

2023 Primetime Emmy® Awards Ballot

Outstanding Writing For A Nonfiction Program

American Forest Fires

Smoke On The Water

Forest fires have become a partisan issue rife with finger-pointing. Within the American West's current fire dilemma the policies must change so that forestry management can effectively protect our forests and rural communities.

Chimp Empire

Reckoning

Jackson's injuries leave him vulnerable to enemies and supposed allies alike as a rainstorm sweeps through Ngogo. Will his rule as an alpha end here?

Dead Hot

Vanessa Hudgens and GG Magree embark on a pilgrimage to Salem, MA for a master class in witchcraft, power of the goddess, and Divine Feminine. While they hone their craft, bind their sisterhood and step into personal powers, they unearth the personal demons holding them back from fulfilling their destiny.

Dear Mama

Panther Power

17 year old Tupac Shakur navigates school, poverty and family, while dreaming of using poetry and music to spread the message of his mother, noted Black Panther activist Afeni Shakur. Haunted by her Black Panther past, Afeni fears how it will affect Tupac's promising future.

Descendant

Descendant follows the search for the Clotilda, the last known slave ship brought to the US. After a century of secrecy and speculation, the discovery of the wreckage brings the ship's descendants into focus as they seek to preserve their heritage, raising questions of what justice looks like today.

Dionne Warwick: Don't Make Me Over

Set against a music world profoundly divided between black and white, Don't Make Me Over tells the dramatic story of Dionne Warwick's meteoric rise from New Jersey gospel choirs to international cross-over super stardom.

Elmore Leonard: But Don't Try To Write

Explore author Elmore Leonard's career, body of work and writing process with this documentary featuring footage, family photographs and interviews with literary experts and those who knew him well, including colleagues, family and childhood friends.

The Great Muslim American Roadtrip

A Bridge Over Troubled Waters: Tulsa, OK To Albuquerque, NM

In this 3-part travelogue, a young Muslim American couple discover America's Muslim roots on Route 66. Their 3000-mile trip reveals an American Muslim history dating back to the 1500s. There's much to discover about themselves as individuals, as a couple, and as Muslims.

Hi I'm Travis Mills

After surviving an IED explosion in Afghanistan, Travis Mills became a quadruple amputee—one of few to recover from this injury in US military history. While grappling to find purpose in the aftermath, Travis and his family must come together to recover and help others do the same.

Inside High Noon

Explores the 1952 film starring Gary Cooper, and the story behind its troubled production. Though High Noon was originally seen as an attack on the blacklisting witch hunt gripping Hollywood at the time, it is now recognized as a damning portrait of civic complacency, democracy in peril.

Intervention

Tina Featuring Amber Rose

Model, musician, entrepreneur, and social media phenomenon Amber Rose travels home to South Philadelphia to come to the aid of her childhood best friend Tina, who's addicted to fentanyl and crack. Amber enlists the aid of Tina's family, a local private investigator, and Interventionist Michael Gonzales.

Katrina Babies

Sixteen years after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, filmmaker Edward Buckles Jr., who was 13 years old during Katrina, documents the stories of his peers who survived the storm as children. Through first-hand accounts, Katrina Babies explores the fractured lives and multi-generational trauma of being black and disenfranchised in America.

Last Flight Home

On an ordinary street, we find Eli Timoner in his final days and discover an extraordinary life filled with wild achievements, tragic loss and enduring love. His daughter Ondi shares an account of a family courageously, and joyously, preparing for his departure.

Moonage Daydream

Illuminates the life and genius of David Bowie. Guided by Bowie's own narration and told through footage, performances, and music, this odyssey explores his creative, musical, and spiritual journey.

100 Foot Wave

Chapter V - Lost At Sea

CJ decides he wants to make a name for himself other than "Garrett's brother-in-law." Cotty and Alemão surf despite the dangerous waves of the day, causing Cotty to wipe out in the worst spot in Nazaré. Another huge swell approaches Nazaré. After catching an epic wave, CJ suddenly falls.

Prehistoric Planet

North America

Not many can intimidate North America's top predator, T. rex, whose size and bite are a deadly combo—except for a giant winged foe.

The Reluctant Traveler With Eugene Levy

Finland

A sleigh ride leads Eugene to the Arctic TreeHouse Hotel for ice fishing, husky sledding, vodka sipping and a deep dive into happiness.

Sam Now

Two film-obsessed brothers use every video format imaginable to make a movie as they travel thousands of miles looking for their missing mom. Stitching together years of home videos and elements of play.

Secrets Of The Elephants

Desert

The 150 elephants that remain in the Namib Desert have to be as tough as the landscape to survive.

Selena Gomez: My Mind & Me

After years in the limelight, Selena Gomez achieves unimaginable stardom. But just as she reaches a new peak, an unexpected turn pulls her into darkness. This documentary spans her six-year journey into a new light.

Sidney

This documentary honors Sidney Poitier and his legacy as an iconic actor, filmmaker and activist at the center of Hollywood and the Civil Rights Movement.

Sometimes When We Touch: The Reign, Ruin And Resurrection Of Soft Rock

The Reign

It dominated pop music. Then became a punch line. Now its influence is felt everywhere from hip-hop samples to TikTok. From the Carpenters to Kendrick, Sometimes When We Touch charts a musical movement through its songs, stories and stars.

Taken Hostage (American Experience)

Revisit the 1979 Iran hostage crisis, when 52 Americans were held hostage at the U.S. Embassy in Tehran. The story is told through the eyewitness accounts of those who took part in the events.

The U.S. And The Holocaust

Episode 2: Yearning To Breathe Free (1938 - 1942)

As the war begins, Americans are divided over whether to intervene against Nazi Germany. While some people work tirelessly to help refugees escape, Charles Lindbergh and isolationists battle Roosevelt to keep America out of the war. Germany invades the Soviet Union and secretly begins the mass murder of European Jews.

Unzipped: An Autopsy Of American Inequality

An expose of the growing affordable housing crisis in America, told through the lens of Venice, CA 90291's struggle with the housing divide.

The Volcano: Rescue From Whakaari

Survivors' and rescuers' accounts and minute-by-minute footage fuel this documentary about the deadly 2019 volcanic eruption in New Zealand.

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