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Samantha Brown's Places to Love Route 66 Episodes Designated an Official Route 66 Centennial Project

Edited By **TODD MARVER**
Enquirer-Democrat Reporter

Six episodes of the award-win-
ning PBS travel series Samantha
Brown's Places to Love featuring
America's iconic Route 66 have
been officially designated an Of-
ficial Route 66 Centennial Proj-
ect, recognizing the series' role in
celebrating the historic highway
as it approaches its 100th anni-
versary in 2026.

Hosted by two-time Emmy
Award-winning travel expert Sa-
mantha Brown, the episodes take
viewers on a journey along the
full length of Route 66, highlight-
ing the people, communities, and
hidden gems that give the legen-
dary highway its enduring spirit.
For nearly 26 years, Samantha
has built a loyal audience by shar-
ing authentic travel experiences
and connecting viewers with the
stories behind the destinations.

Samantha has described trav-
eling the entirety of Route 66 as
one of the most meaningful expe-
riences of her career. "To take a
trip so unique is to feel the beat-
ing heart of the United States per-
sonally," she has said, reflecting
on the journey that inspired the
episodes.

With more than two decades
hosting travel programming, Sa-
mantha has logged over 2.5 mil-
lion miles, explored cities across
65 countries, and filmed more
than 250 travel episodes. Now in
its ninth season, her show con-

tinues to connect viewers with
the heart and soul of destinations
around the world.

Bill Thomas, Chair of the Route
66 Road Ahead Partnership and
Commissioner for the Route 66
Centennial Commission, wel-
comed the designation.

"Samantha Brown's Places
to Love beautifully captures the
spirit of Route 66 and the peo-
ple who keep its stories alive,"
Bill said. "These episodes help
inspire travelers to experience

the Mother Road for themselves
while celebrating the communi-
ties and culture that make it so
special."

The designation recognizes the
series' impact in bringing glob-
al attention to Route 66 and en-
couraging travelers to explore the
highway's historic towns, road-
side attractions, and vibrant local
cultures.

You can watch the Route 66
episodes here: <https://samantha-brown.com/route66/>.

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- Must be at least 18 years old.
- Must have strong teamwork skills and the ability to work well with others.
- Must possess a strong work ethic and the ability to multi-task.
- Must have a valid driver's license.
- Must possess the physical dexterity to operate hand tools and motor vehicles.
- Must be mechanically inclined and skilled.

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- Must be mechanically inclined and skilled.
- A background in Food Services and/or willingness to learn is required.
- Must be Willing to Crossover to our Food Services Team as Needed.
- Must possess or be willing to obtain a Food Manager Certification.

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The Cook will serve under the Food Services Manager by helping prepare meals and supervise staff. Duties will include prepping meals by measuring and mixing ingredients, cooking meals, checking ingredients for freshness, and ensuring that the kitchen and equipment are properly cleaned and maintained. To be successful in this job, you will need thorough experience with hot and cold food preparation and work well under pressure and within the time limits. The ideal candidate will have prior experience in a related position and have a strong desire to work with our Food Service Manager to lead and inspire our dining room staff. Hours vary based on when meals need to be served and usually include nights and weekends. The ideal candidate will have good working knowledge of accepted sanitation standards and health codes, the ability to use slicers, mixers, grinders, and food processors. Must possess or be willing to obtain a Food Safety Manager Certification.

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SUDOKU

		7			6			2
						1		4
3		2	1	9				
				6				8
9						7		
	6		8		5			
	3		6		9			
2		5		4				
	1			3				7

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

5	7	4	8	3	2	6	1	9
3	9	6	1	4	7	5	8	2
1	2	8	6	5	9	4	3	7
9	1	2	5	7	8	3	6	4
9	5	7	3	1	4	8	2	6
8	4	3	2	6	9	1	7	5
7	8	6	4	9	1	2	5	3
4	3	1	7	2	5	6	9	8
2	9	5	6	8	3	7	4	1

LOTS OF LAUGHS WORD SEARCH

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

AMUSING	IRONY	SATIRE
BANTER	JESTING	SLAPSTICK
CHUCKLE	JOCULAR	SNICKER
COMEDY	LEVITY	TEDIUM
FACETIOUS	MERRIMENT	TICKLE
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