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## ***All Things Connecticut* Returns to CPTV in January with 10 New Episodes and a Brand-New Host!**

**Season 6 Premieres Thursdays at 8 p.m. Beginning January 8  
(Encore Broadcasts Air Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and Sundays at 12:30 p.m.)**

HARTFORD, Conn. (December 30, 2014) – Connecticut Public Television (CPTV) invites viewers to meet David Bibbey. He’s British, and he’s moved “across the pond” with his family to make Connecticut his home...and *All Things Connecticut* a little zanier! From the back of a London taxi to the sidecar of an American motorcycle (accompanied by a dog, Harley), David leaps at unusual opportunities to explore the unexplored in Connecticut, on the new season of the CPTV Original series designed to bring viewers a new appreciation for the people and places that make the state they call home so unique. The new season featuring David premieres on CPTV on Thursdays at 8 p.m. beginning January 8, with encore broadcasts scheduled for Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

Traveling by plane, helicopter, boat, kayak, even tandem bicycle, David seeks out *All Things Connecticut* and takes viewers along for the ride. His carefree, often eccentric personality makes people laugh.

“I enjoy people’s stories, and I like watching the pleasure in their faces – reigniting that connection. People who you wouldn’t expect are having fun!” Bibbey said.

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“David has a natural curiosity and adventurous spirit,” said Jennifer Boyd, CPTV Executive Producer of *All Things Connecticut*. “He truly enjoys exploring his new home state and sharing his experiences with those around him. As an outsider discovering 'All Things Connecticut' for the first time, David brings to viewers a fresh and delightful perspective through his quirky and energetic personality. ”

Funding for Season 6 of *All Things Connecticut* is made possible by our Founding Sponsor People’s United Bank.

“We have proudly called Connecticut ‘home’ for more than 170 years,” said Jack Barnes, President and CEO of People's United Bank, “so our longstanding commitment to *All Things Connecticut* has been a perfect fit for us. Like many of our friends and neighbors, we have also enjoyed the discoveries that this wonderful program provides to viewers about our great state.”

As David ventures out to discover the surroundings of his new land, he provides a fresh perspective on *All Things Connecticut*.

“How often do you find yourself driving by the same place day after day and not taking the time to explore what’s inside, the history behind it or the great people and characters you find along the way?” he asked.

Well, David is prepared to help. Just give him a pair of water skis in the middle of the winter, and he’ll discover places that probably shouldn’t be discovered in the middle of winter. The crazier, the better!

Of course, *All Things Connecticut* will continue to bring viewers art, culture and lifestyle stories too. Ed Wierzbicki continues his Emmy Award-winning “Spotlight on the Arts” stories; Christina DeFranco returns with a series on “Makers” — companies, both large and small, creating products in Connecticut; and David begins a new segment called “Breaking Bread.” In each story, David celebrates ethnic and cultural uniqueness through food. From Latin to Indian, audiences will be treated to the mouthwatering diversity of Connecticut’s local food scene.

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### Upcoming Episode Highlights Include:

\* January 8 - Episode 1, “Up the River” — In the Season 6 premiere, David explores the Connecticut River. With the help of River Quest, located in Haddam, he takes a ride on a riverboat in Essex and learns about the wildlife and habitat of the Connecticut River. Plus, he explores Gillette Castle in East Haddam and visits the Udupi Bhavan restaurant in Middletown. Other featured towns and locations include Wesleyan University in Middletown and Tucci Lumber in Norwalk.

\* January 15 - Episode 2, “Biking Through Connecticut” — David takes a bike tour through Hartford with Hartford Mayor Pedro Segarra and members of West End Blend. Plus, get to know other interesting Connecticut places and people, including Javier Colon, a Connecticut resident and winner of NBC's *The Voice*. Other featured towns and locations include Severance Foods in East Hartford and Hartford Prints in Hartford.

\* January 22 - Episode 3, “Up, Up and Away...Flying Over Connecticut” — David meets his dentist in Southbury, and takes a plane ride with his dentist from the Waterbury-Oxford Airport. He visits Los Portales in Norwalk and hangs out with musician Kristen Graves from Fairfield. Viewers also visit Pratt & Whitney in East Hartford and learn about the jet engine destined to revolutionize air travel, and they also experience the dance artistry of Pilobolus Dance in Washington, Connecticut.

\* January 29 - Episode 4, “Hiking Through Connecticut” — David hikes through Litchfield and goes to eat at Cast Iron Soul in Hamden. Other featured towns and locations include Long Wharf Theatre in New Haven, Curtis Packaging in Sandy Hook and the Shore Line Trolley Museum in East Haven.

For more information on upcoming episodes, visit [Allthingsct.org](http://Allthingsct.org).

**About Connecticut Public Television**

CPTV is a media service of the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network (CPBN). It is a locally and nationally recognized producer and presenter of quality public television programming, including original documentaries, public affairs shows, and educational programming. CPTV has built a reputation as a leader in children's programming, including playing an historic role in bringing *Barney & Friends*<sup>™</sup>, *Bob the Builder*<sup>™</sup>, and *Thomas & Friends*<sup>™</sup> to public television. The station offers 11.5 hours of positive, nurturing children's programs each weekday, reaching 450,000 households each week. The Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network also includes WNPR, an affiliate of National Public Radio, Public Radio International and American Public Media. WNPR serves 276,000 listeners weekly in Connecticut, New York, and Rhode Island with news and information. Its award-winning local programming includes *The Faith Middleton Show*, *The Colin McEnroe Show*, and *Where We Live*. CPBN also includes two affiliate channels: CPTV4U, a 24/7 television channel featuring award-winning drama, news and talk programming, concert performances, independent films, nature shows, British comedy and more; and CPTV Sports, Connecticut's only 24-hour local sports network, covering statewide high school, college, semi-professional, and professional sports. CPBN also houses the Learning Lab, home to the Journalism & Media Academy Magnet School satellite campus and the Institute for Advanced Media, which includes the Veterans Vocational Training Program. For more information, visit [cptv.org](http://cptv.org).

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