## **UEN Channel 9 - Programs and Issues Report April 1-June 30, 2023**

Listed below are programs that **KUEN** Channel 9, Utah Education Network, deems to be of importance in the **KUEN** viewing area. Education is the primary focus of this station, serving educators and all citizens of our service area. These programs are indicative of **KUEN**'s commitment to provide the citizens of Utah access to the highest quality and most effective instructional experiences.



## K - 12 Instructional Programming

**KUEN** approved a comprehensive schedule of instructional programs for use in Utah's elementary and secondary schools. These programs were selected and scheduled in cooperation with staff of the Utah State Board of Education. A representational list of these programs includes:

<u>Fall in Love with Music:</u> A music-appreciation series that helps viewers connect – both intellectually and emotionally—with classical music. Conceived and hosted by George Marriner Maull, artistic director of The Discovery Orchestra, the series offers streamlined, effective pathways to musical understanding based on the educational strategies of Dr. Saul Feinberg, a pioneer and recognized authority in the teaching of music listening skills. In addition to sharing music excerpts on the piano, Maestro Maull uses recordings from the Naxos Music Library and live performances by string and jazz quartets to demonstrate the listening concepts. **KUEN-TV** aired this series of 30-minute programs Mondays at 11 a.m. beginning April 17.

American Sign Language: An easy-to-learn, step-by-step approach to learning sign language, complete with drills and practice exercises to increase signing ability and understanding. It's the perfect guide to the fundamentals of communicating through sign in a variety of everyday situations. Excellent for every American Sign Language (ASL) student as well as teachers, parents and professionals learning ASL to be able to communicate clearly, naturally and start signing with the deaf community and people with hearing loss. Students will learn basic to advanced communication skills, vocabulary, finger spelling, the alphabet the fundamentals of communicating through sign in a variety of everyday situations, proper ASL etiquette and how to properly communicate with people of the Deaf Community. This series of seven episodes aired Tuesdays at 9 a.m. on KUEN beginning April 3.

<u>Turning Points in U.S. History:</u> <u>Turning Points in US History:</u> Turning Points in U.S. History is a series designed to provide a clear overview of the people and events that became significant pivotal points in history. Rare archival footage and photographs, authentic recordings,

and other primary source documents bring history to life, while stunning graphics and engaging narration lend context and clarity to the subject. This series aired Fridays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on **KUEN** 

<u>Let's Learn:</u> Let's Learn is an educational public television series for children ages 3 to 8, featuring lessons by educators, STEM specialists, teaching artists, and others. 130 one-hour programs include instruction in literacy, math, science, social studies and the arts to supplement at-home learning. The series also supports social-emotional learning and 2 brings viewers on virtual field trips to see dance performances, meet animals, visit botanical gardens and more. **KUEN** broadcast this series Monday through Friday at 12 p.m.

**Biz Kid\$:** BIZ KID\$ is the fun, fast-paced TV series where kids teach kids about money and entrepreneurship. Created for school-aged children, each half-hour episode features several young business owners and philanthropists who share their success stories. Whether it's a skateboard designer, a candy store owner, or a hip-hop music producer, the kids on the series inspire young viewers. Throughout the series, kids learn about saving, budgeting, investing and giving back to the community. Spoofs of old TV shows and comedy sketches performed by a humorous cast of characters make the series a hit with both kids and parents alike. The King of Ka-Ching, a cheesy lounge singer, and Francine Fairtrade, a world traveler with extensive knowledge of all things exotic and financial, are two of the characters who add to the fun. This series aired on **KUEN** Mondays and Wednesdays at 3 p.m.

<u>Inside Outer Space:</u> Come with us as we explore and unravel the mysteries of what lies beyond our planet Earth. This is a series packed with space stories and information about our universe covering what we can see, how we can live in space and what science tells us about the past and the future as we journey inside out of space. **KUEN** broadcast this series of eight 30-minute programs Thursdays at 9 a.m. beginning May 25.

## Public Affairs Programming

<u>DW News</u>: A daily newscast from the heart of Europe. As one of the world's largest international broadcasters, Deutsche Welle provides public television viewers the unique opportunity to see our world from another perspective. The global economic crises, war in Afghanistan, and the worldwide campaign to combat global warming are issues that affect viewers on both sides of the Atlantic. On DW News, reporters and presenters from our Berlin studios provide your viewers depth and clarity as well as a unique European perspective on the day's events. **KUEN** airs this series Monday through Friday at 7 p.m.

<u>Carbon Farming: A Climate Solution Under Our Feet:</u> Carbon farming, also called regenerative agriculture, is a revolutionary method that traps carbon from the air into the ground to produce nutritious food. Instead of tilling and using agrochemicals, farmers let the natural ecosystem do the work. The program features pioneers of this method, including Gabe Brown in the U.S. and Yoshida Toshimichi in Japan. This one-hour program aired Thursday, April 6 at 9 p.m. on **KUEN.** 

<u>Open Mind</u>: A half hour weekly public affairs broadcast, THE OPEN MIND is a thoughtful excursion into the world of ideas, exploring issues of national and public concern with the most compelling minds of our times. Hosted by Alexander Heffner. **KUEN** broadcast this series on Monday nights at 11 p.m. and on Friday mornings at 5 a.m.

NHK Newsline: NEWSLINE is produced by NHK, Japan's news leading public broadcaster, delivering the latest from Japan, Asia and the rest of the world. featuring global news and current affairs, business, sports, science and technology trends plus global weather forecasts from over 30 news bureaus throughout the world. Their wide network of correspondents around the globe covers breaking news and developing stories, offering a unique Asian perspective. Together with a team of trusted anchors, NHK NEWSLINE presents a picture of what's happening now, and what's ahead. **KUEN** aired this series twice a day, Monday through Friday, at 7 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

<u>Medicating Normal:</u> One in five Americans are physically dependent on, not heroin or cocaine, but commonly prescribed psychiatric drugs. Combining cinema verité and investigative journalism, MEDICATING NORMAL follows the stories of five ordinary people whose doctors prescribed psychiatric drugs to help with familiar problems such as stress, mild depression, sleeplessness, grief, etc. This is the untold story of the very serious consequences that can occur when profit-driven medicine intersects with human beings in distress. This one-hour documentary aired Monday, May 1 at 9 p.m.

Equal Protection: The Supreme Court's Battle with Affirmative Action: For decades, the U.S. Supreme Court has upheld the practice of allowing colleges and universities to use race as a criterion in considering applicants for admission to create a diverse student body. Now, the court is deciding whether to overturn this precedent. This documentary explores the history of the court's decisions in this area going back to the adoption of the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. This documentary aired Thursday, June 8 at 9 p.m.

## General Interest Programming

Energy Switch: Energy and climate are intertwined, two of the most important topics in the world today. Yet viewers know very little about them. This show aims to change that. 'Energy Switch' brings together two renowned experts from government, NGOs, academia and industry, with differing perspectives on important energy and climate topics, such as: Could solar and wind power our future? Or could hydrogen be the dominant energy source? Should we have more or less nuclear power? How should we respond to climate change? What policies most effectively reduce emissions? How could we pay for them? These lively discussions and more are moderated by renowned energy scientist and communicator Dr. Scott Tinker. KUEN aired this series Thursdays at 8 p.m.

<u>The Good Road:</u> THE GOOD ROAD explores the complicated cocktail that is created when charity is introduced into a mixture of culture, politics, religion and history. Each half-hour episode reveals a unique and astonishing location and an engaging cast of characters. Hosts Earl Bridges and Craig Martin—longtime philanthropy veterans, globetrotters and best friends – trek

around the world to meet people who are making a difference. This series aired Fridays at 6 p.m. on **KUEN**.

<u>Discovery Road:</u> Explore the people and places of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area (MPNHA). "Discovery Road" features a '55 Pontiac which travels along U.S. Highway 89, All-American Road State Route 12, and Scenic Byway State Route 24 in Utah. As the car drives along these roads, viewers will "discover" the things that make the MPNHA worth driving to themselves. Using music, storytellers and the characters in the communities along the way, Discovery Road presents Utah's history, scenery and culture in an entertaining and educational manner. The Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area (MPNHA) is a federally designated area of central and southern Utah running along the beautiful and historic U. S. Highway 89—including the All-American Road, Utah State Route 12, and Capitol Reef Scenic Byway Utah State Route 24, which both intersect with U.S. 89 and together form the MPNHA's Boulder Loop. This series airs on **KUEN** Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Wednesdays at 12 a.m.

Omaha Beach: Honor and Sacrifice: On D-Day, a roughly 7,000-yard stretch of beach in Normandy, France given the code name "Omaha" proved to be the Allies' biggest obstacle to the success of Operation Overlord. The assignment to take Omaha Beach, establish a beachhead, and move inland into France was given to two American divisions - the already battle-hardened 1st Infantry Division (The Big Red One) and the untested 29th Infantry Division (The Blue and the Gray), who had yet to see any combat in World War II. American Naval Combat Demolition Units also hit the beach that day, writing their own individual stories of horror and heroism. Seven decades after the "Boys of Omaha Beach" landed, many veterans are returning to this part of the Normandy coast for the last time. Other soldiers who were there on D-Day have also come back for the first time since that historic day, looking for closure as they enter the final years of their lives. OMAHA BEACH: HONOR AND SACRIFICE shows the very personal stories of several veterans as they return to Omaha Beach and documents the celebration in Normandy that continues to this day as a result of their acts of courage and determination on June 6, 1944.

KUEN aired this program on Saturday, June 3 at 8 p.m.

<u>Art Connection:</u> This weekly series highlights four artists and their craft. Travel around the world, meeting fascinating people and the love of art that connects them all. **KUEN** broadcast this series Sundays at 7 p.m.

Come Back Anytime: Self-taught ramen master Masamoto Ueda and his wife Kazuko have run their Tokyo ramen shop, Bizentei for more than forty years. Together with their customers, they have created a welcoming place of community. On the weekends, they venture together across the Japanese countryside, harvesting pears, bamboo shoots, and wild mountain yams. An intimate portrait of Japan's culture of food, community, and work, COME BACK ANYTIME features gorgeous scenery, mouth-watering dishes, and a delightful cast of regular customers. It's a heart-warming reminder of life's simplest pleasures: a delicious meal, relaxed conversations with friends, and a special place to call one's own. KUEN aired this 60-minute program Wednesday, May 17 at 8 p.m.