

TOPICAL CURRENTS

2014 PROGRAM SUMMARIES

October 2014 - December 2014

(Compiled from program promotional material)

Summaries

October 1 - S. FL History Quiz with Miami Dade College Wolfson Campus Professor of History, Paul George.

October 2 - A look at the upcoming A Mindful Miami Conference about how to better serve our community with Conference Co-Chair, Valerie York-Zimmerman, Founder and President of Mindful Kids Miami, and David Lawrence, President of The Early Childhood Initiative Foundation and Chair of the Children's Movement of Florida.

October 6 - Literary contributor, Ariel Gonzalez with Rick Atkinson Liberation Trilogy – The Guns at Last Light

October 8 - Rebroadcast of 1-20-14 interview with UM Professor of Law D. Marvin Jones, author of "Fear of a Hip Hop Planet: America's New Dilemma."

October 9 - Food & Dining: interview with Stephanie Dunbar, Director of Nutrition and Medical Affairs at the American Diabetes Assoc.

October 13 - Samuel Freedman, author of "Breaking the Line: The Season in Black College Football that Transformed the Sport and Changed the Course of Civil Rights."

October 14 - PLEDGE EDITION with Ann Hood, editor of Knitting Yarns: Writers on Knitting

October 15 - Bonnie Berman interviews TC executive producer and co-host Joseph upon his 40th Anniversary at WLRN.

- October 16 - Food & Dining. Linda, Fred, Joe & Bonnie with Peter Schnebly, owner of Schnebly Winery and Chef Vergile Brandel from Atrio at Miami's Conrad Hotel. How to pair food with wine.
- October 20 - Animal behavior practitioner and consultant Dr. Vint Virga, author of **THE SOUL OF ALL LIVING CREATURES: What Animals Can Teach Us About Being Human.**
- October 21 - Journalist Rose George on the updated version of her book, **THE BIG NECESSITY: The Unmentionable World of Human Waste and why It Matters**
- October 22 - "At Your Service" Edition, with Fort Lauderdale employment law attorney Donna Ballman.
- October 23 - Steve Protulis, Executive Director of Elderly Housing Development and Operations Corp (EHDOC) a nonprofit organization that provides affordable housing for low-income seniors.
- October 27 - Discussion of the WLRN documentary "Treblinka's Last Witness" with producer/director Alan Tomlinson, Holocaust historian, Prof. Michael Berenbaum* and WLRN General Mgr. John Labonia
- October 28 - Nathan "N. D. B." Connolly, author of "A World More Concrete: Real Estate and the Making of Jim Crow South Florida."
- October 29 - Inmate abuse at the Dade Correctional Institution in Florida City. Guests: Psychotherapist George Mallinckrodt, author of "Getting Away With Murder" and Miami Herald reporter Julie Brown.
- October 30 - Elizabeth Royte, author of the National Geographic October edition feature story, **THE HIGH COST OF FOOD WASTE.**
- November 3 - Preview of the general election: races, referenda, and related issues with Dan Ricker, publisher of the online Watchdog Report, Dan Christensen, founder/editor of the Broward Bulldog, and Elaine de Valle, publisher of the online Political Cortadito.
- November 4 - Discussion about the impact of the law and litigation on elections in the U.S. with Hamline University Prof. David Schultz.

November 5 - Erwin Chemerinsky, author of “The Case Against the Supreme Court.”

November 6 - Benjamin Errett, author of “Elements of Wit: Mastering the Art of Being Interesting.”

November 10 - James Russell, author of “Social Insecurity: 401(k)s and the Retirement Crisis.”

November 11 - John Nagl author of “KNIFE FIGHTS: A Memoir of Modern War in Theory and Practice.”

November 12 - Discussion of the WLRN-TV Channel 17 documentary “Journey to the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade” with WLRN TV producer Mia Laurenzo, attorney and MTDP clown, Chuck Tattelbaum, and former Tarpon Springs Leadership Conservatory marching band member, Sean Patrick.

November 13 - Profile of Kids in Distress - a family services agency for abused and neglected children – with President/CEO Mark Dhooge and Director of Foster Care, Diana Lake.

November 17 - Astra Taylor, author of “The People’s Platform: Taking Back Power and Culture in the Digital Age.”

November 18 - At Your Service: Pet Care
Ian Kupkee, DVM, Sabal Chase Animal Clinic and Edel Miedes, Dog Trainer and Behaviorist, K9 Advisors, discuss potential concerns for pet owners during the holidays.

November 20 - Profile of the Florida Guardian Ad Litem and Voices for Children of Broward programs and their role as advocates for abused, neglected, and abandoned children who are involved in court proceedings.

November 24 - Adam Tanner, author of “What Stays in Vegas: The World of Personal Data—Lifeblood of Big Business—and the End of Privacy as We Know It.”

November 25 - S. FL’s working poor’s struggle to meet their basic needs is discussed with United Way of Miami-Dade Sr. Dir. of Public Relations, Yanet Obarrio Sanchez, and Paco Vélez, President and CEO of Feeding South Florida.

November 26 - David Sax, author of “The Tastemakers: Why We’re Crazy For Cupcakes But Fed Up With Fondue.”

- December 1 - Susan Pinker, author of “The Village Effect: How Face-to-Face Contact Can Make Us Healthier, Happier, and Smarter.”
- December 2 - At Your Service: condo and homeowner association issues with community association attorney Donna Berger of the law firm Becker & Poliakoff.
- December 3 - A look at zoning changes that threaten historical structures in Bay Harbor Islands and architectural preservation efforts in S. FL.
- December 4 - John Hope Bryant, author of “How the Poor Can Save Capitalism: Rebuilding the Path to the Middle Class.”
- December 8 - Daniel Jones, author of “Love Illuminated: Exploring Life’s Most Mystifying Subject—With the Help of 50,000 Strangers.”
- December 9 - Linda Tirado, author of “Hand to Mouth: Living in Bootstrap America.”
- December 11 - Food & Dining: Linda’s favorite kitchen gadget gifts.
- December 15 - Russell Gold, author of “The Boom: How Fracking Ignited the American Energy Revolution and Changed the World.”
- December 16 - Lip Service marks its 8 year anniversary with readings from Badass, Lip Service: True Stories - The Double Album by Andrea Askowitz, Esther Martinez-Kenniff, and Nicholas Garnett.
- December 17 - The Case Against the Death Penalty with criminal trial lawyer Richard S. Jaffe of the Birmingham, Alabama law firm of Jaffe and Drennan, P.C.; Mark Elliott, Executive Director of Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty; Herman Lindsey, exonerated Florida Death Row inmate.
- December 18 - Food & Dining: Restaurant Roundabout with Miami-based restaurant critic and travel writer Jen Karetnick and Matt Meltzer, Miami Editor of the Thrillist Media Group, covering Broward County.
- December 22 - Phil Zuckerman, author of “Living the Secular Life: New Answers to Old Questions.”
- December 23 - Sonia Leal, author of “How to Talk to Your Child About Santa Claus.”

December 29 - Diane Ackerman, author of “The Human Age: A World Shaped By Us.”

December 30 - Stroke: How to Live With the Impact. The repercussions and recovery from a stroke are discussed with Drs. Sergio Gonzalez-Arias and Italo Linfante of Baptist Health Neuroscience Center, and Dan Ricker, publisher of the online Watchdog Report.