

Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 2nd Quarter of 2021 (April 1st to June 30th)

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 21st Century, and BPR News Presents – 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

HCA's 15 Commitments To WNC: Looking Forward – The Porch 4/16 9:00 a.m. 15 minutes

Murphy Hospital First Rural NC Hospital To Offer Extended Telepsychiatry Services – All Things Considered 4/27 4:00 p.m. 2 minutes

Directory Linking Transgender-Friendly Services Gets An Update – Morning Edition 5/3 8:00 a.m. 2 minutes

Showing Face: Asheville Locals And Tourists Not Fully Ready To Ditch The Mask – All Things Considered 5/20 4:00 p.m. 4 minutes

NC's Medicaid Transformation Starts Soon – And Most Aren't Aware – All Things Considered 6/11 4:00 p.m. 1 minute

Race & Identity

Not So Fast: Former Ivy Leaguer Challenges Universities On Racial Justice – Going Deep 4/2 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

"True Justice Would Be If George Floyd Was Still Alive" – Reaction To Chauvin Verdict In Asheville – Morning Edition 4/21 7:00 a.m. 1 minute

One Year Later, How Closer Are We To Racial Justice – The Porch 5/21 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

What Is Justice? And What Form Of Reparations Will Bring Racial Justice – The Waters & Harvey Show 5/28 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

Further Reflection On Justice & Reparations – The Waters & Harvey Show 6/11 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

Global Impact Of BLM And America's 'Woke Culture' – The Waters & Harvey Show 6/25 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

Local Government & Politics

Swain County Considers 2nd Amendment Sanctuary Resolution – All Things Considered 4/1 4:00 p.m. 1 minute

What Happened At The Asheville City Council Retreat – And What's Next? – The Porch 4/16 9:20 a.m. 20 minutes

The Slow Pace Of North Carolina's General Assembly – The Porch 4/16 9:40 a.m. 15 minutes

Buncombe County Becomes Latest NC Community To Pass Nondiscrimination Ordinance – All Things Considered 4/21 4:00 p.m. 2 minutes

Eastern Band Of Cherokee Decriminalizes Small Amounts Of Marijuana – All Things Considered 5/7 5:00 p.m. 2 minutes

How NC COVID-19 Restrictions Stacked Up Against Its Neighbors – Morning Edition 6/4 7:00 a.m. 2 minutes

Arts & Culture

With NC Relaxing Restrictions, Live Music Slowly Returning Inside Asheville Clubs – Morning Edition 4/12 8:00 a.m. 3 minutes

What Is Our Collective Responsibility To Fund The Arts – The Porch 4/30 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

Through Visual Art Exhibitions, YMI Center And UCC Become ‘Sisters In Reciprocity’ – All Things Considered 5/19 4:00 p.m. 4 minutes

Traditional Chinese Music In her DNA, Min Xiao-Fen Brings Western Daring To Her Asheville Move – Morning Edition 6/16 6:00 a.m. 4 minutes

Education

NC Bills On Reading, Summer School Head To Governor With Bipartisan Support – Morning Edition 4/2 8:00 a.m. 4 minutes

If Texas And Utah Can Pass One, Can NC Pass An In-State Tuition Bill For DACA Students? – Morning Edition 4/15 6:00 a.m. 4 minutes

Business and Economy

Baseball Returns: Asheville Tourists Open 2021 Season Tuesday Night – All Things Considered 5/4 5:00 p.m. 1 minute

Beer City USA: Gallons Of Beer, Social Districts, And More Might Pass NC Legislature – All Things Considered 5/24 4:00 p.m. 1 minute

WNC Is Made By Mountains: New Regional Partnership Highlights Local Outdoor Industry – All Things Considered 6/23 4:00 p.m. 2 minutes

Asheville Standup Comedy Scene Built Behind The Scenes – Morning Edition 6/24 7:00 a.m. 4 minutes

Environment

Can Asheville Become More Than Beer And Bears – Morning Edition 4/30 7:00 a.m. 4 minutes

Environmental Groups Urge NC Gov. To Cut Support For Wood Pellet Industry – All Things Considered 5/26 5:00 p.m. 1 minute

WNC Jellyfish Biologist Campaigns For High Seas – All Things Considered 6/18 5:00 p.m. 2 minutes

Southside Voices Play Vital Role In Plans To Revitalize “Nasty Branch” – Morning Edition 6/29 7:00 a.m. 4 minutes

Historic Preservation

WCU Digitizes Oral History Archive Of WNC Black History – All Things Considered 4/1 4:00 p.m. 1 minute

Reclaiming Some Of Asheville’s Forgotten History – The Waters & Harvey Show 5/14 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes

Demolition Of Vance Monument Begins In Asheville, Will Take Roughly Two Weeks – All Things Considered 5/17 4:00 p.m. 1 minute

Preservationists, Neighbors Plan To ‘Wrap’ Site Of Proposed Charlotte St. Development – Morning Edition 6/8 7:00 a.m. 2 minutes

Living On Earth Juneteenth Special – Special Program 6/18 9:00 a.m. 57 minutes