

ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST
KBYR-AM, Anchorage, AK
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There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded by KBYR-AM Anchorage, AK along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period of January 1, 2024 to March 31, 2024. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Narration of Type of Description of Program/Segment
Artificial Intelligence, Emotion, Engineering, Ethics, Personality, Philosophy, Psychology, Technology	Viewpoints	1/7/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: ARE HUMANS BUILDING OUR END? THE DEBATE AROUND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE & ITS CONSCIOUS STATE</p> <p>Time: 1:48 Duration: 10:07</p> <p>Synopsis: Would you consider complex, artificial intelligence systems like Open AI's, Chat GPT-4 or Google's newest release, Gemini, conscious minds? What exactly even constitutes as consciousness? We speak with two experts about this ongoing debate and what challenges lie ahead for these quickly evolving systems.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price Producer: Tabor Brewster Guests: Susan Schneider, philosopher, director, Center for the Future Mind, Florida Atlantic University; Kristian Hammond, AI scientist, professor, director, Masters of Science Dept., Artificial Intelligence, Northwestern University</p>
Art, Creative Arts, Culture, Fashion, History, Liberal Arts, Literature, Media, News, Politics	Viewpoints	1/7/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: SPEAKING WITH THE ARTIST BEHIND SOME OF THE MOST ICONIC ILLUSTRATIONS</p> <p>Time: 13:58 Duration: 7:27</p> <p>Synopsis: We speak with illustrator and artist Tim O'Brien who's illustrated countless magazine covers over the decades. O' Brien speaks with us about his long career, the history of illustration, its evolution and how the art form is used to convey a deeper meaning or take on a singular moment in time.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson Producer: Polly Hansen Guests: Tim O'Brien, illustrator, artist</p>
Culture, Diversity, Gender Equality, Gender Issues, History, Literature, Race, Science Fiction	Viewpoints	1/14/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: A PIONEER IN PAVING GREATER DIVERSITY IN SCI-FI</p> <p>Time: 1:47 Duration: 7:21</p> <p>Synopsis: For decades, science fiction was a genre written almost exclusively by white males. Now, the genre is flourishing with diverse voices, thanks in part to the trailblazing writer Octavia E. Butler. Historian Gerry Canavan discusses the obstacles Butler faced and her legacy on one of the most popular genres in American literature.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price Producer: Polly Hansen Guests: Gerry Canavan, professor at Marquette University and author, Octavia E. Butler (Modern Masters of Science Fiction) Compliancy</p>
Beekeeping, Biodiversity, Environment, Family Relationships, Literature, Mental Health	Viewpoints	1/14/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: THE SECRETS LEARNED FROM A FIFTH-GENERATION BEEKEEPER</p> <p>Time: 11:10 Duration: 10:15</p> <p>Synopsis: In Meredith May's book, she examines the parallels between the inner workings of beehives and our society, and how beekeeping taught her numerous life lessons as a child. She also discusses the threat to bees with commercialized beekeeping and what we can do to protect these insects that are vital to our ecosystem.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson Producer: Polly Hansen Guests: Meredith May, author, The Honey Bus: A Memoir of Loss, Courage and a Girl Saved by Bees</p>

Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, Emerging Industries, Equality, Government, Incarceration, Law, Race, Small Business	Viewpoints	1/21/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: THE RISE OF THE CORPORATE DISPENSARY</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 8:41</p> <p>Synopsis: Cannabis has grown to become a multi-billion-dollar industry in the U.S. But how much of this revenue is going to small businesses rather than large chains controlling every part of production? We discuss the current inequities and the failure to maintain a model that helps populations who've been disproportionately affected by the war on cannabis get a seat at the table.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Grace Galante</p> <p>Guests: Sarah Woodson, Executive Director, Founder, The Color of Cannabis; Aaron Smith, Co-Founder & CEO, The National Cannabis Industry Association</p>
Education, Free Expression, Gender, Government, Law, Literature, Politics, Public Policy, Race, Sexual Education	Viewpoints	1/21/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: WHY ARE WE BANNING MORE BOOKS THAN EVER BEFORE?</p> <p>Time: 12:30</p> <p>Duration: 9:23</p> <p>Synopsis: Books have been taken off shelves since the colonial period, but, in recent years, more books than ever have been deemed unsuitable for young readers and are being removed from schools and local libraries. We cover the controversy by highlighting two differing perspectives on the debate.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Jonathon Friedman, director, free expression & education programs, Pen America; Tia Bess, volunteer moms for liberty</p>
Career, Economy, Education, Education Policy, Government Funding, Higher Education, Inflation, Labor Unions, Law, Learning, Personal Finance, Politics, Salary	Viewpoints	1/28/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: NEW YEAR, SAME CHALLENGES: WHY THE AMERICAN EDUCATION SYSTEM IS AT A CROSSROADS?</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 7:26</p> <p>Synopsis: For years, the media has covered teacher burnout and how more and more teachers are resigning. Yet, despite this increased coverage, little has been done to improve pay, working conditions and autonomy on a large-scale for educators. Now, many schools across the country are reaching a breaking point and lower-than-average student scores are reflecting this systemic breakdown. We speak with two education experts about what needs to change and how listeners can get involved</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Becky Pringle, president, National Education Association; Lori Cash, retired first grade teacher, Columbus, Ind. Compliance</p>
Crime, Democracy, Foreign Policy, International Relations, Public Elections, Voting Rights	Viewpoints	1/28/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: WHY MEXICO IS AT A CRITICAL POLITICAL JUNCTION</p> <p>Time: 11:15</p> <p>Duration: 10:03</p> <p>Synopsis: It's not just a heated election year for Americans. Millions of Mexicans are also gearing up for a contentious election cycle to elect their next President and Congress. We cover Mexico's ongoing struggle to maintain a fair and equal democracy and what's at stake within the country and U.S.-Mexico relations.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Tabor Brewster</p> <p>Guests: Tamara Taraciuk Broner, director, Peter D. Bell Rule of Law Program, Inter-American Dialogue; Abraham Lowenthal, Professor Emeritus, International Relations, University Of Southern California, founder, Latin America Program, Woodrow Wilson Center</p>
Communication, Government, Law, Parenting, Personal Finance, Psychology, Relationships	Viewpoints	2/4/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: WHY DIVORCE RATES ARE CLIMBING RIGHT NOW & WHAT TO KNOW IF YOU'RE EVER IN THIS SITUATION</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 7:48</p> <p>Synopsis: For many divorce attorneys, the beginning of the year is typically peak season for obtaining new clients. After the holiday season is over, struggling couples reassess their marriage in the new year and then, if they choose to move forward, start the process of divorce in February. We speak with prominent New York City divorce attorney Jacqueline Newman about the biggest misconceptions people have when it comes to divorce and why everyone – single or married – should keep these tips in mind.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Jacqueline Newman, divorce attorney, managing partner, Berkman, Bottger, Newman & Schein</p>
Communication, Health, Mental Health, Psychiatry, Psychology, Public Health, Self-Growth, trauma	Viewpoints	2/4/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: WE ALL EXPERIENCE TRAUMA: HOW TO BEST WORK THROUGH IT</p> <p>Time: 11:37</p> <p>Duration: 9:21</p> <p>Synopsis: Trauma comes in many shapes and forms – and nearly everyone experiences trauma at some point in their life. Viewpoints speaks with psychiatrist, Dr. James S. Gordon to better understand a person's reaction to trauma and the body's resilience in dealing with these stressful events and situations.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Dr. James S. Gordon, psychiatrist, clinical professor, Georgetown Medical School, author, Transformation: Discovering Wholeness and Healing After Trauma</p>

Affordable Housing, Economy, Housing Market, Inflation, Personal Finance	Viewpoints	2/11/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: YOU'RE NOT ALONE: WHY THE AVERAGE AMERICAN CAN NO LONGER AFFORD THE AVERAGE HOME</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 7:25</p> <p>Synopsis: Just 15.5 percent of homes on the market last year were within budget for the average American. That's the lowest percent for housing affordability ever recorded in U.S. history, according to a new report from the real estate firm Redfin. We speak with two real estate and housing experts about the large-scale increase in housing prices and mortgage loans and if there's any relief in sight this year.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Daryl Fairweather, Chief Economist, Redfin; Freddie Smith, realtor, social media producer</p>
Aerospace Engineering, Engineering, Exploration, Government, History, Politics, Public Funding, Space, Workplace Safety	Viewpoints	2/11/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: UNDER THE RADAR PT 1: AN ALTERNATE PERSPECTIVE ON THE FAMED SPACE SHUTTLE PROGRAM</p> <p>Time: 11:14</p> <p>Duration: 9:25</p> <p>Synopsis: The space shuttle is seen as an engineering marvel and a symbol of human innovation, ingenuity, and collaboration. However, there's a darker side to the space shuttle program that's often been excluded from the mainstream narrative. This week, we uncover this story with the help of Harvard professor Matthew H. Hersch who's the author of Dark Star: A New History of the Space Shuttle.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Polly Hansen</p> <p>Guests: Matthew H. Hersch, associate professor, history of science, Harvard University, author, Dark Star: A New History of the Space Shuttle</p>
African American History, Aviation, Civil Rights, Gender Equity, Women's History	Viewpoints	2/18/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH: THE DAREDEVIL STUNT PILOT YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF</p> <p>Time: 1:48</p> <p>Duration: 8:46</p> <p>Synopsis: Most Americans are well acquainted with the story of Amelia Earhart, but few have heard the name, Bessie Coleman. This fearless legend earned her pilot's license two years before Earhart became certified. This week, as we commemorate Black History Month, we cover the story of Coleman and the countless barriers she faced as an African American woman in the early 1900's set on making a name for herself in performance stunt flying.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Tanya Hart, host & producer, Hollywood Live with Tanya Hart, co-producer, Flying Free Films</p>
Engineering, Legislation, Politics, Public Funding, Public Safety, Space Exploration	Viewpoints	2/18/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: UNDER THE RADAR PT 2: A LOVE-HATE RELATIONSHIP WITH AMERICA'S SPACE SHUTTLE</p> <p>Time: 12:36</p> <p>Duration: 8:34</p> <p>Synopsis: In total, the NASA space shuttle program had 135 missions. You can't argue that the birth of this shuttle launched us into a new era of space exploration and innovation. But – what's not often mentioned are the controversies, setbacks, and disputes behind the scenes. Former NASA flight director and program manager Wayne Hale speaks candidly with us about the myths and facts of the NASA Space Shuttle Program.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Polly Hansen</p> <p>Guests: Wayne Hale, former program manager, flight director, NASA Space Shuttle Program</p>
Career, Child Development, Communication, Life Skills, Mental Health, Organization, Psychology, Teen Development	Viewpoints	2/25/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: SCHOOL, SPORTS, STANDARDIZED TESTS: WHEN IS THERE TIME TO BUILD LIFE SKILLS?</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 7:38</p> <p>Synopsis: As an academic advisor, Ana Homayoun has had many conversations with students, parents, and administrators. With so much competition and so many pressures, what's always top-of-mind is grades, college admissions and how to stand out from everyone else. But what often falls by the wayside are the fundamentals of how to create a healthy and successful life. We speak with Homayoun about why so many teens (especially in the last 10 years) seem to really struggle post-high school and how parents can better prepare their kids before they hit this breaking point.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Ana Homayoun, academic advisor, early career development expert, author, Erasing the Finish Line: The New Blueprint for Success</p>
Career, Communication, Generalized Anxiety, Mental Health, Psychology, Public Speaking, Social Anxiety, Societal Stereotypes	Viewpoints	2/25/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: PERFORMANCE ANXIETY: WE ALL STRUGGLE WITH IT. HOW DO YOU RISE ABOVE?</p> <p>Time: 11:27</p> <p>Duration: 9:56</p> <p>Synopsis: Before a big presentation or test or job interview, most of us struggle with different levels of anxiety, nerves, and self-doubt. Dr. Dana Sinclair has worked with Olympic athletes, A-list actors and actresses, and even surgeons on how to overcome this performance anxiety and get back in control in a matter of minutes. We speak with her to learn how everyone can utilize these same strategies in their daily lives.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Dr. Dana Sinclair, psychologist, author, Dialed In: Do Your Best When It Matters Most</p>

Climate Change, Climate Policy, Developing Economies, International Relations, Natural Resources, Politics	Viewpoints	3/3/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: WHAT LIES AHEAD: A CLIMATE CALAMITY FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES</p> <p>Time: 1:47 Duration: 9:24</p> <p>Synopsis: 2023 was the hottest year on record since global records began in 1850. We're also currently far from being on track to hit The Paris Climate Agreement – a landmark international treaty adopted in 2015 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and limit global warming to below 2 degrees Celsius this century. We speak with anthropologist and climate policy expert Naveeda Khan about the U.N. Climate Change Conference that took place this year and how smaller, developing countries are stepping up and demanding change.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price Producer: Amirah Zaveri Guests: Naveeda Khan, associate professor, chair, anthropology, Johns Hopkins University, author, In Quest of a Shared Planet: Negotiating Climate from the Global South</p>
American History, Civil Rights, Culture, Diversity, Equality, History, Music, Race	Viewpoints	3/3/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: THE RISE OF SOUL MUSIC: STAX, MOTOWN & THE GENRE TODAY</p> <p>Time: 13:13 Duration: 8:09</p> <p>Synopsis: Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, Aretha Franklin. These are just some of the iconic soul artists that shaped the genre. We speak with two experts about the cultural relevance of soul music today and how current artists and organizations are carrying on the legacy of this music.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson Producer: Tabor Brewster Guests: Mark Anthony Neal, James B. Duke Distinguished Professor, African American Studies, Duke University; Isaac Daniel Executive Director, Stax Music Academy</p>
Career, Media, Mental Health, Motherhood, Parenting, Psychology, Relationships	Viewpoints	3/10/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: CAN YOU JUGGLE IT ALL? NPR'S MARY LOUISE KELLY OPENS UP ABOUT HER STRUGGLES</p> <p>Time: 1:47 Duration: 8:36</p> <p>Synopsis: NPR journalist and co-host of "All Things Considered" Mary Louise Kelly joins us to share her story of balancing motherhood with a long-spanning, demanding career in journalism. She – like many mothers – has struggled to have it all and recounts the many tradeoffs over the years.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price Producer: Polly Hansen Guests: Mary Louise Kelly, co-host, "All Things Considered", National Public Radio</p>
Civil Rights, Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice History, Culture, Law Enforcement, Mass Incarceration, Society	Viewpoints	3/10/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE IN FRONT OF A PRISON PAROLE BOARD: THE ROAD TO REHABILITATION</p> <p>Time: 12:25 Duration: 8:25</p> <p>Synopsis: Parole from prison is one of the key aspects of the criminal justice system. The program incentivizes good behavior, promotes rehabilitation and a successful reintegration into society. But as rates of parole have plummeted in recent years in the U.S., experts are raising doubts about the subjective nature of the process and if prisoners have the adequate tools and resources to get parole.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson Producer: Polly Hansen Guests: Ben Austen, Journalist, Author of "Correction, Parole, Prison, and the Possibility of Change"</p>
Astronomy, Astrophysics, Culture, History, Literature, Science, Space, Travel	Viewpoints	3/17/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: WHY YOU SHOULD DROP WHAT YOU'RE DOING ON APRIL 8 & SEE THIS RARE EVENT</p> <p>Time: 1:47 Duration: 9:03</p> <p>Synopsis: On Monday, April 8, a total solar eclipse will hit a large diagonal stretch of the U.S. The next event of this magnitude isn't set to happen again until 2044. We speak with eclipse expert and journalist David Baron about why a total solar eclipse is a can't-miss event worth the travel and traffic.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price Producer: Amirah Zaveri Guests: David Baron, former science correspondent, NPR, author, American Eclipse: A Nation's Epic Race to Catch the Shadow of the Moon and Win the Glory of the World</p>
Adolescent Health, Athletics, Career, Drug Abuse, Government, Health Policy, International Relations, Politics, Professional Sports, Sports, War	Viewpoints	3/17/2024	9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: WHY DOES RUSSIA CONTINUE TO GET AWAY WITH THE WIDE-SCALE DOPING OF ITS ATHLETES?</p> <p>Time: 12:52 Duration: 8:38</p> <p>Synopsis: The 2024 Paris Olympics is set to start in just four months. While Russian athletes have been barred from representing their country, they'll still be able to compete on a neutral, no-representation status. However, there are still many lingering questions about the efficacy of anti-doping tests and if the Olympics will once again be plagued by athletes who are retroactively banned.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson Producer: Grace Galante Guests: Travis Tygart, CEO, U.S. Anti-Doping Agency; April Henning, assistant professor, International Sports Management, Edinburgh Business School, Heriot-Watt University</p>

Community, Health, Public Health, Relationships, Travel	Viewpoints	3/24/2024 9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: EXPANDING INTO AGING: HOW TO OVERCOME OUR FEAR OF THE UNKNOWN</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 9:03</p> <p>Synopsis: Why do we fear the process of getting older so much? We speak with author Caroline Paul about gaining a new perspective on aging – one that embraces adventure, new relationships and keeps us curious and growing as we age.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Caroline Paul, author, Tough Broad: From Boogie Boarding to Wing Walking – How Outdoor Adventure Improves Our Lives as We Age</p>
Biodiversity, Culture, Human Development, Pop Culture, Societal Norms, Society, Wildlife species	Viewpoints	3/24/2024 9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: AMERICANS LOVE-HATE RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS FURRY ANIMAL</p> <p>Time: 12:52</p> <p>Duration: 8:34</p> <p>Synopsis: In the early 1900's, deer almost went extinct after they were over-hunted for their meat, hides and antlers. Today, most parts of the country have a very different problem. We speak with wildlife expert Erika Howsare about our long and tangled relationship with the white-tailed deer.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Polly Hansen</p> <p>Guests: Erika Howsare, author, The Age of Deer, Trouble and Kinship with Our Wild Neighbors</p>
Child Development, Education, Education Policy, Literacy, Parenting, Reading Comprehension	Viewpoints	3/31/2024 9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 1: '2/3 OF STUDENTS ARE TESTING BELOW PROFICIENCY IN READING': WHY WE'RE FAILING THE NEXT GENERATION</p> <p>Time: 1:47</p> <p>Duration: 8:50</p> <p>Synopsis: Millions of kids aren't meeting current reading comprehension guidelines. With so many young people falling through the cracks, what's broken within the current curriculum? What's the best way to actually teach reading? Education expert Natalie Wexler joins us to share important insights on emerging research and what parents should know.</p> <p>Host: Gary Price</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Natalie Wexler, education expert, author, The Knowledge Gap: The Hidden Cause of America's Broken Education System - And How to Fix It</p>
Culture, History, Intercommunication, Language, Linguistics, Personal Development, Public speaking	Viewpoints	3/31/2024 9:00 a.m.	<p>SEGMENT 2: "UM, WHAT?": THE HIDDEN PURPOSE BEHIND FILLER WORDS</p> <p>Time: 12:39</p> <p>Duration: 8:34</p> <p>Synopsis: We've all been there. You've given a presentation or had a job interview and realized afterwards that you may have used too many words like "um", "you know" or "like". While these fillers are distracting if overused, when added in moderation, they do play a very specific purpose.</p> <p>Host: Marty Peterson</p> <p>Producer: Amirah Zaveri</p> <p>Guests: Valerie Fridland, sociolinguist, professor, linguistics, English Department, University of Nevada-Reno, author, Like Literally Dude: Arguing for the Good in Bad English</p>

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