



**WTJX-TV Channel 12
 Quarterly Issues/Programs List
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The licensee of Station WTJX-TV, Channel 12, has determined that the issues/topics listed below were of importance to the community during the past three months and has aired the following most significant programming related to those issues.

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Agriculture

Issue: Agriculture
Series Title: PBS News Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 8
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/23/2023 at 6:00 PM

In 1910, about 14 percent of U.S. farmers were Black, owning more than 16 million acres. Now, according to the latest Census of Agriculture, only one in 100 farmers is Black, owning less than 5 million acres. A new documentary explores how this happened, its lasting effect on Black families and their efforts now to reclaim their legacy. Filmmaker Eternal Polk joins John Yang to discuss.

Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction

Issue: Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 44
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/31/2023 at 7:00 PM

The Department of Health and Human Services is recommending a major change in the way the federal government treats marijuana but stops short of saying it should be decriminalized under federal law. HHS says marijuana should no longer be classified as Schedule One, which the law defines as having no accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse. John Yang discussed more with Natalie Fertig.

Business/Industry

Issue: Business/Industry
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: V.I. Small Business Development Center
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 9/22/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with John Morosco, the State Director of the Virgin Islands Small Business Development Center. They share advice and valuable insights in starting a small business in the territory.

Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

Issue: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: Virgin Islands Case Files
Episode Title: Episode 10
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/20/2023 at 8:30 PM

The final episode of *Virgin Islands Case Files* explores the unsolved murder cases of K'diyen Illidge, a 21-year-old woman caught in the crossfire during a shootout in downtown Frederiksted on Oct. 9, 2020, and Steve Hart, a 30-year-old man shot multiple times during a dice game in Campo Rico on Nov. 12, 2005. Hosted by Celia Carroll. Featuring interviews from Kelvin Illidge, Desiree Illidge, Rynel Harris, VIPD Cmdr. Naomi Joseph, and Maxine Hart.

Issue: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Spotlighting Elder Abuse
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/28/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with Paul Greenwood, Esq from AARP Speakers Bureau-Fraud Watch Network to discuss fraud and elder abuse.

Issue: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Fraud Crisis Targeting Our Veterans
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 9/5/23 at 10:00 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster interviews Coralys Ruiz-Jimenez, Communications Director with the Veterans Affairs Caribbean Healthcare System, to discuss the fraud crisis affecting our veterans.

Issue: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: FRONTLINE
Episode Title: Two Strikes / Tutwiler
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/11/23 at 8:30 PM

Frontline presents a two-part special, looking at a little-known two strikes law and pregnancy in prison. With The Marshall Project, explore how a former West Point cadet got life in prison. Also, investigate the plight of pregnant women in prison and what happens to their newborns.

Economy

Issue: Economy
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 63
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 9/27/2023 at 6:00 PM

A student research project in Boston is drawing attention to price disparities between grocery stores in high and low-income neighborhoods. Student journalist Sriya Tallapragada reports in this story produced during NewsHour's Student Reporting Labs Summer Academy, where teens from around the country come together to hone their journalism, film and storytelling skills.

Education

Issue: Education
Series Title: Voces on PBS
Episode Title: The Pushouts
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 9/23/2023 at 8:00 PM

Meet Victor Rios, a high school dropout and former gang member turned award-winning professor, author and expert on the school to prison pipeline, who works with young people who have been pushed out of school for reasons beyond their control.

Issue: Education
Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: The Busing Battleground
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 9/11/2023 at 9:00 PM

In 1974, after a decades-long battle by Black parents in Boston working for equal education, a local judge mandated the desegregation of the public schools. Cross-town busing led to an eruption of explosive racial violence that tore the city apart, setting a tragic course for Boston's children that still reverberates today. Told through rare archival footage and first-person interviews with community leaders and students who took part in the busing plan, THE BUSING BATTLEGROUND is a definitive reexamination of a tumultuous piece of Boston's racial history.

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Issue: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI

Episode Title: 2023 AARP Community Grantee
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/14/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster talks with the 2023 AARP Community Challenge Grantee, the Virgin Islands Trail Alliance and the St. Croix Hiking Association.

Issue: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Department of Planning & Natural Resources
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/21/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster interviews Jean-Pierre Oriol, Commissioner of the Department of Planning & Natural Resources. They discuss the importance of a comprehensive land & water use plan for the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Issue: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Disaster Preparedness
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 8/4/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with Matt Padgett, Director of Consumer Protection & Affairs with VI DCLA, to discuss essential disaster preparedness tips for consumers.

Issue: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Hurricane Preparedness
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 8/18/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with Daryl Jaschen, the Virgin Islands Territorial Management Director, as we enter peak hurricane season to discuss ways we can prepare for incoming disasters.

Health/Healthcare

Issue: Health/Healthcare
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Future of Healthcare
Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 9/1/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with Tina Comissiong, Esq., Chief Executive Officer and George Rosenberg, MD, Actg. Chief Medical Officer of Schneider Regional Medical Center to discuss the future of the healthcare system in the territory.

Issue: Health/Healthcare
Series Title: In Conversation with AARP VI
Episode Title: Department of Health – Behavioral Health
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 9/15/23 at 8:30 PM

On this episode of *In Conversation with AARP-VI*, host, Troy deChabert-Schuster sits down with Dr. Shatel Noel, the Department of Health’s Director of Behavioral Health to discuss the challenges of protecting your mental health in the face of adversity.

Minorities/Civil Rights

Issue: Minorities/Civil Rights
Series Title: 158th Emancipation Day Re-Enactment
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 7/3/23 at 10:00 AM

An encore broadcast of the 2006 Emancipation Day re-enactment celebration, which portrays the trials and tribulations of slaves living on St. Croix during Danish rule. The re-enactment focuses on the uprising of July 3, 1848, as slaves, on St. Croix, organized a rebellion to get their freedom.

Issue: Minorities/Civil Rights
Series Title: Emancipation Day Celebration 2023
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 7/3/23 at 11:00 AM

WTJX presents live coverage of the 175th Emancipation Commemoration Ceremony.

Issue: Minorities/Civil Rights
Series Title: POV
Episode Title: A Story of Bones
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 7/3/2023 at 10:00 PM

After discovering an unmarked burial ground of an estimated 9,000 formerly enslaved Africans on St. Helena, Annina van Neel and preservationist Peggy King Jorde fight for their proper

memorialization, exposing the UK's colonial past and present.

National Politics/Government

Issue: National Politics/Government
Series Title: The Washington Report with Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett
Episode Title: House Democratic Leader, Hakeem Jeffries
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/20/2023 at 8:00 PM

On this month's episode of *The Washington Report with Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett*, Congresswoman Plaskett sits down with House Democratic Leader, Hakeem Jeffries, for a discussion on the values of House Democrats and their commitment to making life better for everyday Americans, including Virgin Islanders.

Issue: National Politics/Government
Series Title: The Washington Report with Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett
Episode Title: Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 8/17/2023 at 8:00 PM

On this month's episode of *The Washington Report with Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett*, Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi joins Congresswoman Stacey E. Plaskett to discuss the landmark efforts of the U.S. House of Representatives in response to the damages caused to the U.S. Virgin Islands by the 2017 Hurricanes Irma and Maria.

Issue: National Politics/Government
Series Title: FRONTLINE
Episode Title: Inside the Iranian Uprising
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/8/2023 at 10:00 PM

Frontline explores inside the protests that have rocked Iran since the death of a young woman in police custody. With a trove of footage filmed by protestors, much of it previously unseen, the film sheds new light on a regime under unprecedented pressure.

Science/Technology

Issue: Science/Technology
Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: Rachel Carson
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 7/1/2023 at 8:00 PM

Meet the scientist whose groundbreaking writings revolutionized our relationship to the natural world. Mary-Louise Parker is the voice of Rachel Carson in this moving and intimate portrait.

Issue: Science/Technology
Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Killer Hurricanes
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/23/2023 at 9:00 PM

Follow a team of experts investigating the Great Hurricane of 1780 that killed more people than any other Caribbean hurricane. Discover what made the storm so deadly and whether mega-storms are more likely to strike in our rapidly changing climate.

Urban Development/Infrastructure

Issue: Urban Development/ Infrastructure
Series Title: Recovery In Focus
Episode Title: Utility Coordination with Department of Public Works and WAPA
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/31/2023 at 8:00 PM

On this episode of *Recovery in Focus*, host, Adrienne Williams-Octalien, Director of the Office of Disaster Recovery, sits down with guests Mr. Derek Gabriel (Commissioner of the Department of Public Works), Kimberly Slodden (WAPA's Water Systems Manager of Design & Construction) & Chavante Marsh (WAPA's Director of Project Management on the Power Side) to discuss updates on road conditions, WAPA's undergrounding projects, water conditions and more. Laurissa Ellis provides an update on other recovery efforts throughout the islands, including the Melvin Evans Highway on St. Croix, Walter I.M. Hodge Housing Community in Frederiksted, the Elaine Ione Sprauve Public Library on St. John to name a few.

Issue: Urban Development/ Infrastructure
Series Title: Recovery In Focus
Episode Title: Revitalizing Our Towns
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 9/28/2023 at 8:00 PM

On this episode of *Recovery in Focus*, host, Adrienne Williams-Octalien, Director of the Office of Disaster Recovery, sits down with guests Commissioner Jean P. Oriol (Department of Planning & Natural Resources) & Sean Krigger (Director of the Virgin Islands Historic Preservation Office) to discuss both locally and federally funded efforts to revitalize the towns and roadways of the Virgin Islands. Laurissa Ellis provides an update on other recovery efforts throughout the islands,

including rebuilding the territory's Head starts, Bridge Repairs and Parks under construction such as the Cruz Bay Tennis Court & Orville Brown Basketball Project.

War/Veterans/National Security

Issue: War/Veterans/National Security
Series Title: PBS News Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 6
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 7/16/2023 at 6:00 PM

The wartime agreement allowing Ukrainian grain shipments through Russia's blockade was hailed as a "beacon of hope" and has helped keep food prices stable around the world since last summer. But it's set to expire Monday and Russia is threatening to pull out of it, raising new fears about global food security. Susannah Savage, agriculture reporter for POLITICO Europe, joins Ali Rogin to discuss.

Issue: War/Veterans/National Security
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 26
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 8/7/2023 at 7:00 PM

Last year, President Biden signed the PACT Act which fundamentally changed the way veterans could get disability compensation for their war-related illnesses. More than 801,000 veterans and their survivors have filed claims since the act was signed. Amna Nawaz spoke with Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough about how the department is carrying out the claims.

Women

Issue: Women
Series Title: PBS News Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 22
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 9/10/2023 at 6:00 PM

It has been one year since 22-year-old Mahsa Amini died after morality police arrested her in Tehran. Her death unleashed decades of pent-up anger over Iran's clerical rule and sparked the country's biggest protests in years. Human rights activist Nazanin Boniadi joins John Yang to discuss whether life has changed for Iranian women living under strict Islamic law in the past year.