



## LPB Parents E-Newsletter October 2016

### A Month of Delightfully Spooky Halloween Treats

#### Peg+ Cat Mystery Hour

Count on math mysteries when the new the **Peg + Cat Mystery Hour** premieres on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 a.m., repeating on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., and Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. on LPB HD. The **Peg + Cat Mystery Hour** kicks off with a spooky Friday-the-thirteenth problem. Then museum guards Peg and Cat are on the case as shapes are being stolen right off the paintings! And finally there's 1+1 = 2 adventures aboard the Peg + Cat Express, where missing lollipops, bananas, symphonies, and chickens can only mean: there's a thief on the train!

#### Cat in the Hat Knows A Lot About Halloween

October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. on LPB HD, repeating at noon, is the world premiere of **The Cat In The Hat Knows A Lot About Halloween**. The Cat in the Hat takes Nick and Sally on a fright-filled ride where they discover the best Halloween costumes ever in the Oooky-ma-kooky Closet.

#### Dinosaur Train

A tree that comes alive at night? The Pteranodon family explores this strange occurrence and learns about bioluminescence in **"Spooky Tree."** In **"Spinosaurus Super Model,"** Don tries to convince Old Spinosaurus to pose for a sculpture, highlighting the many features of the world's largest land carnivore. October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. on LPB HD, repeating at 5:00 p.m. on LPB2.

#### Nature Cat

Can Daisy get the biggest, most beautiful pumpkin safely to the Halloween party and then what will she do with it afterwards? Looks like trouble looming in **"Runaway Pumpkin"** airing on Nature Cat on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. and repeating at 2:30 p.m. on LPB HD.

#### READY JET GO!

In **"Jet's First Halloween"** Sydney, Sean and Mindy help Jet experience his first Halloween – from carving jack-o-lanterns and dressing up in costumes, to trick-or-treating and going to a haunted house. Along the way, the gang learns about lunar eclipses and the Red Moon. October 24<sup>th</sup>, 06:30 a.m. on LPB HD, repeating at 3:00 p.m.

#### Curious George: A Halloween Boo Fest

In George's first Halloween in the country Bill tells him and Allie about the Legend of No Noggin -- a spooky tale about a hat-kicking scarecrow who haunts the countryside on Halloween. Is the legend real? George and Allie are determined to find out by taking a picture of No Noggin, but first George must figure out what he's going to be for Halloween so he can win the costume contest at the Boo Festival. Will George's quest for the perfect costume interfere with his quest for the truth? Only the curious will find out! Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 07:30 a.m. on LPB HD, repeating at 1 p.m.

### **Sid The Science Kid Halloween Spooky Science Special**

Sid and his friends have dressed up in the spookiest and scariest costumes possible: Sid is a bat with big fangs. May is a spooky black cat. Gabriela is a furry, yucky spider. And Gerald is a super spooky skeleton that goes boo! Susie (dressed as a silly mad scientist) loves their costumes, and helps the kids discover that Halloween can be spooky and scientific! The kids investigate how bats catch mosquitoes, spiders engineer intricate webs, cats leap aerial acrobats, and skeletons hold up our bodies. The kids also investigate how to make icky, gooey green slime. Susie then ends the day with a special "Halloween Parade" song so the kids can march around and show off their spooky and scientific costumes! October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 05:00 a.m. on LPB HD.

### **Thomas & Friends Spooky Charms**

In "The Phantom Express" James tells Percy that Ulfstead Castle is haunted by a ghost. At the castle he scares Stephen and Percy causing them to fall into a moat. When James hears their whistling he believes his own ghost story and is scared! In "Percy's Lucky Day" Percy has been down on his luck so Stephen lends him a lucky charm to help him regain confidence. Finding himself without the charm, Percy must find the confidence to pull Bill and Ben back on the rails on his own. Phantom Express and Percy's Lucky Day air on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m. on LPB HD.

### **Bob the Builder Spooky Tales**

In "Fly Away Ghost," Lofty, who finds Halloween scary, is nervous when he is sent to collect a giant ghost decoration for the Spring City Halloween Festival. When the decoration rises out of the unlocked crate and flies across the site, Lofty must overcome his fear and capture the flyaway ghost. In "Out of the Woods" Bob and the team are working at the Fixham Campsite. A spooky story and unexpected visitors wreak havoc. Catch the fun on October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 a.m. on LPB HD.

Throughout October all the PBS KIDS shows will feature Halloween-themed episodes. Check the schedule at [www.lpb.org](http://www.lpb.org) for additional Halloween programs and additional airing times for all the programs.

### **Halloween Games**

The treats continue with free Halloween-themed games for children at PBS KIDS. Enjoy games like the Cat in the Hat Corn Maze Craze, Cat in the Hat Camp Time, NATURE CAT Park Builder and PEG + CAT Parade. Free games are also available on [the PBS KIDS Games App](http://www.pbs.org/games).

### **More Halloween Treats**

Free stencils and instructions to turn your pumpkins into your children's favorite PBS characters, instructions for fun and easy to make no-sew costumes, tricks for a fun & healthy Halloween, creepy crafts, spooktacular sweet recipes and more are available at <http://www.pbs.org/parents/halloween/>.

### **Book Fest**

Visit LPB's table at the 2016 Louisiana Book Festival in Baton Rouge on October 29<sup>th</sup>. See what's new in children's programming. For more [information](#) about the fest.

### **Thomas & Friends International Racing Premiere**

On **October 17<sup>th</sup>** at 11:30 a.m. on LPB HD **Thomas & Friends** will feature an exciting one-hour special with an international cast of new characters. Each day of that week a new episode will air, all with a racing theme. Thomas is disappointed when Gordon is chosen to be the new "Shooting Star" for the Great Race. When Gordon is suddenly in

danger can Thomas save the day? Join Thomas and his new international friends in this high-speed musical adventure where friendship always wins!

### **A is for Aardvark**

The new season of Arthur kicks off October 10<sup>th</sup> at 5 a.m. on LPB HD, repeating at 2 p.m. and will give fans a glimpse into the pasts, presents, and futures of their favorite characters. In the first episode, Buster uses a comic book to travel back in time, but ends up changing his fate and friendship with Arthur. Arthur and Buster learn about telling the truth. The award-winning series teaches young children important social-emotional skills, such as managing their emotions, building friendships and developing self-esteem. They also learn that reading is fun and are encouraged to use creativity to solve problems. Learn more about the lesson plans and fun learning activities at

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/arthur/index.html>.

Enjoy the special programs all month long!

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