

## WPRK Issues Programming Reports Q4 2020

What is your show?	What is broadcast's date?	Provide a brief narrative description of the issue(s) discussed	How did you determine this to be important to the community?
Outloud Orlando	10/6/2020	Today there are only two of us in two of us in the studio. We talk about the upcoming Pride parade event and Come Out With Pride as well as the parade route. Also a topic of this show is bar reopenings which incorporates obligations of customers.	With only two people in the studio it shows that a show is capable and informative even with less people than usual. Come Out with Pride and Pride events locally have not been widely known since coronavirus so we are helping to get the word out. Many listeners have been waiting anxiously for bars and restaurants to open again fully. We just want everyone to feel safe, remember their obligations but still have fun.
To a Certain Degree	10/12/2020	Guests included Tisse Mallon from the Elar Institute, Paul Driscoll from Page 15, and Bri Sosa. We discussed therapeutic writing workshops for city employees after the Pulse incident. Along with that, we talked about being a better listener and tarot card readings.	It was a communication themed episode, and I hope it inspired listeners to consider different ways of connecting with friends, family, and the community at large. The story about the therapeutic writing program was especially poignant for Orlando residents. Along with the idea of expressing yourself in a different way, it encourages listeners to consider that they are not isolated in feelings of trauma.

Outloud Orlando	10/13/2020	This week we finish up the catching up on episodes with snippets of episodes 16-29. Since episode 25 instead of doing a Best Of show, we are highlighting parts of each episode to give listeners a "bug" in their mind to want to hear more. Topics include beachtime, the Goya boycott and more.	Giving out little morsels of episodes hopefully will have listeners want to hear more and tune in regularly. Different local topics that may have been forgotten are heard in these types of episodes so can help jar a memory in someone listening. Listening to these types of episodes shows the journey of audio quality in a time of COVID, which in turn can bring one to want to listen regularly since the quality has improved.
To a Certain Degree	10/19/2020	Guests included: Marc Collins who started his business in Orlando; Zach Prusak who received his undergraduate and graduate; Lindsey Thompson who started the popular local blog Lemonhearted; Michelle Christoph who hosts sewing and fabric arts events in Central Florida.	All four guests offered insight into local institutions like UCF as well as other organizations here in town. Cristoph's story was especially interesting in terms of finding people who share a hobby and creating a community around that. Thompson's site and social media accounts are worth spotlighting as well because of the interesting and underrepresented businesses she often visits.
Impact Now	10/23/2020	The upcoming 2020 election. The voting process and how the electoral process works in the United States. The possibility of voting and electoral reform, especially in respect to the electoral college.	It is currently election season. It is important to inform the members of the community the importance of voting along with the history of voting and the US government.
Impact Now	11/6/2020	We talked about gender equality and steps to making it possible in the world. Gender equality encompasses closing the wage gap, dismantling gender roles, and also creating a world where men and women have the same access to resources.	It is a very relevant topic that is discussed a lot now a days. Along with that, it also is a topic that needs to be discussed on a college campus. More importantly gender equality starts with a conversation.

Outloud Orlando	11/10/2020	We return this week after a two week hiatus and talk about local passings of community members as well as Parliament House. In addition to this we speak about 100 guys in Canada who wore skirts to school to combat gender specific dress codes. Lastly we talk about a Finnish ad of "Love Conquers All" featuring Ronald McDonald and the Burger King kissing.	Miss Sammy a/k/a Sam Singhaus was a prominent member of the community and his passing was surprise to many. Parliament House closed and that establishment has been a part of the LGBT+ community for decades. Breaking gender norms is something seen more in everyday life but schools still adhere to gender specific dress codes so this story about guys wearing skirts to school is a great form of civil disobedience. What better way to show togetherness in a time of discord than to tell about an ad in Finland where two fast food competitors come together and kiss.
Outloud Orlando	11/17/2020	This week we have a heavy hand of topics concerning non binary and trans characters in a television show where the actors are also respectively non binary and trans. Along this topic is also Citi Bank allowing MasterCard holders to use their chosen name on cards even without a court ordered name change. From that we move into holiday stories with Robert Dyas holiday advertisements and a list of three LGBT+ holiday themed movies, a first for the community.	It is important for people to be addressed by their proper pronouns so topics dealing with non binary and trans people help educate listeners on this subject. With that said, having a credit or debit card with your chosen name yet not requiring a court ordered name change to do so is big news with many in the community may not be aware of. The holidays are coming up very soon and while there have been many LGBT+ characters in holiday movies, there has not been any that are LGBT+ themed with that being the entire basis of the movie.
Impact Now!	11/20/2020	We discussed the importance of healthy living. We looked at different ways to be healthy with Dr. Dena Pistor. We discussed how listeners can implement healthy eating and exercising habits with Naiyah Wilson.	Healthy living is important to all of us because of the benefits it brings our lives. College students are often faced with unhealthy choices. Everyone should know how to make healthy choices.

Outloud Orlando	11/24/2020	A study explains why we are gay; or at least 85% of us. Election Analyst who is out, Steve Kornacki, makes People's Sexiest Man Alive 2020. Another non-binary actor lands a non-binary role.	The study says that ghosts possess us, with female spirits in males and vice versa in females. While funny it shows that there are foundations out there like the one that did this study. We are seeing lately that people who identify differently than the norm are landing like roles, such as gays in gay roles, trans in trans roles, and more.
Outloud Orlando	12/1/2020	Gay Panic is a defense used in 39 states. Viggo Mortensen of Lord of the Rings writes, directs and acts in a movie, playing a gay role. The Ultimate Guide to Gay Gift Giving 2020 is discussed with our opinions thrown in.	Being aware of different defenses that can be used against a person helps the community to learn about an oppression still used against the LGBTQ+ community. Recently we have been talking about characters being played by like actors, such as non binary characters played by non binary actors. Viggo is straight and gives a different view to being a straight actor playing a gay role as well as writing a gay role.
Impact Now!	12/4/2020	We discussed how to reduce inequalities during the winter holidays. We looked at less well-known holidays. We discussed how to social distance during the holidays.	Many people only think of Christmas so its important to understand how diverse the winter holidays are. Part of xenophobia is a lack of understanding so we wanted to encourage knowledge and discussion. Holidays will be harder for everyone because of social distancing restrictions so its important to know how to make the best of the situation.

Outloud Orlando	12/8/2020	<p>Homiesexual is a trending hashtag on Twitter but is it at the expense of gay guys in order to get social media likes and follows? Unites States Postal Service does Operation Santa yearly and one queer elf replied to a boy questioning if God loves him for being gay. This has been made into a movie, "Dear Santa". Local store owner and head of The Orlando Ribbon Project, Ben Johansen, was featured on Spectrum 13 for the Pulse ribbons now on every continent.</p>	<p>Social Media plays a large presence in lives today so helping people to be aware of things like homiesexual allows listeners to become more alert to happenings. Operation Santa is an excellent program that people should be aware of, and this story really hits close to home to many on the show let alone listeners. We like to spotlight local LGBTQ+ owners, entertainers and businesses so Ben getting media play was a nice nod to him. The Pulse ribbons are what Ben started after the massacre at Pulse.</p>
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Outloud Orlando	12/15/2020	<p>This week we discuss straight men playing gay roles and if it should be gays only to play gay roles. A Monolith in California was taken down and replaced by a cross to be taken down by the creators of the Monolith. A soccer striker takes down a rainbow flag in celebration of scoring a winning point.</p>	<p>There are many gay roles in movies and shows and with a plethora of gays in the industry we discuss whether straights should play gay roles and if they are taking them away from gay actors. The first group who took down the monolith and replaced it with a cross commented that it was a gay symbol. The creators then came forth and replaced it with a cemented Monolith to not be removed. This is in current news so listeners may not have gotten the complete story. Sometimes something that may have been seen as anti-gay is just an innocent incident not specifically targeting anything in particular. The striker actually does this every time he scores points no matter what flag is on the end line. He even puts the flag back afterwards. This shows how needing to listen to an entire story is imperative because not everything is targeted as anti-gay. It is all in context of the action.</p>
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Outloud Orlando	12/22/2020	<p>This week we opened with a topic of time, love and attention along with some cards that cast member Thom brought in showing LGBTQ+ icons on playing cards. Also talked about was the story of blues singers Ma and Pa Rainey, in which we learn that Ma Rainey identified as bisexual. Local spotlights are still a topic we continue this week as usual.</p>	<p>The cards had people on them that are and were influential in the LGBTQ+ community like Martha P Johnson and Liberace. Thom received these cards from someone overseas who is making them for people and called Time, Love and Attention. Blues is a music genre and what better way to combine our show and WPRK than to talk about bisexual blues singer Ma Rainey so that others can learn of her story before the upcoming movie about her. She was the first African American generation to record an album. While we are seeing vaccines for COVID 19 it is still important to support our local business and entertainers.</p>
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