

NJTV
ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT
October 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

ARTS

Gaetano Federici: The Sculptor Laureate of Paterson

Airdate/Time: October 2, 2019, 8pm; October 4, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: "Gaetano Federici: The Sculptor Laureate of Paterson" is about the life, works, and legacy of a gifted New Jersey artist who depicted with historical realism many leading civic and religious leaders of the city between 1904 and 1957. These include U.S. Senator Charles Hughes, Rep. James F. Stewart, Attorney General Thomas McCran, Mayors Nathan Barnert and Andrew McBride, Bishop Thomas McLaughlin, Dean William McNulty, and comedian Lou Costello. Statues for ethnic groups were also created (the Dublin Spring, Columbus, and Pulaski) as well as bronze plaques honoring nationally prominent local athletes.

About 40 of his works can be found within a two-mile radius of Paterson's City Hall, including in front of that building as well as the County Court House, St. John's Cathedral, Eastside Park, Westside Park, Pennington Park, other local churches and cemeteries, and the Paterson Board of Education. In his apprenticeship, he worked on massive sculptures for world's fairs and other celebratory events in Birmingham, Alabama; Buffalo, New York; St. Louis, Missouri; and Havana, Cuba. Other works of his can be found in Brooklyn, the Bronx, Newark, Saratoga, and Italy. Many of his works—whether larger-than-life statues or plaques in bronze or cast stone, studio pieces in plaster or clay—are depicted in this documentary, with commentary from Passaic County Historian Edward A. Smyk and Federici biographer Flavia Alaya, with narration by William Paterson University Professor Vincent Parrillo. Also included in this documentary are visual explanations of the creative process from clay statuettes to larger-than-life bronze statues. Parrillo was also the writer, narrator, and co-producer of two previous documentaries: "Ellis Island: Gateway to America" and "Smokestacks and Steeples: A Portrait of Paterson."

Front and Center #909

Airdate/Time: October 9, 2019, 11pm; October 31, 2019, 5am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Captured on stage together for the first time since 1973, the original Santana band featuring Carlos Santana, Gregg Rolie, Neal Schon, Michael Carabello, and Michael Shrieve take the stage at the House of Blues in Las Vegas. The energy-packed performance features the band's signature classics including "Black Magic Woman," "Oye Como Va," "Evil Ways," and "Soul Sacrifice."

Live From the Artist Den #1301

Airdate/Time: October 13, 2019, 11pm; November 7, 2019 at 5am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: A select group of 750 fans gathered at 99 Scott, a raw industrial space in Brooklyn, to see singer-songwriter Shawn Mendes play his most intimate show to date. Mendes, who has scored multiple consecutive Platinum or Multi-Platinum singles, performed hits such as "Lost in Japan" and "In My Blood" from his self-titled album. He performed live after an on-stage conversation with Rolling Stone staff writer Brittany Spanos.

Live From the Artist Den #1302

Airdate/Time: October 27, 2019, 11pm; November 14, 2019 at 5am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Platinum-selling, multi-talented pop futurist Charli XCX performed a special World Pride NYC edition of Live from the Artists Den on The Rooftop at Pier 17- Seaport District NYC. The event celebrated the LGBTQIA+ community and the importance of diversity and equal rights and marked the first time that Charli XCX performed new music since the announcement of her upcoming third studio album titled Charli.

Live From the Artist Den #1303

Airdate/Time: November 3, 2019, 11pm; November 21, 2019 at 5am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: GRAMMY Award-nominated and BRIT Award-winning multi-platinum singer, songwriter, and artist, James Bay performed live for an audience of more than 700 fans in celebration of the reopening of the iconic Webster Hall. He captivated the room with anthemic hits including "Let It Go" and "Hold Back The River" as well as new single "Bad" and recent release "Peer Pressure" featuring Julia Michaels, from his brand new EP, Oh My Messy Mind. Prior to performing, Bay participated in an intimate chat moderated by Billboard's Editorial Director Hannah Karp.

Live From the Artist Den #1304

Airdate/Time: November 10, 2019, 11pm; November 28, 2019 at 5am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: On a clear California night, Australian singer-songwriter Vance Joy performed a private concert for more than 700 fans at the Sunset Center, the Monterey Peninsula's performing arts facility, during Monterey Car Week. The 17-song set featured fan favorites like "Lay It On Me," "Georgia," and "Mess is Mine". The evening concluded with an audience-led chorus of the 4x platinum single "Riptide".

State of the Arts #3802

Airdate/Time: October 26, 2019, 7:30pm; October 28, 2019, 5:30am; October 30, 2019, 8:30pm; October 31, 2019, 11:30pm, November 1, 2019, 2:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: INKubator allows playwrights to develop new work over a full year at Art House Productions. Follow playwrights Molly Bicks (Miss Atomic Power) and Ruth Zamoyta (The Incels) as they stage their new plays for the public. Grounds for Sculpture presents the first major survey in the United States of Tallur, a global artist from India known for his playful, interactive, yet conceptual work. Plus more.

State of the Arts #3803

Airdate/Time: December 14, 2019, 7:30pm; December 16, 2019, 5:30am; December 18, 2019, 8:30pm; December 19, 2019, 11:30pm, December 20, 2019, 2:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Martha Graham revolutionized the art form of dance, and Appalachian Spring is one of her most iconic works. Her dance company performs her classic work, and premieres a new dance inspired by Copland's famous score at Peak Performances. Roosevelt, New Jersey was a planned utopian community that became an artists' colony. An exhibit at Morven Museum

explores the town's architectural and artistic legacy. A visit to the Morristown Festival of Books where 7,000 visitors heard from writers including Rick Atkinson, Katherine Arden, S.A. Chakroborty, and Ibram X. Kendi. And photographer Phil Buehler explores the death of "mall culture," focusing on the Wayne Hills Mall, built in 1973 and demolished in 2019.

ENVIRONMENT

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: October 24, 2019, 5:30pm;

Length: 30-min.

Description: Are we ready for the next superstorm? With winds gusting at over 80 miles per hour, Superstorm Sandy hit New York hard, shocking our entire region. Examined the reality of the storm and where it has left us seven years after.

Nature #3702 "The Serengeti Rules"

Date/Time: October 28, 2019, 8pm; October 30, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Explore some of the most remote and spectacular places on Earth with a pioneering group of scientists who make surprising discoveries that transform human understanding of nature and ecology. Based on a book of the same name.

Nature #3704 "Okavango: River of Dreams: Paradise"

Airdate/Time: November 4, 2019, 8pm; November 6, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: See the landscape and wildlife of the Upper Okavango River. A lioness severely injured by a buffalo is left for dead by her pride. Now handicapped, she has to survive in the swamp alone, hunting to feed her little cubs.

Nature #3705 "Okavango: River of Dreams: Limbo"

Airdate/Time: November 11, 2019, 8pm; November 13, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: See the landscape and wildlife of the "Middle River," the delta of the Okavango River. A hyena and a warthog family share neighboring dens, helping each other by keeping an eye on threatening predators, such as lions and leopards.

Nature #3706 “Okavango: River of Dreams: Inferno”

Airdate/Time: November 18, 2019, 8pm; November 20, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: Discover the landscape and wildlife of the Lower Okavango River, where the land is baked dry by the scorching sun. Large herds of zebra and wildebeest migrate to the dry plains in search of the precious salt that these animals need.

Nature #3708 “Bears”

Airdate/Time: December 16, 2019, 8pm; December 18, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: Follow the adventures of bears across the globe, from grizzlies to pandas to sloth bears, as they draw on their brains, brawn and unique adaptations to survive. Find out what it really takes to be a bear in today's ever-changing world.

HEALTH

Feel Better Fast and Make it Last with Daniel Amen, MD

Date/Time: October 5, 2019, 10:30am; October 6, 2019, 4pm; October 13, 2019, 9pm

Length: 120-minutes

Description: In this program, Feel Better Fast and Make It Last, neuroscientist, psychiatrist, and 10-time New York Times bestselling author Dr. Daniel Amen shows how one might boost mood and overcome anxiety and worry through 7 simple brain-based strategies. Nearly everyone has felt anxious, sad, exhausted, or hopeless at some point in life ... or knows someone who has ... and are not alone in that. According to the National Institutes of Mental Health, 51% of the US population will have a mental illness at some point in their lives. Anxiety disorders are the most common, followed by depression, ADHD and addictions. It's more normal to have a problem than not to have one. Many people want to get help, but feel embarrassed or ashamed, because of the stigma attached to mental health issues, so they end up suffering in silence or overeat, use alcohol, or rush to take the latest medications to try to make themselves feel better fast, but it often doesn't last. Feel Better Fast and Make It Last shows the strategies taught to patients at Amen Clinics, where they have one of the highest published success rates for people who suffer from anxiety, depression, addictions and grief. The program set contains many time pieces to highlight to viewers that many of the techniques Dr. Amen shares literally take just a few minutes or even less.

Think Tank With Steve Adubato

Date/Time: November 9, 2019, 8:30am; November 10, 2019, 8:30am & 11:30am; November 12, 2019, 5:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Steve Adubato goes on-location to the Turrell Fund Day for Children in Shelburne, Vermont to discuss the importance of affordable, quality childcare on children 0-3 with 4 early

childhood development experts. They also discuss the impact of childcare on the healthy development of all children.

Think Tank With Steve Adubato

Date/Time: December 21, 2019, 8:30am; December 22, 2019, 8:30am & 11:30am; December 24, 2019, 5:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Steve Adubato is joined by a panel of healthcare and diversity experts to talk about the health equity gap across the nation. The panel examines infant and maternal mortality rates, the connection between health equity and income inequality and the importance of sensitivity training in healthcare facilities.

HERITAGE

The Buddha

Airdate/Time: October 21, 2019, 9pm; October 23, 2019, 3am

Length: 2- hours

Description: This program explores the life of the Buddha. Two and a half millennia ago, a new religion was born in northern India, generated from the ideas of a single man, the Buddha, a mysterious Indian sage who famously gained enlightenment while he sat under a large, shapely fig tree. The Buddha never claimed to be God or his emissary on earth. He said only that he was a human being who, in a world of unavoidable pain and suffering, had found a kind of serenity that others could find, too.

Cities of Light: The Rise and Fall of Islamic Spain

Airdate/Time: December 26, 2019, 8pm; December 28, 2019, 2am

Length: 60-min.

Description: This film (from the producers of MUHAMMAD: LEGACY OF A PROPHET) takes viewers on an epic journey back into one of the most captivating and important periods of world history -- a centuries-long period when Muslims, Christians and Jews inhabited the same far corner of Western Europe and thrived. The lemon tree, the water wheel and Aristotle's lost philosophy all arrived in Europe through Islamic Spain, as did algebra and the beginnings of modern medicine, science and poetry. Here were the very roots of the European Renaissance. But the fragile union dissipated, destroyed by greed, fear and intolerance.

Images/Imagenes

Airdate/Time: November 6, 2019, 8pm; November 8, 2019, 2am

Length: 30-min.

Description: Cultural and public affairs show with a focus on arts and entertainment, business, immigration, health and wellness, with co-hosts Jessica Ramirez and Carlos Medina.

Transformation and Remembrance: A Journey from the Holocaust to the Classroom

Airdate/Time: November 6, 2019, 8:30pm; November 8, 2019, 2:30am

Length: 30-min.

Description: Transformation & Remembrance: A Journey from the Holocaust to the Classroom is a powerful documentary from the producers of NJTV's Classroom Close-Up, a series that follows the journey of New Jersey educators to Europe as they learn about the Holocaust in very tactile ways. Visiting concentration camps and other pertinent sites in Germany and the Czech Republic and other countries, discussing teaching tactics with European educators help this group bring the lessons of the Holocaust back to their Garden State classrooms. Among those who guide the group is Maud Dahme, a Holocaust survivor who serves on the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education, and is a former State Board of Education president and recent New Jersey Hall of Fame inductee.

LAW & POLITICS

NJTV News with Mary Alice Williams

Airdate/Time: October 9, 2019, 6pm, 7:30pm & 11pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: As he wraps up his latest swing through Iowa, NJTV News talks to Sen. Cory Booker about the impeachment probe and debate prep. The numbers are in for PARCC testing and other testing in Camden City Schools. What do the numbers say and what does the superintendent say? Plus, a look at the barriers to Hispanic-owned businesses and who's breaking them down. And, the Feds are investigating a major heart transplant program accused of mistreating a patient to misrepresent its success rate.

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Airdate/Time: November 6, 2019, 6pm, 7:30pm & 11pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: On the morning after the Murphy midterm, the governor looks for silver linings. Tenants who withhold rent and then go to court to try to get toxic lead removed from their apartments often find a legal system that's stacked against them. After an expensive and heated campaign, Jersey City residents vote "yes" to regulate short-term rentals. Plus, a grand old museum gets a new name.

On the Record

Airdate/Time: November 9, 2019, 6:30pm; November 10, 2019, 10:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This election was expected to be another blue wave. The state Assembly is predominately Democrats, and everyone thought that certain long-standing Republican seats would switch. To everyone's surprise, Republicans gained back two seats. The Democrats see it as an affirmation that the state is still blue and the GOP sees it as a wake-up call to the left. Or it could be just a midterm on Murphy.

NJTV News with Mary Alice Williams

Airdate/Time: November 19, 2019, 6pm, 7:30pm & 11pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode featured the following: Gov. Murphy, with an assist from Al Gore, signs an executive order essentially doubling the state's target for wind energy. As the opioid crisis reaches deadly new heights, experts say now is the time to change our approach — and every one of us has a role to play. When it comes to legalizing marijuana, traffic enforcement worries a lot of people, but now there's a new detection tool. NJTV takes a look at it. And, one Rutgers-Camden student's mission to understand the challenges of homelessness in a way textbooks can't teach.

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: December 4, 2019, 5:30pm;

Length: 30-min.

Description: This episode featured the following: The drama at the center of New Jersey's political feud between Governor Phil Murphy and Senate President Steve Sweeney. Pulitzer Prize-winning presidential historian Jon Meacham makes sense of the country's current political climate by taking a look at our past. New York City high school students recently staged a walk out "strike for integration" and say they'll continue to do until they get it. "Teens Take Charge" alumnus and Program Director, Dulce Marquez and the program's adviser, Taylor McGraw joins to discuss.

METROFOCUS

Airdate/Time: December 13, 2019, 5:30pm;

Length: 30-min.

Description: This episode featured the following: After *Newsday's* revealing investigation into housing discrimination on Long Island, one of the region's leading civil rights advocates, Elaine Gross, founder and president of Erase Racism, has accused the federal government of gutting necessary protections for fair housing. Amid concerns that underfunding could lead to another undercount of minority New Yorkers, non-profit organizations across New York City are taking action to make sure that everyone is counted. MetroFocus talks to the woman leading the charge. Maddie Orton reports on doctors at NYU Langone Health who are testing cutting-edge research to treat eye disease.

On the Record

Airdate/Time: December 21, 2019, 6:30pm; December 22, 2019, 10:30am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Sen. Sweeney condemned Rep. Van Drew for voting against impeachment, but couldn't believe it when Van Drew announced he was switching parties. Sweeney has already endorsed a potential replacement, will they take the seat in 2020? During the lame duck

legislature a number of bills are being voted on. Which ones will pass and which ones does the Sen. Sweeney believe will be dead on arrival?
