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Quotes

"Thank you for having such a reliable strong signal in McCall." – Tom and Mary

"I don't use the word often, but this is an amazing series! I see places up close in my home that I will never be able to access. Thank you Outdoor Idaho. To my friends elsewhere, encourage your PBS station to subscribe to this program!" – Denice

Free Community Appreciation Event



On Sunday, August 13, IdahoPTV is hosting a free community appreciation event at the Twin Falls Center for the Arts, 195 River Vista Place, Twin Falls, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

You're invited to join us in Twin Falls for a casual reception to meet and mingle with General Manager Ron Pisaneschi, Executive Producer Bruce Reichert, Friends of Idaho Public Television Board of Directors, and staff.

You will receive an update on all the things your support makes possible, including education and statewide outreach events.

We'll also share a sneak peek of upcoming local and national productions, including a first look at Outdoor Idaho "Into the Pioneers."

Hosted hors d'oeuvres, no-host bar. The event is free, but pre-registration is required by August 7, 2017. Please register for the event online at idahoptv.org or call 800-543-6868.

Wild Kratts Is Coming to Boise!

Idaho Public Television is excited to partner with the Morrison Center and Fred Meyer Broadway in Boise to present:

Wild Kratts Live!
October 1, 2017 - 1:00 p.m.
Morrison Center, Boise



Wild Kratts Live! is an all-new theatrical stage show based on the hit animated television series Wild Kratts. Martin and Chris Kratt, stars of the Emmy-nominated series, step out live onstage to engage the audience in a classic Wild Kratts story.

It's "To the Creature Rescue!" as the Kratt brothers activate their Creature Power Suits. Through hilarious pratfalls and amazing animal "wow facts," the Kratts rescue their favorite invention from Zach's clutches, so the animals of the creature world are safe once again.

For more information or to donate by phone, please call Member Services at 1-800-543-6868, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mountain time. Donate online at idahoptv.org to receive tickets to the show!

In the Community

Early Learning Educational Events Open to the Public

IdahoPTV's early learning educational events are free and open to the public. Our education team presents story times, demonstrates literacy or STEM activities, and distributes take-home activities.

August 4 – Lake Cascade State Park - Critters and Creatures at 7 p.m.
 August 9 – A Book and a Bite at Emmett City Park from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.



Photo Credit: Idaho Education Network



Women and Leadership

September 27-28, 2017

IdahoPTV is a proud media sponsor of the Andrus Center for Public Policy "Women and Leadership" conference. Now in its fifth year, Women and Leadership is the only leadership conference of its kind in Idaho. Last year's sell out crowd of 700+ attendees drew from throughout the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Welcoming both women and men, the conference format combines keynote presentations from accomplished women leaders in a variety of fields, skills-based training sessions that focus on professional development, and morning and evening reception events that enable attendees to connect with their peers and develop their personal networks.

Our IdahoPTV Productions



"Jobs Without Walls"

—Airs Sunday, September 24, at 7 p.m.

This new episode looks at people who work in the out of doors, including a Life Flight helicopter pilot, a soil scientist in eastern Idaho, a Christmas tree hunter, a jet boat pilot in Hells Canyon, and a postal worker who delivers the mail by boat.



Dialogue

The Dialogue team recently wrapped up its 11th year of interviews at the Sun Valley Writers' Conference. The following Conversations From the Sun Valley Writers' Conference shows air in September:



"Author Louisa Thomas"

—Airs Friday, September 1, at 7:30 p.m.

Louisa Thomas is the author of "Conscience: Two Soldiers, Two Pacifists, One Family – a Test of Will and Faith in World War I" and "Louisa: The Extraordinary Life of Mrs. Adams." She is a former writer and editor for Grantland and a former fellow at the New America Foundation. Her writing has appeared in The New York Times, Vogue, and The Paris Review.

"Playwright and Novelist Ayad Akhtar"

—Airs Friday, September 8, at 7:30 p.m.

Ayad Akhtar was born in New York City and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He is a novelist and author of "American Dervish," published in over 20 languages worldwide. His play "Disgraced" won the 2013 Pulitzer Prize for Drama, ran on Broadway at the Lyceum Theatre, and was nominated for the 2015 Tony Award for Best Play. His plays "The Who & The What" and "The Invisible Hand" received off-Broadway runs and are currently being produced around the world. Akhtar was listed as the most produced playwright for the 2015/16 Season by American Theatre magazine. As a screenwriter, he was nominated for an Independent Spirit Award for Best Screenplay for "The War Within."



“Investigative Journalist Jane Meyer”

—Airs Friday, September 15, at 7:30 p.m.

Jane Meyer has been a New Yorker staff writer since 1995. She covers politics, culture, and national security for the magazine. Previously, she worked at the Wall Street Journal, where she covered the bombing of the U.S. Marine barracks in Beirut, the Persian Gulf War, and the fall of the Berlin Wall. In 1984, she became the paper's first female White House correspondent. She is the author of the 2016 Times best-seller “Dark Money,” which began as a 2010 New Yorker piece about the Koch brothers' deep influence on conservative politics. She also wrote the 2008 Times best-seller “The Dark Side: The Inside Story of How the War on Terror Turned Into a War on American Ideals,” which is based on her New Yorker articles and was named one of the top ten works of journalism of the decade by N.Y.U.'s Arthur L. Carter Journalism Institute. She is the co-author, with Jill Abramson, of “Strange Justice,” and, with Doyle McManus, of “Landslide: The Unmaking of the President 1984-1988.” In 2009, Meyer was chosen as Princeton University's Ferris Professor of Journalism.



“Author and Naturalist Helen Macdonald”

—Airs Friday, September 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Helen Macdonald is an English writer, naturalist, and an affiliated research scholar at the University of Cambridge Department of History and Philosophy of Science. She is best known as the author of “H is for Hawk,” which won the 2014 Samuel Johnson Prize and Costa Book Award.



“Author Andrew Solomon”

—Airs Friday, September 29, at 7:30 p.m.

Andrew Solomon is a writer on politics, culture and psychology, who lives in New York City and London. He has written for The New York Times, The New Yorker, Artforum, and Travel and Leisure on a range of subjects, including depression, Soviet artists, the cultural rebirth of Afghanistan, Libyan politics, and deaf politics. Solomon's book “The Noonday Demon: An Atlas of Depression” won the 2001 National Book Award, was a finalist for the 2002 Pulitzer Prize, and was included in The Times list of one hundred best books of the decade. Honors awarded to “Far From the Tree: Parents, Children, and the Search for Identity” include the 2012 National Book Critics Circle Award, the Media for a Just Society Award of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, the Anisfield-Wolf Book Award, the Dayton Literary Peace Prize, the J. Anthony Lukas Book Prize, and the Wellcome Book Prize. Solomon is a professor of clinical psychology at Columbia University Medical Center and president of PEN American Center.