AMERICAN HEROES CHANNEL OCTOBER 2014 PRIMETIME LINEUP

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SPECIALS

BRIAN WILLIAMS REPORTING: JOURNEY TO NORMANDY

One-hour special network premiere Saturday, October 11 at 10/9c

In this special produced by NBC News, Brian Williams tells the stories of four World War II veterans as they make their emotional return to the place that changed their lives -- and the world. Throughout the hour, viewers will learn about each man's incredible experience on D-Day and follow their journeys back to Normandy, where they will face the haunting memories of the war, honor the friends they lost, and try to find answers to decades-old questions.

PREMIERES

ANCIENT ASSASSINS

Series Premieres Friday, October 3 at 10/9c

From stone-age Hawaii to 16th-century Japan, from Ancient Greece to the Byzantine Empire, there have always been elite Special Forces – men trained to perfection, skilled with a devastating array of weaponry. Often fighting against overwhelming odds these are tales of long lost ancient heroes. ANCIENT ASSASSINS brings these events to life with a mixture of dramatic reconstruction, documentary filming and expert testimony.

- The 47 Ronin *Premieres Friday, October 3 at 10/9c*In 1703, the Shogun is plunged into controversy when Samurai prince, Asano Naganori, loses his temper and attacks a senior official. This is the story of how Asano's loyal followers, the 47 Ronin, braved Japan and mounted the perfect Black Op.
- The Ghost Warriors Premieres Friday, October 10 at 10/9c

They were the elite special forces of ancient Germany; a fanatical corps of proud and independent warriors trained to fight at night. They would appear out of the dark, sowing fear and panic among their enemies. They were known as the 'Ghost Warriors'.

- The Viking Berserkers *Premieres Friday, October 17 at 10/9c*In 793 AD, Viking Long Ships roll up on a remote English beach. The extraordinary actions of one giant warrior in the face of King Harold Godwinson's vast Anglo-Saxon
- Hawaiian Koa Warriors *Premieres Friday, October 24 at 10/9c*The Hawaiian Koa were elite warriors in a land dominated by war. They were grand masters of a martial art called Lua- a technique used to break every bone in an enemy's body. When Captain Cook lands on Hawaii, the Koa warriors greet him in the worst way.

army ensure their place in history as the most formidable of all ancient Special Forces.

• Ninja *Premieres Friday, October 31 at 10/9c*In 1562, a young warlord called Tokugawa Ieyasu hires a specialist named Hattori Hanzo to help him free his daughters who are being held hostage in a castle. Through a hard journey, they end up inaugurating a golden era for Japan and the Ninja.

AMERICA: FACTS VS. FICTION

Season 2 Premieres Tuesday, October 7 at 10/9c

Back for its sophomore season, AMERICA: FACTS VS FICTION embarks on all-new adventures exploring the truths and hidden secrets of the nation's past. Hosted by former Naval officer and actor/comedian, Jamie Kaler, the series uncovers surprising and unknown details of American history to draw a line in the sand separating fact and fiction. Discover the truths behind the baffling disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle, find out what pirates really did with their treasure instead of burying it, and learn the shocking realities about prohibition beyond the seemingly lively roaring twenties.

- Fool's Gold *Premieres Tuesday, October 7 at 10/9c*Kaler reveals the shocking truth about America's biggest boom and biggest bust. The series digs into the startling facts about how one treasure was discovered during the California gold rush and another lost with the Stock Market Crash of 1929.
- Last Man Standing *Premieres Tuesday, October 7 at 10:30/9:30c*The true stories of the Alamo and Custer's Last Stand are very different from the way we remember them. Find out how Davy Crockett really died, and why General Custer might have been court-martialed if he hadn't attacked the Indians that outnumbered him.
- Lost at Sea *Premieres Tuesday, October 14 at 10/9c*Myths cloud the real facts of history on the high seas. Find out what pirates really did with their treasure instead of burying it, and discover the truth behind the seemingly baffling disappearances in the Bermuda Triangle
- Booze and Bullets Premieres Tuesday, October 21 at 10/9c

Our memories of the roaring twenties and lawless thirties are more myth than truth. Learn the shocking realities about the prohibition and the gallery of gangsters including notorious couple Bonnie and Clyde.

• Patton and Grant Premieres Tuesday, October 28 at 10/9c

The truth about America's greatest generals is obscured by myth. Find out what George Patton's nickname "Blood and Guts" really means, and learn that Ulysses S. Grant's reputation as a drunk and a butcher is undeserved.

D-DAY TO VICTORY

Series Premieres Saturday, October 18 at 10/9c

From the producers of *Blitz Street* and *WWII's Greatest Raids* comes D-DAY TO VICTORY, which painstakingly chronicles the final years of the Allied campaign in the Second World War and reveals what it was really like in the trenches on Omaha Beach. Using previously unseen archival footage, moving first-person testimony, and battlefield recreations, this gripping new series doesn't just vividly portray the iconic battles of World War II, it tells an epic story—on an epic scale.

- D-Day Premieres Saturday, October 18 at 10/9c
 - June 6, 1944 was the biggest seaborne invasion in history. Allied soldiers from Britain, the US and Canada land on five Normandy beaches Gold, Sword, Utah, Omaha and Juno. Encountering mines, machine gun fire, artillery and bunkers, *D-Day* tells the heroic story of the soldiers who led the assault from the shoreline to the bluffs.
- The Battle for Caen *Premieres Saturday, October 25 at 10/9c*Allied soldiers push on to take their first objective, the city of Caen. They're met by formidable Panzer forces determined to push the Allies back into the sea. For the next two months, a bloody battle of attrition is waged in the fields and villages of Normandy.

FINALES

WWII'S GREATEST RAIDS

Season Finale Airs Saturday, October 4 at 10/9c

WWII's GREATEST RAIDS takes viewers into the heart of an elite band of soldiers in the heat of a key action in their history. Following these brave soldiers on their mission, this series shows just how these men put their unique combination of skills, training and equipment to the test of combat. One critical action conducted by a small elite unit can change the course of a war to victory; often in the face of superior enemy forces, the chances of success seem frail. Yet these special forces, counter-terrorist groups, or small tactical units can be astoundingly successful, defying the odds in difficult environments to exact massive tactical victories.

• Strike from the Sky Premieres Saturday, October 4 at 10/9c

British light infantry must crash land by glider in Northern France, then capture and control two key bridges in the hands of a heavily armed enemy. If they fail, the whole D-Day landings could stall, and the Germans could push the Allies back into the sea. Succeed, and the British Army could secure the beach heads, break out of Normandy and march on to Berlin and victory.

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