Outstanding Documentary Or Nonfiction Special

After Spring
February 10, 2017

AFTER SPRING follows the struggles and triumphs of two Syrian families and several aid workers at a Jordanian refugee camp as they contemplate an uncertain future.

Amanda Knox
September 30, 2016

Was she a cold-blooded psychopath who murdered her roommate or a naive student abroad trapped in an endless nightmare? The highest court in Italy acquitted her. A rabid public vilified her. What really happened remains a mystery. AMANDA KNOX explores the notorious case that made headlines around the world.

America: Promised Land
May 29, 2017

AMERICA: PROMISED LAND uncovers the great forces that set mankind in motion. Based on research that pieces together the patterns of migration over 70,000 years, this two-part special emphasizes the massive movements of people that have occurred since the Industrial Revolution.

America's 9/11 Flag: Rise From the Ashes
September 11, 2016

An American flag hoisted by three firefighters on 9/11, captured in an iconic photograph, went missing - under mysterious circumstances - nearly 15 years ago. Now, a new investigation may have cracked the case. Hosted by best-selling author Brad Meltzer.

American Jihad
March 25, 2017

AMERICAN JIHAD probes into the phenomenon of home-grown Jihadism, analyzing the tactics employed by terrorists in order to reach susceptible members of society and what can be done to prevent it. Featuring stories from former Jihadists radicalized to commit acts of terrorism, their families and communities caught in the crosshairs.

American Reds
October 09, 2016

On camera and in their own words eight American communists in AMERICAN REDS, recount their dramatic fight during the Great Depression against corporate power in factories and fields, against racism and fascism, their imprisonment and beatings, their vision for a utopian America and their willful blindness to Stalin’s murderous regime.
The Beatles: Eight Days A Week - The Touring Years
September 15, 2016

Based on the first part of The Beatles’ career, this new documentary will focus on the band’s touring journey from the early days of the Cavern Club in Liverpool to their last public concert in Candlestick Park, San Francisco, in 1966.

Becoming Bond
May 20, 2017

Chronicles the stranger-than-fiction true story of George Lazenby, a poor Australian car mechanic who, through an unbelievable set of circumstances, landed the role of James Bond in "On Her Majesty’s Secret Service" (1969), despite having never acted a day in his life.

Becoming Warren Buffett
January 30, 2017

The improbable story of an ambitious, numbers-obsessed boy from Nebraska who became one of the richest, most respected men in the world. Told primarily in Buffett’s own words, this candid portrait sheds new light on a man who has helped shape how Americans view capitalism and, more recently, philanthropy.

Before The Flood
October 21, 2016

BEFORE THE FLOOD captures a three-year personal journey alongside Leonardo DiCaprio as he explores the topic of climate change, and discovers what must be done today to prevent catastrophic disruption of life on our planet.

Burn Motherf*cker, Burn!
April 21, 2017

On April 29, 1992, Los Angeles exploded when four police officers were acquitted in the beating of Rodney King. But a fire beneath the feet of Black Angelenos had been melting flesh for years. BURN! chronicles the root causes of Black disenfranchisement while also examining the role of law enforcement.

The End: Inside the Last Days Of The Obama White House
January 18, 2017

Shot between Election Day 2016 and President Obama’s farewell address, the film gained exclusive access to key meetings and rare interviews with those who worked closest to the Obamas during their White House tenure.

Fatherless With Baron Vaughn
April 02, 2017

Baron Vaughn sets out to meet his father for the first time, while cracking a few jokes along the way. On his journey, he explores what it means to be a black man who grew up without a father and the importance of the village that raised him.
The 44th President: In His Own Words
January 15, 2017

With insight from the President, key members of his staff, members of Congress, the press, and fellow world leaders, THE 44TH PRESIDENT: IN HIS OWN WORDS examines the Obama presidency from the inside out.

GRINGO The Dangerous Life Of John McAfee
September 24, 2016

GRINGO THE DANGEROUS LIFE OF JOHN McAFEE presents a stranger-than-fiction tale of money, violence and depravity. Highlighted by interviews with McAfee’s former gang associates and girlfriends, this story reveals new details of the unsolved murder investigation of his neighbor and uncovers evidence of previously unreported crimes.

Holy Hell
September 01, 2016

HOLY HELL is the story of a young filmmaker, who joins a loving, secretive, and spiritual community led by a charismatic teacher in 1980s West Hollywood. Twenty years later, the group is shockingly torn apart. The story is told through two decades of intimate, never-before-seen material from the filmmaker’s archive.

Homeland Diaries: America's Veterans
November 11, 2016

Homeland Diaries: America’s Veterans follows five heroic veterans as they share their personal and intimate struggles navigating life post-service.

A House Divided (Vice Special Report)
December 09, 2016

A forensic investigation into extreme partisanship during the Obama presidency, A HOUSE DIVIDED features senior figures from Obama to Tea Party leadership, and explores how party loyalty trumped productivity and how government ceased to govern. The film examines the rise of Trump, and charts the future of American political leadership.

I Am Heath Ledger
May 17, 2017

I AM HEATH LEDGER is an intimate look at the actor, artist, icon through the lens of his own camera as he films and performs in his personal journey. Personal home movies reveal a glimpse into his true character – demonstrating his creative energy and willingness to take risks.

I Am JFK Jr.
August 01, 2016

John F. Kennedy Jr. was considered “America’s Prince.” Despite living under the media spotlight he forged a successful career – from serving as Assistant District Attorney of New York to launching a political magazine. I AM JFK JR. is an engrossing look at the person behind the tabloid fodder.
Inside Amato
February 01, 2017
Showcasing the grit behind the glamour and the man behind the clothes, INSIDE AMATO pulls back the curtain on runway romance, revealing the backstage chaos and tireless work required to run a high fashion show. The audience gets a front row seat and backstage pass to his chaotic world.

Intore (“The Chosen”)
January 23, 2017
INTORE (THE CHOSEN) offers a rare look at how Rwanda survived its tragic past by regaining its identity through music, dance and the resilience of a new generation, to rise above the ashes of a horrific 1994 genocide and become a world model of post-conflict peace and unity.

L.A. Burning: The Riots 25 Years Later
April 18, 2017
Twenty-five years removed from the LAPD beating of Rodney King—and the ensuing uprising that set South Central L.A. ablaze—L.A. BURNING gives insight into the racial divisions, the police response and the tumultuous events from untold POVs of those who were at the epicenter of the historical uprising.

Marathon: The Patriots Day Bombing
November 21, 2016
Recounts the 2013 terrorist attacks at the Boston Marathon through the experiences of those whose lives were forever changed. Using surveillance footage, home movies and exclusive interviews with survivors, first responders, investigators, and Boston Globe reporters, the film follows the challenges of individuals’ emotional and physical recovery over three years.

Mary Pickford, The Muse Of The Movies
October 04, 2016
MARY PICKFORD, THE MUSE OF THE MOVIES, illuminates the life of “America’s Sweetheart”, film pioneer, actor, and keen businesswoman who co-created United Artists Studios. Through vintage audio recordings, Pickford narrates her own story along with actor Michael York, while revealing the larger tale of the birth of the movies themselves.

Perfect 36 - When Women Won the Vote
March 01, 2017
Of all the battles waged on Nashville’s doorstep, the final throes for the passage of the 19th Amendment were among the most controversial and colorful. In July 1920, all eyes were on the Tennessee capital as Anti and Pro-suffragists each fought for their vision of a socially evolving United States.

Rachel Carson (American Experience)
January 24, 2017
Meet the scientist whose groundbreaking writings revolutionized our relationship to the natural world in this intimate portrait. Featuring Mary-Louise Parker as the voice of Rachel Carson.
**Rats**

October 22, 2016

Inspired by Robert Sullivan’s New York Times bestseller, RATS goes beneath the surface to explore the lives of man’s greatest parasite. Morgan Spurlock journeys around the world bringing viewers face to face with rats while delving into our complicated relationship with these creatures.

**Rock And A Hard Place**

March 27, 2017

ROCK AND A HARD PLACE looks at incarcerated young people granted a second chance: the opportunity to trade prison for a fresh start by completing the Miami-Dade County Corrections & Rehabilitation Boot Camp—a one-of-a-kind, six-month program in which drill sergeants push inmates to their limit.

**Ruby Ridge (American Experience)**

February 14, 2017

Examine the 1992 FBI siege at RUBY RIDGE that helped launch the modern militia movement through eyewitness accounts, including Randy Weaver’s daughter and federal agents involved in the deadly confrontation.

**The Rugby Boys of Memphis**

December 26, 2016

A look at how rugby was used to promote a more positive lifestyle. We chronicle an inner-city charter school that couldn’t afford a football team, but wouldn’t take no as an answer, presenting an economical alternative to football that only required a patch of grass and ball.

**Serena**

June 22, 2016

An intimate portrait of the four-time Olympic Gold Medalist and international sports icon Serena Williams. The documentary special is an unprecedented look into the athlete’s life on and off the court and her unflinching commitment and drive to succeed as she attempts to achieve four Grand Slams in a row.

**Streets Of Compton**

June 09, 2016

STREETS OF COMPTON is a documentary about the history of Compton through the eyes of its current and former residents. Rapper The Game along with many other well-known celebrities revisit and reflect on the complicated neighborhood they once called home.

**Suited**

June 20, 2016

A look at the private and emotional experience that those who struggle with gender identity go through when it comes to fashion, SUITED spotlights the intimate journey of coming into a new identity, accepting difference, and living bravely in one's own skin.
In this documentary, scholars, activists and politicians analyze the criminalization of African Americans and the U.S. prison boom.

Tony Robbins: I Am Not Your Guru
July 15, 2016
TONY ROBBINS: I AM NOT YOUR GURU is a cinéma vérité documentary that pulls back the curtain on Tony Robbins and unveils the inner-workings of his mega event "Date With Destiny," its zealous participants, and the man himself.

Transition Of Power: The Presidency
January 08, 2017
TRANSITION OF POWER: THE PRESIDENCY is a look at the hand-over, from election to inauguration. Tracks the 2016 election alongside rare historical archive to reveal this American tradition as it endures through times of war, scandal and tragedy.

Trumped: Inside The Greatest Political Upset Of All Time
February 03, 2017
TRUMPED offers a behind the scenes look at the most stunning political upset in history. The special follows the rise of Donald Trump from the Republican nomination fight through the fall campaign to the shock of election night.

The Walking Dead: Journey So Far
October 16, 2016
The cast and producers of The Walking Dead recount the epic journey that the characters have experienced through the first six seasons of the show.

We Will Rise: Michelle Obama's Mission To Educate Girls Around The World
October 12, 2016
WE WILL RISE: MICHELLE OBAMA'S MISSION TO EDUCATE GIRLS AROUND THE WORLD, the former First Lady, Meryl Streep, Freida Pinto and CNN's Isha Sesay take a journey to Morocco and Liberia, where they meet young women overcoming incredible odds to change their lives.

End of Category
Outstanding Documentary Or Nonfiction Series

America Divided
This five part documentary series explores issues around inequality in education, housing, health, labor, criminal justice and the political system through the lens of correspondents Common, Rosario Dawson, America Ferrera, Zach Galifianakis, Norman Lear, Amy Poehler, Peter Sarsgaard, and Jesse Williams.

American Epic
AMERICAN EPIC explores the recording journeys at the height of the Roaring Twenties, when music scouts armed with cutting-edge recording technology captured the breadth of American music and discovered the artists that would shape our world.

American Masters
The lives and creative journeys of our nation’s most enduring artistic giants, these individually crafted programs capture the mosaic of our creative heritage and broaden appreciation for our nation’s traditions and character.

American Playboy: The Hugh Hefner Story
A documentary series chronicling Playboy magazine’s charismatic founder, Hugh Hefner, and his impact on global culture. Told from his perspective with never-before-seen footage from his private archive, it’s the story about the man behind the bunny.

American Race
Charles Barkley, an NBA legend, has been dealing with the issue of race his entire life. Now he is taking a journey across the country to explore the issue from different angles and engage in thoughtful but spirited dialogue with a diverse cross section of Americans.

The American West
Spanning the years 1865 to 1890, this documentary chronicles the personal stories of legends such as Jesse James, Billy the Kid, Wyatt Earp, Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull. The series features exclusive interviews with Robert Redford, James Caan, Burt Reynolds, Tom Selleck, Kiefer Sutherland and more.

Chef’s Table
This documentary series explores what’s inside the kitchens and minds of the international culinary stars who are redefining gourmet food.

The Circus: Inside The Greatest Political Show On Earth
Pulling back the curtain on the 2016 presidential campaign and the maiden days of the Trump administration, THE CIRCUS is a real-time documentary series that reveals the high human drama and the stories behind the headlines in one of the most tumultuous periods in modern American political history.

Cold Case Files
The series returns with new cases that have been unsolved for years, chronicling the journeys of detectives and families who have suffered without closure. Detectives and family members relive the events, uncovering new twists and revelations into these tragic cases.
Dark Net
DARK NET chronicles what happens when the virtual world invades every aspect of our lives - our homes, communities, livelihoods, bodies, and minds. The series exposes how we unwittingly surrender access to personal aspects of our lives because of technology dependence and convenience, rendering us the last generation of privacy.

Five Came Back
Five acclaimed contemporary directors tell the story of five legendary Hollywood filmmakers who enlisted in the armed forces to document World War II.

The Great War (American Experience)
Discover how WWI transformed America through the stories of African American soldiers, feminist activists, Native American “code talkers” and others whose participation in the war to “make the world safe for democracy” has been largely forgotten.

The History Of Comedy
Explores the comedic art form through topics including politics, parody, real life, race, and gender. Using archival footage and interviews with comedy legends, the series investigates how comedy has influenced and been affected by the political and social landscape throughout history.

The Horn
THE HORN is shot through the eyes of first responders as they scramble to save lives amid the treacherous terrain of Switzerland’s Matterhorn mountain – from a desperately injured man who fell nine stories inside a dark crevasse to a completely immobile ski racer lying hurt on the freezing slopes.

Hot Girls Wanted: Turned On
This series tells personal stories about people whose lives are affected by the explosion of the Internet where social media, pornography and virtual relationships are all just a click away. Explores the intersection of sex and technology telling stories of intimacy, connection, disconnection, self-promotion, race and gender politics.

The Hunt
Narrated by Sir David Attenborough, THE HUNT illustrates, through character driven stories, the strategies predators use to catch their prey.

Jungletown
In the depths of the Panamanian jungle an American entrepreneur and hundreds of young people are building the "world's most sustainable modern town."

The Keepers
THE KEEPERS, a seven-part documentary series about the unsolved murder of a Baltimore nun and the horrific secrets and pain that linger nearly five decades after her death.

Last Chance U
The six-part series follows a group of young men training to become the future stars of the NFL. Last Chance U is a character driven, behind-the-scenes look at the world of college football.
Making Of The Mob
Spanning the better part of a century, this documentary series chronicles the rise and fall of iconic gangster Al Capone, as well as the story of his successors, collectively known as “The Chicago Outfit.”

MARS
The year is 2033, and humanity's first crewed mission to Mars is about to become a reality. Set both in the future and in the present, MARS blends scripted elements set in the future with documentary vérité interviews with today’s brightest minds in modern science and innovation.

Ocean Warriors
OCEAN WARRIORS weaves stories of courage and conflict across the world’s oceans, including the Antarctic's Southern Ocean, the coral reefs of Tanzania and the vast tuna fisheries of the Western Pacific. Heroes with a mission to keep oceans safe take on mercenaries who threaten the world’s waters and marine life.

Origins: The Journey Of Humankind
Hosted by Jason Silva, Origins: The Journey of Humankind rewinds all the way back to the beginning and traces the innovations that made us modern.

Outpost
OUTPOST is an exploration of Latin America. It lives at the intersection of investigative journalism and adventure travel and shares human, social and cultural stories that resonate on a global scale.

Planet Earth II
Three years, 40 countries, 117 trips and 2089 shooting days, the wildlife experience, PLANET EARTH II reveals places that were impossible a decade ago. Narrated by Sir David Attenborough, it's an exploration of the wonder and drama of our planet.

POPSUGAR Presents: Conquered
CONQUERED chronicles uplifting stories about people from the everyday to the influential, who have broken boundaries and conquered obstacles in order to achieve their goals. Host, and journalist, Laura Ling guides viewers each episode, exploring such themes as physical achievement, career, personal relationships and health, among others.

RISE
We travel to Indigenous communities across the Americas to meet people protecting their homelands and rising up against colonization.

The Selection: Special Operations Experiment
THE SELECTION puts 30 civilians through intense physical and mental challenges, utilizing Special Operations military training. This documentary series identifies who has what it takes to push themselves to their true limit. This is not a competition against each other, but against oneself.

Taking Fire
In 2010 a handful of rookies packed personal cameras with their kit and flew to Afghanistan. Their footage charts warfare in one of the World’s deadliest places. In flashes forward, they reflect on their deployment. When they reunite, it's their chance to lay ghosts to rest.
30 FOR 30 features individual stand-alone films that weave together a diverse tapestry of what sports has meant to culture.

TIME: The Kalief Browder Story
TIME: THE KALIEF BROWDER STORY is a six-part documentary series that tells the story of Kalief Browder, a young African-American student who spent three-years on Rikers Island never having being convicted of a crime. The series shines a light on the extensive inequality within the criminal justice system.

UConn: The March To Madness
Chronicling the 2016-17 UConn women's basketball team's pursuit of a fifth straight national title, concludes with a behind-the-scenes look at the team's unforgettable Final Four finish.

Years Of Living Dangerously
Featuring some of Hollywood’s most influential stars, YEARS OF LIVING DANGEROUSLY reveals accounts of the effects of climate change from across the planet.

The Zoo
The first-ever in-depth look behind the scenes at the Bronx Zoo, a global leader in animal care and species conservation. With full access to the 265-acre campus, the series reveals a wondrous world of 6,000 animals and the 500 people dedicated to their care and well-being.