## QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT WHYY-91FM

# FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020

The license of station WHYY-91FM has determined that the following issues were of importance to the Delaware Valley community during the past three months and has aired the following programs to address these issues:

#### **ARTS and CULTURE**

**Finding Your Roots** 

October 20, 2020 60 Minutes

8:00 pm

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. uses DNA detective work to solve mysteries in the family trees of actor Téa Leoni, and radio host Joe Madison, introducing each of them to parents and grandparents whose names they've never heard before.

Fresh Air

November 19, 2020 60 Minutes 7:00 pm

Terry Gross & David Chang: The Live Fresh Air Interview

Listeners will have a chance to hear and see her in action during this virtual conversation with the owner of the iconic New York City restaurant Momofuku, host of Netflix's *Ugly Delicious* and author of the new memoir, *Eat a Peach*, David Chang. Before it's edited for radio, watch the full virtual conversation live from Terry Gross's dining room table in Philadelphia and from David's kitchen table in California.

Radio Times
December 23, 2020 60 Minutes 9:00 am
African American Poetry

Poet Kevin Young, the new director of the National Museum of African American History, discusses his anthology, *African American Poetry: 250 Years of Struggle and Song*. It starts with a poem from Phillis Wheatley, the first Black writer to publish in the United States, and highlights both well-known and lesser-known Black poets over the centuries - through slavery, emancipation, the Harlem and Chicago Renaissances, Jim Crow and into the 21st century. We'll also hear readings from Tracy K. Smith, Gregory Pardlo, and Major Jackson, three poets from our region who are included in the collection.

## **HEALTH ISSUES**

Radio Times
October 22, 2020
Disability awareness

**60 Minutes** 

9:00 am

COVID-19 has highlighted the ways our cities and buildings can fail to keep us healthy. But for the 15% of the population living with a disability, this awareness came long before the pandemic. On Thursday, we speak with World Enabled's DR. VICTOR PINEDA and SARA HENDREN, author of *What Can a Body Do? How We Meet the Built World*. They will discuss how people with disabilities have been left out of the conversation about urban planning and design and how we can change that moving forward.

Radio Times
December 22, 2020
Family relationships

60 Minutes

9:00 am

Family gatherings may be physically distant this year but the tensions and old resentments will still show up over Zoom or on phone calls. For many, friction-free family holidays is a wish that rarely comes true. For others, who may find themselves estranged from relatives, connecting with family is impossible even in the best of years. So this hour, we'll talk about how to navigate fraught family relationships and how to reconcile the broken ones with Cornell University family sociologist **KARL PILLEMER**, author of *Fault Lines: Fractured families and How to Mend*.

### **NEWS**

Radio Times

October 5, 2020 60 Minutes 10:00 a.m.

Regional Roundup

On this week's Regional Roundup: WHYY's **LAURA BENSHOFF** will tell us about how furloughs in the airline industry are affecting the region. Then, University of Pennsylvania researcher **JOHANNA GREESON** will discuss the hardships facing children who are aging out of foster care during the pandemic. Lastly, Mary and Philadelphia Inquirer sports columnist **MIKE SIELSKI** commiserate about this dismal Philadelphia sports season.

Radio Times
October 9, 2020
Hair Discrimination

60 Minutes

10:00 a.m.

Afros, braids, twists, and dreadlocks -- the U.S. House this week passed a bill that bans discrimination based on hair style in the workplace and in schools. The CROWN Act, which stands for Create a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair, now moves to the Senate. But seven states, including New Jersey, have already passed similar laws, and Pennsylvania is currently debating legislation. This hour, we talk about race-based hair discrimination that usually targets Black Americans and why these laws are necessary. We're joined by Drexel University law professor **WENDY GREENE**, who has been involved in writing the CROWN Act, and Temple University professor **LORI THARPS**, co-author of Hair Story: Untangling the Roots of Black Hair in America. Also joining us is State Representative **JOANNA MCCLINTON**, who represents the 191st District of Delaware and Philadelphia counties.

You Outta Know

December 11, 2020 60 Minutes ??10:00 a.m.

A Scrap of Hope: "Ugly Quilts" for Homeless

We visit the outdoor museum Grounds for Sculpture. Then, Shirley tours the "Delaware Discoveries" street art trail. Next, Regina goes to Cocoa Press to meet a modern-day Willy Wonka. Learn how to make crème brûlée with Chef Walter Staib & City Tavern's pastry chef. Meet the woman behind Ugly Quilts, a group that transforms unused fabric into sleeping bags for guests at Delaware's Friendship House.

You Outta Know

November 5, 2020 60 Minutes ??10:00 a.m.

The Meals on the Bus: Organizations Battle Food Insecurity

On this episode of You Oughta Know Shirley heads to Reading Terminal Market to find out how you can help the beloved landmark that has served Philadelphia for 128 years from closing. Then, learn how local organizations are alleviating food insecurity, such as Cathedral Kitchen's welcoming meal service and culinary training program, and Colonial School District's daily meal services.

#### POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

**Radio Times** 

October 7, 2020 60 Minutes 10:00 a.m.

Philadelphia's election preparedness

All eyes are on Philadelphia in this year's election, raising the stakes for officials to ensure safe and accurate voting. Today, guest host Katie Meyer is joined by BillyPenn's **MAX MARIN** to discuss the security of Philadelphia election counting. Then, Philadelphia Mayor **JIM KENNEY** give us his thoughts on election security, and the specter of voter intimidation on election day. Finally, we'll speak with **PAT CHRISTMAS** of The Committee of 70 walk about what he's concerned about in terms of ensuring a safe and fair election, as well as helping listeners understand the nuts-and-bolts of voting this season.

Radio Times
October 8, 2020

60 Minutes

10:00 a.m.

VP Debate recap

A plexiglass barrier will divide Vice President Mike Pence and Senator Kamala Harris at Wednesday night's debate. The precautions are being taken after the President contracted Covid and along with a number of other White House staff. Pence and Harris now face even more pressure after the President's hospitalization, his poor performance in last week's presidential debate, and Joe Biden's with a steady lead in the polls. This hour, we'll discuss the debate highlights, the candidates' policies and positions, and how the President's coronavirus diagnosis has impacted the race. Among our guests will be Villanova political science professor **CAMILLE BURGE**.

**Radio Times** 

November 10, 2020 60 Minutes 10:00 a.m.

Walter Wallace Jr and the year of protests

Philadelphia police released bodycam footage of the shooting of Walter Wallace Jr in Philadelphia, as well as the 911 call that sparked the incident. Today, we'll talk about what happened that day, the subsequent protests, and how it fits into the bigger picture with the Black Lives Matter movement. Among our guests will be Temple professor and activist, MARC LAMONT HILL and ZAKIA WILLIAMS of the non-profit organization Black Men Heal.

National Book Award-winner **JAMES McBRIDE**'s first book, *The Color of Water*, was a memoir about growing up in a Brooklyn housing project, one of twelve kids raised by his Jewish mother whose African-American husband died just before McBride was born. His new novel, *Deacon King Kong*, also draws on his life and is set in a close-knit but hardscrabble Brooklyn neighborhood in 1969, just as heroin begins to eat away at the community. McBride has said that these characters are based on people he has known and loved his whole life. This hour, James McBride talks about his new book, his life, and his approach to writing about race and faith.

# **SCIENCE**

Radio Times
November 27, 2020
Pandemic Dreams

**60 Minutes** 

10:00 a.m.

Have you been having strange dreams since the coronavirus arrived? The pandemic hasn't only disrupted our waking lives, it's also invaded our sleep. People are reporting more vivid, complex, and bizarre dreams with fears of the virus, lockdowns and social distancing playing out in weird ways in their sleeping minds. So, what do our dreams mean and should pay any attention to them? This hour, we'll talk with two researchers about the latest science on dreaming and what our pandemic dreams and nightmares say about our state of mind. **DEIRDRE BARRETT**, dream researcher at Harvard Medical School and the author of Pandemic Dreams, and **MARK BLAGROVE**, professor of psychology and director of the Sleep Laboratory at Swansea University in Wales.

Radio Times
December 17, 2020
Racial disparities and COVID

**60 Minutes** 

10:00 a.m.

Communities of color have been hit the hardest by the pandemic, with higher rates of infections, hospitalizations and deaths. We look at the racial disparities in exposures to the virus and access to health care and what's being done to address it. We'll also explore the high rates of vaccine hesitancy among African Americans. Our guests are DR. ALA STANFORD, founder of the Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium and Dr. FLORENCE MOMPLAISIR, associate professor of medicine at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine. But first, we check in on the vaccine rollout in our region with Dr. CAROLINE JOHNSON, deputy health commissioner of Philadelphia.