

# KTRM—Kirksville—Issues/Programs List

For the Quarter July-September, 2018

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**Program: Viewpoints**

**Date/Time: July 7, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Issues: Education, Literacy**

**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: LGBT, Religion**

America is facing a literacy problem: according to surveys, fewer than 50% of American schoolchildren are highly proficient readers. We talk to several experts who suggest that we may simply be teaching the skill incorrectly. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Mark Sidenberg, research professor in the department of psychology, University of Wisconsin-Madison and author, *Language At The Speed of Sight: How we read, why so many can't and what can be done about it*; Dr. Susan B. Neuman, professor, New York University; Dr. Marie Ann Donovan, associate professor, DePaul University.

For centuries, the Catholic Church and the LGBT community have been at odds. Now, the Rev. James Martin, a Jesuit priest, is trying to usher in a new era and welcome LGBT individuals to the church. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: James Martin, SJ, a Jesuit priest and author, *Building a Bridge: How the Catholic Church and the LGBT community can enter into a relationship of respect, compassion and sensitivity*.

It's a dilemma many of us face from time to time: Should you keep reading a book even if you don't like it very much, or should you set it down? Host: Evan Rook.

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**Program: Viewpoints**

**Date/Time: July 21, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Issues: Crime/Violence**

**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: Education/News Reporting**

**Issues: Teenage Culture/Media Representations**

Most of us have heard of the Cosa Nostra, but there's another powerful mafia in Italy: the 'Ndrangheta. We talk to an expert about this lesser-known mafia and the brave mothers who stood up to the crime organization. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Alex Perry, author *The Good Mothers: The true story of the women who took on the world's most powerful mafia*.

'Fake news' has remained a headline mainstay for years now...but politicians seem to be skewing its meaning. We talk to two teachers about what is and isn't fake news, and how they're teaching students (and their parents!) how to see through the fiction. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Robert Probst, educator and author of the book, *Disrupting Thinking: Why How We Read Matters*; Dr. Kyleen Beers, educator and author of the book, *Disrupting Thinking: Why How We Read Matters*.

Bo Burnham has followed in the footsteps of Jordan Peele and Greta Gerwig, transforming from a performer to the director of a terrific debut film that focuses on teen angst. His movie, *Eighth Grade* is out now. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**  
**Issue: Community Activism**  
**Issue: Education**  
**Issue: Suicide**

**Date/Time: July 24, 2018, 8:00 AM**  
**Length: 22 min.**

We all love a good theater performance. But are theater and performance good strategies to affect social change? Our guest thinks so. He's a performer, writer and educator who uses serious play and theater to help change people's minds and change society for the better. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Larry Bogad, professor at the University of California-Davis, and author of the books, *Electoral Guerilla Theatre: Radical Ridicule & Social Movements*, and *Tactical Performance: The Theory and Practice of Serious Play*.

Picture books can teach children valuable lessons that will stick with them for life. Our guests discuss the importance of producing books about social issues like race, gender, and disability. And how as a combination of text and images picture books have an advantage when it comes to depicting diversity. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Susan Corapi, Assistant Professor of Education at Trinity International University; Kathleen Merz, Acquisitions and Managing Editor at Erdmans Books for Young Readers.

A new documentary from HBO, *Come Inside My Mind*, explores the life of actor Robin Williams as told by his friends and family. The documentary is cleverly narrated by the actor himself using audio from earlier interviews. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**  
**Issues: The Internet, Human Behavior**  
**Issues: Racism, Culture**

**Date/Time: August 4, 2018, 8:00 AM**  
**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: Audience Response/Attention, The Media**

Have you ever lied on a survey or a social media post? Stephens-Davidowitz says that almost all of us do. He researched the data of big websites like Google and Facebook to discover that what people say or post about themselves often seems contradictory to what their internet searches reveal about their interests or beliefs. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Seth Stephens-Davidowitz, author of *Everybody Lies: Big Data, New Data, and What the Internet Can Tell Us About Who We Really Are*.

Opera is a beloved art form, but its racial history is as flawed as the rest of our culture. We talk to Naomi Andre, a professor at the University of Michigan, about the history of race in opera and how this traditional art form is hopefully getting with the times. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Naomi Andre, Associate Professor of Afro-American and African Studies at the University of Michigan and author, *Black Opera: History, Power, Engagement*.

Streaming networks have opened up the length an episode of television can run. Gone are the days when writers needed to accommodate advertisements. But episodes that run long often present a new slate of problems – namely, staying interesting. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**

**Date/Time: August 11, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Issues: Charitable Giving, Community Involvement**

**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: Personal Growth, Fear Of Public Speaking**

**Issues: Racism, Neighborhood Gentrification**

Everyone has different causes that are close to their hearts. We talk to a philanthropy specialist about how we can donate to those causes and ensure that our contribution makes the biggest impact possible. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Carrie Morgridge, Vice President of The Morgridge Family Foundation, author of *Every Gift Matters: How your passion can change the world*.

We've all been in the position at some time in another where we have to give a presentation at school or at work, and often times, it can make us incredibly nervous. We discuss this fear and tips for overcoming it and delivering the best speech possible. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Larry Ventis, professor of psychology at the College of William & Mary; Michael Port, speaking coach, author, *Steal the Show*.

One of this year's gems at the cinema is in theaters now. It's called *Blindspotting*, and it explores racial dynamics and gentrification in American cities. Host: Evan Rook.

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**Program: Viewpoints**

**Date/Time: August 19, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Issues: Immigration Policy/Law**

**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: Art/Education**

**Issue: Media "Ghettoization"**

When people discuss "the immigrant narrative," you may picture Ellis Island. But what is that process like today? We talk to two writers about the more modern immigrant journey. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Daniel Connolly, journalist and author, *The Book of Isaias: A Child of Immigrants Seeks His Own America*; Shipli Somaya Gowda, author of *The Golden Son*.

We grow up with visions of creative genius: the divine power to create stories from whole cloth and write symphonic masterpieces. But is that how it really works? We look at the creative process, and why it may not be as romantic as some of us imagine. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Allen Gannett, CEO of TrackMaven and author, *The Creative Curve: How to realistically cultivate creativity*

In a wild moment, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences announced its intention to honor popular films at the Oscars. We explore why that's a really bad idea. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**  
**Issue: Science**  
**Issues: Racism, Justice**  
**Issue: Media Effects**

**Date/Time: August 25, 2018, 8:00 AM**  
**Length: 22 min.**

Though Apollo 11 gets all the fame and Apollo 13 was made into a thrilling Ron Howard movie, author and historian Jeffrey Kluger says the Apollo 8 mission was a foundational trip for American space exploration. He takes us through the mission and examines what it meant for NASA moving forward. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Jeffrey Kluger, author, *Apollo 8: The thrilling story of the first mission to the moon*.

We've all heard stories of segregated America circa the 1950's, but historian and author James W. Loewen says not all of those racist institutions have been completely eliminated, even now. Loewen explains 'sundown towns,' towns where minorities were not welcomed after sun down, and he says some of them are still unofficially 'sundown' due to their lasting reputations. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: James W. Loewen, author, *Sundown Towns: A hidden dimension of American racism*.

While we often celebrate the prestigious TV shows that win awards, we rarely reflect on our appreciation for 'junk food TV,' the purely entertaining shows that can help get us through our weeks. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**  
**Issues: Crime, Law Enforcement**  
**Issue: Mental Health**  
**Issue: Media Culture**

**Date/Time: Sept. 1, 2018, 8:00 AM**  
**Length: 22 min.**

We have all heard of polygraph machines or 'lie detectors.' But are they truly reliable? Their results are inadmissible in court and yet some investigation agencies still use them. We talk to historian and author John Philipp Baesler about the polygraph's history and its questionable use in our modern world. Host: Gary Price. Guests: John Philipp Baesler, professor of history at Saginaw Valley State University and author, *Clearer Than Truth: The polygraph and the American Cold War*.

One morning without warning, Giulia Lukach experienced a psychotic break. We talk to her husband Mark about Giulia's journey, his own experience as a caregiver, and how they overcame three stints in a psych ward. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Mark Lukach, author of *My Lovely Wife in the Psych Ward*.

Reviving old TV shows has been all the rage lately, and more are on the way with *Murphy Brown* and *Veronica Mars* in the works. We look at how writers can make their revivals stand out. Host: Evan Rook.

**Program: Viewpoints**

**Issues: War, Peace**

**Issues: Internet Security, Privacy**

**Issues: Media, Crime**

There's a long history of soldiers processing their experiences through poetry. We talk to Adam Gilbert, a war history and author of *A Shadow on Our Hearts: Soldier-poetry, morality, and the American war in Vietnam* about the history and future of these soldier poets. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Adam Gilbert, war history and author, *A Shadow on Our Hearts: Soldier-poetry, morality, and the American war in Vietnam*.

**Date/Time: Sept. 8, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Length: 22 min.**

Thanks to online shopping, internet banks and social media, our information has never been more vulnerable to theft. We explore what exactly is in all of those privacy agreements we often agree to without reading, and how we can try to re-claim our privacy in a digital world. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Julia Angwin, journalist and author, *Dragnet Nation: A quest for privacy, security and freedom in a world of relentless surveillance*; William King, adjunct professor of law at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law and clinical assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

We have found a perfectly 2018 movie: *American Animals*. It's a stylish heist film with a stellar young cast and a catchy soundtrack that is interspersed with a true-crime documentary. Host: Evan Rook.

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**Program: Viewpoints**

**Issues: Mental Health, Social Media**

**Issues: Crime, Sex Offenses**

**Issue: Sports Hype**

With social media streams dominating our time, sometimes our self-esteem can plummet. We talk to two experts on what we can do to get in touch with ourselves and learn to have a happier, more positive disposition throughout our lives. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Neil Pasricha, author of *Two Minute Mornings: A journey to win your day everyday*; Sharon Weil, author of *ChangeAbility: How artists, activists, and awakeners navigate change*.

**Date/Time: Sept. 15, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Length: 22 min.**

Sexual offenders have to live by a very particular set of rules. They can't live near playgrounds, they're on a registry for life. These rules exist to make everyone safer. But they also can limit a reformed criminal's ability to reintegrate into everyday life and be productive members of society. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Monica Williams, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Weber State University and author, *The Sex Offender Housing Dilemma: Community activism, safety, and social justice*.

With summer behind us, for many Americans, it's the time to really focus on sports. The NFL season is underway, the MLB Playoffs are about to begin, and the drama is intensifying. Host: Evan Rook.

**Friday News****Issues: Truman Education****Issue: Local Arts**

This week, the panel discussed headlines from *The Index*, including the new digital literacy requirement that will be replacing some aspects of Liberal Studies Program for future Truman students.

Nick had conducted an interview with Sarah Connolly about the impending closure of The Aquadome, Kirksville's alternative art center and KTRM's regular music venue. We then discussed the implications of its closure.

Host: Hillary Albert...Guests: Nick Telep, TMN reporter; Sarah Connolly, TMN Promotions

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**Program: Viewpoints****Issues: The Economy, Crime****Issues: Economics, Family Life****Issue: Media Criticism****Date/Time: Sept. 22, 2018, 8:00 AM****Length: 22 min.**

As technology evolves, more and more of us are relying on credit cards, debit cards and even apps like Venmo or Zelle to make payments. Gone are the days of physically cashing your check, now almost all of us use all direct-deposit. So what is the future of cash? We talk to one expert who lays out some of the nefarious uses of bills and coins. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Kenneth Rogoff, professor of economics at Harvard University and author, *The Curse of Cash*.

Frances Stroh grew up in the family that owned America's third biggest brewer, Stroh Brewing Company. As she aged into adulthood, she watched as both the brewery and her family life fell apart. She talks about the struggles the company faced, how her family dealt with it, and when a legacy can become a burden. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Frances Stroh, author, *Beer Money: A memoir of privilege and loss*.

This week marks the return of *The Good Place* has become a critical darling and a bold step forward for the genre as a whole. Host: Evan Rook.

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**Friday News**

**Date/Time: Sept. 28, 2018, 12:00 PM**

**Issue: Local Arts**

**Length: 60 min.**

**Issues: Truman Freshman Experience, Education**

This week's program focused on the recent closure of The Aquadome, which had happened earlier in the week. Scout Sale was a large part of its operations board. Ms. Sale offered considerable insight on why its physical location was shutting down, as well as some history of The Aquadome, which has existed in many forms in Kirksville. We also discussed the possibilities for future locations, as well as what the closure could mean for Truman State and KTRM, as far as hosting concerts and shows.

The panel discussed this week's biggest *Index* headline, the "beta testing" of freshman seminars that some current first-years are attending in lieu of the traditional Truman Days experience. This edition also featured an interview with Ryan Pivoney, *Index* news editor, who discussed the impact of students not participating in said seminars.

Host: Hillary Albert...Guests: Scout Sale, KTRM General Manager; Ryan Pivoney, *Index* Reporter

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**Program: Viewpoints**

**Date/Time: Sept. 29, 2018, 8:00 AM**

**Issues: Ethics, The Internet**

**Length: 22 min.**

**Issues: History, Diversity**

**Issues: Film Culture**

Hank Green has a massive internet presence as a podcaster, vlogger, tweeter, and more. Now, he's become an author. His new book, *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing*, deals with internet fame and our reactionary culture head-on. He joins the show to discuss these issues, and whether the internet is impacting us in adverse ways. Host: Gary Price. Guests: Hank Green, author, *An Absolutely Remarkable Thing*.

We know so much about the men of the Civil War, but the women from the war are all but forgotten in our history. Historian Karen Abbott decided to change that. She tells the story of several women who helped their sides during the Civil War. Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Karen Abbott, historian and author, *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy*.

This is the time of year film buffs look forward to: the fall season is when the movies hoping to vie for accolades are released. We look at a few of the titles garnering early awards buzz. Host: Evan Rook.