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ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

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COMPLIED BY John Ramsey, General Manager

THE FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF SOME OF THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES RESPONDED TO BY WWUH, WEST HARTFORD, CT ALONG WITH SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMMING TREATMENT OF THOSE ISSUES FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL THROUGH JUNE, 2022. THE LISTING IS BY NO MEANS EXHAUSTIVE. THE ORDER IN WHICH THE ISSUES APPEAR DOES NOT REFLECT ANY PRIORITY OR SIGNIFICANCE. ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN TIME.

WWUH Q2 2022

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 15, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Saudi Arabia

Guest(s): David Rundell, the former chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Saudi Arabia and author of the new book "Vision or Mirage: Saudi Arabia at the Crossroads."

Description: Discussion of Saudi Arabia and it's relation to the US.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 22, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Drama, acting, entertainment

Guest(s): Mariah Sage Seymour, author of the new book "Start Standing: Audition Technique for Actors and Presenters."

Description: Discussion of drama, acting and the entertainment business.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 29, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music

Guest(s): Music icon George Winston on the release of his new album "Night" from RCA Records.

Description: Interview with George Winston.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 22, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon **Dur:**
30m

Issue(s): Comedy, the entertainment industry, media.

Guest(s): Comedian Tara Cannistraci

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall has the pleasure to interview Tara Cannistraci, the comedian who has used her Italian-American Bronx upbringing as the foundation of her stand-up career.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 29, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Acting, the entertainment industry.

Guest(s): Actor Joey Ambrosini

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews 20-year-old actor Joey Ambrosini, who is starting to make a name for himself in the independent film world.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 6, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Writing

Guest(s): John LeMay, author of the new book "Cowboys & Monsters: Vampires, Mummies, and Werewolves of the Wild West,"

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews John LeMay, author of the new book "Cowboys & Monsters: Vampires, Mummies, and Werewolves of the Wild West."

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 13, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music

Guest(s): Acclaimed singer-songwriter-
author Dar Williams

Description: Interview with Dar Williams.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 20, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): The entertainment industry

Guest(s): Michael Oliver, a Hollywood-based tarot card reader and mystic

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall discusses tarot cards and astrology with Michael Oliver, a Hollywood-based tarot card reader and mystic who stars on YouTube channel Bunny Tarot.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 5, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Cinema, art

Guest(s): Award-winning indie filmmaker
Michael Mongillo

Description: Phil Hall interviews Michael
Mongillo.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 12, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Cinema

Guest(s): Various

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall takes a look at the tumultuous story behind the making of John Huston's 1961 film "The Misfits" starring Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable and Montgomery Clift.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 19, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music, art, the entertainment industry.

Guest(s): Singer/songwriter Stephanie Urbina Jones

Description: On this week's episode, Phil Hall interviews singer/songwriter Stephanie Urbina Jones, who brings a unique fusion of country and mariachi music to the Grand Ole Opry stage and concert venues around the world.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 24, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Acting, TV, Media

Guest(s): Dierdre Friel, the versatile actress who plays Greta on Apple TV+'s comedy "Physical."

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews Dierdre Friel, the versatile actress who plays Greta on Apple TV+'s comedy "Physical." Ms. Friel discusses her career.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: April 12, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Crime, media

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: A longtime reporter, at Philadelphia's WPVI-TV since the 1960s, remembered spending shifts in his early days just listening to a police scanner, waiting for a crime to happen. The station's decision to adopt a then-novel "Action News" format dictated that hyper-focus on crime. But, as detailed in a new report from the Philadelphia Inquirer, it also dictated that the scanner being monitored was in Kensington, a multi-racial, working-class neighborhood struggling with poverty and its attendant ills—and not someplace else.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: April 19, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Media, journalism.

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: News media coverage of taxes falls broadly into two camps: There are, especially in April, lots of “news you can use”-type stories—like NBC’s Today show on April 14 warning viewers to be mindful of typos and not be lazy about filing for extensions, or NBC Nightly News on April 18, noting that if you filed by mail, you might wait five to eight months for your return, due to backlogs at the IRS. Taxes as an “oh well, what are you gonna do” thing that all of us have to deal with.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: April 26, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Hyper-Policing

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: There are reasons that so much news media is consumed with crime. Not just any crime, not wage theft, not lethal pollution—but street crime, random, individual crime. “If it bleeds, it leads” journalism draws eyes to the set, doesn’t bother advertisers, is cheap to produce and lets news outlets look as though they’re tracking an important event in real time, and pretend as though they’re protecting real people...as they forcibly distract from actual humane efforts to respond to the ongoing crises—homelessness, poverty, addiction—that lead to crime, but are

less cheap and easy to cover than cops and robbers. It's a story old as journalism, but it's still messed up. We'll talk about that with activist and writer Josmar Trujillo, working now with Copwatch Media, a community-based project that reports on the effects of hyper-policing on communities.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: May 10, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Racism, education, media

Guest(s): Various

Description:

This week on CounterSpin: Listeners are aware of the no-less-destructive-for-being-baseless assault on critical race theory. Just like with affirmative action (where conservatives said, “steps toward racial equity really means unfair quotas”), media took this charge, “steps toward racial equity really means telling white children to hate themselves,” and made it into “something some folks are saying”—while, of course, out of fairness they’ll acknowledge, “others disagree.” (Media themselves, they suggest,

occupy the intellectually and morally superior center.) A new website engages the attack more productively, by using critical race theory as a prism to explore the current range of threats to multi-racial democracy and our ability to fight for it. The site's called The Forum; we'll talk with editor-in-chief Chris Lehmann.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: May 17, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Primary, law, abortion

Guest(s): Julie Hollar and Tesnim Zekeria

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Corporate news media want you to be alarmed about an “extraordinary breach” of privacy. It’s the privacy of the institution of the Supreme Court which, one CBS expert told viewers, had been dealt a “body blow” by the leak of a ruling overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade decision allowing the right to terminate a pregnancy to remain between the pregnant person and their doctor. And corporate media are in high dudgeon about protecting people from invasions of their right to privacy—but again, only if by that you mean protecting Supreme Court justices and

their “right” to never be confronted by people who disagree with the life-altering decisions they make.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: May 24, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Gun violence

Guest(s): Matt Gertz, Eric K. Ward

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Ten human beings were killed and three wounded in Buffalo, New York. By the killer's own admission, he sought to kill Black people because they are Black, and he is a white supremacist who believes there's a plot to "replace" white people with Black and brown people, a plot run by the Jews. If you're news media, you could go all in on media outlets and pundits and political figures whose repeated invocations to this white replacement theory are the obvious spurs for this horrendous crime. Or you could be the Washington Post, and tweet that Joe Biden

“ran for president pledging to ‘restore the soul of America.’ A racist massacre raises questions about that promise.”

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Program: Counterspin

Date: May 29, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Gun violence, gun control

Guest(s): Igor Volsky and Pat Elder

Description: This week on CounterSpin: CBS News' website featured a story about the "grim task" of planning funerals for 19 children—shot dead, along with two teachers, in a Texas elementary school on May 24—right next to a story about Oklahoma's governor signing the country's strictest abortion ban, the prominent sign behind him declaring "life is a human right." Welcome, as they say, to America—where these ideas are presented as somehow of a piece, where news media tell us day after day how exceptionally good and worthy we are, the

world's policeman and a global beacon for human rights and the good life.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: June 7, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Supreme Court

Guest(s): Liliana Segura, Barry Lee Jones, David Martinez Ramirez

Description: This week on CounterSpin: AP's May 23 headline told readers: "Supreme Court Rules Against Inmates in Right to Counsel Case." Those who got past the idea of being interested in "inmates" were favored with a lead that explained that "the Supreme Court ruled along ideological lines Monday against two Arizona death row inmates who had argued that their lawyers did a poor job representing them in state court." For which many readers might be excused for saying, essentially, "Boo hoo, people courts have said are guilty are upset with that fact, next story

please.” Had AP headlined its story, “Supreme Court Rules Evidence of Innocence Is Not Enough to Avoid Execution by the State,” perhaps more readers might’ve read past the big letters.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: June 14, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Covid, Vaccine Equity, insurance

Guest(s): Lori Wallach, Steffie Woolhandler

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Some of the worst work that corporate news media do is convince us that simple things are actually, if you just ignore the role of power, more complicated than you could hope to understand. So, yes, Covid is killing millions of people, and yes, there are tests and treatments and vaccines for it, and yes, many countries in need of them—but no, we can't put those things together, for reasons that you shouldn't worry your head over. There are in fact people and policies, with names, preventing developing countries from accessing life-saving vaccines.... A story being ugly doesn't mean it isn't understandable. We talk about it with Lori Wallach, executive director of the group Rethink Trade.

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Program: Counterspin

Date: June 21, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Asian American issues

Guest(s): Helen Zia, Alec Karakatsanis

Description: This week on CounterSpin: The New York Times didn't address the brutal 1982 murder of Chinese-American Vincent Chin until 1983, in response to ongoing protest centered in Detroit's Asian-American community, about the killing and the lack of justice—at which point the paper ran a story with a lead claiming that when “two men were quickly charged and prosecuted...the incident faded from many memories.” One, the process was hardly that tidy. And two, whose memories, exactly?

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Program: Counterspin

Date: June 28, 2022 **Time:** 12:30 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): the Presidency, Saudi Arabia

Guest(s): Raed Jarrar, Lindsay Koshgarian

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Elite news media are saying that Biden has to go to Saudi Arabia in July despite his pledges to make the country a "pariah" for abuses including the grisly murder of a Washington Post contributor, because...stability? Shaking hands with Mohammed bin Salman makes sense, even in the context of denying Cuba and Venezuela participation in the Americas Summit out of purported concerns about their human rights records, because...gas prices? It's hard to parse corporate media coverage of Biden's Saudi visit, because that coverage obscures rather than illuminates what's going on behind the euphemism "US interests." We talk about the upcoming trip with Raed Jarrar,

advocacy director at DAWN—Democracy for the Arab World Now.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Alternative Radio

Date: April 25, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Hidden History of U.S., Ukraine, Russia Relations

Guest(s): Ray McGovern is a former Central Intelligence Agency officer.

Description: The February 24th Russian invasion of Ukraine has rattled the world and has unleashed misery, death and destruction. What prompted Moscow's attack? From their perspective, the expansion of NATO, a U.S.-led military alliance, up to Russia's borders threatens their national security interests. It went against assurances given by Washington that that would not happen. Years ago, George Kennan, the much venerated State Department diplomat warned against NATO expansion. With great foresight he said, it "would be the most fateful error of American policy in the entire post-cold-war era.

Such a decision may be expected to inflame the nationalistic, anti-Western and militaristic tendencies in Russian opinion; to have an adverse effect on the development of Russian democracy; to restore the atmosphere of the cold war to East-West relations, and to impel Russian foreign policy in directions decidedly not to our liking.”

Speaker: Ray McGovern was a CIA analyst from 1963 to 1990. In the 1980s he chaired National Intelligence Estimates and prepared The President’s Daily Brief. Today, he is active in the peace and justice movement and works for Tell the Word, a ministry of the inner-city Washington D.C. Church of the Saviour.

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Program: Alternative Radio

Date: May 2, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Work, employment, the economy

Guest(s): Sarita Gupta, vice president of the Ford Foundation

Description: The future of work is unclear. There will be jobs. But what kind? The pandemic drove many to work remotely at home. As the crisis ebbs some will discover that's the future. Crucial long-term factors affecting workers will be more and more AI, artificial intelligence, and automation. Corporations will be looking to expand in those areas to maximize profits. This is all happening while worker militancy has enjoyed a resurgence. Workers are challenging some of the biggest corporations. There's been a marked uptick in unionization, organizing, and strikes at such behemoths as Amazon, Starbucks and Apple. Workers, who have seen wages stagnant for

decades because of neoliberal economics are demanding higher pay and better benefits. In this changing landscape what will be the future of work?

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Program: Alternative Radio

Date: May 9, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Roe v. Wade & the Supreme Court

Guest(s): Jennifer Hendricks, Professor of Law and Co-Director of the Juvenile and Family Law Program at the University of Colorado. She is the author of the essay "Abortion Rights in the Supreme Court: A Tale of Three Wedges."

Description: Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 Supreme Court decision which established a constitutional right to abortion is under attack. The Supreme Court with its super-conservative majority is poised to overturn Roe. According to an editorial in *Against the Current*: "Poll after poll reveals that the right to abortion care actually has more popular support today than when Roe v. Wade was decided. If that right can be mutilated now, precedent and public opinion be damned, then no rights are secure from reactionary assault."

For right-wing sharks getting rid of Roe is blood in the water." The New York Times estimates more than 20 states "are expected to ban or substantially restrict abortion if the Supreme Court permits it." However, some states like Colorado are going in the opposite direction, passing legislation legalizing the right to an abortion.

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Program: Alternative Radio

Date: May 16, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Facism

Guest(s): Arundhati Roy, a world-renowned writer and global justice activist.

Description: Fascism in India? It's a secular republic, according to its constitution but the country under its prime minister Narendra Modi and his Bharatiya Janata Party, the BJP, has drifted sharply to the religious right. The BJP ideology is Hindutva, Hindu nationalism. Its mother ship and muscle is the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, the RSS. It's a Hindu nationalist paramilitary organization, inspired by Mussolini and Hitler, and has millions of members. Not much is known about what's actually going on in India beyond cliches such as the world's largest democracy, yoga and ashrams, tandoori chicken and spicy samosas. The reality is in stark contrast with the carefully crafted

exported image. The BJP/RSS axis has demonized and targeted India's large Muslim minority. There have been pogroms and lynchings. People are pushing back and resisting

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Alternative Radio

Date: May 22, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Gun Violence

Guest(s): Frank Smyth is an independent journalist who has covered the NRA for many years.

Description: Gun violence exacts an enormous toll on U.S. society-claiming tens of thousands of lives every year. Many more thousands are wounded and scarred physically and psychologically. From malls to schools from places of worship to concerts there is no safe space. Weapons of war are easily obtainable. We have the spectacle of armed militias in combat gear roaming statehouses, threatening the lives of government officials and invading the national Capitol itself on January 6. The main lobby for guns is the National Rifle Association, the NRA. It resists common-sense reforms. No matter the tragic occasion, the

NRA recites its slogan, "Guns don't kill people, people kill people." The NRA denounces calls for reasonable gun control as attacks on freedom and liberty. The organization's actual history is hidden not only from the general public but even from its own members.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Alternative Radio

Date: May 29, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): The future of the planet

Guest(s): David Korten, philosopher and visionary.

Description: Our planet and humankind are in danger. The warnings coming from UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres could not be more unambiguous. He says we are heading “towards an unlivable world. We are on a fast track to climate disaster. Major cities under water. Unprecedented heatwaves. Terrifying storms. Widespread water shortages. The extinction of a million species of plants and animals. This is not fiction or exaggeration,” he continues. “It is what science tells us will result from our current energy policies. We are on a pathway to global warming of more than double the 1.5-degree limit agreed in Paris. If you care about justice, and our children’s future, I

am appealing directly to you. Climate promises and plans must be turned into reality and action, now. It is time to stop burning our planet, and start investing in the abundant renewable energy all around us.”

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Program: Alternative Radio

Date: June 6, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Politics, dissent.

Guest(s): Noam Chomski

Description: In his "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" Dr. King memorably said, "We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." Our present precarious circumstances make Dr. King's words abundantly clear. We face war, climate chaos, a pandemic, inequality, hunger and poverty. The perils confronting humankind are unprecedented. And always looming in the background are doomsday weapons that can destroy our precious planet. "The threats are accumulating," Noam Chomsky says, "We are approaching the most dangerous point in human history. We are now

facing the prospect of the destruction of organized human life on Earth.”

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Alternative Radio

Date: June 13, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Imperialism

Guest(s): Michael Parenti is a leading independent political analyst and scholar.

Description: Imperialism is a term not applied by the mainstream media and traditional academics to anything the U.S. does. However, it is liberally applied to contemporary enemies or hoary empires of the past. Michael Parenti defines imperialism "as the process whereby the rulers of one country use economic and military power to expropriate the land, labor, markets and natural resources of another country in order to attain ever greater capital accumulation on behalf of wealthy interests at home and abroad."

Washington is always looking for euphemisms to cloak its real intentions thus "rules-based international order" is gaining currency. U.S.

interventions are presented as promoting noble causes such as human rights, opposing tyranny and bringing democracy to others, and on and on.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Alternative Radio

Date: June 20, 2022 **Time:** 12 noon

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Ukraine

Guest(s): John Mearsheimer, author

Description: The Russian invasion of Ukraine has triggered the most dangerous international conflict in decades with ominous implications. It has already resulted in much death, destruction and displacement in Ukraine. A disruption in food supplies may lead to famine in West Asia, Latin America and Africa. And there is a possibility of the war escalating into something unthinkable.

Understanding the root causes of the crisis is essential if we are to prevent it from getting worse and to find a way to bring it to a close. What role have the U.S. and NATO played historically and currently in Ukraine? What might a peace settlement look like?

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PROGRAM: Gay Sprit

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 8:30pm **DATE(s):** Thursdays

ISSUES: Various

HOST: Keith Brown

DESCRIPTION: Locally produced, 30 minute, public affairs program on various LGBTQ topics aired weekly during Q2.

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PROGRAM: This Way Out

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 8:00 pm **DATE(s):** Thursdays

ISSUES: Various

DESCRIPTION: National 30 minute, public affairs program on various LGBTQ topics aired weekly during Q2.

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PROGRAM: Got Science

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 4:30pm **DATE(s):** Sundays

ISSUES: Various

DESCRIPTION: National 30 minute, public affairs program on various science topics produced by the Union of Concerned Scientists aired weekly during Q2.

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PROGRAM: Armchair Tours of West Hartford

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 12:50 pm **DATE(s):** Wednesdays

ISSUES: Various

DESCRIPTION: Locally produced approx 10 minute, public affairs program on the history of West Hartford produced by the West Hartford Historical Society and aired weekly during Q2.

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PROGRAM: UHart to Hartford

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 12:30 pm **DATE(s):** Wednesdays

ISSUES: Various

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PROGRAM: Exploration

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 8 pm **DATE(s):** Tuesdays

DUR: 60 min

ISSUES: Various

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PROGRAM: Radio Ecoshock

DURATION: 30 Min

TIME: 8 pm **DATE(s):** Mondays

DUR: 60 min

ISSUES: Various environmental topics.