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## 'BURIED HISTORY: FINDING OUR PAST' TAKES VIEWERS ON A JOURNEY ROOTED IN FAMILY HISTORY

*WYES' Newest Documentary From Independent Producer Warren Bell  
Takes Viewers Inside Historic New Orleans Cemetery*

**New Orleans, LA** — A new documentary premiering on WYES takes viewers on a journey with veteran journalist Warren Bell as he discovers unknown parts of his own family history and aspects of New Orleans' unique multicultural history, after taking over a neglected family tomb at the historic St. Louis Cemetery No. 2.

**BURIED HISTORY: FINDING OUR PAST** will premiere on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 10:00 p.m. on WYES-TV and stream on [wyes.org/live](http://wyes.org/live) and the WYES and PBS Apps. The program will repeat on Saturday, February 17 at 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, February 18 at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesday, February 21 at 10:00 p.m.

In the 30-minute documentary, Bell introduces viewers to others who have reconnected to their own family stories at the 200-year old cemetery, rich in history but closed to the public since the COVID-19 pandemic. Viewers learn about important contributions to the city's history and culture made by so many people interred there.

He also talks to experts who showcase resources available to anyone wishing to start their own family research. That often begins with finding out where loved ones are buried or searching hundreds of years' worth of notarial records.

The documentary was written, produced and narrated by Bell, who also photographed most of the cemetery footage and images. The program was directed and edited by David M. Jones.

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For more information on **BURIED HISTORY: FINDING OUR PAST**, visit [wyes.org](http://wyes.org).

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