

## **Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 3rd Quarter of 2021 (July 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

Blue Ridge Public Radio serves a 17-county area of Western North Carolina and North Georgia with its 24-hour broadcast day schedule. Local newscasts and stories are produced by the BPR news team Monday through Friday during both Morning Edition and All Things Considered. A rotation of the three podcasts produced at the station – The Waters & Harvey Show, Going Deep: Sports in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and The Porch – air Friday mornings at 9 and Saturday afternoons at 3, in addition to select national special programming from our various distributors.

### **ISSUE SHOW/DATE/TIME/DURATION**

#### **Health**

***WNC Hospitals Respond To Rise In COVID Cases*** – All Things Considered 7/27 1 minute

***What's Next In WNC After \$26 Billion National Opioid Settlement*** – All Things Considered 7/30 1 minute

***WNC COVID Spike Mirrors Rising Statewide Numbers*** – All Things Considered 8/4 1 minute

***Suit Claims HCA/Mission Health Using Monopoly To Charge More, Provide Less*** – All Things Considered 8/11 1 minute

***WNC Public Health Official Answers COVID-19 Booster Rollout Questions*** – Morning Edition 9/30 2 minutes

#### **Race & Identity**

***While Serving Visitors, New Director Wants Cherokee Indian Museum To Focus On Own Community*** – All Things Considered 7/6 4 minutes

***Bilingual Hikes Aim To Improve Latinx Representation On WNC Trails*** – Morning Edition 8/4 1 minute

***Exploring The African American Community Of Huntington, West Virginia*** – The Waters & Harvey Show 8/27 57 minutes

***Unforgiving Contexts*** – Going Deep 9/3 57 minutes

#### **Local Government & Politics**

***Tribal Council Refuses To Hear Same-Sex Marriage Resolution Again*** – All Things Considered 7/9 1 minute

***New Asheville Sound Code Limits Volume As Council Leaves Room For Adjustments*** – Morning Edition 7/30 4 minutes

***#NC11: Cawthorn Gets More Headlines & More GOP Challengers*** – Morning Edition 8/3 4 minutes

***How WNC Bucked The National Trend*** – The Porch 8/20 20 minutes

***From Canton To Cruso: Volunteers Lend A Helping Hand After Flooding*** – All Things Considered 8/20 4 minutes

***Eastern Band Of Cherokee Same-Sex Marriage Ban Stands*** – All Things Considered 9/10 4 minutes

#### **Arts & Culture**

***Wanna Get Away? Residency Retreats Cater To Creatives Craving Time To Think, Commune, Create*** – Morning Edition 7/12 4 minutes

***The Porch: Viral Humor*** – The Porch 7/16 57 minutes

***Christopher Paul Stelling Turns To The Quiet Isolation To Make His Introspective New Album*** – All Things Considered 9/15 4 minutes

***Asheville Symphony Ignores Clouds Overhead, And Ahead, For Celebratory Comeback Concert*** – All Things Considered 9/20 4 minutes

***Undiscovered Acts Flourish At MerleFest*** – All Things Considered 9/23 4 minutes

### Education

***Here's How WNC Schools Are Starting For The 2021 School Year*** – Morning Edition 8/13 1 minute

***Asheville Therapist's First Book Aims To Diversify Children's Bookshelves*** – Morning Edition 9/9 1 minute

### Business and Economy

***New(ish) Name, Same ARC Goal – More Broadband In The Mountains*** – Morning Edition 7/8 1 minute

***WNC Workers Protest For Higher Pay*** – All Things Considered 7/27 1 minute

***What Future Holds For EBCI Economic Development Corporation*** – The Porch 8/20 15 minutes

***Study: Market Control Of Utility Poles Holds Back Broadband Expansion In NC*** – Morning Edition 9/1 1 minute

### Environment

***Camping And More Banned At Max Patch*** – All Things Considered 7/1 1 minute

***What Will It Take To Take It Seriously*** – The Porch 9/17 15 minutes

***The Future Of WNC River Shoreline*** – The Porch 9/17 9 minutes

### Historic Preservation

***COVID-19 In Appalachia – Family, Connection, And Culture*** – Morning Edition 7/2 4 minutes

***COVID-19 In Appalachia – Poetry And Legacy In WNC*** – Morning Edition 7/16 4 minutes

***Women's History Trail Celebrates Cherokee Woman – And Her Legal Win*** – All Things Considered 8/5 4 minutes

***Out Of The Shadows: Moonshining In The 21<sup>st</sup> Century*** – The Porch 8/20 15 minutes

***'Embrace The Complexity': North Carolina's New State Historian On His Approach*** – Morning Edition 8/26 3 minutes

***An Update On WNC Railroad Memorial*** – The Waters & Harvey Show 9/10 57 minutes