

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT



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Quote

"Love Outdoor Idaho. We look forward to watching every week. It is a masterpiece." – Peggy



IdahoPTV Receives Ready to Learn Grant to Support Early Literacy and Critical-Thinking Skills

Station to Work With CPB, PBS to Develop 'Learning Neighborhood' Plan

Idaho Public Television has been awarded a planning grant to develop a Learning Neighborhood plan to engage local partners and extend the reach and impact of PBS KIDS early learning resources in communities throughout the state. IdahoPTV will receive approximately \$10,000 through the CPB-PBS Ready to Learn Initiative, funded by the U.S. Department of Education.

"We are very excited to receive this grant and training from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB)," says Kari Wardle, IdahoPTV Education Manager. "With the help of this grant funding, we will be able to launch our work in North Idaho by conducting an assets and needs assessment to help us learn how we can best serve the communities. Having a full-time person working in the northern part of the state has long been a dream of mine, and this grant is helping to make that dream a reality."

IdahoPTV is one of 24 PBS stations across the country to receive training and guidance to research and develop a proposal for a "Learning Neighborhood," a collaborative effort with community partners to foster a culture of learning at home, in the neighborhood, and within local systems and spaces. In a second phase of the project, 18 proposals will be selected for funding in 2023-2024, joining 22 other stations that launched Learning Neighborhoods in 2020 and 2021.

"Learning Neighborhoods foster a 'Learn Together' theme," says Debra Tica Sanchez, CPB's Senior Vice President of Education and Children's Content. "Public television stations and local partners leverage public media content, characters, events, and activities to encourage children and adults to learn anytime and anywhere in their neighborhoods and communities. The planning process helps stations formalize their connections with community partners to best serve kids and families now and in the future."

“At PBS KIDS our goal is to use the power of media to help children learn lessons that last a lifetime,” says Sara DeWitt, Senior Vice President and General Manager, PBS KIDS. “These planning grants will help stations create partnerships with local organizations across the country, providing access to high-impact learning resources for children, parents, and caregivers in their communities.”

This effort is part of a five-year grant awarded to CPB and PBS through the U.S. Department of Education’s Ready to Learn Initiative to develop new multi-platform media and engagement tools that introduce children to career and workforce options and help them build everyday literacy skills. The effort will empower and equip parents, caregivers, and communities to support children’s learning and growth in these areas through a network of Learning Neighborhoods and conduct efficacy research on the newly produced educational resources.

Our IdahoPTV Productions

Dialogue



Conversations From the Sun Valley Writers' Conference

This program returns for its 15th season with five new interviews, including an extended conversation with Idaho’s own Pulitzer Prize winner Anthony Doerr.

On November 4, at 8:30 p.m., Rebecca Donner talks about her book “All the Frequent Troubles of Our Days.” The book chronicles the fascinating and ultimately tragic life of Donner’s great-great-aunt, Mildred Harnack. Harnack and her husband were founders of the largest German underground resistance group against the Nazis.

On November 11, at 8:30 p.m. Kali Fajardo-Anstine talks about her works, which include “Sabrina and Corina,” a book of short stories, and her new novel “Woman of Light.”

On November 18, at 8:30 p.m. political scientist Yascha Mounk shares his thoughts on the current political divides in the United States and talks about growing up as a Jewish person in Germany.

Kalani Pickhart’s first novel, “I Will Die in a Foreign Land,” is based on the Maidan Uprising in Ukraine in 2013 and 2014. The book was published a few months before Russia invaded Ukraine. On November 25, at 8:30 p.m. Pickhart talks about how that coincidence changed her life, and why she was drawn to write about Ukraine.

On December 4 at 5 p.m. Anthony Doerr talks about his newest book, “Cloud Cuckoo Land,” and what it was like to be on the set of the Netflix adaptation of “All the Light We Cannot See.”



We spend about one-third of our lives sleeping, but why? This month's videos explore why sleep is vital for the health of living creatures, what our brains do while we sleep, and how we can improve our sleeping habits.

Each month, Science Trek explores subjects with short videos available on the Science Trek website (sciencetrek.org), YouTube, and PBS LearningMedia.

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



"In the Shadow of the Bitterroots"

– Airs December 1 at 7 p.m. and December 4 at 7 p.m.

The Bitterroot Mountain range is one of the more remote areas of Idaho. We'll dive into the history and culture of the rugged landscape. We'll hike to the tallest peak in the range and explore overgrown trails in the heart of the forest. This show will inspire you with its beauty.



"Remembering the Sunshine Mine Disaster"

– Airs December 4 at 6 p.m.

Fifty years after the fire that killed 91 miners in Kellogg, this program looks at the ways the community is remembering the losses and lessons of the 1972 disaster.

Links to Recent Local Programs



"Looking Back & Moving Forward"

<https://video.idahoptv.org/video/looking-back-and-moving-forward-ywdgse/>



"Idaho Myths, Monsters and Legends"

<https://video.idahoptv.org/video/idaho-myths-monsters-and-legends-zfrsi8/>