

## Quarterly Issues Report

KWAX FM 91.1

For the Period July 1 through September 30, 2021

KWAX is the primary control point for full power stations KWRX Redmond, KWVZ Florence and translators K255CA Bend, K215ED Sun River, K287BF Glide, K225BF Salem, K217FZ Newport, K225CC Corvallis, K250BK Roseburg, and K270BJ Cottage Grove. All stations and translators repeat the programming originated at KWAX Eugene-Springfield in its entirety. KWAX provides live programming from their studios each Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m.

KWAX is an all classical music format station with no local or national news sources. As such, the primary focus on community issues for KWAX is in support and awareness generation for the arts and the many arts groups active in the communities served by the station and network of transmitters and translators.

### **KWAX Presents-Broadcasts of local and regional professional arts groups performances**

Professional arts groups from around the extensive KWAX coverage area supply digital quality recordings and liner notes from each performance. *KWAX Presents* is an ongoing initiative started in 2018 to provide a broadcast of each participating arts groups' recent performance. *KWAX Presents* is a service to listeners who may not have the means or mobility to attend in person and as a means to expand awareness of each groups' performances to a greater audience.

In the absence of live performances during the COVID emergency, *KWAX Presents* has been a lifeline for local arts groups to maintain a connection with their constituents. On September 17, KWAX Presents featured an encore performance by the Newport Symphony Orchestra from 10 a.m. to Noon.

### **Classics for Kids**

Every Saturday KWAX programs a special hour of classical music designed especially for youth. Classics for Kids® has been honored with a National Community Impact Award for Engagement by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in recognition of its innovative on-air and online services for children. The six-minute syndicated weekly program hosted by Naomi Lewin tells a story of the origin of a particular style, describes the ethnic influence of some music, or focuses on a particular composer. KWAX host Rocky Lamanna then programs representative pieces for the balance of the hour and discusses the opportunity for kids to engage further with quizzes, activities, and other curriculum available on the Classics for Kids website. Recent programs featured Spanish, Mexican, Paraguayan, and Cuban composers for Hispanic Heritage Month, Giacomo Puccini in a program relating opera to modern musical theater, and Edvard Grieg and his prominence as a Scandinavian composer after being raised in a music loving family.

### **Listener's Choice – Friday afternoons**

As a service to listeners around its coverage area, KWAX offers four hours of weekly programming devoted to listener requests. Each week KWAX solicits requests on Friday mornings and presents an afternoon of classical music pieces completely programmed by listeners.

### **Arts Line-Daily on-air community bulletin board for arts events throughout the KWAX coverage area**

KWAX provides and solicits contributions to its Arts Line. Arts groups of all types are encouraged to call the KWAX Arts Line number and record a message regarding their event or performance. These recordings are assembled into a daily Arts Line message and broadcast several times each day as a service to local arts groups and listeners.

### **Weather Forecast-Weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

Weather is an important topic in Western and Central Oregon. Because our service area has several micro climates from coastal conditions to mountain passes, weather information is an important service for listeners. KWAX provides weather forecasts for around our coverage area each weekday during their live programming block from 8 a.m. through 5 p.m.

Suffering under extreme draught conditions for the bulk of the quarter, wildfires were a routine topic for much of September. Daily road and air quality reports were added to the normal weather forecasting as a health and safety service to listeners during wildfires.

### **Other Syndicated Programming that supports classical music education:**

Composer's Datebook, weekdays 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Host John Birch presents a daily snapshot of composers past and present, with timely information, intriguing musical events and appropriate, accessible music related to each.

Exploring Music with Bill McLoughlin, M-F 7-8 p.m. The host provides commentary and analysis in a one-hour daily program with a single, in-depth theme each week.

Sunday Baroque with Suzanne Bona, Sundays 6-10 a.m. Inspiring and appealing offerings each weekend from compositions written circa 1600-1750.

The Piano Matters, Tuesdays 5-6 p.m. Noted pianist and author David Dubal compares recordings of great piano works performed by various artists past and present.

The Spanish Hour, Tuesday, 6-7 p.m. Host Candice Agree presents recorded performances featuring works from the Iberian Peninsula, the Americas, Mexico, and the Caribbean from the Middle Ages through the 21st century.

Classical Guitar Alive, Wednesday, 5-6 p.m. Tony Morris produces and hosts the only nationally broadcast guitar radio program in America.

Played in Oregon (performances recorded in the state of Oregon), Thursdays, 5-6 p.m.

Half Past, classical music from the last half century, Saturdays 9-10 p.m.

Millennium of Music, Fridays, 6-7 p.m. Pre-baroque music is seldom focused on in traditional classical programming.

Curtis Calls, Mondays at 6 p.m. Host Carl Hemmingson highlights world-class performances by young students at the renowned Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

Metropolitan Opera (live from Lincoln Center in NYC), Saturdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Feminine Fusion, Sundays, 4-5 p.m. Weekly one-hour program that highlights the influence of women in classical music.