

KQEI-FM QUARTERLY PROGRAMS LISTING

During the period of July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, KQEI-FM has served the public interest by broadcasting materials which treated significant problems and needs of concern to the community. The following is a listing of some of the problem areas ascertained through personal interviews, format group meetings, and other similar on-going contacts with a wide range of Bay Area community leaders, and some of the programming aired in response to those stated areas of concern.

1. WORK, EMPLOYMENT, JOBS

Forum with GUEST HOST Scott Shafer

Could the Supreme Court's Decision to Strike Down Affirmative Action Affect Workplace Diversity?

When the U.S. Supreme Court struck down affirmative action last month, its ruling was focused on college admissions. But some legal experts say that, in practice, the ruling could also discourage diversity efforts by employers. Many workplaces instituted diversity, equity and inclusion practices following the murder of George Floyd in 2020. But three years later, those policies are facing scrutiny from conservative legal groups – whom experts say may now be emboldened by the court's ruling. We'll talk about the role of DEI practices in the workplace, pushback these efforts may face and how it could all affect diversity where you work. Public affairs. 7/10/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

California Legislators Hope to Ban Caste Discrimination in the Workplace

A bill banning caste-based discrimination in California workplaces is moving through the state legislature after the emergence of several high-profile discrimination claims in Silicon Valley's South Asian community. The claims were brought by Dalits, the most oppressed class in the social hierarchy determined by birth, who say they faced blatant prejudice from coworkers, and were punished when they tried to speak out. Opponents of the bill question the prevalence of caste discrimination in the United States and say the legal focus fuels negative stereotypes of South Asians and Hindus. We'll talk to the lawmaker who wrote the bill and members of the South Asian community fighting for and against the law. Public affairs. 7/10/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

You Were Laid Off. Now What?

Being laid off is brutal. It can knock people off career trajectories, destabilize people's sense of their worth, and cause problems in their personal relationships. This year, the Bay Area has seen more than 15,000 layoffs in tech alone. So, our team here at KQED has gone out to collect the best advice on what to do when you're laid off. How do you protect your mental health? What's your next step in getting new work? Should you stay in your field or do something else? How do you talk to your partner or family about what's happened? We'll hear your stories and share the best advice that we've been able to find. Public affairs. 7/11/2023 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Our Body Politic

Hollywood's Historic Strikes

Hollywood is on strike. How will this historic double strike affect the already dwindling number of writers of color in television and feature-film writers' rooms? First, Our Body Politic guest host Callie Crossley speaks with award-winning television writer Erika Green Swafford about her career, what it's like to be the only Black woman in a writer's room and the need for creating spaces for writers of color in TV. Then, TV and feature-film writers Jeane Phan Wong and Sylvia Franklin join Callie for a roundtable breaking down the strikes, including the day-to-day of being on the picket line. Public affairs. 8/6/23 1:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

The Global Race for EVs is on; Why Detroit Unions are Slamming the Brakes

President Biden's bold energy future features significant investment in electric vehicles, but the United Auto Workers are pumping the breaks. Mark Phelan, auto writer and columnist for the Detroit Free Press, joins host Ray Suarez to break down why the threat of E.V.s is a red line for autoworkers. Then, international auto journalist Hans Greimel reveals how Asia pulled ahead in the race for E.V. innovation. Public affairs. 8/14/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Priya David Clemens

Venture Capital Still Largely Leaves Out Women-led Companies

Women start roughly two out of five businesses in America, but have mostly been shut out of the venture capital ecosphere. Companies funded solely by women snapped up just 2.1 percent of venture capital funding in the United States in 2022. According to research firm Pitchbook, the percentage hasn't budged much in the past 15 years despite women creating more startups, incubators and venture funds. Women founders say there are still major disparities in how venture capitalists evaluate companies based on gender. We'll talk about what this trend means for entrepreneurs and the economy. Public affairs. 8/15/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

The Hollywood Food Stylist Behind Popular Film, TV Scenes

Melissa McSorley's job isn't boring. One day she has to perfectly recreate a '70s dinner party for folks caught up in the Watergate scandal, she says, and the next she makes edible alien "Ceti eels" for members of the "Star Trek" universe. She's made drinkable blood for "True Blood" vampires and an edible Gila monster for "My Crazy Ex-Girlfriend." Working in libraries to learn about time-period dishes, at home creating perfect meals and on set with props managers, Melissa's got one of those jobs that audiences rarely think about when they watch their favorite movies or TV shows. Public affairs. 9/1/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Planet Money

Vacation; And Why the US Takes so Little

If you have a nagging suspicion that other countries have a better relationship with their work-life balance, you're absolutely right. Planet Money explores the world's relationship with vacation. Public affairs. 9/3/23 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Why Pharmacists Say Working Conditions Threaten Patient Safety

Pharmacies in California make about 5 million errors every year, according to state regulators. That's just an estimate, since pharmacies aren't required to report mistakes, and the big chains are fighting to keep them secret. Meanwhile, pharmacists say they are overworked and underpaid, with many leaving the profession. We'll hear about a new Los Angeles Times report on pharmacy errors, talk with pharmacists about burnout and find out what patients can do to protect themselves. Public affairs. 9/7/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

2. POVERTY, HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

The Global Players Behind Poverty and Peace

Can a single gathering of world leaders really pull billions of people out of poverty? Eric Pelofsky, deputy chief of staff and vice president of the Rockefeller Foundation, joined host Ray Suarez days before the Summit for a New Global Financing Pact in Paris, to share how international financial institutions can make up for past mistakes. Then, Ray speaks with Arwa Mokdad, peace advocate with the Yemen Relief and Reconstruction Foundation, about what a deal between Saudi Arabia and Iran could mean for the future of Yemen. Public affairs. 7/3/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

What UCSF's Statewide Homelessness Study Found About the Causes of California's Crisis

It's a common belief about homeless people in California: they move here from other places because of the state's tolerance, mild weather and generous services. But according to a recent UCSF study, at least 90 percent of those experiencing homelessness lived in California before losing their housing, and 75 percent are in the same county they used to live in. In the largest study of its kind in nearly three decades, researchers talked to thousands of participants about their experiences to find out what factors pushed them over the edge into homelessness. The real story, researchers found, has more to do with the state's poverty, inequality and high housing costs. As part of our ongoing series about homelessness in the Bay Area, we'll dig into the findings with the study's author and formerly homeless Californians who advised on the project. Public affairs. 7/12/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Why Is Rossmoor, a Senior Living Community, Such a Popular Place to Live?

The Rossmoor community in Walnut Creek has a population of nearly 10,000 people aged 55 and older, its own newspaper, bus service and over 200 local clubs, making it feel like its own small town. Opened in 1964, Rossmoor is among the longest running age-restricted communities in the country. It's also the cornerstone of the 94595 zip code, which, according to the San Francisco Chronicle, is the only zip code in the Bay Area with home prices near their all-time high, in contrast to the rest of the region where home prices are trending lower. We'll take a look at the history of Rossmoor, why people want to live there and the current state of other developments like it. Public affairs. 7/18/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

City Arts and Lectures

Ocean Vuong

Ocean Vuong's exquisitely crafted poetry and prose ask perennial and pressing questions about race, masculinity, addiction, trauma and courage. His beloved novel "On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous," for which he recently finished writing the screenplay, tells the story of a queer Vietnamese refugee coming of age against the backdrop of violence, poverty and addiction. Vuong is the author of the poetry collections "Night Sky with Exit Wounds" and "Time is a Mother." Public affairs. 8/6/23 1:00 pm <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

'This Is Our City': San José's Berryessa Flea Market Vendors Fight to Stay

Since 1960, immigrant entrepreneurs, including many Latinx vendors, have sold everything from piñatas to socks to spatulas at San José's Berryessa Flea Market. Now that the Berryessa BART Station is open, the city plans to build housing near the station as part of its vision to create walkable communities. New housing sounds like a good idea. New housing next to public transit -- even better! But what will happen to the many people, often immigrants and low-income folks, who depend on the flea market? KQED's Adhiti Bandlamudi tells us about their fight to keep the market open. Public affairs. 8/11/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Eviction Cases Skyrocket as Pandemic-Era Moratoriums End

As pandemic-era eviction moratoriums have ended, Bay Area counties are seeing a surge of eviction cases coming to court. Some tenants owe tens of thousands of dollars after not paying rent, in some cases, for years. In Alameda County, evictions ballooned to more than 500 per month starting in May. And a single judge is charged with reviewing all of those cases. We'll talk about how eviction cases are overwhelming county courts, and what lessons we can take from how the moratoriums played out. Public affairs. 8/23/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with guest host: Guy Marzorati

Statewide Encampment Bans

An estimated 172,000 people are homeless in California, according to a study this year by UCSF, and the most visible symbols of the state's homelessness crisis are its tent encampments. Citing public health and safety issues, cities across the state are increasingly "sweeping" encampments on city sidewalks, forcing campers to move their tents and belongings to other areas if they refuse offers of shelter. But homeless advocates say those shelter options are often inadequate and that sweeps are unconstitutional. Those issues are at play as the Ninth Circuit considers whether San Francisco needs to offer more housing before it can carry out sweeps. San Diego, meanwhile, is starting to enforce a no-camping ordinance on public property. And Los Angeles has approved increased funding for its Inside Safe program, which gives tent dwellers temporary housing. We'll talk about how California cities are addressing homeless encampments, the controversies at hand and who's most affected. Public affairs. 9/5/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

CARE Court is Coming to San Francisco; Here's What We Can Expect

San Francisco is one of eight counties that will be piloting California's new Care Courts program ahead of a statewide rollout next year. Beginning next month, people with schizophrenia or psychosis can be referred to the new court and, if they meet certain criteria, receive a court-ordered care plan that can include mental health treatment, housing and medication. Critics warn that the system could violate the civil liberties of people with disabilities and lead to harmful coercive care, but proponents say the measure will assist unhoused people living with severe, untreated mental illness by getting them the attention they need. We'll get into the details and the debate. Public affairs. 9/18/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Do Lower Rents Mean the Bay Area is Becoming More Affordable?

Rental rates for homes are dropping across the Bay Area. They first fell in 2020 during the pandemic and never fully recovered. Some renters are spending less on rent, but nearly half of Bay Area residents are considered rent-burdened. That leaves housing advocates and experts doubtful the region will become more affordable in a meaningful way. We'll talk about what lower rents could mean long term and how renters can take advantage of the current market. Public affairs. 9/25/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

3. SCHOOLS, EDUCATION, CHILDREN

Forum with Mina Kim

Emily Hanford on 'How Teaching Kids to Read Went So Wrong'

Decades of cognitive science research has shown that children need to be taught to sound out words in order to read. But school districts across the country often ignore or sideline that research in early grades, according to education reporter Emily Hanford, who says that's one reason that more than 60% of U.S. fourth graders aren't proficient readers. Hanford's six-part podcast *Sold a Story*, released late last year by American Public Media, is being cited in newly proposed legislation across the U.S. aimed to address the problem. We talk to Hanford about what's wrong with the way we teach kids to read and what can be done to improve literacy in California and nationwide. Public affairs. 7/14/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Political Breakdown

Los Angeles Times Reporter Mackenzie Mayes on California's School Fights

The school fights have come to California. Debates over LGBT history, gender identity, parental notification and critical race theory have erupted at several school board meetings in recent weeks, prompting warnings and admonitions from Democratic state leaders. Join KQED's Marisa Lagos and Scott Shafer for a conversation with Los Angeles Times reporter Mackenzie Mayes about the politics roiling school districts. Public affairs. 7/27/23 6:30 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

How Will Stanford President's Resignation Impact the University?

Following a months-long investigation into his published research, Stanford University President Marc Tessier-Lavigne announced his plan to resign from his post. While investigators did not find that Tessier-Lavigne falsified data himself, they say he failed to respond appropriately when he was made aware of the problems. We'll be joined Theo Baker, the "Stanford Daily" student reporter who first broke this story, and other experts about why this cost Tessier-Lavigne his job and what this means for Stanford. Public affairs. 7/25/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Planet Money

Baby's First Market Failure

Why is daycare so hard to find? Public affairs. 8/6/23 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Why Aren't There More Public Pools in California?

Public pools serve as community gathering spaces, havens from the heat and safe and affordable places for people to learn to swim. But public pools in the United States have become increasingly rare over the past century. That's limited the ability of people of color and those without access to country clubs or backyard pools to learn safely. And it may also be one reason why only 56% of U.S. residents can demonstrate basic swimming skills, according to an American Red Cross poll. We look at the history of public pools in the U.S. and here in California, what's behind their decline and the racial disparities in drowning rates that persist. Public affairs. 8/8/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

California's Teacher Shortage Hits Rural Schools Hardest

California has not been spared from the national teacher shortage. The state Department of Education reported more than 10,000 teacher vacancies during the 2021-2022 school year, and Los Angeles Unified School District has 450 teacher openings for this new school year. But shortages are particularly acute in rural communities: Alturas Elementary School, in northern California's Modoc County, is missing a quarter of its necessary teaching staff. From retention to credentialing requirements to logistically impossible state mandates, the problems plaguing Modoc are common among rural districts. We'll talk about the problems California's rural school districts are facing in the new school year and hear potential solutions. Public affairs. 8/16/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Grace Won

'Never Enough' Examines the Toxic Achievement Culture Overtaking Kids' Lives and What to Do About It

In a national survey conducted by journalist Jennifer Wallace, a vast majority of parents responded that getting their child into a selective college was the "most important ingredient for later-life happiness." In fact, more than 80% of parents believe that their parenting is judged by the metric of their children's academic success. This mindset is at the core of the toxic achievement culture that Wallace says we must combat. As one student she interviewed noted, "It's ironic that adults wonder why there's so much anxiety and depression in my generation, when they're the ones who have created this crazy environment for us." We talk to Wallace about her new book "Never Enough" and how to offer families a different definition of what success can look like. Public affairs. 9/1/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Bettina Love on how Black Students are 'Punished for Dreaming'

Brown v. Board of Education, the landmark civil rights decision banning racial segregation in public schools, was supposed to give Black children greater educational opportunities. But instead, according to Columbia Teachers College professor Bettina Love, it marked the beginning of an anti-Black educational agenda, characterized by low academic expectations, excessive suspensions, surveillance and physical violence. Love grew up in the 1980s and 90s, a period when the Reagan and Bush administrations pushed ideas of "school accountability" and "school safety" that she says were used to justify punishment of Black children and that have harmed a generation. We talk to Love about her and her peers' experiences in school as "eighties babies" and why she thinks reparations are essential to repair public education. Public affairs. 9/20/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Kelly Corrigan Wonders

Going Deep: Mary Louise Kelly on Parenting Choices

Mary Louise Kelly, a host of All Things Considered, has been doing some reflecting. What choices did she make and how do they look now, as her nest is nearly empty? Is it okay to travel through war zones when a kid is home with the flu? What is gained and what is lost, for the individuals in question and for society? This is a conversation to take in slowly, to share with every mother you know and to discuss. Public affairs. 9/20/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

4. GOVERNMENT, THE POLITICAL PROCESS, THE MILITARY

Political Breakdown

Former Mayor, Assembly Speaker Willie Brown

Willie Brown was known as the "Ayatollah of the State Assembly" when he was speaker - and later as "Da Mayor" for two terms at city hall in San Francisco. Love him or hate him - he mastered the art of building political power, and keeping it. Join KQED's Scott Shafer and Marisa Lagos for part two of our conversation with Brown. Public affairs. 7/6/23 6:30 pm <29:00min>

Fresh Air

New York Times' Adam Liptak Discusses Supreme Court

Fresh Air talks with Adam Liptak about the Supreme Court term that just concluded - what it tells us about how receptive the court is to the conservative movement's legal agenda, and why the story of this term is more complicated than last year's. Liptak covers the Supreme Court for the New York Times. Public affairs. 7/6/23 7:00 pm <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

Mapping a Radical Legacy of South Asian Activism in the Bay Area

You've probably heard of Bobby Seale and The Black Panthers, and Mario Savio and The Free Speech Movement. But California and the Bay Area also were a hotbed of radical South Asian activism that began more than 100 years ago. Throughout the 20th century, immigrants from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and other countries in the region - along with their children - laid the groundwork for social movements that still resonate in California today. And while this Desi legacy has largely been overlooked, two community historians in Berkeley have spent the last decade bringing these stories to life. Public affairs. 7/7/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Fresh Air

Freedom Caucus, The Twenty

New York Times Congressional Correspondent Annie Karni talks about how House Speaker Kevin McCarthy has faced rebellions in his chamber, from the ultra-conservative Freedom Caucus. Another hard-right group, The Twenty, is even more disruptive. These groups could lead us to a government shut down in the fall. Public affairs. 8/2/23 7:00 pm <59:00min>

NPR Special Coverage

Third Indictment for Former President

NPR carries live coverage of the indictment of former President Donald Trump for allegedly attempting to overturn the 2020 election. It's the third indictment of recent months for the former president. Public affairs. 8/3/23 1:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Barbara Lee on Her Run for US Senate

Democrat Barbara Lee has represented Oakland and the East Bay in Congress since 1998, and she's now running to replace U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, who is not seeking another term. Well known as the sole member of Congress to vote against giving the president unlimited war powers after 9/11, Lee is co-chair of the House Policy and Steering Committee and serves on the Budget Committee and the Appropriations Committee. As a member of the California state legislature, Lee drafted California's first Violence Against Women Act and the California Schools Hate Crimes Reduction Act. We'll talk to Lee about why she wants to represent California in the Senate and hear about her positions on the environment, the war in Ukraine, the economy and more. Public affairs. 8/4/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Washington Week with The Atlantic

Trial Date, Aging Leadership

The calendar for one of the most novel presidential election races in U.S. history is coming into view. This week a D.C. judge ruled that former President Donald Trump's federal election interference trial will start on March 4, 2024 – the day before Super Tuesday. Trump also pleaded "not guilty" and waived his arraignment in the Georgia state case for his alleged efforts to overturn the state's 2020 presidential election results. Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell froze on Wednesday for a second time in as many months while answering questions from reporters. A new poll indicates Americans are concerned with President Joe Biden's age, raising new questions – and concerns – about the advanced age of America's influential political leaders. Public affairs. 9/2/23 4:30 am <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Doing Democracy: Pride, Reckoning and Reimagining Our Nearly 250-Year-Old System of Democracy

As we march toward another long, frenzied election season, we at Forum have launched a new series, Doing Democracy, to step away from the fray and consider what democracy means, how it's practiced, and other ways it could be done. For our first show, we'll dive into the Us@250 project, which is urging us to approach the coming semiquincentennial – that's the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, starting in 2026 – by reimagining the American narrative with pride, reckoning and aspiration. What parts of our democracy should we protect, what should we change and what do we hope to become in the next 250 years? Public affairs. 9/7/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Fresh Air

Modernizing the Military

How the military is struggling to modernize its weapons systems. The Army and Navy are testing weapons with remarkable capabilities, using cutting edge digital technology and A.I. Fresh Air talks with Eric Lipton of the New York Times about his investigation into the weapons, the need to modernize and the obstacles in the way. Public affairs. 9/13/23 7:00 pm <59:00min>

5. POLICE, LAW ENFORCEMENT, CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Reveal

They Followed Doctors' Orders; The State Took Their Babies

The opioid crisis prompted scientists to create a new class of medications like Suboxone to treat addiction. Suboxone eliminates withdrawal symptoms, and it's even safe for pregnant women and newborns. But in Arizona and other states, mothers are being reported to child protective services for taking their prescribed medications - and some are losing custody of their babies. Public affairs. 7/1/23 4:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

America's Approach to Drug Addiction Isn't Working; So What Should We Do?

In his latest article for The Atlantic, Sam Quinones writes that America's shift toward treatment instead of jail time for drug abuse "is both well intentioned and out of date, given the massive street supplies of fentanyl and meth. It is failing just about everyone." He argues that instead of waiting for addicts to voluntarily enter rehab, the legal system should force them to go. Quinones is a journalist who has covered the drug trade for over a decade and published two books on the subject: "The Least of Us: True Tales of America and Hope in the Time of Fentanyl and Meth" and "Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic." We'll talk about how to address the nation's ever-more challenging drug crisis that we see playing out on our streets and in our families. Public affairs. 7/20/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

Did Mac Dre Really Go to Prison Because of His Lyrics?

As part of KQED's year-long project on Bay Area hip-hop That's My Word, The California Report Magazine collaborates with Bay Curious in a story about legendary rapper Mac Dre. Reporter Jessica Kariisa dives deep into archives and official court records to answer this question: Were the lyrics to Dre's song "Punk Police" used in court to put him in jail? We bring you the answer, and feature voices of people close to Mac Dre who provide context for what was going on in Vallejo when he wrote and recorded the song. Plus, a commentary from KQED's Pendarvis Harshaw about why food doesn't "slap." Public affairs. 7/21/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Trump Indicted for Efforts to Overturn 2020 Election

Former President Donald Trump has been indicted on four counts related to his efforts to overturn the 2020 election results. We check in with KQED senior politics editor Scott Shafer about the importance of Trump's third indictment, what it means for the 2024 election and how California's Republican party is responding. Public affairs. 8/2/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <19:00min>

Commonwealth Club

Michael Waldman: How the Supreme Court Divided America

In June 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned the constitutional right to an abortion, weakened gun restrictions and dramatically scaled back the EPA's authority. Michael Waldman joins the Commonwealth Club to explain why the court's 2021-2022 term was one of the most consequential in decades. Public affairs. 8/3/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST: Grace Won

Antioch and Pittsburg Police Officers Arrested in FBI Raids

Antioch and Pittsburg police officers were arrested Thursday morning in a series of FBI raids, after an 18-month investigation into an alleged criminal network. Ten law enforcement personnel were named across four indictments on charges including civil rights violations, falsification of records and wire fraud. The Antioch Police department has also been the subject of a civil rights investigation launched by California Attorney General Rob Bonta after dozens of officers were caught sending and receiving racist, homophobic and violent text messages bragging about using force against the city's residents. We'll check in on the latest news. Public affairs. 8/18/23 9:00 am(repeats at 8pm) <19:00min>

Reveal

Mississippi Goddam Chapter 5: Star Crossed

Reveal continues its investigation into the death of Mississippi teen Billey Joe Johnson during a 2008 traffic stop: Billey Joe was a Black boy dating a white girl. That made the story behind his death even more complicated. Public affairs. 9/2/23 4:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Oakland Mayor Sheng Thao, Interim Police Chief Respond to Concerns Over Crime

"I don't have any hope," said one Oakland resident attending a town hall this past weekend on the city's rising crime rate. According to the city's police department, violent crime is up by 17% over last year and as of August, 68 people had been murdered in Oakland. Indeed, since 2019, car break-ins are up over 40%, vehicle thefts have more than doubled and reported robberies are up by 30%. And while East Oakland has borne the brunt of criminal activity, no part of the city is immune. We'll talk to Mayor Sheng Thao, interim Oakland police chief Darren Allison and chief Kentrell Killens, interim head of the city's violence prevention program. And we'll hear from you: What are your questions for the mayor and her team? Public affairs. 9/15/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Reveal

Alphabet Boys Revealed

Secret undercover recordings reveal an FBI operation to infiltrate Denver's racial justice protests in 2020. Reveal partners with the podcast Alphabet Boys to take listeners inside that investigation. Public affairs. 9/30/23 4:00 pm <59:00min>

6. THE ECONOMY, TAXES, GROWTH

Forum with Mina Kim

What's Next for Student Loan Borrowers in California

It has been a whirlwind few weeks for the tens of millions of Americans struggling with student loan debt. First, on June 30, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down President Biden's debt cancellation plan. Since then, the administration has announced other plans to help borrowers, and more are in the works. But will they survive legal challenges? And what do the new programs mean for those buried in debt, with payments set to resume as soon as October? We'll talk about the latest developments and what's at stake for borrowers in California. Public affairs. 7/18/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Historic Double Strike Shuts Down Hollywood

Hollywood productions have gone dark after TV and film actors, represented by SAG-AFTRA, joined members of the Writers Guild of America on the picket line last week. Like the writers, actors are striking over compensation, residual payments and the use of A.I. to replace them. This is the first time in more than 60 years that both writers and actors have gone on strike simultaneously. We'll talk about the impact of both strikes and the connections between them. Public affairs. 7/20/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Freakonomics Radio

Are Personal Finance Gurus Giving You Bad Advice?

One Yale economist certainly thinks so. But even if he's right, are economists any better? Public affairs. 7/22/23 3:00 pm (repeats at 2am) <59:00min>

Marketplace

Landlocked Scuba Economy

New Mexico is home to a stunning number of scuba diving schools, despite being far from the ocean. A look into how this landlocked state fuels a thriving scuba education economy. Public affairs. 8/11/23 4:00 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Would You Want Congestion Pricing in Your City?

To ease crushing urban traffic, London, Stockholm and Singapore all use congestion pricing, charging drivers to use busy roads in city centers or in certain zones at particular times of day. Congestion pricing has yet to be adopted in any U.S. city, but Los Angeles is taking a hard look at the concept. LA Metro will soon release a study examining which parts of the city could benefit most from congestion pricing, the environmental and public health benefits it could bring and who could qualify for carve-outs. We'll talk with LA Metro about their study, which will be open for public comment once released. And we'll hear from Ethan Elkind, our partner for our recurring series "In Transit," about what LA's proposal could mean for the rest of the state. Public affairs. 8/15/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Marketplace

How Automation Plays Out

As A.I. enters the workforce, some jobs could become completely automated. A look at how automation has played out in the past, and what it could mean for the workforce of the future. Public affairs. 8/17/23 4:00 pm <29:00min>

Commonwealth Club

Building a Better Supply Chain

Can the electric vehicles of today and tomorrow be made fast enough to help save the planet? Or will their supply chains help doom the Earth? What can be done? Join the Commonwealth Club for a talk with Tesla co-founder J.B. Straubel and Aimee Boulanger, executive director at the Initiative for Responsible Mining Assurance. Public affairs. 9/7/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Washington Week with The Atlantic

The American Government on the Brink of Shutdown

With the federal government about to run out of money, a look at how the country got to this point, who will be affected and how U.S. support for Ukraine has become a divisive political issue. Public affairs. 9/30/23 4:30 am <29:00min>

Freakonomics Radio

U.S. Leads the World in Most Single-Parent Households

U.S. marriage rates have plummeted. But the babies keep coming, and the U.S. now leads the world in single-parent households. Host, Stephen Dubner talks with economist Melissa Kearney about why this has happened, and why it's a problem we shouldn't ignore. Public affairs. 9/30/23 3:00 pm (repeats at 2am) <59:00min>

7. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, IMMIGRATION

Latino USA

Hector Galán: A Life Documenting Marginalized Stories

Latino USA continues to celebrate its 30th anniversary, bringing you conversations with some of the most influential Latinos and Latinas of the last three decades. In this episode, Maria Hinojosa catches up with pioneering filmmaker Hector Galán, who for over 40 years has been documenting Latino communities. Public affairs. 7/9/23 6:00 pm <59:00min>

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

Mutinies, Memes and Mind Games

Putin may have won the "battle" against Wagner's Yevgeny Prigozhin, but he's losing the meme war. Ray Suarez speaks with Jen Kirby, Vox's foreign and national security reporter, about the challenges of conflict reporting amid state propaganda and viral Twitter memes. Then, "Tetris"' screenwriter Noah Pink shares how he uncovered the true story behind the video game's escape from the Soviet Union. Public affairs. 7/10/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

City Arts and Lectures

Javier Zamora

When Javier Zamora was 1, his father fled El Salvador's United States-funded Salvadoran Civil War. His mother followed in 1995, leaving the 5-year-old Zamora with his grandparents until he migrated to the U.S. on his own at age 9. In his debut memoir "Solito," Zamora retells his nine-week odyssey across Guatemala, Mexico and the Sonoran Desert before reuniting with his parents in California. A poet and activist, he is a co-founder of Undocupoets, an organization that has succeeded in lifting citizenship requirements from major poetry prizes. Public affairs. 7/11/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

The Little Known Wartime History of Japanese Americans Living in Japan

We air Kori Suzuki's documentary about his grandmother and her experiences living through World War II as a Japanese American in Japan. She's one of thousands of Kibei Nisei, second generation Japanese Americans who returned to the U.S. after the war. It's a beautiful and moving story. Public affairs. 8/4/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Inside Europe

Radical Course

As the AfD surges in popularity, one of Germany's spy chiefs warns the far-right party is treading a more radical course. A fire on a car transportation ship off the Netherlands stokes fears about electric vehicles. And even after leaving Putin's Russia, many dissidents find life abroad is not plain sailing. Public affairs. 8/5/23 3:00 am <59:00min>

This American Life

Eight Fights

Nadia's family is split between Russia and Ukraine. In this moment, that's complicated. This American Life documents a series of eight fights they've gotten into since Russia invaded Ukraine. Public affairs. 8/5/23 12:00 pm (repeats at 7pm) <59:00min>

Latino USA

At the Mercy of the Courts

Central Americans who flee their countries to seek asylum in the U.S. face an immigration court system that is increasingly stacked against them. Latino USA follows a couple, Wendy and Elvis, on their journey out of Guatemala - and into a punishing asylum system that will upend their lives. Public affairs. 9/3/23 6:00 pm <59:00min>

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

Putin's Prigozhin Trap; With Anne Applebaum

On Aug. 23, Yevgeny Prigozhin was killed in a mysterious plane crash just 60 days after his mercenary group Wagner led a failed coup attempt that Russian President Vladimir Putin called "treasonous." Atlantic staff writer Anne Applebaum argues that Putin needed a spectacular act of violence after Prigozhin's challenge to his power. She and host Ray Suarez discuss what this means for a fragile Russia. Public affairs. 9/4/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

New Film on Afghan Refugees Living in Fremont

The last U.S. military planes left the Kabul airport at 11:59 pm on August 30, 2021. Two years later, Americans are still grappling with our legacy in Afghanistan and the displacement of Afghan refugees in the U.S. In his new film 'Fremont', which focuses on Afghans living in the Bay Area city, British-Iranian director Babak Jalali sets the refugee experience against the Bay Area cityscape to explore humor and humanity. We talk to Jalali about the film and what it says about our collective history. Public affairs. 9/6/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

8. ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY

On the Media

Media Reckoning with AI

Headlines have been dominated this year by claims that artificial intelligence will either save humanity - or end us. On this week's On the Media, a reckoning with the capabilities of programs like ChatGPT and declarations that machines can think. Plus, the potential implications of handing over decision-making to computers. Public affairs. 7/9/23 2:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Aomawa Shields on Searching for Life in Space, and at Home

Does it matter if life exists on another planet? To UC Irvine astrobiologist Aomawa Shields it matters in the same way that a mountain matters and screams to be climbed: not knowing is unbearable. Shields has devoted her career to studying the climate and habitability of exoplanets to further the search for extraterrestrial life. She's also one of very few Black women in a field dominated by white men, and a classically trained actor. We talk to her about her journey as a scientist and an artist, and her new book "Life on Other Planets: A Memoir of Finding My Place in the Universe." Public affairs. 7/12/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

California Redwoods: Cool, Iconic, Suffering

The iconic coast redwood - our state tree - is suffering in many parts of the Bay Area and along the coast. KQED's Dana Cronin tells us why redwoods are so cool, what's been bothering them lately and how we can help. Public affairs. 7/14/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Rise of the Robotaxis: How Autonomous Vehicles Could Reshape Transportation in San Francisco

Driverless vehicles from autonomous ride services Cruise and Waymo can already be found all over San Francisco, and they may soon become much more common if a state commission grants them permission to expand operations. Some local officials argue the technology isn't ready, pointing to recent examples of automated cars that stopped on roads, obstructing traffic or emergency responders. Others say the whole idea of self-driving cars is flawed. We'll talk about the upcoming vote and where the robotaxi industry is headed. Public affairs. 8/1/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Climate Fix: Another Algae Bloom Taking Over San Francisco Bay

A perfect recipe of summer weather, climate-warmed waters and excess nutrient pollution has brought the red tide back to the San Francisco Bay shoreline. The same algae bloom that caused a massive fish die-off in Oakland's Lake Merritt last summer has appeared again, stretching from Emeryville to Richardson Bay. Is this our new normal? We'll talk with experts about the algae that's taking over the Bay and what's being done about it. Public affairs. 8/7/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

What Does AM Radio Mean to You?

More than 82 million Americans listen to AM radio monthly, and most do so in their cars, according to recent Nielsen data. But many automakers have been phasing out the AM band in electric vehicles, citing interference with the cars' batteries. That's sparked bipartisan pushback, as AM radio is both dominated by conservative talk shows and home to non-English-language and local content that can't be found on the FM band. We'll talk with some of California's AM stations about the communities they serve and we'll hear from you: What do you tune in to AM radio for? Or, if you have an EV that can't access AM radio: Do you miss it? Public affairs. 8/10/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Radio Special

Possible: The Future of Fusion

What if there was a source of energy that was virtually inexhaustible, produced no greenhouse gasses and generated minimal waste? Well, it already exists - almost. Hosts Reid Hoffman and Aria Finger sit down with Kim Budil, director of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, to talk about the future of fusion energy. Last December, Budil's lab achieved fusion ignition. She explains what that historic breakthrough means, and what levers need to be pulled to go from that experiment to powering nations. Budil responds to stories, generated by GPT-4, about scaling fusion energy, plus another about how a country can transition to fusion energy in 2053. Public affairs. 9/3/23 2:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

What DOJ's Landmark Antitrust Case Against Google Could Mean for Consumers, Big Tech

Google spends more than \$10 billion per year to maintain its monopoly control over internet search, a U.S. government lawyer alleged in a Washington, D.C., courtroom on Tuesday. In what is being called the most important antitrust trial in nearly 25 years, the U.S. Department of Justice is accusing Google of harming consumers and stifling competition by cutting deals with smartphone makers to be their default search engine. Google, which controls about 90 percent of the U.S. search engine market, said in court on Tuesday that dissatisfied users can simply switch web browsers "with a few easy clicks." We'll preview the rest of the trial and examine what is at stake for tech companies and consumers. Public affairs. 9/13/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

How We Can Change Our Roads to Help Our Wildlife

"Name your environmental ill - dams, poaching, megafires - and consider that roads kill more creatures with less fanfare, than any of them." That's according to conservation journalist Ben Goldfarb, who says that the problem's only getting worse as traffic increases. Roads have also forced animals to evolve, adapt and change their migration habits. Goldfarb's new book "Crossings" examines the impact of our planet's 40 million miles of roads on the natural world and how, through the study of road ecology, we can find ways to minimize noise and habitat destruction and engineer a system with bridges for bears, tunnels for turtles and other accommodations for our fellow creatures. Public affairs. (repeats at 9pm) 9/14/23 10:00 am <59:00min>

9. HEALTH & HEALTHCARE

Kelly Corrigan Wonders

How a Person Becomes a Therapist

With the demand for excellent mental health care at its all-time peak, it's a good thing people like Tracy Defina dared to go back to school – for many years – to get a PhD in counseling. This is the story of how she pulled off this enormous achievement in the middle of a life already teeming with to-dos. Corrigan's conversation with Tracy is the first of a four-part series called "How'd You Do That?" with women who made radical changes to their lives well after most of their peers had settled into a given way of life. Public affairs. 7/12/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

How Dementia Can Threaten Financial Health

Keeping on top of bills and finances can be a challenge for anyone. But for older adults suffering from Alzheimer's disease, dementia and other cognitive issues, things can get out of control fast. They may pay the same bills repeatedly, make impulsive purchases or fall for online scams. And according to recent studies, financial mistakes can actually be an early sign of dementia. In this hour, we'll talk about the latest research on memory problems and money, and how to protect your finances from cognitive decline. Public affairs. 7/19/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Our Body Politic

The Power of Mindfulness

America is in a time of unprecedented mental health challenges. Many different cultures developed mindfulness techniques over millennia, and now, more people are embracing them for physical and mental health. Host and Our Body Politic creator Farai Chideya digs into the what and how of mindfulness; how Black women and women of color are centering themselves; and the creative inner workings of artists creating music-rich meditations for mindfulness. Public affairs. 7/23/23 1:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

National Mental Health Crisis Hotline 988 Marks One Year

For the last year, Americans in mental health crisis have been able to call or text the number 988 to receive immediate counseling, emotional support and community resources. The formerly 10-digit hotline re-launched with the idea that more lives could be saved with a number that's easier to remember. And in its first year, 988 saw a 35% jump in service, receiving more than 5 million calls, chats and texts. Advocates say there's still room to grow: according to the latest federal data, more than 12.3 million adults in the U.S. seriously considered suicide in 2021. We'll talk about the successes and challenges of 988, one year in. Public affairs. 8/1/23 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Latino USA

Alzheimer's in Color

An intimate portrait of a mother's life before and after Alzheimer's. The disease has become one of the leading health crises for Latinos and African Americans. And for journalist Yvonne Latty, this story is personal. Public affairs. 8/6/23 6:00 pm <59:00min>

Fresh Air

Slowly Going Blind

What it's like to slowly go blind. A talk with Andrew Leland, who has gradually been losing his vision over the past 20 years, resulting from the condition retinitis pigmentosa. His new memoir ponders questions like: How much perception happens in the eyes, and how much takes place in the mind? Public affairs. 8/8/23 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Science Friday (hour one)

Surgeon General Dr Vivek Murthy

A conversation with Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy about the youth mental health crisis, and the role of social media and loneliness. Plus, community and government solutions to improve the country's mental health. Public affairs. 9/1/23 11:00 am <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

California Expands Program That Pays People to Stop Using Drugs

California is the first state in the country to use federal funding for a controversial approach to reducing drug addiction: paying people to stop using. The state has been testing the strategy, known as the recovery incentives program, in San Francisco and a few other counties, for two years and is now rolling it out more broadly. The program specifically targets people who abuse meth and cocaine at a time when stimulant addictions and fatalities have skyrocketed. We'll talk about how the program is working and discuss the ethical considerations for policymakers, taxpayers and drug users. 9/5/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Science Friday (hour one)

The Science of Sweating

Do you appreciate your perspiration? Do you savor sweating? The strange science of our body's moisture, why it's a lifesaver and some less savory options for animals who can't sweat. Public affairs. 9/8/23 11:00 am <59:00min>

10. WOMEN, LGBTQ & RACE ISSUES, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Code Switch/Life Kit

In Their Own Words

A Black cheer squad in Buffalo feels the impacts in their community after a racist mass shooting, in their own words. Then on Life Kit, learning how to swim at any age. Public affairs. 7/9/23 9:00 pm <59:00min>

Fresh Air

'The League'

Fresh Air talks about the Negro Leagues with Sam Pollard, director of the new documentary "The League." Long before Jackie Robinson integrated Major League Baseball, dozens of teams with Black owners and Black players packed stadiums in the east and Midwest, playing a style of baseball that was fast, aggressive and entertaining. Public affairs. 7/10/23 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Latino USA

Immensely Invisible

They felt immensely invisible, but these immigrant women are fighting back. Latino USA and Futuro Investigates present an investigation into how women are sexually abused in Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention - and how ICE has done very little to stop it. Public affairs. 7/23/23 6:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Savannah Leaf's Film 'Earth Mama' Navigates Race, Class and Motherhood in Oakland

Savannah Leaf's debut feature-length film "Earth Mama" follows Gia, a pregnant 24-year-old single mother of two who is struggling to get her kids back from the foster care system and weighing whether to keep her baby. Set and filmed in Oakland, the film explores Black motherhood, community and the challenges of escaping cycles of trauma and poverty. Leaf based the film on her short documentary "The Heart Still Hums," which also focuses on the stories of young mothers trying to keep their children. We talk with Leaf about capturing the Bay Area's essence in the film and the personal experiences that inspired it. Public affairs. 8/3/23 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

It's Been a Minute

Race and Country

Country musicians Jason Aldean and Morgan Wallen are at the top of the charts right now. But both have gained listeners amid allegations of racism. It's Been a Minute explores how country music artists are grappling with these claims and the handling of race within the genre. Public affairs. 8/5/23 10:00 am <59:00min>

Snap Judgment

A Feminist Call to Prayer

Nelufar grew up with a Muslim upbringing, and she's about to dig into a ritual that's at the center of her religion: the daily call to prayer. It's a practice uniting 1.8 billion Muslims around the world. But, for a lot of reasons, Nelufar never felt completely comfortable responding to that call. So Nelufar, she tries a slightly different approach. Public affairs. 8/5/23 1:00 pm (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Our Body Politic

Can BIPOC Musicians Shape the Future of Classical Music?

Guest host Celeste Headlee speaks with Philip Ewell, professor of music theory at Hunter College about the history of classical music and Blackness. Then, Celeste speaks with professor and harpist Ashley Jackson about the significance of performing the works of Black female composers. Celeste is also joined by eight-time Grammy-winning musician Christian McBride on the links between jazz and classical music. Plus: Lara Downes, concert pianist, musical creator and host of the NPR video series "Amplify." Public affairs. 9/3/23 1:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Commonwealth ClubChasten Buttigieg: 'I Have Something to Tell You'

Chasten Buttigieg joins the show to tell how he went from being a scared and closeted gay teenager in a conservative Michigan town to being an out and outspoken gay man in the middle of his husband's presidential campaign. Along the way, he shares advice for others looking to be themselves and to confront bigotry wherever it may be found. Don't miss Chasten Buttigieg, on the Commonwealth Club. Public affairs. 9/14/23 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am)
<59:00min>

The California Report MagazineCambodian Genocide Still Scars Community; 40 Years On

More than 40 years after a genocide that killed 2 million people in Cambodia, the refugees who survived are still struggling to move past the trauma of the Khmer Rouge regime. From 1975 to 1979, soldiers under communist leader Pol Pot murdered, tortured and starved people in an attempt to rebuild a society free of Western influences. Though many survivors have created a new life in the U.S., their children often bear the scars of the past. KVPR's Soreath Hok explores the ways in which intergenerational trauma has affected Cambodian Americans in Fresno. Public affairs. 9/15/23 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm)
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