

Quarterly Issues Report

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FOR THE PERIOD OF March 1, 2022 THROUGH June 30, 2022

The license of station WEDH-TV has determined that the following issues were of importance to the residents of Connecticut during the past three months and has aired the following programs to address these issues:

1. History

Benjamin Franklin

4/4/22 & 4/5/22

8:00p.m.

2/120 minutes

Ken Burns' two-part, four-hour documentary, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, explores the revolutionary life of one of the 18th century's most consequential and compelling personalities, whose work and words unlocked the mystery of electricity and helped create the United States. "Write things worth reading," he said in Poor Richard's Almanack, "or do things worth the writing." Benjamin Franklin did both.

American Experience – Plague At The Golden Gate

5/4/22

9:00 p.m.

120 minutes

Over 100 years before the COVID-19 pandemic set off a nationwide wave of fear and anti-Asian sentiment, an outbreak of bubonic plague in San Francisco's Chinatown unleashed a similar crisis. The death of a Chinese immigrant in 1900 would have likely gone unnoticed if a medical officer hadn't discovered a swollen black lymph node on his groin - evidence of bubonic plague. Fearing the city would become the American epicenter of the disease, health officials drew on racist pseudoscience to cover up the threat and protect San Francisco's burgeoning economy. As the outbreak continued to spread, public health officer Rupert Blue became determined to save his city. He established ties to Chinatown and ultimately proved that throngs of flea-infested rats-rather than the "foreign" habits of the Chinese-were the real reason the disease persisted.

Ghost Mountain: The Second Killing Fields of Cambodia

5/10/22

10:30:00p.m.

60 minutes

This is an untold story of the bitter fate and unthinkable odds many Cambodians would unknowingly take to cross their country's border, as more a quarter-million Cambodian refugees sought to escape their chaotic homeland. Bunseng travels across the U.S. to realize his lifelong dream of finding and thanking in person the heroes who were his rescuers.

2. Criminal Justice

Searching For Justice: Life After Lock-Up

4/13/22

10:00p.m.

60 minutes

PBS NewsHour follows four formerly incarcerated individuals and highlights the challenges they face as they return to society.

Frontline – Police On Trial

3/15/22

10:00p.m.

60 minutes

Investigating the Minneapolis police in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd. With Pulitzer Prize winning reporters from the Star Tribune - from the killing and protests to the trial of Derek Chauvin to the struggle for accountability.

Cutline: Spotlight On Juvenile Justice

6/23/22/22

8:00p.m.

60 minutes

CT Public's Accountability Project takes a deep dive into Connecticut's juvenile justice system -- why lawmakers are calling for reform, what youth advocates and teenager say they need and what the data shows about car thefts and juvenile crime.

3. Health/Mental Health

NOVA – Determined: Fighting Alzheimer's
4/6/22

9:00p.m.

60 minutes

Follow three women at risk of developing Alzheimer's as they join a groundbreaking study to try to prevent the disease - sharing their ups and downs, anxiously watching for symptoms, and hoping they can make a difference.

Cutline – COVID to Kindergarten

5/19/22

8:00p.m.

60 minutes

There's concern that the COVID-19 pandemic is exacerbating a mental health crisis that plagued children before the virus first spread. In CUTLINE: COVID to Kindergarten, parents, educators, policymakers, and providers talk to Connecticut Public about how COVID-era mitigation and a collapsing childcare industry are impacting kids' social and emotional wellness.

Hiding In Plain Sight

6/27 & 6/28

9:00p.m.

2/120 minutes

This series takes a look at the experiences of young people living with mental health conditions with a focus on the importance of awareness and compassion. This series will shine a light on what life looks like for these young people as well as for the parents, teachers, friends, and healthcare providers in their lives.

4. Environment

Changing Planet

4/20/22

8:00p.m.

120 minutes

Conservationist M. Sanjayan anchors a global storytelling effort to monitor seven iconic locations.

Extinction: The Facts

5/4/22

10:00p.m.

60 minutes

With 1 million species at threat, David Attenborough explores extinction and how this crisis has consequences for us all, even putting us at greater risk of pandemic diseases.

Planet California

6/22 & 29/22

10:00p.m.

2/60 minutes

A celebration of California and Baja California's wildlife and their coexistence with the 40 million people who call it home. Here are iconic wild places like Yosemite, but also Baja California's rugged, lesser-known wilderness.

5. Politics/Voting

Cutline In The Community – Can Ranked Choice Voting Improve Elections In Connecticut?

4/3/22

10:00a.m.

60 minutes

Ranked choice voting has been gaining in popularity, with more than 50 different jurisdictions across states, counties and cities expected to use it in their next election cycle. This election reform is now being considered for Connecticut. Learn the mechanics behind ranked choice voting. What are the benefits? What are the drawbacks?

Hear from a panel of experts who worked to implement ranked choice voting in New York City and Maine as well as other states and municipalities across the country.

Outline In The Community – Voting Rights and Wrongs

5/22/22

11:00a.m.

60 minutes

Engage in an in-depth discussion of how the independent, nonpartisan counting of votes and certification of election results works in Connecticut. Patricia Rossi, Advocacy and Public Issues & Vice President, League of Women Voters of Connecticut, and Jonathan Perloe, Leader, Voter Choice Connecticut, provide additional insights into the current developments in the states redistricting plan and a review of how Connecticut legislation introduced over the past several years is affecting the voting process.