

First QUARTER 2023

WQOX ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST FIRST QUARTER, 2023

WQOX strives to serve its community through programming intended to address specific needs within Memphis, Shelby County, and other parts of the MidSouth. Since WQOX places an emphasis upon its educational directive, most of its public service programming focuses upon education and issues to the African American community. Some of WQOX's programming addresses health issues of interest to the community at large.

Many of WQOX's programs are long-form and examine issues in-depth. The programs listed below are intended to address issues identified by WQOX.

WQOX also broadcasts all meetings of the Shelby County Board of Education. Since education and its administration is of such critical importance, broadcasting the meetings provides an important service to the community.

WEEK OF JANUARY 5TH, 2023 51% #1745: Women in STEM: Breaking Barriers, Jesse King, January 5, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the accomplishments and challenges faced by women in STEM fields. We hear from female scientists, engineers, and innovators who are breaking barriers and making strides in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

TBOOK: #1684: Exploring the Universe: Astronomy for All Ages | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, January 6, 2023 On this episode, host Lucas Willard takes us on a journey through the cosmos as we learn about astronomy for all ages. We'll visit an observatory, speak with astronomers, and learn about the wonders of the universe that captivate stargazers and scientists alike.

IN BLACK AMERICA: Dr. Mae Jemison: Astronaut, Scientist, and Visionary (Ep. 2, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. speaks with Dr. Mae Jemison, the first African American woman astronaut to travel in space. We'll discuss her groundbreaking career, her contributions to science and space exploration, and her vision for the future of humanity in space.

WEEK OF JANUARY 12TH, 2023 51% #1746: Women's Voices in Journalism, Jesse King, January 12, 2023 On this week's 51%, we highlight the contributions of women in journalism. We'll hear from female journalists, reporters, and editors who are making their mark in the media landscape and amplifying the voices and stories of women around the world.

TBOOK: #1685: The Power of Music Education | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, January 13, 2023 On this episode, we explore the power of music education and its impact on students' lives. We'll hear from music educators, students, and advocates who share their insights on the importance of music education in fostering creativity, critical thinking, and a lifelong love of the arts.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Legacy of Shirley Chisholm (Ep. 3, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the legacy of Shirley Chisholm, the first African American woman elected to the U.S. Congress and the first woman to seek the Democratic Party's nomination for president. We'll discuss Chisholm's trailblazing political career, her impact on American politics, and her role as a champion for social justice.

WEEK OF JANUARY 19TH, 2023 51% #1747: Advocating for Mental Health: Women's Perspectives, Jesse King, January 19, 2023 On this week's 51%, we delve into the crucial topic of mental health and the efforts of women who are advocating for better access to resources and support. We hear from mental health professionals, advocates, and individuals who share their experiences and insights on the importance of destigmatizing mental health and promoting holistic well-being.

TBOOK: #1686: The Art and Science of Memory | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, January 20, 2023 On this episode, we explore the art and science of memory. We'll speak with psychologists, neuroscientists, and memory champions about how our brains store and retrieve information, the factors that affect memory, and the techniques that can improve our ability to remember and learn.

IN BLACK AMERICA: Honoring the Tuskegee Airmen (Ep. 4, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. honors the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen, the first African American military aviators in the United States Armed Forces. We'll discuss their heroic contributions during World War II, the challenges they faced due to racial segregation, and their lasting impact on the history of aviation and civil rights.

WEEK OF JANUARY 26TH, 2023 51% #1748: Women in Entrepreneurship: Innovation and Impact, Jesse King, January 26, 2023 On this week's 51%, we highlight the achievements and journeys of women entrepreneurs who are driving innovation and creating positive change in various industries. We hear from business owners, startup founders, and leaders who share their insights on navigating the entrepreneurial landscape and empowering other women to succeed.

TBOOK: #1687: The Wonders of the Ocean: Marine Biology and Conservation | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, January 27, 2023 On this episode, we dive into the wonders of the ocean and explore the field of marine biology. We speak with marine biologists, conservationists, and oceanographers about the incredible diversity of marine life, the threats facing our oceans, and the efforts to protect and preserve these vital ecosystems.

IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Poetry of Langston Hughes (Ep. 5, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the poetry and legacy of Langston Hughes, a leading figure of the Harlem Renaissance. We'll discuss Hughes' contributions to American literature, his reflections on African American life and culture, and his enduring influence on generations of poets and writers.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2ND, 2023 51% #1749: Women in Sports: Breaking Barriers and Achieving Excellence, Jesse King, February 2, 2023 On this week's 51%, we celebrate the accomplishments and contributions of women in sports. We hear from athletes, coaches, and advocates who are breaking barriers, challenging stereotypes, and inspiring future generations of female athletes to achieve their full potential.

TBOOK: #1688: Exploring the Cosmos: Astronomy and Space Exploration | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, February 3, 2023 On this episode, we embark on a journey through the cosmos as we explore the wonders of astronomy and space exploration. We speak with astrophysicists, astronauts, and researchers about recent discoveries, innovations in space technology, and humanity's quest to understand the universe.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Impact of Alvin Ailey on Dance and Culture (Ep. 6, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the life and legacy of Alvin Ailey, the visionary choreographer and founder of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. We'll discuss Ailey's contributions to the world of dance, his groundbreaking fusion of modern dance and African American culture, and the enduring impact of his artistic vision.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9TH, 2023 51% #1750: Women in Leadership: Paving the Way Forward, Jesse King, February 9, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the rise of women in leadership positions across various fields. We hear from women leaders who are breaking glass ceilings, challenging the status quo, and serving as role models for the next generation. We also discuss the importance of mentorship, representation, and creating inclusive spaces for women to thrive in leadership roles.

TBOOK: #1689: Uncovering the Secrets of Ancient Civilizations | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, February 10, 2023 On this episode, we delve into the mysteries of ancient civilizations and their enduring legacies. We speak with archaeologists, historians, and scholars about the discoveries that shed light on the past, the technologies used to uncover ancient artifacts, and the insights gained into the cultures and societies that shaped human history.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Life and Legacy of Thurgood Marshall (Ep. 7, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. reflects on the life and legacy of Thurgood Marshall, the first African American Supreme Court Justice. We'll discuss Marshall's impact on civil rights law, his role in the landmark Brown v. Board of Education case, and his contributions to the pursuit of justice and equality in America.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16TH, 2023 51% #1751: Women in Film: Telling Stories on the Big Screen, Jesse King, February 16, 2023 On this week's 51%, we celebrate the contributions of women in film and their impact on storytelling and representation in cinema. We hear from filmmakers, directors, and actors who share their creative visions, the challenges they've faced in the industry, and the importance of diverse voices in shaping the narratives on the big screen.

TBOOK: #1690: Exploring the Marvels of Nanotechnology | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, February 17, 2023 On this episode, we explore the marvels of nanotechnology and its potential to revolutionize various fields, from medicine to computing. We speak with scientists and researchers about the latest advancements in nanoscale science, the ethical considerations, and the transformative impact of nanotechnology on our world.

IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Brilliance of Zora Neale Hurston (Ep. 8, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the brilliance of Zora Neale Hurston, the acclaimed writer, anthropologist, and folklorist. We'll discuss Hurston's contributions to African American literature, her documentation of Black cultural traditions, and her influence as a leading figure of the Harlem Renaissance.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23RD, 2023 51% #1752: Women in Healthcare: Dedication and Compassion, Jesse King, February 23, 2023 On this week's 51%, we highlight the dedication and compassion of women in healthcare. We hear from doctors, nurses, and healthcare workers who share their experiences on the frontlines of patient care, their insights on the challenges facing the healthcare system, and their unwavering commitment to serving their communities.

TBOOK: #1691: The Fascinating World of Insects and Entomology | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, February 24, 2023 On this episode, we delve into the fascinating world of insects and the field of entomology. We speak with entomologists, researchers, and naturalists about the incredible diversity of insects, their ecological roles, and the wonders of the insect world that often go unnoticed.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Courage and Legacy of Rosa Parks (Ep. 9, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. honors the courage and legacy of Rosa Parks, the civil rights icon known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery Bus Boycott. We'll discuss Parks' act of resistance, her impact on the civil rights movement, and her lifelong advocacy for racial equality and justice.

WEEK OF MARCH 2ND, 2023 51% #1753: Women in Science: Pursuing Knowledge and Discovery, Jesse King, March 2, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the contributions of

women in science and their pursuit of knowledge and discovery. We hear from female scientists who share their groundbreaking research, their experiences navigating a male-dominated field, and their passion for inspiring the next generation of women in STEM.

TBOOK: #1692: The Wonders of Plant Biology and Botany | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, March 3, 2023 On this episode, we delve into the wonders of plant biology and the field of botany. We speak with plant scientists, horticulturists, and researchers about the amazing diversity of plant life, the vital role of plants in ecosystems, and the scientific advances that are transforming our understanding of the plant world.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Trailblazing Achievements of Bessie Coleman (Ep. 10, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the trailblazing achievements of Bessie Coleman, the first African American woman to hold a pilot's license. We'll discuss Coleman's determination to break barriers in aviation, her daring aerial performances, and her enduring legacy as a pioneer for women and people of color in the field of flight.

WEEK OF MARCH 9TH, 2023 51% #1754: Women's Voices in Literature: Telling Our Stories, Jesse King, March 9, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the power of women's voices in literature and the importance of telling our own stories. We hear from authors, poets, and literary critics who share their insights on the representation of women in literature, the challenges faced by female writers, and the transformative impact of women's narratives.

TBOOK: #1693: Exploring Artificial Intelligence and Robotics | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, March 10, 2023 On this episode, we explore the rapidly evolving fields of artificial intelligence and robotics. We speak with experts in AI, machine learning, and robotics about the latest advancements, ethical considerations, and the potential of these technologies to reshape our world in ways both exciting and challenging.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Inspiring Journey of Maya Angelou (Ep. 11, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. reflects on the inspiring journey of Maya Angelou, the renowned poet, writer, and civil rights activist. We'll discuss Angelou's early life, her contributions to literature and the arts, and her role as a powerful voice for justice and empowerment.

WEEK OF MARCH 16TH, 2023 51% #1755: Empowering Women Entrepreneurs, Jesse King, March 16, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the world of women entrepreneurs who are making waves in the business world. We hear from female founders and business owners who share their stories of innovation, resilience, and empowerment as they navigate the challenges and triumphs of entrepreneurship.

TBOOK: #1694: The Mysteries of Space-Time and Physics | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, March 17, 2023 On this episode, we delve into the mysteries of space-time and the fundamental principles of physics. We speak with physicists and cosmologists about the

fascinating concepts of relativity, quantum mechanics, and the search for a unified theory that could unlock the secrets of the universe.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Enduring Legacy of Toni Morrison (Ep. 12, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. honors the enduring legacy of Toni Morrison, the Nobel Prize-winning author and literary icon. We'll discuss Morrison's profound contributions to American literature, her exploration of themes of identity and race, and her impact on readers and writers around the world.

WEEK OF MARCH 23RD, 2023 51% #1756: Women in Politics: Shaping the Future, Jesse King, March 23, 2023 On this week's 51%, we explore the role of women in politics and their impact on shaping the future of governance and policymaking. We hear from elected officials, political strategists, and activists who share their experiences in the political arena and discuss the importance of women's representation and leadership.

TBOOK: #1695: The Human Brain: Unlocking Its Potential | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, March 24, 2023 On this episode, we explore the complexities and marvels of the human brain. We speak with neuroscientists, psychologists, and researchers about the latest discoveries in brain science, the potential of the mind, and the ongoing quest to understand the inner workings of this remarkable organ.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Pioneering Spirit of Ida B. Wells (Ep. 13, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the pioneering spirit of Ida B. Wells, the journalist, suffragist, and civil rights activist. We'll discuss Wells' fearless crusade against lynching, her advocacy for women's suffrage, and her lasting impact as a trailblazer in the fight for justice and equality.

WEEK OF MARCH 30TH, 2023 51% #1757: Women in the Arts: Expressing Creativity, Jesse King, March 30, 2023 On this week's 51%, we celebrate women in the arts and their powerful expressions of creativity. We hear from artists, performers, and cultural leaders who share their artistic journeys, the challenges they've faced, and their commitment to inspiring others through their work.

TBOOK: #1696: The World of Microbiology: Life at the Smallest Scale | The Best of Our Knowledge Lucas Willard, March 31, 2023 On this episode, we delve into the world of microbiology and the diverse lifeforms that exist at the smallest scale. We speak with microbiologists and researchers about the incredible diversity of microbes, their roles in the ecosystem, and the latest discoveries that are transforming our understanding of the microscopic world.

IN BLACK AMERICA: The Inspirational Life of Harriet Tubman (Ep. 14, 2023) This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. pays tribute to the inspirational life of Harriet Tubman, the abolitionist, freedom fighter, and conductor of the Underground Railroad. We'll discuss Tubman's courageous efforts to lead enslaved people to

freedom, her contributions as a nurse and scout during the Civil War, and her enduring legacy as a symbol of resistance and liberation.