

WBGO (88.3 FM)  
**ASCERTAINMENT:**  
ISSUE-RESPONSE PROGRAMMING  
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**TOPICS ADDRESSED**

Arts and Culture

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Crime

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Politics

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Race and Ethnicity

## Arts and Culture

### **Listen In as Broadway and Film Powerhouse Michael Shannon Guest-Hosts Morning Jazz**

Whether live onstage, in a television production or in one of his many noted films, Michael Shannon leaves an indelible impression. He elevates any creative endeavor in which he's a part.

### **A Fortieth Anniversary and a Fond Farewell: Michael Bourne on the Montreal Jazz Int'l Fest**

The [Montréal International Jazz Festival](#), like WBGO, is in the midst of a 40th-anniversary celebration. And for two-thirds of its storied history, Michael Bourne has had boots on the ground: this is his 27th edition of the festival.

### **Jersey City's Jeraco Rivers Writes "Andreas, The Boy Who Imagines"**

*Andreas, The Boy Who Imagines* is a new children's book that teaches youth how to dream again without needing technology.

## Business and Economy

### **Equal Pay Takes Center Stage as USWNT Celebrate World Cup Victory In NYC**

The United States Women's National Soccer team paraded through the Canyon of Heroes in lower Manhattan, receiving keys to the city from Mayor Bill de Blasio during a post parade ceremony. New Jersey's own Carli Lloyd was the first member of the team to speak to the thousands of fans in attendance.

### **A True Testament of Perseverance: College Student Angel Plaza**

You may have heard about NJIT Engineering student Angel Plaza. His viral LinkedIn post sparked attention after NJ Advance Media covered him standing at MLK Boulevard, handing out his professional resume to motorists...with hopes of landing a job.

### **Newark Regional Business Partnership's Young Entrepreneur's Academy**

Many middle and high school students in Newark have become sole proprietors of unique businesses, thanks to the Newark Regional Business Partnership's Young Entrepreneur's Academy. WBGO's Charisma Lyles reports on one of the latest success stories where a YEA! student landed a job as a professional photographer.

Health Care

## **Tobias A. Fox: Saving Money By Lowering Your Foodprint**

*WBGO Media Fellow Marcellis Counts reports on why Tobias A. Fox is making a difference when it comes to ending food insecurity in area neighborhoods.*

## **Student Returns Home Ready To Make A Difference At Rutgers New Jersey Medical School**

Saint-Victor is the first member of his family to graduate from college but working in medicine runs in his family.

## **With task force, N.J. makes its next move to combat vaping 'epidemic'**

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy has put together a 10-member task force charged with making recommendations on how the state can deal with what officials have called the “epidemic” of electronic cigarette use.

Crime

## **Commentator Mildred Antenor: "Women Are Prey"**

WBGO commentator Mildred Antenor is very concerned after seeing in a *New York Times* article that rapes in New York City are up 19 percent the first quarter of this year. She's also not pleased with the results of a recent poll asking women how they protect themselves.

Education

## **Preparing For Major Renovations, The Show Goes On At Harlem School of The Arts**

When Harlem School of the Arts founder Dorothy Maynor was raising money to build the facility, New York City was a much different place.

## **A Memoir by Newark's Sharon Elise**

She's a yoga instructor, a doula, mother, Newark Native and now Sharon Elise is an author.

## **2nd Annual New Jersey UNCF 5K Run/Walk For Education Set For September 21st**

The morning event, which has registration at 8am and begins at 9am, looks to bring together individuals, family members, friends and co-workers to participate and help raise much needed funds to help address college-bound students' financial obstacles so that they are able to get to and through college.

Environment

## **Sculptor and Visual Artist Willie Cole Brings The Newark Bottle Project To Life**

Cole, who now lives in Mine Hill, New Jersey and part-time in Los Angeles, is excited about his latest project that will eventually end up in a Newark school. He'll be using 16 and 8 ounce water bottles to create a 30-foot kid sculpture. It's not the first time he used water bottles in an artistic way.

## **The PAYS Energy Efficiency Upgrade Program**

An innovative system to finance energy efficiency upgrades for renters and low-income people has been gaining traction around the country. The system, basically run by two men working out of their home offices in Vermont, is running in eight states.

Government and State Agencies

## **The Border Crisis: Thoughts from an El Paso City Councilman**

WBGO's Alexandra Hill caught up with Democratic councilman to talk to him about the border crisis impacting his community.

## **Newark's Water Concerns Extend to Neighboring Elizabeth**

New Jersey residents in municipalities beyond Newark are raising concerns over elevated levels of lead in their drinking water. WBGO's Molly Fichter reports from neighboring Elizabeth, where some get their water from the same treatment plant that put Newark in a crisis.

## **Ask Governor Murphy: Drinking Water Infrastructure In NJ**

The Governor also addresses storm preparedness for Dorian, his endorsement of US Senator Cory Booker of NJ for president, and the American Dream Meadowlands shopping center.



## Politics

### **Governor Murphy Addresses the Newark Water Crisis**

On the most recent edition of *Ask Governor Murphy* on WBGO, Governor Murphy spoke with host Nancy Solomon about what's being done about the high levels of lead in Newark's drinking water. Governor Murphy made it clear that it's not just a local problem, but a national crisis with so many towns and cities using old lead pipes.

### **Unclaimed Vets Are In Funeral Homes All Over The US, These Guys Want To Change That**

In the New Jersey Legislature, a bill has passed the state senate, and referred to the Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee that would expand the Cremains Projects' work beyond unclaimed vets.

### **Project Ready Helps Register Newark Voters**

This past Tuesday was National Voter Registration Day. WBGO's Brit Harley caught up with a local organization in Newark that's trying to help the community while getting out important voter information.

Technology

## **Tech Startups Are Programming Voice Assistants To Aid the Elderly, Disabled**

Statistics from the US Census Bureau show massive growth in the senior population around the world, with that number expected to double by 2050. In Japan, it's possible that nearly forty percent of the population will be over the age of 65 in 30 years.

## Race and Ethnicity

### **Commentator Mildred Antenor: "Here We Go Again"**

WBGO commentator Mildred Antenor is tired of hearing that certain candidates aren't "black enough" to run for office or represent certain populations.

### **"Harriet" Tubman's Ties to New Jersey**

Get ready for the November debut of the Focus Features film, *Harriet*, based on the life of abolitionist *Harriet* Tubman, who escaped slavery and led hundreds of enslaved people to freedom on the Underground Railroad.

### **#GirlsMatterWalk Coming to Newark**

Girls; Live, Love, Laugh, Inc. has been transforming the lives of young women in the City of Newark for the past 10 years. GirlsLLL works with young women ages 6-16. The #GirlsMatterWalk is a celebration and opportunity to show young women how much they are loved and supported by their community. The walk begins 9:00 a.m., Sunday, September 15, 2019, at Lincoln Park, Newark, New Jersey, 07102.