



**** PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS: DECEMBER 17 – 30 ****

ACTRESS MEGAN FOX TRAVELS TO TURKEY TO INVESTIGATE IF THE TROJAN WAR WAS REAL ON THE SEASON FINALE OF 'LEGENDS OF THE LOST WITH MEGAN FOX'

Pilot and Explorer Kellee Edwards Uncovers the Secrets of Remote Islands in Back-to-Back Specials – 'Mysterious Islands'

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NEW SPECIALS

MYSTERIOUS ISLANDS

Travel journalist, pilot and explorer Kellee Edwards is on a journey to the most remote islands on earth in Travel Channel's new specials, "Mysterious Islands." Edwards' passion for adventure takes her to places most have never seen and introduces her to people with unique and fascinating stories. Using her experience as a pilot, scuba diver and explorer, she seeks to uncover the secrets behind some of the world's most mysterious islands. *[Half-hour episodes]*

"Georgia's Island of the Geechee People" – Premieres Wednesday, December 26 at 11 p.m. ET/PT

Kellee Edwards journeys to Sapelo Island, off Georgia's coast, to unlock secrets shrouded in mystery and a chilling past. Inhabited by the Geechee people, they now struggle to protect their unique culture. Although Sapelo is surrounded by overrun tourist destinations, it has mysteriously remained untouched – and for more than a century, those who've tried to develop Sapelo have met tragic and untimely deaths. As Edwards uncovers the truth about Sapelo, she realizes the answers to its mysteries are more personal than she ever imagined.

"Island of Eternal Life" – Premieres Wednesday, December 26 at 11:30 p.m. ET/PT

Kellee Edwards travels to the Indonesian island of Sulawesi, where she makes a shocking discovery: the Torajan people, who've inhabited the island for millennia, continue living after death. And in one of the most bizarre and elaborate funeral ceremonies on earth, Edwards learns the truth of the Torajan belief in life after life.



Pilot and explorer Kellee Edwards, host of Travel Channel's "Mysterious Islands," in Sulawesi, Indonesia

NEW EPISODES

[LEGENDS OF THE LOST WITH MEGAN FOX](#)

A self-described “seeker,” actress Megan Fox has an intrinsic thirst for knowledge and an insatiable curiosity for ancient mysteries and cultures. Now, she’s taking an extraordinary journey across the globe to re-examine some of the world’s most enduring legends and lore in Travel Channel’s new series, “Legends of the Lost with Megan Fox.” Meeting with experts and archaeologists, and perusing through priceless texts and fascinating artifacts, Fox attempts to uncover answers about the age-old mysteries that still perplex scientists and archaeologists to this day. *[Hour-long episodes]*

“America’s Lost Civilization” – Premieres Tuesday, December 18 at 8 p.m. ET/PT

For nearly 100 years, scientists have said that humans came to what is today the United States of America at the end of the last Ice Age, some 13,000 years ago. But new archaeological findings along the Savannah River in the southeastern United States show that a great migration could have happened as far back as 48,000 BC. Some believe these first settlers were gigantic prehistoric versions of Homo sapiens. Megan Fox seeks to uncover who, or what, these early settlers really were.

SEASON FINALE: “The Trojan War: Myth or Truth?” – Premieres Tuesday, December 25 at 8 p.m. ET/PT

Megan Fox travels to Turkey to try to answer the longstanding question: Did the infamous Trojan War actually take place? Using one of the greatest Greek legends, Homer’s *Iliad*, as her treasure map, Fox examines high-tech data and the latest archaeological finds along the coast of modern day Turkey in search of answers. Was Homer’s *Iliad* the greatest work of fiction ever written ... or was he recording real events?

[MYSTERIES AT THE MUSEUM](#)

Host Don Wildman digs into the world’s greatest institutions to unearth extraordinary relics that reveal incredible secrets from the past. Through compelling interviews, rare archival footage and arresting re-creations, “Mysteries at the Museum” illuminates the hidden treasures at the heart of history’s most incredible triumphs, sensational crimes and bizarre encounters. *[Hour-long episodes]*

“Lincoln’s Curse, The Fatberg and Red Meat Riddle” - Premieres Wednesday, December 19 at 7 p.m. ET/PT

Host Don Wildman examines the harrowing haunting of a family who witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln, a hideous monster lurking in the sewers below the city of London and a terrifying plague sweeping the country.

“Presidential Premonition, Lost Treasure of Jean Lafitte and Immortal Worms” - Premieres Wednesday, December 19 at 8 p.m. ET/PT

Don Wildman investigates an eerie premonition about a presidential assassination, a superstorm that churned up the long-hidden plunder of an infamous pirate and the miraculous resurrection of 40,000-year-old worms.

“Dickens Saves Christmas, Demon Cat and Murderer On Board” - Premieres Wednesday, December 26 at 8 p.m. ET/PT

Host Don Wildman examines how a spelling mistake created a holiday classic, a ferocious feline that stalks the halls of the U.S. Capitol Building and a gruesome murder committed on the high seas.

[THE ZIMMERN LIST](#)

As one of the world’s most well-traveled food explorers, Travel Channel host Andrew Zimmern is an expert on all the best things to eat in a city. In “The Zimmern List,” he is sharing his personal recommendations on the food and places to eat that he most loves. In each of the half-hour episodes, Zimmern literally serves as the viewer’s guide to each town he visits. While immersed in the unique food culture, he reveals some of his favorite eating experiences. *[Half-hour episodes]*

“Reno” - Premieres Saturday, December 22 at 10 a.m. ET/PT

Andrew Zimmern heads to Reno, Nevada, for a food scene that loves to entertain. He embraces Reno's small-town pride as he savors homemade meatballs and ravioli, gets a taste of Basque culture and meets some forward-thinking chefs.

“Birmingham” - Premieres Saturday, December 22 at 10:30 a.m. ET/PT

Andrew Zimmern travels to Birmingham, Alabama, home to one of the fastest growing food scenes in America. From the state's signature barbecue to innovative takes on Southern cuisine, he gets a taste of what makes the Magic City so unique.

“St. Louis” - Premieres Saturday, December 29 at 10 a.m. ET/PT

Andrew Zimmern heads to St. Louis to get his fill of comfort food. He savors barbecued pig snouts, indulges in a modern Midwestern incarnation of traditional Italian fare and slurps noodles at one of the hottest new spots for East Asian fare.

“Houston” - Premieres Saturday, December 29 at 10:30 a.m. ET/PT

Andrew Zimmern travels to Houston, one of the most dynamic and underrated food scenes in the United States. He digs into some classic Tex-Mex fare, loads up on the best brisket in town and gets a taste of the city's crave-worthy international cuisines.

HAUNTED CASE FILES

America's leading ghost hunters and mediums recount their most riveting supernatural experiences through gripping interviews, powerful re-creations and real audio and visual recordings of the events. *[Hour-long episodes]*

“Demon House” - Premieres Sunday, December 23 at 9 p.m. ET/PT

A ghost hunter investigates an infamous property known as the Demon House, a team angers the sinister spirits lurking around a historic building and an investigator is called in to help with a disturbing case of demonic possession.

“Hard Lessons” - Premieres Sunday, December 30 at 9 p.m. ET/PT

An investigator summons all his courage to come face-to-face with an old enemy, a husband-and-wife team is attacked by a diabolical entity in a haunted hotel and spiritual warfare leaves deep wounds on one ghost hunter.

FEAR THE WOODS (*U.S. Premiere)

Hiking along pretty tree-lined trails and camping in rustic, ramshackle conditions can be exactly what the doctor ordered, but sometimes the surrounding beauty serves as the perfect camouflage for who – or what – is lurking in the deep, dark woods. In “Fear the Woods,” these haunting and horrific tales of murder and mayhem in the great outdoors are brought to life through emotionally wrought first-person interviews and chilling re-creations. *[Hour-long episodes]*

“Beast in the Woods” – Premieres Sunday, December 23 at 10 p.m. ET/PT

A target practice session in the woods ends with a group of friends running for their lives, hikers stumble across a Bigfoot den and a man's multiple encounters with Sasquatch lead to a possible answer about its origins.

“Touched By the Devil” – Premieres Sunday, December 30 at 10 p.m. ET/PT

Two teens encounter a devil-worshiping cult while investigating an abandoned Girl Scout camp. A night in the Devil's Turning Point becomes an exercise in terror as a group of campers are tormented by unseen demons.

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