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Quote

Iconic Idaho Monthly Photo Contest
“When you think these pictures can't get better ... they DO! Every single month! We always look forward to seeing them. Thanks Bruce for keeping this up for all of us to enjoy and enter!!” – Debi and Terry

Community Event in Lewiston

CELEBRATING IDAHO
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You’re Invited!

Sunday, Aug. 28 • 6:30 PM
Lindsay Creek Vineyards
3107 Powers Ave., Lewiston, ID 83501
The Friends of Idaho Public Television board of directors invites you to join us for a casual reception and behind-the-scenes look at our local productions. Enjoy an update on all that your support makes possible in the community.
Hosted hors d’oeuvres. No-host bar.
The event is free, but seating is limited.
Please RSVP at idahoptv.org/events by Aug. 17.
Call (800) 543-6868 with questions.

IdahoPTV Nominations for Idaho State Broadcasters “Best in Broadcasting” Awards

- Feature Story: Idaho Reports “A Statewide Disaster”
- Feature Story: Science Trek “Elk Rancher”
- Investigative Report: Outdoor Idaho “Salmon Reckoning”
- Investigative Report: Access to Youth Mental Health Care
- Continuing Coverage: Idaho Reports “COVID Crisis Standards”
- News Photographer: Andy Lawless
- Station Website

Winners will be announced August 6.
In the Community

Native Voices in Idaho

Our education team was invited to attend the July 9 Native Voices red carpet event at Boise State University, hosted by the Kessler Keener Foundation. The event honored Native youth participants featured in the Native Voices in Idaho program curriculum for fourth-grade Idaho students.

Funded and produced by the Kessler Keener Foundation, Native Voices in Idaho is an education initiative that features videos of 15 Indigenous youth and Indigenous teachers sharing their lives and what they want folks to know about Native Americans today.

Filmmaker Stephanie Cullen, Kānaka Maoli (Native Hawaiian) of OMGFemaleFilmmakers, and interviewer Trina Finley Ponce (Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes) traveled across Idaho to film Native students. Videos include mini-lessons from Native history professor Phill Allen (Nez Perce). Lesson plans authored by Native teachers Valerie Miller (Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans) and Elise Miller (Menominee) accompany the videos.

The goal of the program is to inspire a passion for cross-culture learning in the classroom and cultivate a culture of understanding and respect for Indigenous experiences and contributions – past and present.

Idaho Public Television is proud to share the Native Voices in Idaho curriculum on the educator platform PBS LearningMedia. IdahoPTV currently offers free lesson plans on the platform for its local series, including Outdoor Idaho, Science Trek, Idaho Experience, and Moments in Time.

Education Outreach Events in August

Our education team will be presenting story times at the following locations:

- Wednesday, August 3, at 1 p.m. at Glenns Ferry Public Library
- Thursday, August 11, at 11 a.m. at Bear Lake County Library in Montpelier

IdahoPTV is proud to participate in the following community events:

Monday, August 15, 2nd Annual LAUNCH Idaho Kids Conference at Boise Center, 850 W Front St, Boise, 9 a.m.—4 p.m. (event registration required). This conference is designed to provide Idaho's early childhood education and wellness professionals with a free and fun workforce development opportunity.

Friday, August 19, STEM Expo at the Western Idaho Fair from 12 – 8 p.m. IdahoPTV will have a hands-on STEM activity. Free fair entrance until 2 p.m.
Production Update

Summer is high season in production. There’s not a videographer or producer not out in the field working on one – and sometimes two or three – upcoming shows.

The Idaho Reports crew has been up north filming segments on emergency services and the cleanup in the Silver Valley ... in addition to planning debates for this fall’s general election. And Joan Cartan-Hansen is knee-deep in snakes and bats for Science Trek.

Marcia Franklin and Andy Lawless are editing the September Outdoor Idaho show “Beyond Limits” on athletes of varying abilities. Marcia and Troy Shreve, of course, are also at work creating the new digital-first arts series and just launched our first well received episode on the Open Arms Dance Project. If you haven’t seen it, you need to check it out.

Forrest Burger is around the state following the rodeo circuit for the spring Outdoor Idaho episode, getting an assist from Patrick Daly. Jay Krajic and Lauren Melink are similarly busy documenting all aspects of the Bitterroot Mountains for the December Outdoor Idaho show. Speaking of Outdoor Idaho, we’re getting help from a couple veterans – Sauni Symonds and John Crancer – as the Outdoor Idaho crew produces the October show that will launch and celebrate Outdoor Idaho’s 40th season. Sauni is profiling Bruce Reichert and John and Hank Nystrom have been tagging along behind Jay to profile how he gets that Outdoor Idaho video from Idaho’s remotest places. Pat Metzler is editing that 40th celebration show.

Eric Westrom is editing Kris Milgate’s show for September on Idaho Homesteading, called “Proving Up.” Aaron Kunz is working on multiple shows – Ligertown for spring 2023, the Naval Research Facility at INL for (probably) 2024 and is contributing to multiple segments of the October “Myths, Monsters and Legends” show. Tammy Scardino, Lauren, Ruth Brown, and Bill Manny also are producing segments. Bill is also at work on our show on the Sunshine Mine Fire of 1972 that killed 91 miners.

That’s a lot of balls being juggled, and we’ve probably missed a few, but that’ll give you a taste of how Production spends its summer vacation!

“Fish”

Fish are amazing cold-blooded vertebrates, with some species dating back to the time of dinosaurs. This month’s videos from Science Trek reveal some “shocking” facts about fish, explain why non-native fish can cause problems in Idaho waters, and show how some fish make their own light.


The Science Trek website has facts, games, links, and lesson plans correlated to Idaho and national science standards.