

## **THIRD QUARTER 2023**

### **WQOX ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST THIRD 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 JUNE 1ST, 2023

**\*\*51% #1766: Dance Beyond Borders: Women Pioneering Global Rhythms\*\***, Jesse King, June 1, 2023

This week, 51% takes you on a rhythmic journey around the world, celebrating women who have pioneered dance forms from different cultures. From the flamenco halls of Spain to the classical stages of India, delve into the world of dance and the women who have defied boundaries to leave a mark in this expressive art form.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1705: Neuroscience and Meditation: Exploring the Mindful Brain | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, June 2, 2023

Meditation, once seen purely as a spiritual endeavor, is now being embraced by the scientific community for its impact on the brain. Join us as we explore the interplay between meditation, mindfulness, and neuroscience, understanding how these ancient practices are shaping modern science and wellness.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Rhythmic Soul of Motown: Women Behind the Hits (Ep. 23, 2023)\*\***

In this episode, host John L. Hanson, Jr. dives deep into the world of Motown, focusing on the incredible women who were pivotal to its success. From iconic artists to behind-the-scenes

forces, journey through the golden age of music and celebrate the women who helped define the Motown sound and era.

#### WEEK OF JUNE 8TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1767: Women in Agriculture: Cultivating the Future\*\***, Jesse King, June 8, 2023

This episode of 51% delves into the world of agriculture, highlighting the pivotal role women play in sustaining and innovating the industry. From traditional farming roles to biotechnological advances, discover how female farmers and scientists are changing the way we understand and practice agriculture for a sustainable future.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1706: The Unseen Cosmos: Women in Astronomy & Astrophysics | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, June 9, 2023

The vast expanse of the cosmos has always been a subject of wonder. Join us as we explore the contributions of women in the field of astronomy and astrophysics, discussing groundbreaking discoveries, challenges faced in a traditionally male-dominated realm, and the inspiring journey of women who look to the stars for answers.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating Nina Simone: High Priestess of Soul (Ep. 24, 2023)\*\***

This week, host John L. Hanson, Jr. pays homage to the legendary Nina Simone. Dive deep into her life, her music, and the powerful messages she conveyed through her art. Simone's unique blend of jazz, classical, blues, and gospel made her a defining voice in music and an advocate for civil rights.

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#### WEEK OF JUNE 15TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1768: Pioneering Women in Digital Arts & Animation\*\***, Jesse King, June 15, 2023

Digital arts and animation have transformed the entertainment industry. In this episode of 51%, we spotlight the women who have broken barriers in these fields, their creative processes, and the technological advances they've embraced to tell compelling stories in the digital age.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1707: Bridging Cultures: The World of Language and Linguistics | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, June 16, 2023

Language is more than just a communication tool; it's a bridge between cultures, histories, and identities. Dive into the fascinating world of linguistics and discover how women language experts are preserving endangered languages, studying the evolution of speech, and promoting understanding in a diverse world.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Legacy of Malcolm X: Beyond By Any Means Necessary (Ep. 25, 2023)\*\***

Join John L. Hanson, Jr. this week as he explores the complex legacy of Malcolm X. Delve into Malcolm's transformative journey, his evolving philosophies, and the lasting impact of his teachings on civil rights and black empowerment in America.

#### WEEK OF JUNE 22ND, 2023

**\*\*51% #1769: Leading with Compassion: Women in Humanitarian Efforts\*\***, Jesse King, June 22, 2023

This week on 51%, we shine a light on the women at the forefront of global humanitarian efforts. Whether responding to natural disasters, supporting refugees, or advocating for human rights, these women exemplify leadership through compassion and dedication in challenging situations.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1708: Music and Memory: The Power of Songs and Melodies | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, June 23, 2023

Music has a unique way of evoking emotions and memories. In this episode, delve into the cognitive science behind music, exploring how melodies shape our brains and the therapeutic potential of tunes. Meet the women researching the deep links between music, memory, and human experience.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Harriet Tubman: Leading the Way to Freedom (Ep. 26, 2023)\*\***

This week, host John L. Hanson, Jr. pays tribute to the iconic Harriet Tubman. Go beyond the Underground Railroad narrative and explore the multifaceted life of Tubman as a suffragist, military scout, and humanitarian. Her indomitable spirit and legacy continue to inspire countless generations.

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#### WEEK OF JUNE 29TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1770: Crafting Stories: Women in the World of Comics\*\***, Jesse King, June 29, 2023

From penciling to scripting, women have been making their mark in the comic book industry. This episode of 51% delves into their creative journeys, the challenges they've overcome in a male-dominated field, and the innovative stories they tell through panels and pages.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1709: The Ocean's Mysteries: Women in Marine Biology | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, June 30, 2023

The ocean covers over 70% of our planet, yet much of it remains a mystery. Dive into the world of marine biology with the women dedicated to understanding its depths. Discover the wonders beneath the waves, the significance of marine ecosystems, and the challenges facing our oceans today.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: James Baldwin: A Voice for Change and Understanding (Ep. 27, 2023)\*\***

John L. Hanson, Jr. reflects on the life and works of James Baldwin, one of the most influential writers and thinkers of the 20th century. Examine Baldwin's profound insights on race, sexuality, and American identity, and his unwavering commitment to truth and understanding.

WEEK OF JULY 6TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1771: Women and the Digital Divide\*\***, Jesse King, July 6, 2023

On this edition of 51%, we address the challenges faced by women in accessing and leveraging digital resources in various parts of the world. From technology education to internet access, hear stories from those working tirelessly to bridge the gendered digital divide.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1710: The Metaphysics of Modern Physics | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, July 7, 2023

Modern physics has brought a blend of wonder and confusion to our understanding of the universe. Dive deep into the quantum realm, explore relativity, and meet women physicists challenging the boundaries of our knowledge.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Harlem Renaissance (Ep. 28, 2023)\*\***

John L. Hanson, Jr. takes listeners on a journey through the Harlem Renaissance, a golden age for African American arts, music, and literature. Discover the iconic figures, from Langston Hughes to Zora Neale Hurston, who shaped this cultural movement and left an enduring legacy.

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WEEK OF JULY 13TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1772: Balancing Motherhood and Career: A Global Perspective\*\***, Jesse King, July 13, 2023

Motherhood presents its own set of challenges, more so when juggling it with a demanding career. On 51%, hear stories from women around the globe, navigating societal expectations, workplace policies, and personal ambitions, offering insights into the universal struggles and joys of motherhood.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1711: Decrypting the World of Cryptography | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, July 14, 2023

Cryptography, the art of encoding and decoding information, plays a vital role in modern technology and security. Unravel its intricate world, understand its history, and meet the brilliant minds, especially the women, driving innovations in this secretive domain.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Nina Simone: The High Priestess of Soul (Ep. 29, 2023)\*\***

Dive into the life and artistry of Nina Simone with host John L. Hanson, Jr. Explore her powerful music, her involvement in the Civil Rights Movement, and how she used her voice to advocate for black empowerment and freedom.

## WEEK OF JULY 20TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1773: Empowerment Through Financial Literacy\*\***, Jesse King, July 20, 2023

On this week's 51%, we shed light on the importance of financial education for women. Hear from finance experts, educators, and women who've transformed their lives through financial literacy. Discover tools and strategies to ensure financial independence and stability.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1712: Unearthing Ancient Civilizations | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, July 21, 2023

Travel back in time with us as we explore the mysteries of ancient civilizations. Dive into archaeological discoveries, understand ancient cultures, and hear from women archaeologists making groundbreaking contributions to the field.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Legacy of James Baldwin (Ep. 30, 2023)\*\***

Join host John L. Hanson, Jr. as he delves into the writings and activism of James Baldwin, one of the most influential voices in American literature. Discover Baldwin's critiques on race, sexuality, and class, and how his words remain poignant and relevant today.

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## WEEK OF JULY 27TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1774: Crafting Change: Women in Artisanal Trades\*\***, Jesse King, July 27, 2023

On 51%, dive into the world of artisanal trades, from pottery to textile art. Meet women artisans breaking molds, preserving traditions, and innovating in their crafts. Understand the significance of these trades in various cultures and how women play a pivotal role in sustaining them.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1713: Delving into Deep Sea Mysteries | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, July 28, 2023

Embark on an underwater adventure with us as we uncover the mysteries of the deep sea. Explore the unique marine ecosystems, discover the unknown species, and hear from women marine biologists leading research in the most remote parts of our oceans.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Toni Morrison: An Iconic Voice in Literature (Ep. 31, 2023)\*\***

Celebrate the life and works of Toni Morrison, the Nobel laureate and iconic voice in American literature. Host John L. Hanson, Jr. revisits her profound novels, her impact on the literary world, and how she used her pen to comment on race, gender, and American identity.

## WEEK OF AUGUST 3RD, 2023

**\*\*51% #1775: Women in Green: Leading the Charge in Environmental Advocacy\*\***, Jesse King, August 3, 2023

On this week's episode of 51%, we spotlight women who are leading the charge in environmental conservation and sustainability. Hear from environmentalists, scientists, and activists who are championing for a greener planet and advocating for policies that prioritize our environment's health.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1714: The Wonders of Space Exploration | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, August 4, 2023

Journey with us beyond our earthly confines as we delve into the vastness of space. Explore recent space missions, the wonders of the cosmos, and hear from women astrophysicists and astronauts who are pushing the boundaries of space exploration.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Harlem Renaissance: A Flourish of Black Culture (Ep. 32, 2023)\*\***  
Join host John L. Hanson, Jr. as he takes us through the vibrant period of the Harlem Renaissance, highlighting the explosion of Black culture, arts, music, and literature. Delve into the legacies of Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, and other iconic figures of the era.

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WEEK OF AUGUST 10TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1776: Breaking Glass Ceilings in the Corporate World\*\***, Jesse King, August 10, 2023  
This week on 51%, delve into the corporate world to uncover stories of women shattering glass ceilings, navigating workplace challenges, and pioneering in leadership roles. Learn about the progress made and the distances yet to cover for gender equity in the boardroom.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1715: Education Revolution: Future of Learning in a Digital World | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, August 11, 2023

In this enlightening episode, venture into the future of learning. With the rise of digital platforms and innovative educational technologies, discover how learning environments are transforming and what it means for future generations.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Power of Black Women in Music (Ep. 33, 2023)\*\***  
Immerse yourself in the soulful sounds and profound impacts of Black women in music. From legends like Aretha Franklin and Nina Simone to modern icons like Beyoncé and Janelle Monáe, learn how these artists have shaped the music industry and cultural landscapes.

WEEK OF AUGUST 17TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1777: Women in Sports: Beyond the Competitive Edge\*\***, Jesse King, August 17, 2023  
On 51% this week, we focus on the dynamic world of women in sports. Beyond the medals and accolades, hear the stories of female athletes challenging norms, pushing boundaries, and advocating for equity on and off the field. From trailblazers of the past to today's sports sensations, uncover the journeys that inspire generations.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1716: The Intricacies of Human Brain & Neuroscience | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, August 18, 2023

Dive deep into the complexities of the human brain as we navigate the wonders of neuroscience. Hear from renowned neuroscientists about recent discoveries, the marvels of brain functionality, and the mysteries yet to be unraveled in the vast world of cognitive science.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Brilliance of James Baldwin: Literary Genius & Activist (Ep. 34, 2023)\*\***

John L. Hanson, Jr. revisits the monumental legacy of James Baldwin, an unmatched literary genius and fervent civil rights activist. Delve into Baldwin's poignant writings, his profound insights on race in America, and his relentless fight for justice and understanding.

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WEEK OF AUGUST 24TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1778: The Art of Culinary Mastery: Women Chefs Rising\*\***, Jesse King, August 24, 2023

This episode of 51% takes a delectable journey into the kitchens of renowned female chefs. Explore the artistry, innovation, and cultural influences that women bring to the culinary world. From age-old traditions to avant-garde cuisine, savor the flavors that these culinary artists craft.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1717: Reviving Lost Languages: The Power of Linguistic Heritage | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, August 25, 2023

In an era where languages are rapidly becoming extinct, delve into the efforts to preserve and revive endangered languages. Understand the significance of linguistic diversity, the cultural heritage embedded in languages, and the efforts of linguists and communities to keep them alive.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating Black Theater: Stages of Revolution & Expression (Ep. 35, 2023)\*\***

The spotlight shines on the world of Black theater, as host John L. Hanson, Jr. takes listeners through the revolutionary performances and expressions from Black playwrights, directors, and actors. Discover how the theater has been a powerful medium for social commentary, reflection, and change in Black America.

WEEK OF AUGUST 31ST, 2023

**\*\*51% #1779: Trailblazing Women Photographers: Capturing Moments & Narratives\*\***, Jesse King, August 31, 2023

On this episode of 51%, we turn our lens to the pioneering women photographers who have transformed the world of photography. From candid street shots to evocative portraits, delve into the stories and techniques behind iconic photographs and discover how these women have influenced generations with their artistry.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1718: Unearthing Ancient Civilizations: Archaeological Wonders | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, September 1, 2023

Join us on a thrilling journey back in time as we unearth the mysteries of ancient civilizations. Archaeologists share their most fascinating discoveries, providing insights into cultures long past and the civilizations that have shaped our modern world.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Harmonic Rhythms of Jazz: A Black American Legacy (Ep. 36, 2023)\*\***  
This week, John L. Hanson, Jr. dives deep into the vibrant and soulful world of Jazz, a genre rooted in Black American culture. Explore its rich history, the legendary musicians who gave Jazz its voice, and its lasting impact on the global music scene.

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WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1780: Women in Film: Behind the Scenes & On-Screen\*\***, Jesse King, September 7, 2023

Film enthusiasts, join us on 51% as we spotlight the achievements of women in the film industry. From directors and screenwriters to leading ladies, learn about the women who have shattered the celluloid ceiling and their groundbreaking contributions to cinema.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1719: The Enigma of Space: Exploring the Final Frontier | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, September 8, 2023

Embark on a cosmic journey as we delve into the wonders and enigmas of space. Astronomers and space scientists discuss recent missions, groundbreaking discoveries, and the burning questions that fuel our quest to explore the universe beyond our blue planet.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Life & Philosophy of Malcolm X: A Voice for Liberation (Ep. 37, 2023)\*\***

In this compelling episode, John L. Hanson, Jr. reflects on the life and philosophy of Malcolm X, one of the most influential figures in the American civil rights movement. Delve into his transformative journey, his fearless advocacy for Black empowerment, and the legacy he left for future generations.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1781: Leading with Empathy: Women in Leadership Roles\*\***, Jesse King, September 14, 2023

This week on 51%, we take a closer look at the qualities that define effective leadership. In a world filled with challenges, hear stories of women who lead with empathy, compassion, and strength, and how these attributes contribute to transformative leadership in various fields.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1720: The Human Brain: Mysteries and Potential | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, September 15, 2023



Dive deep into the intricate world of the human brain. Neuroscientists and researchers take us on a journey of understanding the organ that defines our very essence, discussing recent discoveries, untapped potentials, and the challenges that come with unraveling the brain's complex web of connections.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating Zora Neale Hurston: A Literary Pioneer (Ep. 38, 2023)\*\***  
Join John L. Hanson, Jr. as he celebrates the life and works of Zora Neale Hurston, an iconic figure in Black literature. Delve into Hurston's unique narrative style, her significant contributions to the Harlem Renaissance, and the ways in which her storytelling continues to inspire writers today.

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WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2023

**\*\*51% #1782: Women in Tech: Bridging the Gender Gap\*\***, Jesse King, September 21, 2023  
On this episode of 51%, we address the gender disparity in the tech industry. Hear from women who are making waves in technology, their experiences in a predominantly male field, and the strategies they recommend for fostering a more inclusive tech environment.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1721: Reviving Lost Languages: The Power of Words | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, September 22, 2023  
Language is more than just communication—it's a bridge to our history, culture, and identity. This episode shines a spotlight on the efforts to revive endangered and lost languages, and the significance of preserving linguistic diversity for future generations.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: The Vibrant Culture of Afro-Latinx Communities (Ep. 39, 2023)\*\***  
Producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. delves into the rich and multifaceted culture of Afro-Latinx communities. Explore the intersections of Black and Latin American identities, the historical challenges faced by Afro-Latinx individuals, and the vibrant traditions that define this unique cultural blend.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2023

**\*\*51% #1783: The Green Movement: Women Championing Environmental Change\*\***, Jesse King, September 28, 2023  
This week on 51%, we spotlight the women at the forefront of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. From grassroots activists to influential policymakers, learn how these dedicated individuals are driving change and making a difference for our planet.

**\*\*TBOOK: #1722: The Universe Beyond: New Discoveries in Space | The Best of Our Knowledge\*\***, Lucas Willard, September 29, 2023

Journey beyond our planet and dive into the wonders of outer space. Astronomers and space scientists share their findings from recent missions, the mysteries surrounding dark matter, and the excitement of exploring the ever-expanding universe.

**\*\*IN BLACK AMERICA: James Baldwin: A Voice for Equality (Ep. 40, 2023)\*\***

John L. Hanson, Jr. pays tribute to James Baldwin, a profound literary voice and civil rights advocate. Examine Baldwin's significant contributions to literature, his commentary on racial and social issues, and his lasting influence on writers and activists alike.