

KTCU-FM, Texas Christian University

Quarterly Issues and Programs Record

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Issues and Programs for October-December 2023

Issues for the Quarter:

Current Affairs and Multilingual Programming

Broadcasting current issues in several areas of interest: (1) media around the globe as well as the future of radio, social media, podcasts: The impact they each have on the world at large. (2) critical analysis of grassroots efforts to find solutions to global issues: greenhouse gas, equality for women and persons of color, food and housing issues.

Offering Spanish/Spanglish weekly music and pop-culture radio programming. This series serves a wider and more diverse community, and promotes a diverse slate where inclusivity for non-English speaking listeners is focused upon. The significance of accessibility is important to the infrastructure of ethnic broadcasting.

Health & Science and Higher Education

Sharing the importance of a healthy lifestyle be it food, exercise, and/or stress-management. Examples of living a healthy lifestyle for families, young adults and communities. How science can contribute in achieving better health in humans, animals and the earth. Also, addressing the growth of urban environments and the impact on humans around the world.

A view into the hot topics of education and inclusivity, both on a state and a national level. Helping listeners understand, accept, and/or cope with a “COVID” way of learning and living. Ways to work together and be successful (before, during, and after college) in these unprecedented times. What resources are available to future and present students and how to tap into them for a well-rounded education.

Religion and Family Values

Programming and promoting of a live Sunday worship service for a local (and University affiliated since 1905) “all are welcome” church in Fort Worth, TX. Also, promotion and airing of faith-based music programs for various special occasions and holidays from the same church.

The importance of a strong family unit and suggestions to help strengthen it; communication, safety issues, bullying, tolerance, and healthy habits. Encouraging community involvement in family friendly activities. Suggesting examples of empathy for our fellow humans and sharing time and knowledge of situations with those who feel lost and need a helping hand or counseling.

Books & Authors and Classical Music Education/Appreciation

Discussion of books; both current and classics. In depth interviews of authors and literary contributors. Discussing the impact and importance of reading (at any age) and the resurgence of book clubs (online & in person). Also, the rise of the audio books and how that is becoming the 21st century way to read. Different ways to locate resources and enjoy this new way of reading.

Weekly classical music programs from around the world and in our own (Texas) backyard. Sharing different styles of classical music with a diverse and global audience. Also, one program offers classical non-profit workshops for those less fortunate and are interested in the genre. Contributing exemplary world-class symphonies to all ages and demographics.

Fine Arts in Music Theatre and Student-Run Educational Podcasts

The art of musical theatre and its rich history of both touring and New York's Broadway shows and Off-Broadway presentations. How so many musicals are appreciated around the globe by both different ages and demographics. Weekly themed musical programming from the TCU Theatre Department.

Weekly podcasts created and produced by students studying specific informative and entertaining subjects such as pop-culture, Hollywood, True Crime and Music Analysis. On-air for the years of a student's college career (usually 3-4 years). The programs deep-dive into the human condition, trends in movies and music and the effects of one person's actions that can possibly affect many lives.

Responsive Programming

Current Affairs and Non-Profit Groups Awareness:

Making Contact – A (30 minute) syndicated non-profit program that has a weekly and topical subject discussed by persons in the field who are working to help inspire action. Shedding light on the people that are being adversely affected by global issues...such as clean water, equality, global warming, animal conservation etc. Giving a voice to people of color by learning their history and looking toward a better future.

Radio Sonrisas- A student produced and hosted program focusing on Spanish music and current pop-culture. This weekly podcast offers a platform for Spanish/Spanglish (and some English) dialogue covering Mexican American folklore stories, Spanish Hip-Hop music, and news on what is happening in the Spanish speaking entertainment world.

Health & Science and Higher Education:

The Naked Scientist- A weekly (one hour) syndicated, non-profit program that discusses important, if unfamiliar, science stories. This show focuses on global, interesting, and sometimes humorous science facts. It conveys how science definitely impacts everyday life for all families, without even realizing it. The program also encourages both young and old to pursue involvement in the scientific community to both help mankind and the planet survive.

The Best of our Knowledge – a weekly (30 minute) syndicated, non-profit program that promotes the importance of education no matter the subject. It looks at the standpoint of the educator, the parent, and also the college student. The show discusses, on a state level, what educational help is out there for both college students and for those who want to learn but can't afford college. The show also helps students look ahead in what to expect after primary and secondary schooling and to aim towards an honest career or trade.

Religion and Family Values:

University Christian Church- A weekly *live* worship service of a local, Fort Worth, non-denominational church that teaches not only stories from the bible, but tolerance and inclusivity...music and fellowship. KTCU also broadcasts all of the church's special services (different ages or different languages) and/or holiday music and worship programs. Produced by both the University Christian Church audio engineers and KTCU management.

National produced PSA's- Informing listeners of the importance of family's working together by broadcasting National PSA's daily (5-10 times a day, 7 days a week). Most are offered by The Ad Counsel whether pre-recorded or in script form. Issues include safety in an emergency situation, keeping conversation a priority in families, healthy living, how to talk about bullying (both physical and cyber), diversity & inclusivity, and healthy foods a family can share. Students participate by recording and producing several of these per semester.

Books & Authors and Classical Music Education Appreciation:

The Book Show- A weekly (30 minute) syndicated, non-profit program discussing classic and current books, the literary community, authors, and how books influence readers. This show puts a spotlight on different genres of literature, and shows how reading is a positive influence on most forms of media too. It focuses on inclusion and the rising popularity of "virtual" book clubs (in the safety of one's home) with help from the computer via Zoom or Skype.

Classical Guitar Alive –A weekly, non-profit classical guitar program, produced and hosted at The University of Texas, Austin. It delves into classical guitar music crossing the globe, its composers, and its rich history of countless musicians (often interviewed and showcased) in the program. The show also encourages students of all ages to pursue involvement in several avenues of music education in the classical guitar music genre and community.

Fine Arts in Music Theatre and The Informative Student Podcasts:

Curtain Up! –A locally produced (by a TCU grad student) and hosted (by a TCU Professor) 1-hour, weekly program from the TCU Theatre Department. It offers an entertaining and educational based view of musical theater. This show contains not only show tunes but many stories from past and current Broadway (and touring) theater performances. It portrays a diverse array of music and helps educate listeners on the history of musical theatre, its singers/actors, and the venues where the performances were held.

Club Crime- A weekly and local (two hour) program hosted by current college students studying criminology. It dives into the past and present of unsolved mysteries and world-famous crimes throughout history. This podcast offers a closer look into the human condition and detailed facts of different crime cases. The host discusses a certain story with a different guest host each week. This show gives a closer look at how history repeats itself when greed, lust (and the other deadly sins) make a person cross the line into heinous actions that affect more than just the victims.