

SECOND QUARTER 2023

WQOX ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST SECOND 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 MARCH 30TH, 2023

****51% #1757: Female Visionaries: Architects of Change****, Jesse King, March 30, 2023

On this week's 51%, we spotlight female visionaries from various fields who have shaped the world with their innovative ideas and actions. From scientists to entrepreneurs, these women have defied norms, shattered glass ceilings, and paved the way for a brighter future. Join us as we delve into their stories and draw inspiration from their journeys.

****TBOOK: #1696: The Enigma of Space: Unraveling the Cosmos | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, March 31, 2023

Join us on a captivating voyage through the vast expanse of the universe. We converse with astrophysicists, astronomers, and space enthusiasts about the marvels of the cosmos, our quest for

extraterrestrial life, and the intricate physics that govern the fabric of space-time.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: The Musical Genius of Nina Simone (Ep. 14, 2023)****

This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. pays homage to the musical icon, Nina Simone. We explore Simone's incredible artistry, her role as a civil rights advocate, and her enduring influence on generations of musicians and activists alike.

WEEK OF APRIL 6TH, 2023

****51% #1758: Nurturing Mother Earth: Women in Conservation****, Jesse King, April 6, 2023

This week's 51% casts a light on the women at the forefront of environmental conservation. We hear from ecologists, conservationists, and activists about the crucial role women play in combating climate change, preserving biodiversity, and ensuring a sustainable future for all.

****TBOOK: #1697: The Human Brain: A Marvel of Biology | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, April 7, 2023

Embark on a fascinating journey into the human brain, the epicenter of thought, emotion, and consciousness. We talk to neuroscientists and psychologists about the intricacies of the brain, the latest research in the field, and the potential for groundbreaking discoveries in neural science.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: A Tribute to Langston Hughes: The Voice of Harlem (Ep. 15, 2023)****

This week on In Black America, producer and host John L. Hanson, Jr. celebrates the life and works of Langston Hughes, the poet laureate of the Harlem Renaissance. We discuss Hughes' profound impact on American literature, his dedication to showcasing the Black experience, and the lasting legacy of his poetic expressions.

WEEK OF APRIL 13TH, 2023

****51% #1759: The Power of Mentorship: Guiding the Next Generation****, Jesse King, April 13, 2023

This week on 51%, we delve into the transformative world of mentorship. From academics to the arts, mentoring has proven to be an invaluable tool for fostering talent and nurturing potential. We talk to mentors and mentees about their experiences, the challenges they've overcome together, and the profound influence of guiding and being guided.

****TBOOK: #1698: Quantum Realms: The Tiny Universe Within Atoms | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, April 14, 2023

Step into the enigmatic world of quantum mechanics, where the laws of physics take a curious twist. We engage with physicists and researchers who give us a glimpse into the behavior of subatomic particles, the mysteries of quantum entanglement, and how these discoveries are pushing the boundaries of our understanding.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Vibrancy of Afro-Latinx Cultures (Ep. 16, 2023)****

On In Black America this week, John L. Hanson, Jr. dives deep into the rich tapestry of Afro-Latinx cultures. We shed light on the histories, challenges, and contributions of Afro-Latinx communities, emphasizing their significant role in shaping Latin American cultures and their ties to broader Black diasporic experiences.

WEEK OF APRIL 20TH, 2023

****51% #1760: Breaking Stereotypes: Women in Combat Sports****, Jesse King, April 20, 2023

On this week's 51%, we step into the ring with women who are knocking down barriers in combat sports. From boxing to mixed martial arts, these women are redefining norms and proving that strength and determination know no gender. Hear their stories of grit, resilience, and their quest for recognition in a predominantly male domain.

****TBOOK: #1699: The Elegance of Mathematics: Beyond Numbers | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, April 21, 2023

Mathematics, often seen as a realm of numbers, extends into a world of beauty, patterns, and deep connections. We converse with mathematicians and educators about the elegance inherent in math, its applications in art and nature, and how it provides a universal language that transcends cultural boundaries.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: James Baldwin: The Pen of the Civil Rights Movement (Ep. 17, 2023)****

This week, In Black America pays tribute to James Baldwin, the illustrious writer whose works tackled complex issues of race, sexuality, and identity. Host John L. Hanson, Jr. discusses Baldwin's lasting impact on literature, his role in the civil rights movement, and his enduring message of love, understanding, and justice.

WEEK OF APRIL 27TH, 2023

****51% #1761: The Legacy of Female Philanthropists: Changing the World One Act at a Time****, Jesse King, April 27, 2023

On this episode of 51%, we spotlight the remarkable women whose philanthropic endeavors have made significant impacts in various fields. From education to health, arts to environment, these women have utilized their resources and platforms to create lasting change. We dive into the history and modern landscape of female-driven philanthropy, hearing from today's leading benefactors and the communities they uplift.

****TBOOK: #1700: Navigating the Digital Landscape: The Age of Cyber Literacy | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, April 28, 2023
In this digital age, cyber literacy has become a crucial skill. We delve into the importance of understanding and navigating the online world safely and effectively. This episode features educators, tech experts, and advocates discussing the challenges and opportunities presented by the vast digital universe and the need for comprehensive cyber education.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: The Soulful Rhythms of Motown (Ep. 18, 2023)****
Join John L. Hanson, Jr. this week as he journeys through the iconic beats and melodies of Motown. Recognized as more than just a music genre, Motown became the soundtrack of a generation. Dive deep into its origins, the artists that became legends, and the cultural revolution it spurred within Black America and beyond.

WEEK OF MAY 4TH, 2023

****51% #1762: Bridging Cultures: The World of Culinary Arts****, Jesse King, May 4, 2023

Food is more than sustenance; it's a language of love, tradition, and culture. On this week's 51%, we venture into the kitchens of female chefs who are blending flavors from around the world, telling stories

through their dishes, and breaking barriers in the culinary industry. From traditional recipes passed down through generations to innovative fusions, these women are setting the table for a global gastronomic experience.

****TBOOK: #1701: The Fascinating Realm of Bioluminescence | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, May 5, 2023

Plunge into the mesmerizing world of bioluminescence, where organisms produce their own light in the depths of the oceans, dense forests, and beyond. Scientists and researchers share their insights into the mechanisms behind this natural phenomenon, its role in nature, and its potential applications in science and medicine.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: Exploring the Harlem Renaissance: Art, Music, and Revolution (Ep. 19, 2023)****

This week, immerse yourself in the golden era of the Harlem Renaissance. Host John L. Hanson, Jr. delves into this cultural revolution, highlighting the prolific Black artists, musicians, writers, and thinkers who redefined American culture. Celebrate the timeless works and the indomitable spirit of a movement that continues to inspire today.

WEEK OF MAY 11TH, 2023

****51% #1763: The Green Revolution: Women Leading Environmental Change****, Jesse King, May 11, 2023

On this episode of 51%, we spotlight women at the forefront of environmental change. From eco-activists to green technology innovators, these women are pushing for sustainable solutions and making waves in the fight against climate change. Dive into their stories of resilience, innovation, and the powerful message that one person can indeed make a difference.

****TBOOK: #1702: The Mysteries of the Universe: Women in Astrophysics | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, May 12, 2023

Join us as we journey through the cosmos, exploring the groundbreaking contributions of women in astrophysics. These stellar scientists are unveiling the secrets of galaxies, stars, and black holes, challenging our understanding of space and time. Their narratives are not just about the universe, but also about breaking barriers on Earth.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: Honoring the Legacy of Malcolm X (Ep. 20, 2023)****

This week, as we commemorate the birthday of Malcolm X, John L. Hanson, Jr. takes listeners through the life and teachings of this iconic civil rights leader. Delving into his early years, transformation, and his enduring message of empowerment, this episode honors the man whose words continue to resonate in the struggle for justice and equality.

WEEK OF MAY 18TH, 2023

****51% #1764: Unveiling the World of Women Magicians: Illusion and Reality****, Jesse King, May 18, 2023

Magic isn't just a man's domain. This week on 51%, discover the enchanting realm of women illusionists and magicians who defy expectations and challenge the status quo of the entertainment world. From pioneers of the craft to today's mesmerizing performers, these women blur the lines between reality and illusion, leaving audiences spellbound.

****TBOOK: #1703: The Impact of Bilingualism on the Brain | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, May 19, 2023

Ever wondered how speaking multiple languages affects the brain? Dive into the realm of linguistics and neuroscience, as we explore the cognitive advantages of bilingualism. Researchers and linguists discuss the benefits, challenges, and the fascinating interplay between language, culture, and cognition.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: Celebrating the Genius of Duke Ellington (Ep. 21, 2023)****

Tune in for a musical journey celebrating the legacy of Duke Ellington, one of America's greatest composers and bandleaders. Host John L. Hanson, Jr. revisits the iconic tunes and milestones of Ellington's illustrious career, shedding light on the maestro's influence on jazz and beyond, and his indomitable spirit in the face of adversity.

WEEK OF MAY 25TH, 2023

****51% #1765: The Tapestry of Tradition: Women in Folklore & Myths****, Jesse King, May 25, 2023

On this episode of 51%, we delve into the rich world of folklore and myths, focusing on the female figures that have shaped these tales. From powerful goddesses to cunning witches, storytellers and historians guide us through the influence and importance of these characters, revealing the societal perceptions and lessons woven into these age-old tales.

****TBOOK: #1704: Dive Deep: Women Marine Biologists Uncover Ocean Secrets | The Best of Our Knowledge****, Lucas Willard, May 26, 2023

The ocean remains one of Earth's greatest mysteries, and women marine biologists are at the forefront of unveiling its secrets. Journey with us as we learn about groundbreaking discoveries beneath the

waves, the unique challenges of deep-sea exploration, and the pressing issues of marine conservation from the perspective of female scientists.

****IN BLACK AMERICA: A Tribute to James Baldwin: The Voice of a Generation (Ep. 22, 2023)****

This week, John L. Hanson, Jr. pays homage to James Baldwin, the prolific writer and social critic who captured the complexities of racial, sexual, and class distinctions in Western societies. Explore Baldwin's impact on literature, his role as a civil rights activist, and his enduring legacy in shaping discourse on identity, love, and injustice.

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.