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Science on the Air

Science News prints the latest written word of scientific development and noteworthy news. We've set this space aside to inform our readers of programs of scientific interest that are scheduled on television and radio. Check your local listings for exact times. (R) indicates a repeat broadcast.

- Aug. 30 (CBS) "The Body Human: The Journey Within" Exploring the hidden powers in human beings.
- Sept. 1 (PBS) Wild America — "Living with Wildlife" (R) Preserving wildlife.
- Sept. 5 (PBS) Survival Specials — "Killers of the Plains" (R) Big game animals and their prey.
- Sept. 6 (PBS) Lifeline — "Dr. Joan Hodgman" Treating premature infants.
- Sept. 6 (PBS) Matters of Life and Death — "DES — The Time Bomb Drug" The history, marketing and medical consequences of this drug.

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- Sept. 6 (PBS) NOVA — "Notes of a Biology Watcher: A Film with Lewis Thomas" (R) This renowned essayist explores the wonders of life.
- Sept. 8 (PBS) Wild America — "Wild Babies" Learning life-saving skills in the wilderness.
- Sept. 12 (PBS) Survival Specials — "Secrets of the African Baobab" (R) Africa's great baobab in Kenya.
- Sept. 13 (PBS) Lifeline — "Dr. J. Alex Haller, Jr." Pediatric surgery.
- Sept. 15 (PBS) "The Whales that Wouldn't Die" (R) Pacific gray whales.
- Sept. 19 (PBS) Survival Specials — "Orangutans: Orphans of the Wild" (R) Efforts to save the species from the encroachment of man in Sumatra.
- Sept. 20 (PBS) Lifeline — "Dr. Roger Freeman" Modern-day obstetrics.
- Sept. 20 (PBS) NOVA — "Asbestos: A Lethal Legacy" (R) The consequences of asbestos use and who is responsible.
- Sept. 21 (PBS) "Hazardous Waste: A Search for Solutions" Tactics used to fight toxic chemical dumps.
- Sept. 22 (PBS) "The Zookeepers" (R) The relationship between keeper and animal at Lincoln Park Zoo, Chicago.
- Sept. 27 (PBS) Lifeline — "Dr. Daniel Smith" Natural childbirth and delivering twins.
- Sept. 27 (PBS) NOVA — "Life: Patent Pending" How scientists create new forms of life, and the impact of the gene bonanza.

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