

Quarterly Issues Report

WEDH, WEDN, WEDW, and WEDY – (Connecticut Public Broadcasting, Inc.) FOR THE PERIOD OF October 1, 2023 THROUGH December 31, 2023

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

Empire Builders: Mexico

10/2/23 and 10/9/23 10:00 p.m. 2/60 minutes

The conflict between church and state that led to civil war and a French invasion that made an Austrian prince emperor of the so-called Second Empire document the changing leadership roles in the empire. The final episode explores the Mexican Revolution in the early part of the last century -- another hugely bloody event, but one that achieved the foundations of a modern Mexican state with the myriad cultures we know today.

Flavors of the Dominican Republic

10/2/23 11:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

A detailed account of the remarkable history of this Latin American nation is told, from a tour of the country's beautiful beaches, iconic towns, arid regions and natural wonders to the fascinating individuals who represent the diverse population of the nation. Follow this remarkable land from the time Columbus met the indigenous population all the way to modern times, where the beaches of the Dominican Republic attract millions of vacationers. The Dominican Republic reveals itself as a beautiful destination through encounters in its historic cities, at the gates of the desert and in the heart of a rapidly changing capital.

Native America

10/24/23, 10/31/23, 11/7/23, 11/14/23 9:00 p.m. 4/60 minutes

This PBS series challenges ideas about the Americas before and since contact with Europe. It travels through 15,000 years to showcase massive cities, unique systems of science, art and writing, and 100 million people connected by social networks and spiritual beliefs spanning two continents. The series reveals some of the most advanced cultures in human history and the Native American people who created it and whose legacy continues, unbroken, to this day. The series explores this extraordinary world through an unprecedented combination of cutting-edge science and traditional indigenous knowledge.

A Town Called Victoria

11/13/23 and 11/14/23 10:00 p.m. 3/60 minutes

A south Texas town is thrown into the national spotlight when a local mosque erupts in flames in an apparent hate crime. After the media moves on, the community is left to reflect on its complex history with racism.

NOVA: Lee and Liza's Family Tree

11/22/23 9:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

With the help of scientists and genealogists, filmmaker Byron Hurt and his family members search for their ancestors. Follow their journey as they hunt for new details of a history long obscured by the enduring legacy of slavery.

2. Politics/Government/Election/Public Affairs

Frontline - The Astros Edge: Triumph and Scandal in Major League Baseball

10/3/23 10:00 p.m. 1/90 minutes

As PBS' premier public affairs series covering the scope and complexity of the human, social and political experience, coverage of the Houston Astros cheating scandal examines what it says about baseball today. The making of one of the best teams and worst scandals in modern MLB history, the limited accountability that ensued and how Astros baseball changed the sport are explored.

Frontline: Elon Musk's Twitter Takeover

10/10/23 9:00 p.m. 1/120 minutes
Elon Musk's long and often troubled relationship with Twitter is highlighted. Musk's journey from one of the platform's most provocative users to its sole proprietor puts a spotlight on the acquisition, free speech and the company's uncertain future.

Washington Week with the Atlantic

10/13/23 8:00 p.m. 1/30 minutes
Moderator Jeffrey Goldberg hosts a panel of top journalists covering the Middle East, Congress and the White House as war unfolds in the Holy Land, and Congress is roiling in conflict.

War in the Holy Land: A PBS News Special Report

10/13/23 8:30 p.m. 1/60 minutes
Co-anchored by PBS NewsHour's Amna Nawaz from Israel and Geoff Bennett from our nation's capital, the one-hour primetime special examines the historic, devastating week of violence in Israel and Gaza with reports from the region as well as interviews and analysis on the path forward for the Middle East and the rest of the world.

PBS NewsHour: The President Addresses the Nation

10/19/23 7:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes
As part of the PBS NewsHour coverage of current events, complete with news summaries, live studio interviews and discussions of domestic and international issues, Amna Nawaz and Geoff Bennett co-anchor the President's address to the nation.

Inside the Warren Commission

11/20/23 11:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes
A riveting account of the people who worked tirelessly to discover the truth behind the assassination of President John F. Kennedy is told. The Warren Report is perhaps the most misunderstood document in modern history and remains unread by most Americans. This documentary offers viewers insight into its content, the commission who authored it and their investigation. Based on new evidence, the film showcases the personalities, politics and challenges of the investigation.

America at a Crossroads with Judy Woodruff

12/19/23 9:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes
At a time of heightened partisanship, declining trust in institutions, increased political violence and rapid social change, Judy Woodruff sets out on a two-year reporting project, America at a Crossroads, to explore the forces driving Americans apart, and to ask people from all walks of life and all political persuasions what might be done to reverse these worrying trends. Now, to round out the first year of Crossroads, in an hour-long special, revisit some of the most compelling stories with a combination of writers, policymakers, big thinkers and regular people to explain America's divisions and what might be done to move forward.

Frontline: Netanyahu, America & the Road to War in Gaza

12/19/23 10:00 p.m. 1/120 minutes
Leading up to the Gaza war, Israeli leader Netanyahu's relations with the U.S. over Middle East peace is examined. Also, how Israel's security barrier was breached.

3. Health/Mental Health/Disabilities

History with David Rubenstein

10/15/23 12:00 p.m. 1/30 minutes
Bestselling author Walter Isaacson discusses the life and work of the Nobel Prize-winning Jennifer Doudna who, with her collaborators, created a DNA-editing tool with the power to revolutionize human health.

Just One Thing with Steven Gundry, Md

12/2/23 11:30 a.m. 1/90 minutes

Aging is not linked, scientifically, with joint pain, memory loss, frailty and a host of other negative stereotypes of getting older. Based on researching the world's longest living people and treating patients at his waitlist clinics six days a week, Dr. Steven Gundry -- renowned surgeon, medical researcher and bestselling author -- explains why aging doesn't have to equate to decline and loss of freedom. Dr. Gundry then reveals the 'just one thing' that leads to living well until a ripe old age. The program ends with a step-by-step approach to help people feel better and more youthful today while offering revolutionary, yet simple, methods to losing weight, reducing the need for medications and increasing an individual's health span.

Your Fantastic Mind

12/24/23 6:00 a.m. 1/30 minutes

Take a look at some of the ways the COVID-19 pandemic impacted brains and minds. Scientists discuss the potential short-and long-term neurological effects of the virus and delve into the profound mental health impacts of the virus on society and families.

Firing Line with Margaret Hoover

12/24/23 9:30 a.m. 1/30 minutes

Singer-songwriter Jewel Kilcher discusses her journey from a troubled upbringing in Alaska to music megastardom, how she saved her own soul by prioritizing her mental health, and her virtual reality platform providing access to mindfulness tools.

4. Biography

Becoming Frida Kahlo: A Star is Born

10/3/23 9:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes (3 of 3 parts)

The myths are stripped away to reveal the real Frida -- a passionate and brilliant artist living through extraordinary times. The series explores the major events of Kahlo's life, both personal and political, from her lifelong health problems to her complicated relationship with artist Diego Rivera, whom she married not once but twice. Their shared political commitment made both artists controversial figures -- from their association with Trotsky in Mexico to their paradoxical relationships with some of America's wealthiest figures.

Lines Broken: The Story of Marion Motley

10/3/23 11:30 p.m. 1/30 minutes

In 1946, Marion Motley was one of four African American men to break pro football's color barrier when he joined the Cleveland Browns. Those men's efforts to play a physically brutal game in the face of societal racism and state-sanctioned Jim Crow laws trailblazed a path for Black athletes in the highest echelons of professional sports, including baseball's Jackie Robinson. It's a story of adversity, personal tragedy and triumphs featuring rarely heard archival interviews and new interviews with historians, sports writers, NFL alumni, friends and descendants.

American Masters: Max Roach

10/6/23 11:00 p.m. 1/90 minutes

The extraordinary life and musical career of the legendary drummer, composer and social activist is explored. The film follows Roach's career and personal struggles and triumphs, across a series of masterful musical innovations and artistic reinventions. His creativity and unshakable sense of mission kept him at the forefront of music and activism across seven decades -- from the era of the Jim Crow south, to the Civil Rights years...from the heady days of post-war modern jazz, to the hip hop-era and beyond.

Cara Romero: Following the Light

11/17/23 11:30 p.m. 1/30 minutes
Contemporary fine art photographer Cara Romero's work captures Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultural memory, collective history and lived experiences from a Native American female perspective.

Groundbreakers

11/21/23 8:00 p.m. 1/120 minutes
Executive produced by tennis champion and activist Billie Jean King, the program features sports icons from different generations as they interview one another, sharing personal powerful stories of the perseverance, pain and progress they've experienced in their remarkable careers. Athletes include Naomi Osaka and Jackie Joyner-Kersey, Chloe Kim and Nancy Lieberman, Suni Lee and Julie Foudy, and Diana Flores and Billie Jean King. The advancements of women in sports and society is celebrated, while also revealing the generational mentorship and community building that has fueled the progress that has been made and the ongoing pursuit of equality for women everywhere.

25 Years with Lidia: A Culinary Jubilee

12/18/23 10:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes
Beloved chef Lidia Bastianich celebrates 25 years on public television in this documentary special. Join Lidia's family and celebrity friends for an intimate look at the memorable moments of her life, both on and off the screen.

5. Arts & Culture

Art21: Art in the Twenty-First Century: Borderlands

10/9/23 11:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes
Learn how contemporary art can challenge preconceived notions of the U.S.-Mexico border. Today's artists see the border as an open wound, theatrical stage, political podium, studio and contradictory landscape that features both ugliness and beauty.

Season of Light: Christmas with the Tabernacle Choir

12/12/23 8:00 p.m. 1/90 minutes
The Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square celebrate the holiday season with award-winning artists Lea Salonga and Sir David Suchet for a festive and uplifting Christmas music special. This concert illuminates the holiday experience with timeless carols, treasured songs, music interludes and a story of heroic service.

Christmas in New England

12/24/23 8:00 p.m. 1/30 minutes
From the coast of Maine to the hills of the Berkshires, New England is a uniquely magical place to celebrate the holidays. Join host Lindsay Paris as she visits eight regional destinations to take a look at the traditions and events that make Christmas in New England so special.

Lookingglass Alice

12/24/23 8:00 p.m. 1/120 minutes
Experience an exhilarating live theatrical adaptation of Alice In Wonderland, created and performed by Chicago's Tony-Award winning Lookingglass Theatre Company. Inspired by Lewis Carroll's beloved stories and infused with an array of world-class circus arts, this Alice transports audiences down the rabbit hole with new twists on the beloved characters and story, creating a wildly entertaining adventure for all ages.

Cultural Expressions: Kwanzaa

12/27/23 10:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

Honoring the heritage, unity, culture and rich contributions of African Americans, Kwanzaa is more than just a celebration; it's a way of life. Enjoy an hour-long documentary that explores the seven principles that are the foundation of Kwanzaa by sharing seven real-life stories of impact. These stories reveal how each principle plays a role in the Black community, enhanced by cultural elements of dance, storytelling, music and spoken word.

Next at the Kennedy Center - Cynthia Erivo & Friends: A New Year's Eve Celebration

12/31/23 8:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

Cynthia Erivo, enchanting star of the stage and screen, rings in the New Year with her magnificent friends Ben Platt and Joaquina Kalukango as they bring their powerful voices and favorite songs to the Kennedy Center stage.

6. Science/Environment

NOVA - Ancient Earth

10/4/23, 10/11/23, 10/18/23, 10/25/23, 11/1/23 9:00 p.m. 5/60 minutes

Witness the dramatic history of Earth, from its birth to the emergence of humanity. Dive into the most dramatic events in Earth's 4.5-billion-year history, from its birth to the emergence of humanity. How did a hellscape of molten lava transform into a lush, green, watery planet filled with life? With dazzlingly realistic animation based on the latest research, each of these five episodes brings to life long-lost worlds that ultimately led to the one known today.

Evolution Earth: Grasslands

10/4/23 10:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes (5 of 5 parts)

Travelling to the far corners of the world, discover the extraordinary ways animals are adapting to the rapidly changing planet. Witness nature's remarkable resilience as human's perception of evolution and its potential is transformed.

Nature: The Platypus Guardian

10/18/23 8:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

This story is about an extraordinary man and a mysterious animal living on an island at the end of the world Tasmania. Peter Walsh is a Tasmanian with no background in natural history, yet he has become obsessed with one of nature's least understood and most unlikely creature, the platypus. Walsh is on a mission to observe and understand the animals and save them from urban development in the capital city of Hobart. He has befriended one particular female he named Zoom. She lets him into her secretive world and a relationship like no other develops. Walsh will reveal the life of this enigmatic creature, but his time is precious as he manages with his MS diagnosis.

T-Rex: An Evolutionary Journey

10/23/23 10:00 p.m. 1/60 minutes

Was the T-Rex, the most iconic of all dinosaurs, as mighty and fearsome as its legend? Explore the evolutionary path of the Tyrannosaurus Rex, following the journey of two dinosaur brothers and the theoretical evolution of the species from smaller dinosaurs originating in Asia, based on new fossil findings in China. Forced to fight for food, dominance and survival, the T-Rex evolved into the terrifying predator of its time. Using stunning CGI and expert insights, the program tells the story behind the development of the most famous dinosaur of them all.

Spy in the Ocean, A Nature Miniseries

10/25/23, 11/1/23, 11/8/23, 11/15/23 8:00 p.m. 4/60 minutes

Spy creatures reveal an ocean full of startling ways of thinking, including large-brained whales, smart octopi, diving monkeys, creative fish and other intelligent animals.

NOVA - Inside China's Tech Boom

11/8/23

9:00 p.m.

1/60 minutes

The inside story of China's meteoric rise to the forefront of global innovation.

NOVA - The Battle to Beat Malaria

11/15/23

9:00 p.m.

1/60 minutes

Are scientists on the verge of a breakthrough in the fight against malaria, one of humanity's oldest and most devastating plagues? Follow researchers as they develop and test a promising new vaccine on a quest to save millions of lives.