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**PBS Wisconsin Celebrates Life and Career of Legendary UW-Madison Band Director Mike Leckrone in New Documentary Nov. 26**

One of a kind. A legend. Wisconsin’s Showman.

For 50 years, Professor Michael Leckrone led the University of Wisconsin-Madison bands, providing the energy and school spirit for major sporting events, cultivating the lasting traditions of the annual Spring Varsity Band Concerts and inspiring generations of students who marched and performed under his direction.

**PBS Wisconsin will premiere the all-new biographical film, Mike Leckrone: Wisconsin’s Showman 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26. The program will also be available to stream live at pbswisconsin.org and will be available for on-demand viewing shortly after broadcast.**

**Mike Leckrone: Wisconsin’s Showman** takes us inside the life and work of the legendary band director, with interviews and reflections from Leckrone, band members and alumni, family, friends, fans and more.

From his arrival on Wisconsin’s Big Ten campus through the inception of the Fifth Quarter and onto his final curtain call at the Kohl Center, this new documentary reveals the passion behind a talented composer, educator, mentor and entertainer.

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