

Incorporating Vermont PBS Into Your Classroom

Program: *Masterpiece*

Grade(s): 6-12

Ways to watch: [Series website](#), Vermont PBS broadcast stations, streaming services

About: Presenting a treasure trove of videos from MASTERPIECE films, supported by essays and teaching tips, this collection offers innovative ways to access, understand, and analyze classic literature adapted for the screen. Watching these pivotal moments from award-winning shows also helps students appreciate the power of film dramatization—and the importance of becoming a critical media consumer.

Primary Connection to the [Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts and Literacy](#):

<i>Standards</i>	<i>Anchor Standards</i>
Reading – Key Ideas and Details	<p>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.R.2 Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.R.3 Analyze how and why individuals, events, or ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.</p>
Reading – Craft and Structure	<p>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.R.5 Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.</p>
Reading – Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	<p>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.R.7 Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.</p>

[Primary Connection to the National Core Arts Standards \(NCAS\):](#)

<i>Standards</i>	<i>Anchor Standards</i>
Responding	7. Perceive and analyze artistic work.

<i>Standards</i>	<i>Anchor Standards</i>
	8. Interpret intent and meaning in artistic work. 9. Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work.

Resources: Use the following carefully curated resources to support teaching English language arts and more with the *Masterpiece* collection.

- [PBS Learning Media collection](#)
- [Series website](#)
- [Masterpiece - Programming and Resources](#)
- [COVID Related](#)
- [AOE Continuity of Learning](#)

Other PBS programs with connections to ELA, Social Studies, and the Arts:

1. American Masters
 - a. [PBS Learning Media collection](#)
 - b. [Series website](#)
2. Great Performances
 - a. PBS Learning Media collections for [Julius Caesar](#) and [Much Ado About Nothing](#)
 - b. [Series website](#)
3. The Great American Read
 - a. [PBS Learning Media collection](#)
 - b. [Series website](#)
4. Poetry in America Collection
 - a. [PBS Learning Media collection](#)
 - b. [Series website](#)
5. Shakespeare Uncovered
 - a. [PBS Learning Media collection](#)
 - b. [Series website](#)