

**Quarterly Issues Programs List for KWTU**  
**January 1-March 31, 2018**  
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**Section 1. Issues**

The station has identified the following as significant issues facing our community during this quarter:

- A. **Opera:** Local and national operas are not heard over the Tulsa airwaves.
- B. **Music Literacy:** A desire to know more about the music form and the background behind the conductors, orchestras, and compositions.
- C. **Contemporary Performances:** Engaged citizens are unable to hear local and national contemporary performances from around the country and the world.
- D. **Symphonies and Orchestras:** Citizens, especially those of limited means, have difficulty hearing significant classical music played at the symphonic and orchestral level.
- E. **Music Education in the Schools:** A continuing look at the state of arts education in our community, celebrating excellence, and filling the gaps in music education in our state.
- F. **Public Affairs:** Community concerns about the economy, education, public safety, and health care.

**Section II. Responsive Programs**

A. Opera

The Metropolitan Opera-Broadcast of Richard Wagner's "Parsifal" on February 17, 2018 at 10:30am; Duration 5 hours and 45 minutes.

The Metropolitan Opera has always been one of the world's preeminent opera companies, and the company's commitment to its live broadcast of its Saturday matinee performances is a part of American broadcasting history. Conductor Yannick Nezet-Seguin led an all-star cast including Evelyn Herlitzius, Klaus Florian Vogt, Peter Mattei, and Rene Pape in this Wagnerian masterpiece retelling the Arthurian legend of the Holy Grail. The Metropolitan Opera was heard every Saturday during the broadcast quarter.

B. Music Literacy

Exploring Music-Broadcast of 'Intimate Voices: Conversations with Samuel Rhodes and David Finkel' on January 8-12, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 1 hour each evening.

This week, Exploring Music asks whether music is merely a collection of ordered pitches and vibrations in the air, or is there inherent and universal meaning contained within? Host Bill McGlaughlin delves into one of the most mysterious and fundamental qualities of music: its ability to convey emotion to the listener. Starting with Gil Shaham and the New York Philharmonic's performance of Samuel Barber's violin concerto, we

also hear Stravinsky's "The Rite of Spring" and Bach's e minor Toccata, and ask "what do we feel when we listen to this music and why?"

Exploring Music with Bill McGlaughlin is a weekday radio program that delves into a wide assortment of topics in classical music. Each five-program series builds off a single theme ranging from composer biographies to explorations of various cultures, musical styles, and time periods. Throughout this journey, Bill McGlaughlin guides the listener deep into the music with care and enthusiasm by giving historical context, illustrations at the piano and providing a special insight that only a top-notch musician, conductor, broadcaster, and composer could. Exploring Music was heard at 8:00pm weekdays during this quarter.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra- Broadcast on January 14, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

This broadcast is devoted to how composers commemorate death. Johannes Brahms' "German Requiem" is at the heart of this broadcast, but also includes Mozart's "Masonic Funeral Music", Witold Lutoslawski's "Musique Funebre", and the Prelude and Liebestod from Richard Wagner's opera "Tristan und Isolde". The Chicago Symphony Orchestra was heard every Sunday night at 8:00pm during the quarter.

New York Philharmonic This Week-Broadcast on January 14, 2018 at 1:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

The New York Philharmonic presented an all-Stravinsky large chamber music program consisting of two seldom heard pieces by the 20<sup>th</sup> Century master, "Renard", and "A Soldier's Tale". The New York Philharmonic is heard every Sunday afternoon at 1:00pm during the quarter.

Performance Today-Broadcast on February 20, 2018 at 6:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

The Chinese lute, or pipa, has been around for over two thousand years. On this edition of Performance Today, we hear a 21<sup>st</sup> Century composition for pipa and orchestra, Zhao Jiping's Pipa Concerto #2 with Wu Man and the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra. Wu Man also plays a traditional Chinese piece "White Snow in Spring". Performance Today was heard each weekday & Saturday evening at 6:00pm during this quarter.

ClassicalTulsa-Broadcast on March 2, 2018 at 12:00pm; Duration 1 hour

Each week, musicologist Jason Heilman previews upcoming classical performances in the area, including recorded musical performances of the pieces to be performed, and the composer's other works that provide insight into the coming local performances. This edition previewed Rebel Baroque Ensemble's upcoming Chamber Music Tulsa performance, with recordings of Vivaldi, Telemann, and Corelli, as well as the Tulsa Oratorio Chorus's performance of "The Celestial Country" by Charles Ives.

### C. Contemporary Performances

Tulsa Symphony Orchestra-Broadcast on January 28, 2018 at 4:00pm, Duration two hours.

American contemporary composer Eric Whitacre joined the Tulsa Symphony Orchestra to conduct a concert of his own works, ranging from sublime choral and orchestra pieces to "Godzilla Eats Las Vegas", a raucous work, satirizing Las Vegas culture. The Tulsa Symphony, produced by KWTU, is heard on select Sunday afternoons through the year.

New York Philharmonic This Week-Broadcast on February 11, 2018 at 1:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

The New York Philharmonic presented a program featuring Matthias Pintscher's 2005 piece "toward Osiris: Study for Orchestra". Alban Berg's 1935 Violin Concerto was also featured with soloist Pinchas Zukerman. The New York Philharmonic is heard every Sunday afternoon at 1:00pm during the quarter.

Exploring Music-Broadcast of 'John Corigliano's 80th' on February 12-16, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 1 hour each evening.

This week, Exploring Music welcomes one of America's foremost composers, John Corigliano, on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday as co-host and music programmer. Corigliano has written many works now considered to be part of the standard repertoire for American violinists, clarinetists, and orchestra. He'll join host Bill McGlaughlin to talk about the inspiration for his most popular works, and share the music that has inspired him .

Chicago Symphony Orchestra- Broadcast on March 24, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

This broadcast by the Chicago Symphony featured music director Riccardo Muti conducting the orchestra in Krzysztof Penderecki's 1974 work "The Dream of Jacob", which is best known for its use in the Stanley Kubrick film, "The Shining". The Chicago Symphony Orchestra was heard every Sunday night at 8:00pm during the quarter.

Performance Today-Broadcast on March 30, 2018 at 6:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

Composer Emily Cooley is a young contemporary American composer known for her compositions that range from delicate intensity to a pulsing, energetic sound. On this edition of Performance Today, we hear the world premiere of her piece, "Abound" with the Cincinnati Symphony and conductor Louis Lagree. Also on this broadcast, is a performance of pianist and composer Rachel Grimes' chamber work "The Herald". Performance Today was heard each weekday & Saturday evening at 6:00pm during this quarter.

#### D. Symphonies and Orchestras

New Year's from Vienna-Broadcast on January 1, 2018 at 10:00am; Duration 2 hours.

Riccardo Muti returns to the Vienna Philharmonic to conduct the orchestra's traditional New Year's Day concert featuring the music of imperial Vienna, the music of Johann, Josef and Johann Strauss, Jr. This worldwide broadcast marks the start of the New Year for music lovers. This is an annual special broadcast live from Vienna.

New York Philharmonic This Week-Broadcast on January 21, 2018 at 1:00pm; Duration two hours.

The New York Philharmonic presents two major Germanic symphonies, Ludwig van Beethoven's Symphony #1 and Anton Bruckner's Symphony #7 from an archival broadcast with the orchestra's former music director, the late Kurt Masur. The New York Philharmonic This Week was broadcast every Sunday at 1:00pm during the quarter.

Performance Today-Broadcast on January 22, 2018 at 6:00pm; Duration 2 hours.

This broadcast features NFL Hall of Famer Alan Page, a former defensive lineman with the Minnesota Vikings, who later became a justice on the Minnesota Supreme Court.. On this broadcast, he narrates Aaron Copland's "Lincoln Portrait" with the Minnesota Orchestra and conductor Osmao Vanska. The Nashville Symphony also performs Rachmaninov's "The Isle of the Dead". Performance Today is heard every weekday and Saturday at 6:00pm during the quarter.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra-Broadcast on March 4, 2018 at 8:00pm, Duration two hours.

Semyon Bychkov leads the Chicago Symphony in a program devoted to Johannes Brahms with performances of the Symphony #1 and the Violin Concerto with soloist Renaud Capucon. Also on the program was contemporary composer Detlev Glanert's tribute to Brahms's music, the "Brahms-Fantasie". This program series was broadcast every Sunday evening at 8:00pm this quarter.

Tulsa Symphony Orchestra-Broadcast on March 18, 2018 at 4:00pm, Duration two hours.

The Tulsa Symphony Orchestra performed Felix Mendelssohn's Symphony #3 (The Scottish), and Erich Wolfgang Korngold's Violin Concerto with concertmaster Rossitza Goza as soloist. Samuel Barber's "Medea's Dance of Vengeance" started the program led by Principal Guest Conductor Daniel Hege. The Tulsa Symphony, produced by KWTU, is heard on three Sunday afternoons this broadcast quarter.

Exploring Music-Broadcast of 'Felix Mendelssohn' on March 19-23, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 1 hour each evening.

The music of Felix Mendelssohn is featured this week, from his youthful works like "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and his string symphonies to the Violin Concerto and Scottish and Italian Symphonies beloved by all. Host Bill McGlaughlin profiles the composer from his days as a child prodigy through to his early death.

#### E. Declining Music Education in Schools

Wind & Rhythm – The Gathering Place For People Who Love Band Music-Broadcast Sunday evening at 7pm, 59 minutes.

This program is a one-hour weekly broadcast of pure band music, featuring all sorts of ensembles from Concert Bands and Wind Ensembles to Brass Bands and Percussion Ensembles. You may have participated "in-the-band" or had a family member who did. The library of wind band music is vast but hasn't had a chance to really make its own statement. The tonal variety of the band, presented with wonderful dynamics and rhythmic color make this music memorable and fun to hear. This program is a local production of KWTU, heard Sunday evenings at 7:00pm, and is distributed to stations throughout Oklahoma and the Midwest.

Exploring Music-Broadcast of 'Intimate Voices: Conversations with Samuel Rhodes and David Finkel' on March 5-9, 2018 at 8:00pm; Duration 1 hour each evening.

This week, Exploring Music has conversations with two chamber musicians with over 100 years of music-making experiences between them: Samuel Rhodes, former violist of the Juilliard Quartet, and David Finckel, former cellist of the Emerson Quartet, and co-Artistic Director of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. Rhodes describes the musical dialogues exchanged by the Juilliard Quartet, and hear them performing Ravel, Carter, and Brahms. Finckel tells of his admiration of violinist Oscar Shumsky and German baritone Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, and his sense of devastation that lies at the heart of Shostakovich's string quartets.

#### F. Public Affairs

KWTU Public Affairs-Broadcast weekly on Sunday mornings at 6:00am, Duration 5 minutes [HD1].

January 7, 2018 Tulsa Mayor G.T. Bynum discusses the cost overruns at the new Tulsa municipal jail.

January 14, 2018 American Airlines is giving a \$1,000 bonus to each of its full time workers. We talked with American employees in Tulsa and the Airlines' Linda Brock in Tulsa. The airline says the bonuses were possible because of the tax cut measures championed by President Trump.

January 21, 2018/Jan Figart with the Family Safety Center in Tulsa discussed the link between mental health and domestic violence.

January 28, 2018 The town of Okmulgee is taking an employment hit. Several businesses have announced plans to close in the town. The latest was the Coca-Cola Bottling warehouse. We talked with Okmulgee chamber of commerce officials on ways to bring new jobs to the town.

February 11, 2018 We provide analysis of Governor Mary Fallin's State of the State address, which opened the 2018 session of the Oklahoma Legislature.

February 18, 2018 Tulsa has one of the highest rates of mental illness and suicide in the nation. Despite the problem, state funding for public mental health continues to decline, resulting in an under-resourced early intervention and treatment system. Consequently, highly treatable issues spiral into crisis, overwhelming first responders with emergency calls. Tulsa has now formed a Community Response Team. The CRT members undergo crisis intervention training, including how to respond to a fluid/mobile situation.

February 25, 2018 Despite published reports to the contrary, Tulsa Mayor Bynum says efforts to relocate BMX America from Arizona to Tulsa are on schedule. The national headquarters for the sports organization was a highly touted part of the city's last Vision 2025 capital expenditures vote.

March 4, 2018 Young people who were brought to the United States illegally as children are currently protected from deportation under an immigration law known as DACA. This law is set to expire in less than two weeks. Many in Congress want to extend the program, but can't seem to agree on how. He heard from one Oklahoma student who talked about what it's like to plan for a future that is so uncertain.

March 11, 2018 The Tulsa School Board is considering renaming four Tulsa Schools because of links the namesakes had to slavery and removal and mistreatment of indigenous populations. The names of Lee, Columbus, Chouteau, and Jackson Elementaries are under debate. We heard comments made by patrons of the schools.

March 18, 2018 New research suggests that people with intellectual disabilities are being turned down for organ transplants simply because of their disability. An effort to take bias out of the decision highlights a little known area of medicine.

March 25, 2018 Fight or flight? Thousands of Oklahoma churchgoers are asking what they should do if a gunman walks into their sanctuaries. Church members are flocking to training classes led by state security experts and considering carrying guns. State lawmakers are considering legislation to extend legal protections to churchgoers who use lethal force.