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Local Focus offers weekly features on interesting people, places and events

KENT, Ohio — Nov. 3, 2006 — PBS 45 & 49 presents a new way to learn about interesting people, places and events in northeast Ohio. **Local Focus** is a video-on-demand service that is found on the station's Web site, pbs4549.org. It offers a new short video segment at 9 a.m. on every Monday through the end of December.

Amanda Sackett, production assistant at PBS 45 & 49, is responsible for producing, shooting and editing the Web series. "These clips are intended to pique viewers' interests about unique local topics," she said. "My hope is that after people watch it, they'll be motivated to learn more about each feature." Sackett uses a nonnarrative style to enable the people in each video to tell the story.

Topics that have been featured in the weekly series are Countryside Farmers' Market in Akron, the Canfield Fair, Cuyahoga Valley Art Center in Cuyahoga Falls and two local wineries. Upcoming subjects will include Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad and Cuyahoga Valley National Park. All segments are available for viewing on demand.

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