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**“Beyond Barbados” documentary to premiere on SCETV June 20**  
*Film explores the history and cultural impacts of Barbados on the Palmetto State*

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – “[Beyond Barbados: The Carolina Connection](#),” a new, one-hour documentary film exploring the history and cultural connections between Barbados and South Carolina, will premiere Thursday, June 20 at 8 p.m. on South Carolina Educational Television (SCETV).

Part of the network’s “Carolina Stories” series, “Beyond Barbados: The Carolina Connection” traces the extensive ties between the colonization of South Carolina and the West Indian island. Written, produced and directed by Sanford Adams, the project was supported by a grant from the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor and features illustrations by James H. Palmer Jr.

In conjunction with Thursday’s broadcast, SCETV and the ETV Endowment are hosting a screening event at 6:30 p.m. at Middleton Place in Charleston. Although it’s already sold out, the event provides a perfect setting to celebrate the strong Barbadian influence in the Lowcountry.

In addition to its June 20 premiere, the documentary is also airing June 22 on ETV World at 3 p.m.; June 23 on SCETV at 7 p.m.; and June 24 on the S.C. Channel at 8 p.m.

The documentary is also being versioned for classroom use and will be available on [Knowitall.org](#) later this month. Further, SCETV has developed one-to-one lesson plans to support the documentary, and those are available now on the network’s [LearningWhy platform](#). SCETV will also host educator workshops throughout the state. The first workshop will take place August 1 at Charles Towne Landing in Charleston, S.C., and additional workshops will take place the week of November 18. These one-day sessions will introduce innovative ways to integrate Barbadian culture into South Carolina classrooms. Stay tuned for more information and details on how to register for these workshops.

For more information on “Beyond Barbados: The Carolina Connection,” visit [www.scetv.org/beyond-barbados](http://www.scetv.org/beyond-barbados).

**QUOTES:**

“Barbados and its impact is so evident in the cultural fabric of South Carolina. That’s why we’re proud to bring this documentary film to the people of our state. With it, we hope to generate an even better understanding of what makes the Palmetto State so unique and special.” –**SCETV President and CEO Anthony Padgett**

“I think most South Carolinians would be surprised to learn of our state’s strong historical and cultural connection to Barbados. It completely shaped the identity and ethos of our own culture, and by exploring this, perhaps we can positively influence our region’s future in a global society.” –**“Beyond Barbados: The Carolina Connection” Director and Producer Sanford Adams**

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*About South Carolina ETV and Public Radio*

*South Carolina ETV is the state's public educational broadcasting network. Using television, radio and diverse digital properties, ETV's mission is to enrich lives by educating children, informing and connecting citizens, celebrating our culture and environment and instilling the joy of learning. ETV currently presents A Chef's Life, Expeditions, Making it Grow, Palmetto Scene, Reel South, This Week in South Carolina, Yoga in Practice and Live from Charleston Music Hall on public television in addition to the national radio production, Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA.*

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