



WEFT Quarterly Issues / Programs List
4th Quarter 2023 (Programming aired October 1 through December 31, 2023)

The Quarterly Issues / Programs List contains programming which the station feels is responsive to the needs, issues, and problems of the local community. The list is not a comprehensive list of all of the WEFT non-entertainment programming, and it does not necessarily list every program broadcast by WEFT that addresses the selected issues. The list contains those programs through which WEFT devoted significant time or depth to the listed issues.

Issue: Youth Involvement/Issues

Program Name:	WEFT Weekender
Guest(s):	Kenny and Keion Battle; U of I Hall of Fame basketball player and son
Topic:	Upcoming youth basketball clinic
Description:	Three hour long music/local issues and events program
Date Presented:	10/27/2023
Time Presented:	8:10 AM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	10 minutes

Program Name:	This Way Out – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Multiple guests
Topic:	A Virginia dad defends his trans daughter; Springfield, Illinois has survived a 2013 marriage equality exorcism; Nepalese same-gender couples need wait no longer; Russia’s top court outlaws the non-existent international public LGBT movement and Florida lawmakers seek to shut down LGBTQ+ advocacy.
Description:	Half hour long LGBTQ news magazine
Date Presented:	12/8/2023
Time Presented:	5:30 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes



Issue: Independent Media

Program Name:	Democracy Now – Syndicated programming
Guest(s):	Host – Amy Goodman
Topic:	Multiple topics/multiple guests
Description:	Hour long daily/national/international news and commentary
Date Presented:	10/12/23
Time Presented:	4:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	60 minutes

Program Name:	Window on the World
Guest(s):	Multiple guests
Topic:	Multiple topics
Description:	Hour long magazine/commentary public affairs program
Date Presented:	10/29/2023
Time Presented:	5:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	60 minutes

Program Name:	Counterspin – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Host – Janine Jackson; Journalist Melissa Gira Grant
Topic:	Abortion access
Description:	Half hour long independent news/commentary program
Date Presented:	12/2/2023
Time Presented:	9:30 AM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	20 minutes



Issue: Independent Media (cont'd)

Program Name:	TUC Radio – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Host – Maria Gilardin; journalist Rachael Donald’s interview with Simon Michaux
Topic:	Current renewable economy makes unsustainable demands on minerals and materials of the earth.
Description:	Half hour long independent news/commentary program
Date Presented:	12/21/2023
Time Presented:	5:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes

Issue: Underserved Communities

Program Name:	Disability Beat
Guest(s):	Allison Boot, Co-Director of the Disability Resource Expo
Topic:	Upcoming Champaign-Urbana Expo – October 28, 2023
Description:	Half hour long public affairs program
Date Presented:	10/16/2023
Time Presented:	5:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	20 minutes

Program Name:	WINGS – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Kathleen Barry, author, feminist, sociologist
Topic:	Unmaking War, Remaking Men: How Empathy Can Reshape our Politics, Our Soldiers and Ourselves. The discussion includes details about the Geneva Conventions, and examples of how empathy affected men’s behaviors and beliefs during war, or rejecting war. Description: Half hour long weekly women’s movement and related issues program
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Date Presented:	11/8/2023
Time Presented:	5:30 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes



Issue: Underserved Communities (cont'd)

Program Name:	This Way Out – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	James Talarico; Sir Ian McKellen
Topic:	How Sir Ian celebrated the demise of the UK’s Section 28; a devout Texas Democrat rebukes bible thumpers with the Good Book; Scotland loses the first battle in its gender war with the UK.; Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers vetoes a Republican bill to ban pediatric gender-affirming healthcare and Florida Republicans claim that book bans are protected speech.
Description:	Half hour long LGBTQ news magazine
Date Presented:	12/12/2023
Time Presented:	5:30 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes

Program Name:	Higher Ground
Guest(s):	Hosts Aaron Ammons/Carol Ammons
Topic:	Christmas and Kwanzaa; reparations and a look at national and international models; encouraging public safety without policing policies; Champaign County Board updates to remove two elected positions and convert them to appointed positions – public input swayed board members.
Description:	Two hour long African American community issues/call-in program
Date Presented:	12/23/2023
Time Presented:	8:00 AM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	Two hours



Issue: Environmental/Climate Change

Program Name:	Food Sleuth Radio – Syndicated Pacifica programming
Guest(s):	Host – Melinda Hemmelgarn; Author Erica Gies
Topic:	Journalist Erica Gies, a National Geographic Explorer, discusses how development, climate change, and our illusion of control impact our relationship with water. She defines slow water; explains how and why the water we see today is not in its natural state; and supports changing how we relate to water.
Description:	Half hour long weekly food/nutrition/agriculture programming
Date Presented:	10/16/23
Time Presented:	5:30 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	25 minutes

Program Name:	WINGS – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Sylvia Earle, one of the first women to be a member of the Explorers Club
Topic:	The mining of the deep sea floor to scrape up "nodules" that contain various minerals and the damage that could cause to the oceans, its inhabitants and to the climate of the earth.
Description:	Half hour long weekly women’s movement and related issues program
Date Presented:	10/31/2023
Time Presented:	5:30 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes



Issue: Environmental/Climate Change (cont'd)

Program Name:	TUC Radio – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Host – Maria Gilardin; Former VP Al Gore
Topic:	Al Gore discusses why he thinks this year's COP28 climate change talks are likely to fail and a discussion of what's standing in the way of progress in solving the global climate challenges.
Description:	Half hour long independent news/commentary program
Date Presented:	11/30/2023
Time Presented:	5:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes

Program Name:	Sea Change Radio – Syndicated Pacifica Programming
Guest(s):	Host – Alex Wise; Joseph McFadden – professor at Cornell University
Topic:	The science of enteric fermentation in ruminants; examining the various technological solutions aiming to reduce these methane emissions; discussing the hurdles that the feed additive industry faces, and why they are particularly challenging in countries like India.
Description:	Half hour long environmental issues program
Date Presented:	12/26/2023
Time Presented:	5:00 PM
Length of Guest(s) Appearance:	30 minutes