



QUARTERLY ISSUES-PROGRAM LIST
WTJX-FM St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024

The management of the Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System (WTJX-FM 93.1) has determined that the issues/topics listed below to be of significant interest with the station's service area for the period of January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024.

Business, Economics & Finance Government &

Politics

Crime, Law Enforcement & Gun Control

Natural Disasters, Climate Change & Renewable Energy Health,

Medicine & Wellness

Education

Arts & Entertainment Aging &

Retirement

Business, Economics & Finance

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-03-24

Banco Popular de Puerto Rico becomes the sixth lender to be a part of the VI Slice Moderate Income Homeownership Program. Merchants Commercial Bank President, Valdamier Collens, addresses the Small Business Recovery Grant they provided to five local businesses.

Ability Radio

11:30 – 12:00 p.m. AST 01-06-24

Magali De Jesús Cordero of The AMSI Employment Network talks about the SSA "Ticket to Work Program" for people who are on SSDI. Shammi Carr explains how Disability Rights Center of the Virgin Islands assists job seekers who are disabled by helping them navigate the accommodations made available through ADA laws, job skills readiness and training, and assistive technology.

TED Radio

4:00-5:00 p.m. AST 1-12-24

One woman's quest to help low-income moms flourish and redefine wealth for herself.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-25-24

Microsoft, Google, Meta, other tech companies slash more than 21,000 jobs this year.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-30-24

Toyota issues do-not-drive order for some older cars over defective airbags.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-30-24

The board for the Government Employees Retirement System has voted for a limited restart of the System's personal loan program. Government House Communications Director, Richard Motta Jr., is clarifying "misinformation" regarding a \$5 million grant related to VIGL rebuilding the Randall "Doc" James racetrack. During Royal Caribbean's Icon of the Seas inaugural port of call on St. Thomas, the Virgin Islands Port Authority will sign agreements to further develop the Austin "Babe" Monsanto Marine Terminal in Crown Bay.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-30-24

Has remote work really been tragic for big companies' bottom lines?

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-31-24

Experts urge caution when it comes to the Federal Reserve lowering interest rates.

Here & Now

1:00-3:00 p.m. 02-15-24

The Washington Post's Arelis Hernandez explores why the number of migrant crossings at the U.S.-Mexico border dropped by 50% in January. And, Sara Nelson, president of the Association of Flight Attendants, discusses contract negotiations after Alaska Airlines flight attendants voted to authorize a strike. Then, we reconnect with a Palestinian-American translator who got his family out of Gaza and into Cairo, Egypt. Plus,

historian Wafa Ghnaim talks about tatreez, a traditional Palestinian embroidery art form.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 2-15-24

The Public Service Commission opens an investigation into Liberty Mobile amid customer complaints.

Ability Radio

11:30-12:00 p.m. AST 02-17-24

DeJongh "Dee" Wells believes "We were born to be great and share what we love and are passionate about!" He and Kishma talk about how went from a child on St. John obsessing over sneakers to a successful digital creator and educator, founded a multimedia design and media youth program.

Planet Money

02:00-02:30 p.m. AST 2-21-24

Capital One Financial Corporation plans to acquire Discover Financial Services in a \$35 billion deal that would combine two of the largest U.S. credit card companies. Today on the show, five big questions about the deal, and the opaque system behind every swipe, tap or insertion of your credit card.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 03- 01-2024

Neville James speaks on the phone with Frank Dixon, State Director for the Virgin Islands APEX Accelerator. The APEX Accelerator provides free one-on-one counseling that helps business owners identify and explain government contracting opportunities at federal, state and local level.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 3-7-24

West Indian Company Limited details its operating challenges to lawmakers and cites cruise ship traffic in Crown Bay for its reduction in generated revenue.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 3- 5-2024

Neville James is joined by Nadine Marchena Kean and Wayne Scott, Jr. from the Economic Development Authority Enterprise Zone talk about Virgin Islands' Enterprise Zones and about an upcoming free Estate Planning Conference.

1A

3:00-5:00 p.m. AST 03-20-24

The Future Of TikTok In The US. Some 170 million Americans use the social video app TikTok, according to the company.

Government & Politics

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-10-24

Medical ethics: Does the public need to know why Austin was hospitalized?

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. 1-15-24

The fate of many hostages taken captive by Hamas on Oct. 7 remains unclear

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-15-24

The controversy involved in making Martin Luther King, Jr. Day a holiday

Fresh Air

2:00-3:00 p.m. AST 1-18-24

Home schooling is surging, but lax regulation can leave kids vulnerable to abuse.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-18-24

How should judges and lawyers use artificial intelligence?

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-21-24

China's population declines for the 2nd year in a row.

Special Coverage: Governor Bryan's State of the Territory Address

6:30 p.m. AST 01-22-24

WTJX provided live coverage of Governor Albert Bryan Jr.'s sixth State of the Territory Address anchored by Lesley Comissioning with in-depth analysis from an expert panel, including former Senate President Usie Richards, St. Croix Chamber of Commerce Board Chairman Akeel St. Jean, Esq., former DPNR Commissioner Dawn Henry, Esq., and former WAPA CEO and radio talk show host Hugo Hodge with reactions from the Delegate To Congress Stacey Plaskett, St. Croix District Senators Diane Capehart & Kenneth Gittens, St. Thomas-St. John District Senators Donna Frett-Gregory & Alma Francis Heyliger and Senator-At-Large Angel Bolques, Jr., and the Virgin Islands community.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-23-24

Neville James and co-hosts Donald "Ducks" Cole and Almando "Rocky" Liburd broadcast live from Delly Deck on St. Thomas. They are joined by Governor Albert Bryan as they discuss and clarify aspects of the State of the Territory address. They also spoke with Daniel Flippo, director of District Nine of the United Steelworkers Union regarding the protests and grievances the union has with the government. They also interview John P. Woods, President of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce, to discuss private business and changes that are needed to incentivize and reinvest in Main Street, St. Thomas. Last, they speak with Senator Donna Frett-Gregory, finance chair, as they discuss perspective and impressions from the State of the Territory address.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-24-24

Republican Presidential candidate Nikki Haley stumped virtually via Zoom this morning, making her case for the Republican nomination ahead of the VIGOP February 8th caucus.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-24-24

Neville James is joined by in studio buy Governor Albert Bryan for a post-State of the Territory discussion about the territory, initiatives, changes and in-depth analysis of the territory's trajectory.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-21-24

What a Julian Assange conviction could mean for the future of press freedom.

On Point

1:00-2:00 p.m. AST 2-22-24

Understanding the aging brain. If Joe Biden and Donald Trump are on the ballot in November, they'll be the oldest presidential candidates in U.S. history. How does age affect our memory, cognition, and even the ability to be president? Zaldy Tan joins Deborah Becker.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 2-29-24

Hunter Biden appears for impeachment testimony after a long battle with GOP.

Special Coverage: President Biden's State of the Union Address

10:00 p.m. AST 03-07-24

WTJX airs President Biden's State of the Union Address and the Republican response. Commentary and analysis hosted by Steve Inskeep and members of the NPR Politics team.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 3-18-24

After a quarter century in power, Russian President Putin isn't going anywhere

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 3-29-24

Virginia lawmakers move to raise age of marriage to 18

Crime, Law Enforcement & Gun Control**ALL THINGS CONSIDERED**

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-4-24

Woman sues Hershey for \$5 million because candy doesn't match the wrapper design. Unsealed court documents reveal names of men allegedly linked to Jeffrey Epstein. Her reporting exposed Epstein. She tells NPR why documents naming powerful men matte.

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-8-24

Tennessee lawmakers propose more power to involuntarily commit mentally ill people.

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-17-24

How an anonymous tip line is combatting gun violence in schools.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-18-24

How should judges and lawyers use artificial intelligence?

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-22-24

A 23-year-old St. Thomas man was gunned down early Sunday morning, marking the first homicide of 2024 in the USVI. The VI Supreme Court takes over former Senator Steven Payne's lawsuit against the 34th

Legislature of the Virgin Islands. VIPD Commissioner, Ray Martinez, speaks on the department's consent decree.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-23-24

Michigan case to decide if parents can be criminally responsible for a child's actions.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-25-24

After executing Operation "Top Shottas," the Virgin Islands Police Department makes several arrests and confiscates high powered firearms and drugs.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-25-24

A Kansas woman's death reignited concerns about domestic violence during pregnancy.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-26-24

Counterfeiters have a new scheme to make money: Board games.

On Point

1:00-2:00 p.m. AST 2-22-24

Controversy and contradiction: The death penalty in America. Alabama has carried out the first execution by asphyxiation with nitrogen gas. Kenneth Eugene Smith was executed after a previous attempt involving lethal injection failed. In this episode from January 2023, we heard about that botched execution and how states have been wrestling with how to carry out the ultimate penalty.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-29-24

Exploring the connections between bullying and school shootings.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 2-21-24

Senator Franklin Johnson and Senator-at-Large Angel Bolques Jr. recently took a tour of the John A. Bell Adult Correctional Facility on St. Croix.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 2-28-24

Sean 'Diddy' Combs is accused of sexual assault by male music producer.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 3-8-24

The Legislature's Committee on Ethical Conduct is investigating a sexual harassment claim filed by Senator Carla Joseph against Senator Franklin Johnson. Prosecutors submit their sentencing recommendation for former Charlotte Amalie High School track coach Alfredo Bruce Smith.

Natural Disasters, Climate Change & Renewable Energy

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-11-24

Neville James is joined by Commissioner Calvert White as they discuss Sports, Parks and Recreation, the continuing recovery efforts, and future projects and initiatives.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-12-24

Neville James and Kyle Fleming, Director of the VI Energy Office, engage in *Power Hour* as they discuss the Levelized Energy Adjustment Clause (LEAC), efforts needed to advance the Virgin Islands Water & Power Authority (WAPA), ocean thermal energy and current initiatives.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-24-24

Governor Albert Bryan Jr. announced the creation of Rebuild USVI, aimed at expediting the timeline of disaster recovery reconstruction efforts. U.S. Forest Service announced \$6.5 million in grant funding for the Virgin Islands. The Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority announced partnerships with VI Electron and Honeywell.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-26-24

The Army Corps of Engineers has created a task force dedicated to recovery projects in the US Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-31-24

The journey toward electric vehicles has hit a rough patch. Sales are cooling off.

Here & Now

1:00-3:00 p.m. AST 2-14-24

United CEO explains airline's plan to reach net-zero emissions by 2050
United Airlines CEO Scott Kirby talks about the airline's plan to be net-zero by 2050. And, Grist's Jake Bittle explores the environmental impact of liquefied natural gas.

On Point

1:00-2:00 p.m. AST 2-22-24

How communities worldwide are working to solve the water crisis
From desalination plants in Australia, wastewater recycling plants in Orange County, CA to net zero water buildings in NYC, in his latest book author and engineer David Sedlak looks not at the problems but the solutions. David Sedlak joins Meghna Chakrabarti.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 02-14-24

Neville James speaks Mike Jeffers the deputy director for Energy Office and Nikita Beck from the Caribbean Green Technology Center about renewable energy, energy education, careers in energy and the Energy Village at the Ag Fair.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 2-27-24

Weather experts are cautioning about an active 2024 Atlantic hurricane season.

Medicine, Health & Wellness

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-15-24

The American Red Cross has declared an emergency blood shortage.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-19-24

New cancer cases expected to hit record high in 2024.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-22-24

According to VI Department of Health's Medical Director, Dr. Tai Hunte-Ceasar, COVID-19 is surging in the territory.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-24-24

In Africa, world health officials roll out first routine malaria vaccine

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-24-24

Governor Albert Bryan Jr. has lifted the "No Drink Advisory" on the St. Croix potable water system.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-25-24

Neville James is joined by Dr. Esther Ellis and Commissioner Justa Encarnacion from the Department of Health as they discuss the flu, covid, and ways to mitigate and avoid infection, as well as other topics.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-25-24

The VI Department of Health's Office of Vital Records and Statistics took its first significant step towards its goal of going fully digital by March of this year.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 01-31-24

Neville James is joined by Dr. Sonjia Kenya, Ed.D., M.S., M.A., from the University of Miami-Miller School of Medicine, Professor of General Medicine and Public Health, and Dr. Tai Hunte-Ceasar, founding dean of the UVI S. Donald Sussman School of Medicine, in a discussion about a new cardiovascular research program for Virgin Islands students starting in June at the University of Miami.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-31-24

Expected to be a big deal, Alzheimer's drug is pulled after disappointing sales.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-13-24

Portugal's approach to the opioid epidemic is a flashpoint in U.S. fentanyl debate.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 02-15-24

In hour one of the show, Neville James speaks with Lizbeth Silbermann, Bonnie Brathwaite and Cindy Taggett of the USDA Food and Nutrition Service. They discussed some of the 16 different USDA programs such as the SNAP program, WIC program, the Farmers Market Nutrition Program, the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and how they can benefit Virgin Islanders.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 2-26-24

Asthma drug can help reduce allergic reactions for those with severe food allergies.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 3-8-24

The Coast Guard and Virgin Islands Search and Rescue saved three boaters off a sinking vessel. The Committee on Health, Hospitals, and Human Services, chaired by Senator Ray Fonseca, held its final territory-wide health fair today on the island of St. Croix.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 1-13-24

In hour one of the show, Neville James speaks with Eugene S. Tull, DrPH, MPH, MT(ASCP), President Inter-American Center for Public Health Improvement, Inc. As they speak about diabetes in the Virgin Islands.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 3-21-24

In hour one of the show, Neville James speaks briefly with the National Weather Service before he is joined on the phone by Chef Julius Jackson and Holly Louise for Nourish to Flourish. Topics included nutrient absorption in the body, gluten, and finding the type of diet what works for you.

Education

Newsfeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-03-24

Deanna James talks about the significant decrease in children population evidenced in the 2023 Kids Count Data Book.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-31-24

U.S. students are starting to catch up in school - unless they're from a poor area.

Commissioner's Corner

5:30-6:00 p.m. AST 02-13-24

Virgin Islands Department of Education Commissioner Dionne Wells-Hedrington, Ed.D. hosts the inaugural episode of Commissioner's Corner where she speaks with Insular Superintendents Ericilda Herman of the St. Croix District and Stefan Jürgen of the St. Thomas/St. John District about the School Improvement Planning Process.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 02-15-24

In hour two of the show, Neville James speaks with Dr. Jessica Samuel & Dr. Gail-Ann Guy of REAL (Radical Education and Advocacy League) about their upbringing, teaching and cultural education.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 02-16-2024

In hour one, Neville James speaks with Liz Goggins of Harborside Rotary Club about the Virgin Islands' ability to diagnose and treat mental illness in children. Liz also talks about the 20 scholarships available for mental illness medical providers on St. Croix.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST

Schools face big challenges accommodating migrants who've crossed the border.

Commissioner's Corner

5:30-6:00 p.m. AST 02-20-24

Commissioner Dionne Wells-Hedrington, Ed.D. speaks with Insular Superintendents Ericilda Herman of the St. Croix District and Stefan Jürgen of the St. Thomas/St. John District about District Strategic Plans and the outlook for the 2024 School Year.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-21-24

The Biden Administration is erasing debts of 150,000 federal student loan borrowers.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-23-24

University of Mississippi Black students compare campus life of today and 1970.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-29-24

How teaching Black history in schools became a national controversy.

Ability Radio

11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. AST 03-16-24

Kishma Francis and Amelia Headly LaMont discuss the Virgin Islands Parent Training and Information Center and the educational programs available in the US Virgin Islands.

Arts & Entertainment

Here & Now

1:00-3:00 p.m. AST 1-4-24

Even though its sparkle is alluring and it's been increasingly showing up in the makeup world in recent years, glitter is rich with dangerous microplastics.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-12-24

A guide to the upcoming Emmys, which were delayed due to strikes.

Fresh Air

2:00-3:00 p.m. AST 1-17-24

How social media algorithms 'flatten' our culture by making decisions for us.

TED Radio

4:00-5:00 p.m. AST 1-27-24

The beginning of mind-reading technology? No, it's not science fiction.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 2-20-24

Neville James is joined in studio by actor/comedian Dan Aykroyd (Elwood Blues) and music producer Jeff Tareila as they talk about the VI Peeps and their song Good Morning, Good Afternoon, Good Night featuring Kevin Motta, Jeff Tareila, Elwood Blues, G. Love, and Special Sauce.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 2-21-24

He moved in with his grandmas during COVID. His film about them is up for an Oscar.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 2-22-24

In hour one, Neville James talks on the phone with Nicole Parson about art and music and the V.I. Contemporary Fine Art & Water Island Music Festival.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 3-20-24

In hour two, Neville James speaks with Zack Zook of 81C Art Gallery, Joseph Hewes, and Teia "Grim" Lettsome about art and Grim's artwork that will be on display at 81C.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 2-27-24

In hour one, Neville James speaks with author Nina York about her book, Culinary Traditions of St. Croix: A Brief History of Island Lifestyles. Nina York was born in Denmark and grew up there during World War II before eventually calling the Virgin Islands home in 1976.

Fresh Air

4:00-5:00 p.m. AST 3-13-24

Eugene Levy gets out of his comfort zone in *'The Reluctant Traveler'*.

Fresh Air

4:00-5:00 p.m. AST 3-26-24

Tierra Whack springs to the forefront of hip-hop creativity on a new album.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST 3-27-24

Neville James talks with musicians Kurt Schindler and Jeff Tareila about their new album, Bubble Machine. They are also joined by Paul Blair as they talk about "Paula Palooza", a music festival happening on the North Shore of St Croix.

Aging & Retirement

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-3-24

Older Americans say they feel trapped in Medicare Advantage plans.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-4-24

Hearing aids may boost longevity, study finds. But only if used regularly.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-5-24

A college student in her 60s shares wisdom when it comes to reinventing oneself.

In Conversation with AARP VI

11:00-11:30 a.m. AST 1-13-24

Host Troy DeChabert-Schuster interviews Marvin A. Blyden, discussing efforts to reform the probate process and the significance of estate planning for Virgin Islanders.

All Things Considered

6:00-8:00 p.m. AST 1-20-24

How an aging homeless population impacts the fight to end homelessness.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST 1-29-24

Scientists can tell how fast you're aging. Now, the trick is to slow it down.

NewsFeed

5:00-5:30 p.m. AST 01-30-24

The board for the Government Employees Retirement System has voted for a limited restart of the System's personal loan program.

On Point

1:00-2:00 p.m. AST 2-28-24

Your brain on menopause. Hot flashes. Brain fog. Sleep problems. Millions of women go through menopause each year. But what's happening in the brain during this life transition? Lisa Mosconi joins Meghna Chakrabarti.

Planet Money

02:00-02:30 p.m. AST 3-06-24

The rising cost of living and longer life expectancy is making it harder for Americans to retire comfortably. Millions of Americans are behind on saving for retirement and face the possibility of working in their old age.