



Stories from the Stage Returns with Powerful Moments and Extraordinary Tales

Season 3 of the popular storytelling series premieres Monday, October 28, only on WORLD Channel

BOSTON (September 26, 2019) – Season three of *Stories from the Stage*, the award-winning WORLD Channel original series that showcases the extraordinary stories of ordinary people, premieres on Monday, October 28, at 9:30 p.m. EST on WORLD Channel. Series hosts are Theresa Okokon and Wes Hazard.

Okokon and Hazard open each episode with the evening's theme before three storytellers step onto the stage to fascinate audiences. The season premiere *Summertime* sees tellers describe sunny days and balmy nights, when anything was possible, from discovering baseball to encountering a bear. *What We Wear*, airing on November 4, explores stories about our emotional attachment to clothing. *Now or Never*, airing on November 11, includes stories from people who took huge leaps in the hopes of landing on their feet. And *Sounds Like Summer* on November 18 shares tales of joy and disaster under the summer sun. Season 3 will continue through the spring of 2020.

"Stories from the Stage gathers tellers from across the country and around the world, who couldn't be more different, yet share stories that make us all laugh, cry and think," said Liz Cheng, general manager for WORLD Channel. "We're proud to showcase stories that illuminate so many different facets of the human condition."

To usher in the spirit of the season, *Stories from the Stage* will offer holiday-themed episodes beginning Monday, November 25 and culminate with a special two-hour, four-episode marathon on Monday, December 30 at 8pm. The featured episodes will include the story of an epic Ramadan fast, a nightmare-before-Christmas streak of bad luck, a tricky menorah lighting and more.

Stories from the Stage episodes, original digital content and more can be experienced on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram and on the WORLD Channel website. Viewers can enjoy curated Stories from the Stage playlists about love, the holidays, Latinx topics, food and more on the WORLD Channel YouTube channel. On Facebook, visitors can watch individual stories and share their own stories and experiences. Follow the hashtag #StoriesfromtheStage to hear every word.

Stories from the Stage is co-executive-produced by Cheng and Patricia Alvarado Núñez, with lead camera/director/editor Michael Rossi and Chris Hastings, executive in charge of production. Stories from the Stage is a collaboration of WORLD Channel, WGBH and Massmouth.

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About WORLD Channel

Based at WGBH in Boston, **WORLD Channel** tells stories that humanize complex issues. WORLD shares the best of public media in news, documentaries and fact-based informational programming that helps us understand conflicts, movements and cultures that may be distinct from our own. WORLD's original content offers a national platform to makers examining issues too often ignored by mainstream media. These emerging and master filmmakers spotlight a diversity of voices, telling stories not heard elsewhere. WORLD has won a Peabody Award, an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia Award and numerous national honors — including 1st and 2nd place Native Media Awards, an RTNDA Kaleidoscope Award, a





Media for a Just Society Award, two Lesbian & Gay Journalist Awards, a Gracie and an Asian American Journalists Award. Carried by 157 partner stations in markets representing nearly 65% of U.S. TV households, WORLD can also be experienced via WORLDChannel.org and social media platforms.

About Massmouth, Inc.

The non-profit Massmouth (www.massmouth.org) promotes the timeless art of storytelling in Massachusetts. With competitive slams, unique showcases and customized events, Massmouth has changed the way stories are told and enjoyed in Greater Boston. Featuring seasoned, emerging and diverse storytellers, Massmouth creates opportunities to perform for community groups, non-profits and businesses.

About WGBH

WGBH Boston is America's preeminent public broadcaster and the largest producer of PBS content for TV and the Web, including *Masterpiece*, *Antiques Roadshow*, *Frontline*, *Nova*, *American Experience*, *Arthur* and more than a dozen other primetime, lifestyle and children's series. WGBH's television channels include WGBH 2, WGBX 44, and the digital channels World and Create. WGBH TV productions focusing on the region's diverse community include *Greater Boston*, *Basic Black* and *High School Quiz Show*. WGBH Radio serves listeners across New England with 89.7 WGBH, Boston's Local NPR®; 99.5 WCRB Classical Radio Boston; and WCAI, the Cape and Islands NPR® Station. WGBH also is a major source of digital content and programs for public radio through PRI/PRX, including *The World* and *Innovation Hub*, a leader in educational multimedia with PBS LearningMedia[™], providing the nation's educators with free, curriculum-based digital content, and a pioneer in services that make media accessible to deaf, hard of hearing, blind and visually impaired audiences. WGBH has been recognized with hundreds of honors: Emmys, Peabodys, duPont-Columbia Awards and Oscars. Find more information at wgbh.org.