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Behind the Scenes of History. A magical mystery tour with Kennerly through some of the major events of the last 55 years as seen through his eyes and camera. From the night Robert Kennedy was shot, to the battlefields of Vietnam, Watergate, the resignation of Nixon and the swearing-in of President Ford. It also includes; intimate images with Ford as he ended the Vietnam War; Egyptian President Sadat's historic trip to Israel; the horrors of Jonestown; inside Reagan and Gorbachev's Fireside Summit in Geneva; in the room with George W. Bush as the 2000 election ended in a tie; riding with President and Mrs. Obama's in an elevator on Inaugural night, and Trump the night he won the presidential election. Kennerly was there for all of that and more, and he will take you along for the photographic ride of your life.

Presidential Imagery from George Washington to Donald Trump: When we think of George Washington the image that comes to mind is his face as depicted on the one dollar bill, but we don't know what he really looked like because all of the pictures of him are artist's impressions. John Quincy Adams, our 6th president, was the first to be photographed in 1843 after he left office. Abraham Lincoln was the first American politician to really understand the power of an image. John F. Kennedy used his family and youthful good looks to photographic advantage and to win the election. LBJ had the first civilian photographer documenting his presidency, and so it went with all the presidents after. David Kennerly was the third civilian to be the personal photographer to the president, and he will illustrate the importance that image and photography have played in shaping our understanding of US Presidents, including his own experiences and pictures with ten of them, from LBJ to Trump.