

WICN-FM WORCESTER, MA
QUARTERLY ISSUES
Third Quarter 2020

This listing includes some of the significant issues responded to by WICN(FM), Worcester, Massachusetts along with the most significant treatment of those issues for the period July 1st – September 30th, 2020. This listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Arts

Sunday, August 2 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

ROGER F. PASQUIER has spent his career in ornithology and conservation with organizations like the American Museum of Natural History, the Smithsonian Institution, and the Environmental Defense Fund. But he has also written a beautiful book about the artists who have painted Central Park in New York City: **PAINTING CENTRAL PARK**. Tune and find out why artists like Childe Hassam, George Bellows, Alex Katz, and Marc Chagall have all been attracted to this famous urban green space as a subject for their art work.

Sunday, August 16 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Inquiry welcomes back **KENT RUSSEL**, CEO of the **MUSEUM OF RUSSIAN ICONS** (Clinton) and **NICK CAPASSO**, Director of the **FITCHBURG ART MUSEUM** (Fitchburg). When last we checked in, both of their dynamic museums had been closed due to Covid-19. But things are changing. Tune in and find out what.

Business

Sunday, July 5 – 10:00PM

Business Beat

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Culture – Popular, including Music

Sunday, July 19 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with **MAXINE GORDON**, an independent scholar with a lifetime career working with jazz musicians. Her new book is the fulfillment of a promise made to her late husband, legendary tenor saxophonist Dexter Gordon. Her unconventional and fascinating biography is titled **SOPHISTICATED GIANT: THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DEXTER GORDON**.

Sunday, July 26 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we welcome back photographer and writer **DALE MONETTE**. Tonight we will talk about his long recording career as a drummer in bands like the Boston Blackthorn Band.

Sunday, August 9 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

The Bauhaus was an internationally famous school for art and design that existed in the 1920s in Germany. Artists like Paul Klee, Wassily Kandinsky, and Josef Albers were among the faculty at the Bauhaus. The Bauhaus ideal focused on designing objects that embodied functionality and clean, spare aesthetics. Is the iPhone an example of this Bauhaus ideal? Tonight on Inquiry, we talk with **NICHOLAS FOX WEBER**. He has been the executive director of the Josef and Anni Albers Foundation, and founder of Le Korsa, a nonprofit arts, education, and medical organization in Senegal. His new book is: **IBAUHAUS: THE IPHONE AS THE EMBODIMENT OF BAUHAUS IDEALS AND DESIGN**.

How many of you fondly remember the picturebooks you read as a child? Did you read *Where the Wild Things Are*? Can you remember the pictures in one of Richard Scarry's books? These picturebooks are our first literature and they can affect us deeply. Tonight on Inquiry, we welcome back **MARTIN SALISBURY**. He is Professor of Illustration at Cambridge School of Art. Tonight we will be discussing book **CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS: THE ART OF VISUAL STORYTELLING**.

Sunday, August 23 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we will talk with award-winning musician and recording artist **KALA FARNHAM**. Her latest album is "YOUR SPIRIT IS A WORK OF ART". She will be the artist the will be playing WICN's first Facebook "Live Stream" on **AUGUST 26 AT 7PM**. Mark your calendars now. We also talk to the man who is making this all possible: concert promoter, sound engineer **RICH KNEELAND**. He produced Kala's latest album, and he also manages **WICN's STUDIO 50**.

Sunday, August 30 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with **PAUL TOUGH**, writer and public speaker on education, inequality, and success. His new book is about elite colleges and the illusion of social mobility: **THE YEARS THAT MATTER MOST: HOW COLLEGE MAKES OR BREAKS US**.

He was a difficult and conflicted person, often plagued by his use of drugs. But he was also one of the most creative, original, and wild rockers to come out of New York. Tonight on Inquiry we speak with writer and biographer **HOWARD SOUNES** about his new biography of **THE LIFE OF LOU REED: NOTES FROM THE VELVET UNDERGROUND**.

Sunday, September 6 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we welcome **ANDREW GRANVILLE**. He is the Canada Research Chair in Number Theory at the University of Montreal and the professor of mathematics at University College London. Joining him is **JENNIFER GRANVILLE**, educator, film and theatre producer, writer and director. Together they have created a very unique graphic novel titled **PRIME SUSPECTS: THE ANATOMY OF INTEGERS AND PERMUTATIONS**. It's a murder mystery about certain concepts in mathematics. Sound interesting? It is, so tune in.

Sunday, September 20 – 9:00PM

Tuesday, September 22 – 6:00PM

Inquiry

Inquiry welcomes back **BOB JORDAN**, musician and author most recently of **SENTENCED TO DEATH**. Bob has a LONG history of participating in and promoting original music and we will talk about his experiences tonight.

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with prize-winning natural history and landscape photographer **DAVID LEE MYERS** about his new published collection of butterfly photographs: **WINGS IN THE LIGHT: WILD BUTTERFLIES IN NORTH AMERICA**.

Community

Environment

Health

Sunday, September 13 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week on “The Public Eye” AI speaks with Uma Naidoo MD, Director of Nutritional Lifestyle and Psychiatry at MASS General Hospital in Boston. Her new book; “This is your brain on food” describes eating habits and disorders that affect millions.

History

Sunday, July 5 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we welcome back **JONATHAN FETTER-VORM**, writer and illustrator of nonfiction graphic books. Tonight we talk about his earlier volume: **TRINITY: A GRAPHIC HISTORY OF THE FIRST ATOMIC BOMB**.

Tonight on Inquiry we welcome back **MINDY JOHNSON**, award-winning author, historian, film maker, educator, and musician. We will continue our conversation about her two latest books: **INK & PAINT: THE WOMEN OF WALT DISNEY’S ANIMATION** and **DISNEY PENCILS, PENS & BRUSHES: A GREAT GIRLS GUIDE TO DISNEY ANIMATION**. Tonight we talk about women working on Disney’s ground-breaking first full-length feature animation Snow White and also talk about women in the Disney studios during World War II and the infamous Disney strike.

Sunday, July 19 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

In his new book; DEMAGOGUE best-selling author Larry Tye has written the definitive biography of one of the most dangerous demagogues in US history, Senator Joseph McCarthy. Tune in this Sunday evening when AI is joined by Larry Tye to talk about the book and his unprecedented access to McCarthy family files and documents that up until now have been sealed.

Sunday, July 26 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week on “The Public Eye” AI is joined by author Victoria Phillips as she discusses her new book; “Martha Grahams Cold War,” a fascinating story of one of America’s premier dancers and how the US government recruited her as its goodwill ambassador.

Sunday, August 23 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with **GERALD HORNE**. He is the John J. and Rebecca Moore’s Professor of African American History at the University of Houston. His new book is an in-depth history of racism and jazz: **JAZZ AND JUSTICE: RACISM AND THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF THE MUSIC**.

Sunday, August 23 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week on “The Public Eye” AI speaks with award-winning author Darin Strauss about his new book “The Queen of Tuesday” the life and times of television icon Lucille Ball. Strauss talks about the ups and downs of a career in entertainment and how Lucy made it look so easy.

Sunday, September 6 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

In 2008 the American dream came crashing down as millions of people suddenly found themselves owing more on their homes than they were worth. Tune in this Sunday evening at 10:30 when AI speaks with Wall Street Journal reporter and author, Ryan DeZemmer about his new book; UNDERWATER, How Our American Dream of Homeownership Became a Nightmare.

Sunday, September 20 – 10:30PM

Monday, September 21 – 6:30PM

Public Eye

This week on “The Public Eye” AI is joined by famed military historian and NY times best-selling author, Ian Toll whose new book; “Twilight of the Gods” is the third and final installment of the Pacific battle of WWII. In this interview Toll talks

about famous commanders such as Nimitz, Halsey and Douglas McArthur whose larger than life personalities helped win the war against the Japanese.

Sunday, September 27 – 9:00PM

Tuesday, September 29 – 6:00PM

Inquiry

The last half of the 16th Century was a time of violent political upheaval in Holland. It was the time of The Spanish Fury and the Dutch Revolt. But during this time, artist Joris Hoefnagle (1542-1600) produced a amazing series of delicately illustrated miniature manuscripts called Four Elements. These contained stunningly beautiful watercolors of insects, birds, and other vertebrates. Why would an artist produce such a work at a time of personal upheaval? Tonight on Inquiry we talk with **MARISA ANNE BASS**, associate professor of the history of art at Yale University. Her new book explores Hoenagle's world and reproduces in full color a number of his folios: **INSECT ARTIFICE: NATURE AND ART IN THE DUTCH REVOLT**.

Humanities

Politics/Current Affairs

Sunday, July 5 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week on "The Public Eye" AI speaks with author and educator, Khyati Joshi, her new book "White Christian Privilege" chronicles religious tolerance in this country and how all people regardless of race or religious belief can find harmony. Tune in this Sunday evening at 10:30 PM.

Sunday, July 12 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

Could it be that certain behaviors, as innocent as they seem can cause feelings of exclusion and resentment? Tune in this Sunday evening at 10:30 when AI is joined by researcher and author Michael Baran. His new book, "Subtle Acts of Exclusion" uncovers everyday actions that oftentimes send negative messages to those around us.

Sunday, August 2 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week AI speaks with Suzanne Nossel author of the new book; "DARE TO SPEAK". A compelling look at free speech here in America and how all citizens can find their own voice without resorting to violence and hate.

Sunday, August 9 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

Encore presentation.

Sunday, August 16 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week AI speaks with George Roberts of the Worcester Voter Registration Initiative about their efforts to get more people to vote in this Falls upcoming elections. Currently less than 20% of Worcester voters participate in the election process.

Sunday, August 30 – 10:30PM

Public Eye

This week on "The Public Eye" AI is joined by Columbia University professor, Janet Jakobsen to talk about her new book, The Sex Obsession: Perversity and Possibility in American Politics. Tune in at 10:30 PM and hear how sex and politics have seem to go hand in hand.

Science & Nature

Sunday, July 12 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Humans are certainly land creatures, so why would a person risk their life to plunge into the ocean or even a swimming pool? Do long distance swimmers have different bodies from those of us who are landlubbers? Have humans always ventured out into the ocean? Tonight on Inquiry we talk with writer, journalist, and passionate swimmer **BONNIE TSUI** about her wide ranging book **WHY WE SWIM**.

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with **CRAIG PITTMAN**, writer and award-winning journalist with the *Tampa Bay Times*. His new book recounts the long and complicated struggles to save the endangered Florida panther from going extinct in the face of over hunting, neglect, and unstoppable development: **CAT TALE: THE WILD, WEIRD BATTLE TO SAVE THE FLORIDA PANTHER**.

Sunday, July 19 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we speak with award-winning writer **ADAM NICOLSON** about his passion for seabirds. These birds include gulls, cormorants, puffins, shearwaters and albatrosses. If you have ever taken a whale watch trip and marveled at the shearwaters zipping effortlessly between the waves, you will want to be sure to tune in tonight as we talk about Nicolson's new book: **THE SEABIRD'S CRY: THE LIVES AND LOVES OF THE PLANET'S GREAT OCEAN VOYAGERS**.

Sunday, July 26 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

In the early years of the 18th Century, Mark Catesby traveled around the Carolinas and over to the Bahamas to collect and paint specimens of birds and plants he found that were unique. **M.J. BRUSH** is an artist and science illustrator. **ALAN H. BRUSH** is Professor Emeritus of Physiology and Neurobiology. They followed the route that Catesby took to track the changes in the environment since Catesby's voyages. M.J. painted watercolors of what they found. Their new book is account of their experiences illustrated with M.J. Brush's artwork: **MARK CATESBY'S LEGACY: NATURAL HISTORY THEN AND NOW**.

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Inquiry

Have you ever worried that if you should die home and alone, that your pet dog or cat would eat you? Tonight's returning guest on Inquiry is writer and mortician **CAITLIN DOUGHTY**. Her new book answers this and many other questions that people have asked about when they have the "long goodbye": **WILL MY CAT EAT MY EYEBALLS? BIG QUESTIONS FROM TINY MORTALS ABOUT DEATH**.

Sunday, September 6 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Some of the most interesting concepts in theoretical physics today are also the most problematic. String theory, the multiverse, the universe as mathematics are all ideas that are intriguing but are they really science in the traditional sense? Tonight on Inquiry, we talk with **DAVID LINDLEY**. He is a science writer and editor and he holds a PhD in astrophysics. His new book questions where contemporary physics is going: **THE DREAM UNIVERSE: HOW FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS LOST ITS WAY**.

Sunday, September 13 – 9:00PM

Inquiry

Whether you call them typhoons, cyclones, Willy-Willys, or just plain hurricanes, these powerful tropical storms have been an inevitable part part of the American experience. Tonight on Inquiry we welcome back award-winning non-fiction author **ERIC JAY DOLIN** to talk about his new book: **A FURIOUS SKY: THE FIVE-HUNDRED-YEAR HISTORY OF AMERICA'S HURRICANES**

Mammals and birds are endothermic, “warm-blooded”. Amphibians, fish, and reptiles are ectothermic, “cold blooded”. How did endothermy evolve? Can some animals be endothermic sometimes and at other times ectothermic? My guest tonight is **BARRY GORDON LOVEGROVE**. He is professor emeritus in the School of Life Sciences, University of KwaZulu-Natal. His new book traces the evolution of endothermy and looks at hibernation in tropical animals: **FIRES OF LIFE: ENDOTHERMY IN BIRDS AND MAMMALS**.

Sunday, September 27 – 9:00PM

Tuesday, September 29 – 6:00PM

Inquiry

Tonight on Inquiry we talk with writer, artist, photographer, and bird expert **KENN KAUFMAN** about his new book **A SEASON ON THE WIND: INSIDE THE WORLD OF SPRING MIGRATION**. This is a book about spring bird migration in North America in general, and coastal Ohio, where the author lives, in particular. Here on the shores of Lake Erie is the world famous Magee Marsh Wildlife Area where every spring thousands of birders from all over the world converge to enjoy migrants up close and personal.

Sunday, September 27 – 10:30PM

Monday, September 28 – 6:30PM

Public Eye

In his new book “Planetary Health” Harvard Research Scientist Samuel Meyers focuses on the disruptions to Earth’s natural systems by the worlds over consumption and man’s behavior towards it.

Technology