

# THE WAR

A KEN BURNS FILM

*"In extraordinary times, there are no ordinary lives."*



## An exploration of World War II told through the experience of the Americans who lived it

**THE WAR**, a seven-part series directed and produced by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick, tells the story of the Second World War through the personal accounts of nearly 50 men and women from four quintessentially American towns.

**THE WAR** intertwines vivid eyewitness accounts of the harrowing realities of life on the front lines with reminiscences of Americans who never left their home towns, and who tried their best to carry on with the business of daily life while their fathers and brothers and sons were overseas. The film portrays this enormous worldwide catastrophe on an intimate, human scale, honoring and celebrating the bravery, endurance and sacrifice of the generation of Americans who lived through what will always be known simply as The War.

Narrated by Keith David, **THE WAR** features first-person voices read by some of America's greatest actors, including Tom Hanks, Josh Lucas, Bobby Canavale, Samuel L. Jackson, Eli Wallach, Robert Wahlberg, Carolyn McCormack, Adam Arkin and Kevin Conway.

## Share Your WWII Story

Ken Burns's **THE WAR** explores the history and horror of WWII from an American perspective. The film focuses on a handful of men and women from four American towns, but could have aimed cameras at any town in America for deeply personal stories about WWII. WQED is collecting stories from our community about the war. You can search these local stories as well as similar ones from across the country. To share your story online, visit:

<http://www.wqed.org/tv/thewar.shtml>

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