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## **KET celebrates Black History Month throughout February**

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In honor of Black History Month, and as part of our commitment to celebrate the diversity of America year-round, KET will air an assortment of programs that highlight the African American experience throughout the month of February.

KET's Black History Month programming includes:

### **Muhammad Ali**

This four-part documentary, by Ken Burns, Sarah Burns and David McMahon, chronicles the life of Louisville's most famous son who became heavyweight champion and one of the world's most recognizable and controversial sports figures.

**KET Fridays, Jan. 28 – Feb. 18 • 9:30/8:30 pm**

**KET2 Sundays, Jan. 30 – Feb. 20 • 8/7 pm**

### **Finding Your Roots**

Join host Henry Louis Gates Jr. as he uses cutting-edge DNA research and old-school genealogical sleuthing to help some of the nation's most compelling personalities discover the surprising stories buried within their own families' histories.

**KET Tuesdays, Feb. 1 – Feb. 22 • 8/7 pm**

### **Stone of Hope: Moving the Dream Forward**

This film documents the first decade of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial on the National Mall in Washington D.C. Now the fifth most visited Memorial, averaging nearly 5 million visitors a year, the King Memorial uniquely serves the country as the only Memorial on the National Mall honoring an activist, a preacher and a man of peace.

**KET2 Monday, Feb. 7 • 9/8 pm**



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### **American Masters: Marian Anderson: The Whole World in Her Hands**

Marian Anderson overcame humiliation, prejudice and financial hardship to become a voice for justice, a renowned master of her craft and the first Black person to sing a leading role at the Metropolitan Opera in 1955. Balancing her public triumphs with her personal struggles, this film charts the impact of one of the world's greatest singers, whose career offers a window into a time of seismic change.

**KET Tuesday, Feb. 8 • 9/8 pm**

**KET2 Monday, Feb. 14 • 9/8 pm**

### **Bridge to Justice: The Life of Franklin H. Williams**

This half hour documentary explores the life of Franklin Williams, the civil rights leader, lawyer and Peace Corps organizer.

**KET2 Monday, Feb. 21 • 10:30/9:30 pm**

### **Fannie Lou Hamer's America: An America Reframed Special**

Explore and celebrate the life of a fearless Mississippi sharecropper turned human rights activist and the injustices in America that made her work essential.

**KET Tuesday, Feb. 22 • 9/8 pm**

### **American Masters: Miles Davis: Birth of the Cool**

This film takes a hard look at the mythology that surrounds the musical giant, tracking his days as a Juilliard student to the development of his signature sound on recordings with his famous quintet, from his collaborations with Gil Evans to his shifts to new musical paradigms in the 70s and 80s.

**KET Friday, Feb. 25 • 9:30/8:30 pm**

### **Songs at the Center: Celebrating Black History Month**

Talented African American singer-songwriters perform their own original compositions across a wide variety of styles, describe their creative processes and discuss the inevitable struggles they've overcome.

**KET2 Monday, Feb. 28 • 10/9 pm**



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## **This Little Light of Mine: The Legacy of Fannie Lou Hamer**

When a poor Mississippi sharecropper fights the Jim Crow South, the civil rights movement finds an unlikely heroine. This film follows one woman's journey from beaten field-hand to political powerhouse.

**KET Monday, Feb. 28 • 10:30/9:30 pm**

For more info, please visit [KET.org/black-history-month](http://KET.org/black-history-month).

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