

New “Nebraska Stories” on NET Television

“Nebraska Stories,” NET Television’s video journal about the people, places and history that make Nebraska unique, looks at an up-and-coming composer, examines the efforts to maintain a small Nebraska community’s history and follows Omaha artist Jun Kaneko’s creative designs for Mozart’s “The Magic Flute.” These stories are featured in the new “Nebraska Stories” episode airing Friday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. CT on NET1 and NET-HD.

There is a wild world out there if you have the eyes and the patience to see it. Acclaimed wildlife photographer Mike Forsberg shares his remarkable vision of nature with students at Dodge Elementary School in Grand Island.

Marge and Harvey Smith are volunteers at the Henderson Mennonite Heritage Park, which preserves the buildings and artifacts of a community founded by Mennonite immigrants in the 1880s. This is a story about a couple working against time to save the town’s history -- a history based on religious freedom.

Go behind the scenes as Omaha artist Jun Kaneko proposes startling costumes and groundbreaking animation for the premiere of “The Magic Flute” by the San Francisco Opera. Next stop for the opera is Omaha this February.

Phill Smith is an up-and-coming Omaha composer whose contemporary pieces are being lauded and performed by professional symphonic musicians. Meet this talented Nebraskan and hear his celebrated work ... and, he is not even out of college!

This “Nebraska Stories” episode will repeat on NET1/HD on Sunday, Feb. 17, at noon CT; Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 11 p.m. CT; Friday, Feb. 22, at 7:30 p.m. CT; Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 11:30 p.m. CT; and Thursday, Feb. 28, at 10:30 p.m. CT. Viewers can watch the above segments and more by visiting the “Nebraska Stories” website at www.netnebraska.org/nebraskastories and join us on Facebook to be a part of the “Nebraska Stories” conversation.

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