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SPECIAL MPT PROGRAMMING NOTICE

***The Kalb Report: Goodnight and Good Luck* to premiere on Saturday, February 18 at 7 p.m.**

Host Marvin Kalb joined by Ted Koppel for final episode of decades-long series

What: Maryland Public Television (MPT) will broadcast the series finale of [The Kalb Report](#). In this final episode, Marvin Kalb and fellow legendary journalist Ted Koppel examine the role of the press in our democracy, exploring topics and events from the Cold War to the War on Truth.

These two lions of journalism also reflect on Kalb's life in journalism and his last three decades of *Kalb Report* conversations with network anchors, global correspondents, media moguls, and Supreme Court justices. The episode is punctuated with highlights of past interviews that provide context for Kalb's enlightening and prescient explorations of the symbiotic relationship between democracy and the free press.

Details about the series and its finale are available at thekalbreport.org.

When/Where: *The Kalb Report* series finale will make its broadcast debut on Saturday, February 18 at 7 p.m. on MPT-HD. An encore broadcast will air on Sunday, April 23 at 4 p.m. on MPT-HD. Both broadcasts will also be available to watch on MPT's livestream at mpt.org/livestream.

The one-hour episode is currently available to view on-demand on the [MPT video player](#) and on the [PBS App](#).

Who: Host **Marvin Kalb** will be joined during the program by **Ted Koppel**.

Marvin Kalb is Edward R. Murrow Professor Emeritus at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution. Over his distinguished journalism career, Mr. Kalb served as chief diplomatic correspondent for CBS News and NBC News and moderator of *Meet the Press*. He went on to serve as the founding director of Harvard's Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy.

Ted Koppel is a senior contributor on the *CBS Sunday Morning* show. From 1980-2005, he was anchor and managing editor of ABC News' *Nightline*. Koppel's broadcast career began at ABCNEWS New York in 1963, making him the longest-serving news anchor in U.S. broadcast history. Koppel has won every major broadcasting award, including eight George Foster Peabody Awards, 12 Columbia-DuPont awards and 43 Emmys.

Program Notes:

The series final episode premieres on the heels of the New York Festivals® Television & Film Awards/Radio Awards February 1 announcement that it will honor *The Kalb Report* with its 2023 Lifetime Achievement Award at the annual Storytellers Gala on April 18. *The Kalb Report* previously received the organization's Gold World Medal in 2018, 2015, and in 2012, when it was also presented with the overall Grand Award.

Through conversations with leaders who shape media, public policy and culture in America, the distinguished journalist Marvin Kalb explores the vital role of the press in our democracy and the transformation of journalism in the 21st century. Previous guests on *The Kalb Report* have included U.S. Supreme Court Justices Antonin Scalia and Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, Rupert Murdoch, Diane Sawyer, Katie Couric, Christiane Amanpour, Walter Cronkite, Hillary Clinton, Roger Ailes, Bob Costas, Ken Burns, Judy Woodruff, Gwen Ifill, Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel, Cokie Roberts, and Apollo 11 astronaut Michael Collins.

MPT has served as presenting station for this production since 2019. It is distributed nationally by American Public Television and seen on public TV stations across the country.

The Kalb Report is jointly produced by the National Press Club Journalism Institute, the George Washington University (GWU), The Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics, and Public Policy at Harvard University, University of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC), the Philip Merrill College of Journalism at the University of Maryland, and the Gaylord College of Journalism at the University of Oklahoma. It is underwritten by a grant from the Ethics and Excellence in Journalism Foundation.

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