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In an effort to share with the public his lifelong interest and enthusiasm for physics, Professor Sprott has presented "The Wonders of Physics" since 1984.

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PROGRAM

Prologue (Peter Weix, Clint Sprott)

Hydrogen (Emily Ehlerding):
- Hydrogen Rocket*
- Electrolysis

Helium (Shimon Kolkowitz):
- Breathing Helium and SF_6
- Exploding Balloons*
- Cloud Chamber

Carbon (Akire Trestrail/Emily Ehlerding):
- Fire Tornado
- CO_2 Trough
- Graphite Diamagnetism

Nitrogen (Michael Winokur):
- Pure O_2 Atmosphere
- Ping Pong Bazooka*
- Radioactive Decay
- Brownian Motion
- Liquid Nitrogen Cannon*

Silicon (Kimberly Palladino):
- Chladni Plate
- Floating Picture
- Lenses & Fiber Optics
- IR Camera
- Solar Panel

Copper (Terry Craney):
- Induction Coil and Magnet
- Flash Bulb*
- Heat Conduction
- Copper Tube Race
- Eddy Currents in Copper Plates
- Can Launcher*

Iron (Mike Randall):
- Hoberman Sphere
- Iron in Cereal

Epilogue (Entire Cast):
- Elemental Spectra
- Liquid Nitrogen Cloud

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