heavy topics, including civil rights, in a simple, direct way.

Also, don't miss our annual live broadcast of The Virginian-Pilot Spelling Bee on Saturday, February 16, at 2:00 p.m. on WHRO TV 15, or stream the event at facebook.com/WHR0education This

is always an exciting event in which middle school students from across the area compete for the regional title.

As always, our radio stations will be featuring the best in classical music, NPR news, local public affairs programming, blues, and jazz. Tune in to WHRO FM and WHRV FM to find your favorite programs. For those nights when you decide to go out, check out the local bands that are performing as part of the Out of the Box concert series with Paul Shugrue that continues every Thursday night at the Sandler Center. Admission is free. Find the lineup of bands on whro.org/events

Lastly, I want to thank you for your support of the work we do. Your generosity makes it possible for us to continue offering the educational and inspirational programs you love. I hope you will take some time this month to tune in to these great shows and let us know the ones you most enjoy. We'd love to hear from you.

Stay warm!



Bert Schmidt

& Chief Executive Officer

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THEATRE TURNS 100 YEARS OLD

By Lisa Godley, Senior Special Projects Producer/Host

One of Hampton Roads' greatest treasures sits on the corner of Church Street and Virginia Beach Boulevard. The legendary Attucks Theatre turns 100 years old this year. Musicians of the greatest caliber have performed at the Attucks, legends like Duke Ellington, Cab Calloway, Ella Fitzgerald, and Nat King Cole just to name a few.

Former Chairman of the Crispus Attucks Cultural Center Board, Father Joseph Green, describes the Attucks this way: "It was a place of great entertainment for the community in a segregated South. This is what they had, and they had the best. This was before the Apollo."

Built in 1919, the history of the Attucks Theatre is rich, from the caliber of entertainers it drew to this region to the way it came about. The developers were a group of Black business leaders, known as the Twin City Amusement Corporation. They called on 25-year-old African American architect Harvey Johnson to build the theatre.

Like many African American communities across the country, it was important that the new theatre be named after an African American hero. They decided to name it after Crispus Attucks, the first American to lose his life in the Revolutionary War.

The 600-seat venue was an instant asset to the businesses that lined Church Street and a source of pride to Norfolk's Black community. But keeping the Attucks open was a struggle. First came

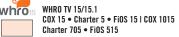
the Great Depression, and decades later urban renewal. The Attucks officially closed its doors in 1953. For the next few decades it was home to Stark and Legum, a clothing store.

The Attucks Theatre was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982 and was reopened as a theatre venue in 2004, thanks to a valiant fundraising effort spearheaded by Father Green and Andrew Fine.

Today the Attucks continues to bring top-notch performers to the region, while serving as a cultural arts center that educates and inspires the next generation of artists and performers.

Learn more about this historical theatre in an upcoming WHRO documentary that will air Friday, February 8, at 8:30 p.m.

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	Washington Week	Curate	Great Performances at The I	Met - Marnie		
1 FRI	Surviving the Dust Bowl: A	merican Experience	George Washington Carver:	An Uncommon Life	PBS NewsHour	
I IXI	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
	Cinema15: Carousel				Doc Martin - Faith	
2	The Jazz Ambassadors		We Knew What We Had: The Greatest Jazz Story Never Told		America Reframed - Detro	it 48202
SAT	Cook's Country	Cook's Country	Cook's Country	Cook's Country	Cook's Country	Cook's Country
	Victoria on Masterpiece - S	Season 3, Episode Three	Victoria On Masterpiece - Se	eason 3, Episode Four	Tales from the Royal Bedcl	namber
3	Nature - Naledi: One Little		Finding Your Roots - Dreami		The Black Panthers: Vangu	
SUN	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	New Orleans Kitchen	Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe
	Antiques Roadshow - Ca' d'Zan		Antiques Roadshow - Celebrating Black Americana		Independent Lens - Black Memorabilia	
4	Afropop: The Ultimate Cultural Exchange		Life on the Line	Stories from the Stage	PBS NewsHour	
MON	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
	Finding Your Roots - Freedo		Sealab: American Experienc	ee.	Frontline: Predators on the	Reservation
5	America Reframed - 70 Aci		Independent Lens - A Baller		PBS NewsHour	
TUE	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	New Orleans Kitchen	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope
	Nature - Arctic Wolf Pack		NOVA - Decoding the Pyram		Dictator's Playbook - Franc	
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7	Dictator's Playbook - Franc		Black Women in Medicine	T Idoos to Love	PBS NewsHour	Jantonosc
THU	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	New Orleans Kitchen	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope
	Washington Week	Attucks Theater	Live from Lincoln Center - P		Orartsman's Logacy	Breaking Big - Danai Gurira
8	Redeeming Uncle Tom: The		Backs Against the Wall: The	•	PBS NewsHour	Dieaking Dig - Danai duma
FRI	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
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9	Won't You Be My Neighbor? Deep City: The Birth of the		Dreamland		America Reframed - Badd	
SAT	Adventures with Purpose		Bare Feet in NYC	Simply Ming	Simply Painting Around	Smart Travels
			Victoria On Masterpiece - Season 3, Episode Five		Margaret: The Rebel Princess	
10	Victoria On Masterpiece - S Nature - Arctic Wolf Pack	season 5, Episode roui	Finding Your Roots - Freedor	· •	POV - Whose Streets?	555
SUN	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Nigella: At My Table		Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe
		America's Test Kitchen		New Orleans Kitchen		<u> </u>
11	Antiques Roadshow - Ca d'Zan Afropop: The Ultimate Cultural Exchange		Antiques Roadshow - Miami Beach, FL Life on the Line Stories from the Stage		Independent Lens - Hale County This Morning PBS NewsHour	
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12	Finding Your Roots - Roots		The Greely Expedition: Amer John Lewis - Get in the Way	псап Ехрепепсе	Frontline PRS Newellows	
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13	Nature - Wild Way of the Vi		NOVA - Rise of the Rockets		Dictator's Playbook - Idi Amin	
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14	This Old House - Mid-Cent		Chef's Life	Places to Love	Confucius Was a Foodie - S	Sicnuan
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15	Washington Week	Curate	Great Performances - Movies for Grownups Awards 2019		_	
FRI	The Greely Expedition: Ame		1964: The Fight for a Right		PBS NewsHour	
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Independent Lens: Black Memorabilia

Monday, February 4, 10:00 p.m.

From the South to Brooklyn to China, meet the people who reproduce, consume, and reclaim black memorabilia, racially charged objects often wrapped in the protective embrace of antiquity and historical preservation.



Sealab: American Experience

Tuesday, February 5, 9:00 p.m.

Discover the mostly forgotten story of the U.S. Navy's daring and groundbreaking Sealab program, whose "Aquanauts" tested the limits of human endurance and revolutionized our understanding of underseas exploration.



Margaret: The Rebel Princess

Sunday, February 10, 10:00 p.m.

This intimate two-part series profiles Princess Margaret, whose life and loves reflected the social and sexual revolution that transformed the western world during the 20th century.



Nature: Wild Way of the Vikings

Wednesday, February 13, 8:00 p.m.

Experience the natural world through the eyes of the Vikings. From the killer whales of the North Sea to the volcanic mounts of Iceland, see the deep history and cultural respect the Vikings had with the land and sea. Ewan McGregor narrates.



	8:00 p.m.		9:00 p.m.		10:00 p.m.	
10	Cinema15: A Soldier's Stor	у			Doc Martin - Accidental Hero	
16 Sat	Great Performances - Mov	ies for Grownups Awards 201	19 with AARP The Magazine		America Reframed - Milwa	aukee 53206
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17	Victoria On Masterpiece -	Season 3, Episode Five	Victoria On Masterpiece - S	eason 3, Episode Six	Margaret: The Rebel Princ	ess
17 Sun	Nature - Wild Way of the V	ikings	Finding Your Roots - Roots in Politics		POV - Presenting Princess Shaw	
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10	Antiques Roadshow - Hotel Del Coronado		Minding the Gap			Breaking Big - Lee Daniels
18 Mon	Afropop: The Ultimate Cult	ural Exchange	Life on the Line	Stories from the Stage	PBS NewsHour	
mon	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
10	Finding Your Roots - No Laughing Matter		Sammy Davis, Jr.: American	Masters		
19 Tue	America Reframed - Strug	gle & Hope	Afropop: The Ultimate Cultu	ıral Exchange	PBS NewsHour	
IUL	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Nigella: At My Table	New Orleans Kitchen	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope
20	Nature - Living Volcanoes		NOVA - Pompeii		Secrets of the Dead - The N	ero Files
20 WED	POV - Minding the Gap		Talking Black in America		PBS NewsHour	
1125	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe
21	This Old House - Next Generation Demolition Stucco Repair		Chef's Life	Places to Love	Confucius Was A Foodie -	Sweet
Z I Thu	Secrets of the Dead - The Nero Files		Secrets of the Dead - Nero's Sunken City		PBS NewsHour	
1110	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Nigella: At My Table	New Orleans Kitchen	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope
	Washington Week	Curate	Charley Pride: American Ma	sters	Brad Paisley - Landmarks	Live in Concert
22 FRI	Sealab: American Experience		Space Men: American Expe	rience	PBS NewsHour	
I KI	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
23	Cinema15: To Sir, with Lov	е			Doc Martin - Blade on the	Feather
SAT	Sammy Davis, Jr.: American Masters				America Reframed - Struggle & Hope	
	Travelscope	Wolfe's Travels to the Edge	In the Americas	Equitrekking	Paint This with Jerry	New Scandinavian Cooking
24	Victoria On Masterpiece -	Season 3, Episode Six	Victoria On Masterpiece - Season 3, Episode Seven		Victoria On Masterpiece - Season 3, Episode Seven	
SUN	Nature - Living Volcanoes		Finding Your Roots - No Lau	ighing Matter	Charley Pride: American N	lasters
	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	New Orleans Kitchen	Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe
25	Antiques Roadshow - Hotel Del Coronado		Antiques Roadshow - Miami Beach, FL		Independent Lens - People's Republic of Desire	
MON	The Talk - Race in America		Local USA	Stories from the Stage	PBS NewsHour	,
	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	New Orleans Kitchen	This Old House	Globe Trekker
26	Finding Your Roots - Hard Times		Roads to Memphis: American Experience		Frontline	
TUE	America Reframed - Late I	Blossom Blues		Our American Family	PBS NewsHour	
	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	Milk Street Television	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope
27	Nature - Yosemite		NOVA - Great Human Odyssey			
WED	Independent Lens - People	·	Frontline		PBS NewsHour	,
	Lidia's Kitchen	Cook's Country	Pati's Mexican Table	Milk Street Television	Ask This Old House	Rick Steves' Europe
28	This Old House - Energy Sa	aving Installations Secret	Chef's Life	Places to Love	Earth Focus	Earth Focus
THU	NOVA - Great Human Odys	sey	Secrets of the Dead - After		PBS NewsHour	
	Martha Bakes	America's Test Kitchen	Food Flirts	Milk Street Television	Craftsman's Legacy	Travelscope

Sammy Davis, Jr. American Masters

Tuesday, February 19, 9:00 p.m.

Explore the entertainer's vast talent and journey for identity through the shifting tides of civil rights and racial progress during 20th-century America. Features Billy Crystal, Whoopi Goldberg, and clips from his TV, film, and concert performances.



NOVA: Pompeii

Wednesday, February 20, 9:00 p.m.

Experts search for clues to determine if a volcanic eruption could devastate a major Italian city.



Charley Pride American Masters

Friday, February 22, 9:00 p.m.

Explore the complicated history of the American South and its music through the life of country star Charley Pride. Raised in segregated Mississippi, his journey shows the ways that artistic expression can triumph over prejudice and injustice.







MORNING

6:00 A.M.- NOON

6:00	Cyberchase
6:30	Cyberchase
7:00	Wordgirl
7:30	Arthur
8:00	Martha Speaks
8:30	Peg+Cat
9:00	Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That
9:30	Splash and Bubbles
10:00	Sesame Street
10:30	Super Why
11:00	Clifford the Big Red Dog
11:30	Caillou

AFTERNOON

NOON - 7:00 P.M.

12:00	Sid the Science Kid
12:30	WordWorld
1:00	Peep and the Big Wide World
1:30	Splash and Bubbles
2:00	Sesame Street
2:30	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
3:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
3:30	Pinkalicious & Peterrific
4:00	Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That
4:30	Dinosaur Train
5:00	Let's Go Luna!
5:30	Ready Jet Go!
6:00	Nature Cat
6:30	Nature Cat

EVENING

7:00 P.M.- MIDNIGHT

7:00	Wild Kratts
7:30	Wild Kratts
8:00	Odd Squad
8:30	Odd Squad
9:00	Arthur
9:30	Arthur
10:00	Sesame Stree
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11:30 **Pinkalicious & Peterrific**

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Radio Schedules



WEEKDAYS

5-10am	Morning Classics with Dwight Davis
10am-1pm	Mid-Day Classics with Anthony McSpadden
1-4pm	Mid-Day Classics with Rebecca Evans
4-7pm	Afternoon Classics with Wayla Chambo
7-9pm	Performance Today
9pm-Mid.	Evening Classics with Raymond Jones
Mid5am	90.3 Overnight
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SATURDAYS

Mid6am	90.3 Overnight			
6-7am	Harmonia			
7am-Noon	Car Tunes			
Noon-1pm	From the Top			
1-4pm	The Metropolitan Opera			
	2/02 Bizet: Carmen			
	2/09 Tchaikovsky: lolanta			
	Bartok: Bluebeard's Castle			
	2/16 Mozart: Don Giovanni			
	2/23 Verdi: Rigoletto			
4-6pm	Intermezzo			
6-8pm	Performance Today			
8-11pm	This Just In with Raymond Jones			
11pm-Mid.	Harmonia			

SUNDAYS

Mid7am	90.3 Overnight
7am-Noon	Your Musical Brunch
	- 8:30 - BirdNotes
Noon-1pm	With Heart and Voice
1-3pm	Performance Today
3-4pm	From the Parlor with Dwight Davis
4-7pm	Afternoon Classics with Raymond Jones
7-8pm	Classical Guitar Alive!
8-10pm	Pipedreams
10pm-Mid.	Evening Classics with Raymond Jones

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WEEKDAYS

5-9am	Morning Edition from NPR
9-10am	BBC Newshour
10-11am	1A
11am-Noon	On Point
Noon-1pm	Mon-Thurs: HearSay with Cathy Lewis Fri: Another View with Barbara Hamm Lee
1-2pm	M: The TED Radio Hour
	T: The Jefferson Hour
	W: Radio Lab
	Th: A Way With Words
	Fri: The Moth Hour
2-3pm	Here & Now
3-4pm	Fresh Air with Terry Gross
4-6:30pm	All Things Considered
6:30-7pm	Marketplace
7-9pm	Out of the Box with Paul Shugrue (M-Th)
7-8pm	R&B Chronicles (Fri)
8-10pm	A Shot of the Blues (Fri)
9pm-1am	Jazz with Jae Sinnett (M-Th)
10pm-11pm	Lost in the Shuffle (Fri)
11pm-1am	Mountain Stage (Fri)
1-5am	BBC World Service

SATURDAYS

Mid1am	Mountain Stage
1-5am	Sinnett Overnight
5-7am	BBC News
7-8am	You Bet Your Garden
8-10am	Weekend Edition Saturday
10-11am	Left, Right & Center
11am-Noon	Wait, Wait! Don't Tell Me!
Noon-1pm	This American Life
1-5pm	Out of the Box with Paul Shugrue
5-6pm	All Things Considered
6-8pm	Live from Here
8-10pm	The Saturday Night Fish Fr
10-11pm	Vocal Sound of Jazz
11pm-Mid.	Juke in the Back

SUNDAYS

Blues Before Sunrise

Mid.-5am

5-7am	BBC News
7-8am	With Good Reason
8-10am	Weekend Edition Sunday
10-11am	On Being
11-noon	Ask Me Another/Writer's Block
Noon-1pm	The Splendid Table
1-5pm	Sinnett in Session
5-6pm	All Things Considered
6-7pm	Thistle & Shamrock
7-9pm	Pickin' on WHRV
9-10pm	Acoustic Highway
10-11pm	Folk Alley
11pm-Mid.	Art of Song
Mid1am	Woodsongs

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Honoring Monumental African American Composers on WHRO FM



This month on WHRO FM, we celebrate African American composers who transformed our musical landscape. African American artists are often celebrated for their contributions to popular music, but they also had a significant impact on the classical music world.

The "Dean" of African American composers, William Grant Still (1895-1978), marked many "firsts." He was the first African American to conduct a major American symphony orchestra, as well as to have works performed by a leading orchestra and opera company. Listen to Still's famous "Afro-American Symphony" for a stunning example of his talent.

In 1933, Florence Price (1887-1953) became the first female African American composer to have one of her compositions performed by a nationally recognized symphony orchestra, with her "Symphony

in E minor," which incorporated many familiar American rhythms and melodies. Enjoy the piece performed by the New Black Music Repertory Ensemble, conducted by Leslie B. Dunner.

Also in the WHRO library is an album from internationally acclaimed pianist Althea Waites called *Black Diamonds*, cherishing piano music by African American composers. We look forward to playing selections for you in February and beyond.

One of many shining joys of working at WHRO is sharing music that represents the diversity, strength, and resilience of our country and community. Tune in (or listen online) to WHRO FM to hear the melodies of superb African American composers year-round. You can also check the WHRO Classical FM Facebook page for more insight.

By Rebecca Evans Classical Announcer/Content Producer rebecca.evans@whro.org

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WHRV 89.5 FM

WHRV Welcomes New Morning Edition Host

WHRV is pleased to welcome a new host and producer to the family! Gina Gambony will host and produce *Morning Edition* on WHRV starting Friday, February 1. Gina hails from Wilmington, North Carolina, where she worked as an arts and culture reporter/producer, classical music host, backup host for *Morning Edition* and *All Things Considered*, and arts liaison for WHQR Public Media. Prior to her work in radio, Gina taught secondary English and drama for several years and

fell in love with sound through creative theatrical projects. She earned her B.A. in Philosophy from the University of North Carolina Wilmington and attended the Philosophy Institute at Katholieke Universiteit te Leuven (Belgium).

"We are so excited to welcome Gina! Her impressive career in academia, the arts, education, community engagement and rich history in public media are certain to raise WHRV's *Morning Edition* to even

greater heights," said Chuck Doud, WHRO Public Media's Director of Radio Programming and Audience Strategy.

Gina has used her voice for commercials, cartoons, storytelling, puppetry, and theatrical productions since childhood. She's delighted to use the skills and experience acquired through her work in public service and the arts to be a part of the WHRV team.

By Heather Mazzoni
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morning edition

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR? AIRS FEBRUARY 9

One of the most celebrated theatrical releases of 2018, Won't You Be My *Neighbor?* is coming to PBS this month. The film, directed by Morgan Neville, debuted in theaters in June. It offers an intimate look at America's favorite neighbor: Fred Rogers. The documentary tells the story of a soft-spoken minister, puppeteer, writer, and producer whose show was beamed daily into homes across America for more than 30 years. In his beloved television program, *Mister* Rogers' Neighborhood, Rogers and his cast of puppets and friends spoke directly to young children about some of life's weightiest issues in a simple, direct fashion. There hadn't been anything like Mr. Rogers on television before, and there hasn't been since.

For those who grew up with Mr. Rogers, there are episodes forever etched into their memories that demonstrate how remarkable the show was for both children and adults:



- A visit with 10-year-old Jeffrey Erlanger, a quadriplegic, who demonstrated how his electric wheelchair worked and talked about living with a disability;
- Profiles of talented musicians including Yo-Yo Ma, Tony Bennett, and Wynton Marsalis; and
- The monumental moment between Rogers and one of the show's Black performers, Francois Scarborough Clemmons, taking off their shoes and soaking their feet together in a kiddie pool at the height of the 1960s Civil Rights movement.

Fred Rogers' career represented a sustained attempt to present a coherent, beneficent view of how television could be used as a positive force in society. Won't You Be My Neighbor? explores his legacy, focusing on his radically kind ideas. While the nation changed around him, Rogers stood firm in his belief about the importance of protecting childhood. This intimate portrait goes beyond zip-up cardigans and the Land of Make-Believe and into the heart of a creative genius who inspired generations of children with compassion and limitless imagination.

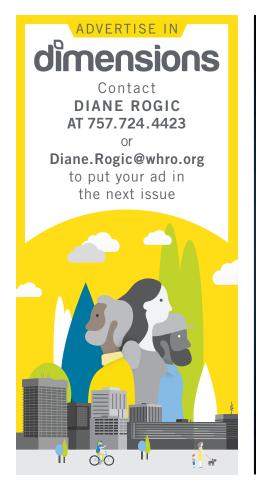
Won't You Be My Neighbor? airs on WHRO TV 15 on Saturday, February 9, at 8 p.m

WHRO Matinée

All your favorite PBS programs every weekday afternoon starting at 3:30 p.m. on WHRO TV15

See what's on at whro.org/matinee

February		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Feb	3:30 - 4:30pm					Grantchester Season Three - Episode Seven
01	4:30 - 5:30pm					Call The Midwife
Feb	3:30 - 4:30pm	Victoria Season 3, Episode Four	Call The Midwife	Doc Martin From The Mouths of Babes	Call The Midwife	Prime Suspect:
04-08	4:30 - 5:30pm	Tales from the Royal Bedchamber	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Tennison On Masterpiece
Feb	3:30 - 4:30pm	Victoria Season 3, Episode Five	Call The Midwife	Doc Martin Accidental Hero	Call The Midwife	Prime Suspect: Tennison On Masterpiece
11-15	4:30 - 5:30pm	Margaret: The Rebel Princess	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	
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18-22	4:30 - 5:30pm	Margaret: The Rebel Princess	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Tennison On Masterpiece
Feb	3:30 - 4:30pm	Victoria Season 3, Episode Seven	Call The Midwife	Doc Martin All MyTrials	Call The Midwife	
25-28	4:30 - 5:30pm	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	Call The Midwife	





Honoring Our African American Veterans

Black History Month started as Negro History Week in 1926 by historian Carter Godwin Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH). The intent was to remember the significant accomplishments of African Americans throughout our nation's history, which Woodson had noticed were overlooked in the study of American history. Woodson chose the second week in February, as it encompassed both Frederick Douglass' birthday on February 14 and Abraham Lincoln's birthday on February 12. As the importance of this commemoration spread, Black History Month was observed nationally in 1976 by President Gerald Ford.

As we observe Black History Month this year, it is important to honor our black

veterans who have transitioned out of service. For veterans, this transition can be filled with countless complicated and confusing challenges. As difficult as transition is for many veterans, historically it has been more difficult for black veterans. In an article written by Adam M. Robinson Jr. about the challenges black veterans have faced, he states, "Veterans are a unique population. They have endured death, disability and moral injury—traumas of indescribable pain and horror—so that we all can enjoy our lives of opportunity, freedom and the pursuit of happiness as described in our Constitution. So it is especially hurtful to endure and survive the rigors of military service only to return home and be treated like second class citizens unworthy of even the most basic rights."

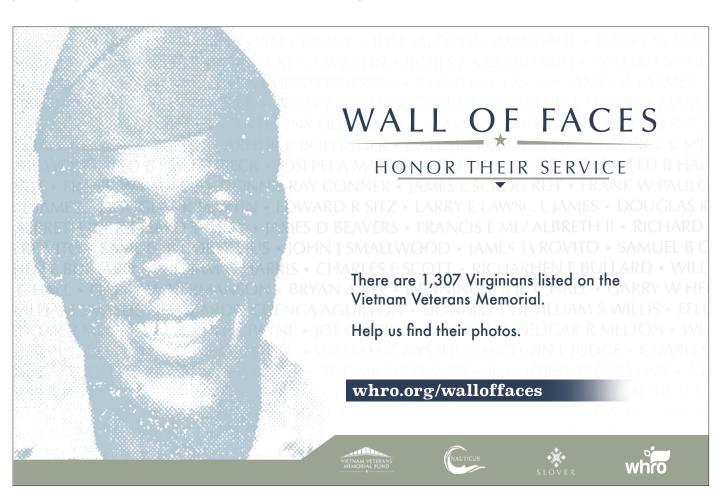
Get involved this February. Many local municipalities, military organizations and veteran organizations offer events to honor our African American heroes each year. Another way you can take part is to go online and learn more about the contributions made by African Americans

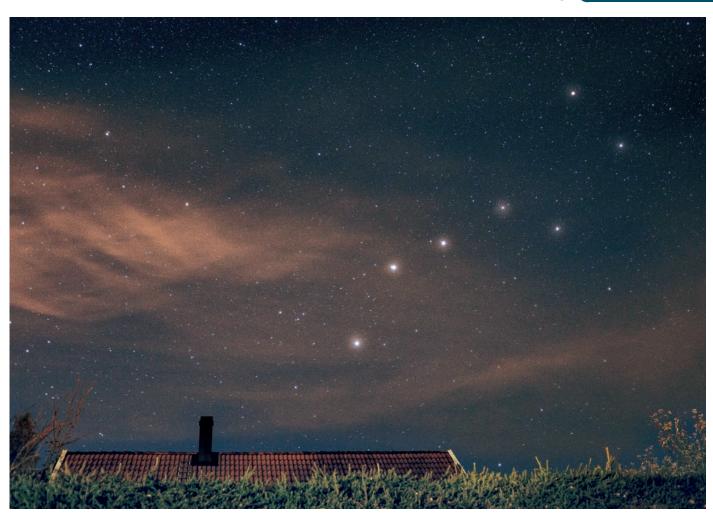
in service: from the First Rhode Island Regiment in the Revolutionary War and the heroic efforts of the 54th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment in the Civil War to the U.S. Military's First Black General, Daniel "Chappie" James Jr., who was a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, and Four-star General Colin L. Powell, the first Black Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff. There are also many books, such as *We Were There: Voices of African American Veterans, from World War II to the War in Iraq* where the author documents the experiences of 28 vets whose age at the time of their service ranged from 17 to 44.

To all veterans, especially African American vets this February, we thank you for your service and welcome you home.

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Folklore and Local Legends

"When the sun goes back and the first quail calls follow the drinking gourd. The old man is a-waitin' for to carry you to freedom." This is a lyric from "Follow the Drinking Gourd" – a song created to provide a coded guide for slaves seeking freedom on the Underground Railroad. The lyric is in reference to the Big Dipper and the North Star. Folklore states if the slaves followed the North Star it would lead them to freedom.

As we celebrate Black History Month, teachers can search for interesting historical content on eMediaVA, our online learning platform which has more than 100,000 free, innovative,

SOL-aligned learning objects and content for their classrooms. Teachers at all grade levels can create playlists for Black History Month using eMediaVA resources that highlight famous African Americans, their cultural contributions, and their struggles for equality.

"Follow the Drinking Gourd" aired as a part of a *Reading Rainbow* episode in which host, LeVar Burton, introduces viewers to the history, heroes, stories, and music of the African American culture which emerged from slavery and celebrates the road to freedom paved by the Underground Railroad.

Another fascinating video available through eMediaVA is *Church Street: Harlem of the South,* a 30-minute film designed for older students about the historical thoroughfare in Norfolk. "Church Street was a center of live entertainment as well. It was known as the Harlem of the South. Cab Calloway, Duke Ellington, and Count Basie were just

a few of the headliners that performed at the Booker T," said Marvin Lake, host of the film. The film highlights Norfolk's own traditions and legends, such as Norfolk's first black truancy officer, Mrs. Ida Paey. "I believe in my heart that a lot of us who managed to avoid the law, not that we were better, we just managed to escape, was because not fear of the city police, but fear of Mrs. Ida Paey," said Harvey Johnson, Jr., retired professor at Norfolk State University.

These are just two elements available for teachers to give their students a deeper look into African American history.

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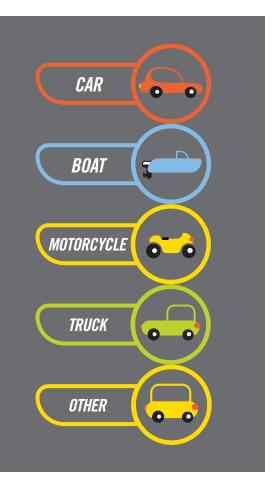
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