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ARTS

Examining diversity and inclusion in the world of dance

9/6/2023 2:00PM 49 minutes

This hour, we look at how dance has excluded people based on race and ability and how some people are fighting to change that. India Harville, a Disability Justice Consultant, talks about the need to shift attitudes in order to make dance more accessible. Jennifer Wiesner explains how she promotes racial diversity in her Norwalk dance studio, Studio Arte. And Anna Jayne Kimmel, an Assistant Professor of Dance at George Washington University, tells us how we can learn about law by understanding dance.

POLITICS

Is American democracy in crisis?

9/6/2023 9:00AM 49 minutes

Eighty-three percent of American voters are either *very* worried or at least *somewhat* worried about the functioning of our democracy. So what does this recent Quinnipiac poll tell us? Why are people losing faith in our democracy? This hour, we're asking some big questions about the future of democracy in the U.S., covering everything from political violence to voter suppression. Plus, we'll give you a preview of some of the big races to watch on Primary Day next Tuesday.

ENVIRONMENT

Examining links between climate distress and climate action

9/11/2023 9:00AM 49 minutes

The Yale Program on Climate Change Communication found that the majority of Americans are either "alarmed" or "concerned" about climate change. They also discovered links between distress about climate change and a desire to take action. This hour, Dr. Anthony Leiserowitz digs into this study, and the Six Americas Super Short Survey (SASSY). You can take the SASSY Survey here. Plus, NBC Connecticut meteorologist Rachael Jay and New Haven Climate Movement organizer Adrian Huq will share their perspectives as different kinds of climate communicators.

<u>HEALTH</u>

'Not all in your head': Examining endometriosis

9/26/2023 9:00AM 49 minutes

This hour, we hear about a new endometriosis working group where we live, and their hopes to improve diagnostic delays. Plus, Shannon Cohn is the filmmaker behind *Below the Belt*, a new documentary all about this painful disease.

BUSINESS

Lights, camera, Connecticut: The local impact of the writers and actors strike 9/7/2023 9:00AM 49 minutes

This hour, we explore the production industry in Connecticut, and the local impact of the writers and actors strike in Hollywood. Plus, we profile one of the state's drive-in movie theaters that's still going strong.

HISTORY

Beneath the surface: A deep dive into Connecticut ship wrecks

8/1/2023 1:00PM 49 minutes

This hour, we survey shipwrecks and other bits of history resting off Connecticut's coast, as well as at the bottom of some lakes and rivers.

SCIENCE/TECH

Is Twitter toppling? Can Threads sew salvation?

7/10/2023 1:00AM 49 minutes

This hour on The Colin McEnroe Show, a look at what's going on with Twitter, and why it matters, even if you don't use the platform. Plus, we discuss what this all means for the future of social media and the human archive.

EDUCATION

Feeling safe or creating trauma? How lockdown drills are impacting our schools 7/28/2023 9:00AM 49 minutes

In 1999 the Columbine shooting shook the country and made everyone aware of the threat of gun violence in schools. As a result, schools made an effort to implement lockdown procedures as a way to keep students and staff safe. But with the rates of shootings only continuing to rise, these threats of mass shootings are feeling too real, and the lockdowns that were meant to keep students safe are instead inflicting trauma. So what is going on in these lockdowns that are causing negative impacts and a decline in mental health?

RACE

The long history of Chinese American exclusion and resistance

9/13/2023 2:00PM 49 minutes

This hour, we take a look at anti-Chinese racism, anti-Asian racism and how government policy plays a role in both. Ava Chin discusses how the Chinese Exclusion Act continues to impact people today as we interview her about her book 'Mott Street: A Chinese American Family's Story of Exclusion and Homecoming.' And Russell Jeung, one of the co-founders of Stop AAPI Hate, talks about the historical precedent for the current wave of anti-Asian racism and how people who oppose it can take action.

FOOD:

Chefs Sherry Pocknett and 'Diasporican' author Illyana Maisonet make James Beard Award history

8/17/2023 2:00PM 49 minutes

This June, two women made James Beard Award history. Chef Sherry Pocknett is the first Indigenous woman to earn a James Beard Award (Best Chef, Northeast). And chef, food writer, and author Illyanna Maisonet is the first Puerto Rican to earn a James Beard Award. Illyanna won in the "Emerging Voice" category for her book, *Diasporican:* A Puerto Rican Cookbook.