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ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

3rd Quarter-2023

(July 1 through September 30, 2023)

COMPLIED BY John Ramsey, General Manager

THE FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF SOME OF THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES RESPONDED TO BY WAPJ, TORRINGTON, CT ALONG WITH SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMMING TREATMENT OF THOSE ISSUES FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2023. 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.

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Q3, 2023

TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 2, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Saurav Sarkar

ISSUE(S): Labor

DESCRIPTION:

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: Sept. 24, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): James L. Neibaur, author

ISSUE(S): History, media, cinema

DESCRIPTION: Episode 307: The B-Movies of John Wayne. In this episode, Phil Hall explores a rarely considered aspect of John Wayne's big-screen career with James L. Neibaur, author of the new book "The John Wayne B-Westerns 1932-1939," published by BearManor.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: Sept. 17, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Philip Elliott Hopkins, founder of the new home entertainment label Film Masters

ISSUE(S): Media, cinema, business

DESCRIPTION: Episode 306: A New Look at Vintage Films. In this episode, Phil Hall interviews Philip Elliott Hopkins, founder of the new home entertainment label Film Masters, which presents digitally restored DVD and Blu-ray releases of classic and cult movies.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: September 11, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Dan Callahan, film and music historian

ISSUE(S): Music, cinema.

DESCRIPTION: Episode 305: Bing and Billie and Frank and Ella and Judy and Barbra. In this episode, six of the greatest American singers of the 20th century are celebrated as Phil Hall interviews and author of “Bing and Billie.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: Sept 3, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Poet Tim Stobierski

ISSUE(S): Art, poetry.

DESCRIPTION: Episode 304: The Poetry of Tim Stobierski. In this week's episode, Phil Hall interviews poet Tim Stobierski on the release of his new critically praised poetry collection "Dancehall."

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: August 27, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): David Lewis, CEO of Operations Inc.

ISSUE(S): Business, industry, the economy

DESCRIPTION: Episode 303: Doing Business in Connecticut, This week, “Nutmeg Chatter” takes a look at the Nutmeg State’s business environment. In this episode, Phil Hall is joined by David Lewis, CEO of Operations Inc. in Norwalk, Connecticut.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: August 20, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Religion

DESCRIPTION: Episode 302: The Role of Faith in Today's Society. In this episode, Phil Hall explores the role that faith plays in American society and the challenges that many houses of worship face in attracting and engaging congregants.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 23, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Editor Shaw Israel Izikson

ISSUE(S): Media

DESCRIPTION: Episode 301: Do Newspapers Still Matter? In this episode, Phil Hall takes a look at the role that newspapers play in today's media environment. The episode's guest is Shaw Israel Izikson, managing editor of The Berkshire Edge.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 16, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Author Anthony Uzarowski

ISSUE(S): Literature.

DESCRIPTION: Episode 300: The Glory of Jessica Lange

In this episode, Phil Hall interviews Anthony Uzarowski, author of the new book “Jessica Lange: An Adventurer’s Heart,” published by University Press of Kentucky.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Nutmeg Chatter

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 9, 2023

TIME: 3:30pm

GUEST(S): Derrek Cooke, a Very Special Entrepreneur

ISSUE(S): Business, the economy.

DESCRIPTION: Episode 299: In this episode, Phil Hall interviews Derrek Cooke, an entrepreneur whose Spina Bifida condition inspired him to create the company Derrek's Bags, which specializes in message- and art-oriented tote bags.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 16, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): The environment, big oil.

DESCRIPTION: Emily Sanders on How Not to Interview an Oil CEO, Kaufman & Bozuwa on Fighting Climate Disrupters.

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TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 23, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Business, taxes, Journalism.

DESCRIPTION: Arlene Martínez on Corporate Subsidies, Florín Nájera-Uresti on Journalism Preservation.

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TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 30, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Kevin Minofu

ISSUE(S): Race relations.

DESCRIPTION: Kevin Minofu on Say Her Name.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: August 6, 2023 **TIME:** 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Melissa Crow, Dave Zirin

ISSUE(S): Immigration/asylum, media

DESCRIPTION: Melissa Crow on Asylum Restrictions,
Dave Zirin on NYT's Vanishing Sports Section.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: August 13, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Teddy Ostrow, Matthew Cunningham-Cook

ISSUE(S): Labor, Climate sabotage

DESCRIPTION: Teddy Ostrow on UPS/Teamsters Agreement, Matthew Cunningham-Cook on GOP Climate Sabotage.

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TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: August 20, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Shankar Narayan, Braxton Brewington

ISSUE(S): Facial misrecognition, student debt.

DESCRIPTION: Shankar Narayan on Facial Misrecognition, Braxton Brewington on Student Debt Abolition.

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TITLE: Counterspin **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: August 27, 2023 **TIME:** 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Baher Azmy, Thomas Germain

ISSUE(S): Abu Ghraib lawsuit, history destruction.

DESCRIPTION: Abu Ghraib Torture Lawsuit, Thomas Germain on Online History Destruction.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: Sept 3, 2023 **TIME:** 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Kehsi Iman Wilson

ISSUE(S): ADA

DESCRIPTION: Discussion of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: Sept 10, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Alfie Kohn, Diane Ravitch and Kevin Kumashiro

ISSUE(S): Education

DESCRIPTION: Discussion of education in the US.
on Education.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Counterspin

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: September 17, 2023

TIME: 2:30pm

GUEST(S): Amanda Yee

ISSUE(S): History, travel.

DESCRIPTION: Korean Travel Ban and Korea History.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: September 24, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Myrriah Gómez, author

ISSUE(S): Nuclear energy/power.

DESCRIPTION: The Shadow of Nuclear Colonialism. The film Oppenheimer has reignited public interest in the Manhattan Project, the WWII-era secret program to develop the atomic bomb. But the movie leaves out important parts of the story. On today's show, we hear about the impact of nuclear colonialism and the Manhattan Project on the people and places of New Mexico with Myrriah Gómez, author of Nuclear Nuevo México: Colonialism and the Effects of the Nuclear Industrial Complex.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: September 14, 2023 **TIME:** 7:30pm

GUEST(S): Michele Elizabeth Lee.

ISSUE(S): Medicine. Health care.

DESCRIPTION: A History of Traditional Root Healing. In some parts of the world, traditional herbal remedies are the norm. When we think of natural remedies we tend to think of older generations living in remote areas, in far away countries, with little access to modern healthcare. We rarely think about the ancient medicinal plants that might exist in our very own cities. On today's episode we

look at plant and herb medicines through the lens of
Michele Elizabeth Lee.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: September 3, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Railroads, environment.

DESCRIPTION: On today's show, we'll hear an encore of a show from our archives that first aired in April. We'll be looking at the environmental impact of the rail industry and hear from people in two communities currently impacted by rail-related contamination. In February, a Suffolk Northern train carrying toxic chemicals derailed in East Palestine, Ohio, and residents are still recovering from the disaster.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: August 27, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): The legal system.

DESCRIPTION: This week on Making Contact, we bring you a story from our podcast partners, 70 Million titled Highway Robbery: How a Small-Town Traffic Trap Became A Legal Black Hole. About 20 minutes north of Birmingham, Alabama, on Interstate 22, is the working-class town of Brookside. Its almost 1300 residents make it about the size of a large high school.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: August 20, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Cultural worker José Antonio Aguilar

ISSUE(S): Racism.

DESCRIPTION: Mexicans Confronting Racism: Aztec myths to modern stereotypes. There's an idea in Mexico that racism doesn't exist, that all Mexicans are "mestizo" – a homogenous blend of Spanish and indigenous. But cultural worker José Antonio Aguilar says racism is lived by Black and brown Mexicans in many ways. He founded Racismo MX, an organization which seeks to dismantle racism, after coming to terms with his own racial reality as a "prieto" – a brown man.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: August 13, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): ProPublica reporter David McSwane

ISSUE(S): Pandemic and Profit

DESCRIPTION: On today's show, we'll revisit the early days of the Covid-19 pandemic by looking at two alternative supply chains for masks during the fallout from the Trump administration's failure to prepare. We'll be speaking with the ProPublica reporter David McSwane about his book *Pandemic, Inc.: Chasing the Capitalists and Thieves Who Got Rich While We Got Sick*.

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TITLE: Making Contact

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: August 6, 2023

TIME: 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Racism

DESCRIPTION: In 2019 a well known romance writer began tweeting about other writers in her community and concerns about racism. It led to a huge reckoning within an organization called the Romance Writers of America, which is still unfolding.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Making Contact

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 30, 2023

TIME: 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Race

DESCRIPTION: The Agony and the Ecstasy: Race and the Future of the Love Story Part 1. In 2019 a well known romance writer began tweeting about other writers in her community and concerns about racism. It led to a huge reckoning within an organization called the Romance Writers of America, which is still unfolding.

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Q3 2023

TITLE: Making Contact

DUR: 30 Min

DATE: July 23, 2023

TIME: 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Various

ISSUE(S): Justice System

DESCRIPTION: Criminalized Survival. Journalist Natalie Pattillo and filmmaker Daniel A. Nelson created the documentary film *And So I Stayed* to raise awareness about criminalized survival, the criminal justice system's long practice of imprisoning survivors of intimate partner violence when they fight back against their abusers.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: July 16, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Sophie Ziegler

ISSUE(S): Pandemic and Profit

DESCRIPTION: Agitation to a System: Trans Resistance in Louisiana. Hundreds of bills targeting the trans and queer community have been introduced across state legislatures this year – a new record. Louisiana, like many other states, has seen a slew of anti-LGBTQ+ bills this session. But the state is somewhat of an outlier in the South, and activists have been successful in pushing back against these types of bills in the past.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: July 9, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Composer, pianist, and vocalist Samora Abayomi Pinderhughes

ISSUE(S): Race relations.

DESCRIPTION: The Healing Project: An Abolitionist Story. This week on Making Contact we speak with composer, pianist, and vocalist Samora Abayomi Pinderhughes about The Healing Project at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. The Healing Project, fundamentally an abolitionist project, explores the structures of systemic racism — particularly the prison industrial complex — in the United States.

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TITLE: Making Contact **DUR:** 30 Min

DATE: July 2, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

GUEST(S): Jeet Heer and John Nichols from The Nation

ISSUE(S): Pandemic and Profit

DESCRIPTION: What the SVB Failure Teaches us About Investment Banking. The Silicon Valley Bank collapse brings with it memories of the wider 2008 economic crisis. Jeet Heer and John Nichols from The Nation join us to discuss the 2018 bank deregulations that set the stage for this moment and the risky investment strategy at the bank itself. They argue that bailout and FDIC's role in the collapse could set the stage for a dangerous economic future.

In addition to the above, WAPJ aired the following programs and segments during this quarter:

The 60min daily news program, Democracy Now, aired Monday through Friday during the quarter.

Earthwise, a 2 minute, daily program dealing with environmental and climate issues that ran 3-4 times each day, Monday through Friday during the quarter.

Birdnote, a 2-minute, daily program dealing with birds and nature that ran 3-4 times each day, Monday through Friday, during this quarter.

Sharon Audubon Report, a 2:30 weekly program dealing with nature and the environment that ran several times each day in November and December.

Star Date, a daily, 2 minute program dealing with astronomy ran daily throughout the quarter.

This Week in CT History, a 30 second daily segment dealing with the state's history aired throughout the quarter

Amazing Tales from Off and On CT's Beaten Path, a 30 minute program dealing with CT History aired Mondays at 10am during this quarter.