

ARTS & POPULAR CULTURE

All Things Considered

1/8/24 WABE 1/8/2024 5:32 PM

The Atlanta Falcons are beginning a nationwide search for a new head coach after firing Arthur Smith.

City Lights

Artist Anaïtté Vaccaro WABE 1/4/2024 1:00 AM

Artist Anaïtté Vaccaro discusses her works, including permanent installation sculpture "The Perennial," which is on view at Little Tree Art Studios in Avondale Estates

"Godfall" WABE 1/22/2024 1:00 AM

Atlanta author Van Jenson discusses his unique new sci-fi novel, "Godfall," and explains how he uses an out-of-this-world premise to highlight a divided country.

The Queen of Sugar Hill WABE 2/5/2024 1:00 AM

Author ReShonda Tate discusses her new book "THE QUEEN OF SUGAR HILL, A Novel of Hattie McDaniel." McDaniel - who acted in Gone With The Wind - was famously the first Black person to win an Oscar, although she was still subjected to much bigotry and discrimination despite her accomplishments.

Composer Carlos Simon WABE 2/12/2024 1:00 AM

Composer Carlos Simon discusses his curated music program that the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra will perform on February 15 and 16.

Dad's Garage executive producer Jon Carr WABE 2/27/2024 1:00 AM

Dad's Garage executive producer Jon Carr discusses the upcoming one-night-only improv fundraiser starring Tim Meadows, Matt Walsh, Brad Morris, and Joe Canele. Carr also discusses his personal journey to becoming the EP at the Atlanta improv comedy institution and what he would like to see happen for them in the future.

Inon Barnaton WABE 3/11/2024 1:00 AM

American-Israeli classical pianist Inon Barnatan details his latest release, "Rachmaninoff Reflections", an arrangement of orchestral works played solo on piano, and his upcoming performances at the ASO.

At the Crossroads... WABE 3/25/2024 1:00 AM

Curators Gabrielle Dudley and Rosemary Magee detail "At the Crossroads with Benny Andrews, Flannery O'Connor and Alice Walker, and how these artistic figures' lives and works intersected in various ways.

BUSINESS/INDUSTRY

City Lights

Bitzel's Chocolate Immersive Experience WABE 1/31/2024 1:00 AM

Chef and chocolatier Sabrina Coombs discusses the new Bitzel's Chocolate immersive experience. The company recently opened a massive facility in Gwinnett County that produces premium chocolate products and offers tours and tasting to the public.

Mercer Street Meals WABE 2/28/2024 1:00 AM

Chef Lance Gummere discusses his four-course meals-to-go business, "Mercer Street Meals", which grew from a pandemic-era arrangement between neighbors to a bustling brick-and-mortar establishment serving East Atlanta.

Closer Look

How HB 1180 could impact Georgia's film industry WABE 2/27/2024 1:00 PM

Georgia legislators are considering House Bill 1180, which would put new requirements in place for the state's film tax credit program. Ken Goldwasser is an Atlanta-based picture car coordinator for movie productions. He has worked for various studios, including Marvel and Tyler Perry. Goldwasser discusses his opposition to the bill.

COMMUNITY

All Things Considered

1/22/24 WABE 1/22/2024 4:04 PM

The King Center in Atlanta announced today [MON] that Dexter Scott King has died at the age of 62.

3/4/24 WABE 3/4/2024 4:04 PM

3/25/24 WABE 3/25/2024 4:04 PM

The City of Atlanta is set to build four additional MARTA stations... including the first rail connection to the Beltline.

City Lights

Radfest 2024 WABE 1/17/2024 1:00 AM

Atlanta music journalist Chad Radford discusses Radfest 2024, its origins and impact on the local community of musicians. The festival features post-punk, post-hardcore, and noise acts and is taking place at Eyedrum

Celebrating Lunar New Year wabe 2/9/2024 1:00 AM

Dr. Jung Ha Kim, President of the Community Resource Corporation discusses Lunar New Year traditions among Asian Americans. Various public events and celebrations around Atlanta are mentioned.

DeKalb County Student Film Festival WABE 3/19/2024 1:00 AM

Shelbia Jackson, founding director of the DeKalb Entertainment Commission, and Isabella Brathwaite, student filmmaker and high school senior at Dekalb School of the Arts, discuss The DeKalb County Student Film Festival. The festival give students a platform to showcase their unique cinematic storytelling, and connects young filmmakers with other creative and industrious people to further their reach.

Closer Look

Open Doors expanding to help Hidden Homeless WABE 1/29/2024 1:00 PM

Matt Hurd, the executive director of Open Doors, discusses their ongoing effort to end homelessness in Atlanta. He also highlights the organization's \$6.7 million campaign to support their Open More Doors initiative, and their work to expand housing resources and services in surrounding metro Atlanta counties.

Gwinnett Commissioners oppose Mulberry cityhood WABE 2/13/2024 1:00 PM

Senate Bill 333, which supports the creation of the City of Mulberry in Gwinnett County, awaits Governor Kemp's signature. Rose recently interviewed Majority Leader Chuck Efstrotation, who sponsored House Bill 869, which is a duplicate bill of Senate Bill 333.

Duluth's new mayor eyes smart growth WABE 2/20/2024 1:00 PM

After 16 years, the City of Duluth is under new leadership. Greg Whitlock, who was recently sworn in as mayor, talks with Rose about his top priorities, his plans to expand the city's business core, and his overall vision for the city.

On Monday during Mayor Andre Dickens' State of the City address, he talked about his transportation plan, which involves the creation of a new MARTA train station at Murphy Crossing, the first of four additional in-fill stations. He also talked about the city receiving \$157 million in federal funds for the Stitch project. Rose talks with A.J. Robinson, the president of Central Atlanta Progress and the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District, about the development project that aims to connect three areas within Downtown Atlanta. It involves creating approximately 14 acres of urban green space along with affordable housing options and transportation enhancements.

CONSUMERISM

City Lights

Rick Steves "ATL Up and Away"

WABE

1/9/2024 1:00 AM

Travel expert Rick Steve joins us for "ATL Up and Away" with advice on planning your big trip to Europe in 2024, how to stretch your travel dollar and how to spot local businesses that cater to the budget-conscious traveler.

CRIME

All Things Considered

2/29/24

WABE

2/29/2024 6:22 PM

DeKalb's district attorney has indicted two police officers, over a 2022 shooting death of a man inside his Stone Mountain home.

DIVERSITY

All Things Considered

1/12/24

WABE

1/12/2024 7:04 PM

People from all over metro Atlanta are participating in service projects in the days ahead of Martin Luther King Jr. Day... which is this coming Monday.

City Lights

Roswell Roots Black History Festival

WABE

1/24/2024 1:00 AM

David Proctor, creator, and director of "Grabbing the Hammer Lane," Marlon Burnley, creator, and director of "Black in the Box," and Corinne Sutherlin, Cultural Arts Supervisor for the Roswell Recreation, Parks, Historic and Cultural Affairs Department, detail this year's Roswell Roots Black History Festival.

Into the Woods Jr.

WABE

3/5/2024 1:00 AM

Director Kim Goodfriend and actor Molly Drumm discuss "Into the Woods Jr." on stage at Jerry's Habima Theatre at the Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta from March 7 -17. The theater features and helps develop actors with special needs, and gives them a chance to pursue their dreams of artistic expression.

ECONOMY

All Things Considered

1/18/24 WABE 1/18/2024 4:32 PM

Georgia's unemployment rate remained stable at three-point-four percent in December, marking the fourth consecutive month at this level.

1/29/24 WABE 1/29/2024 6:04 PM

The University of Georgia's football coach, Kirby Smart, is again --BY FAR-- the highest paid state employee.

2/15/24 WABE 2/15/2024 5:32 PM

The Georgia State Senate has voted in favor of a bill to limit property taxes.

That's as the House is working on another property tax measure, taking a different approach.

3/11/24 WABE 3/11/2024 5:32 PM

As the appetite for electric vehicles in the U-S slows, E-V startup Rivian is trying to save money by pausing construction on its \$5 billion dollar plant in Georgia.

3/28/24 WABE 3/28/2024 4:32 PM

Georgia ports are prepared to absorb cargo diverted from Baltimore following the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge earlier this week.

Closer Look

Corporate consumption of Atlanta housing WABE 3/4/2024 1:00 PM

Taylor Shelton, a geographer and an assistant professor at Georgia State University, discusses new research from GSU and Rutgers University that reveals three companies own more than 19,000 rental homes in metro Atlanta.

EDUCATION

All Things Considered

1/25/24 WABE 1/25/2024 5:04 PM

City of Decatur schools says a corporate foundation grant has wiped out 88-thousand dollars in student lunch debt.

2/5/2024 WABE 2/5/2024 4:32 PM

Georgia's students really fell behind in reading and math during the COVID-19 pandemic.

But according to a new study, students are starting to make up for that gap.

2/19/2024 WABE 2/19/2024 4:04 PM

Georgia lawmakers are pressing the Department of Education to improve student literacy.

Legislators are asking for results ... after passing a bill last year that overhauls how students are taught to read.

3/4/24 WABE 3/4/2024 4:04 PM

Georgia lawmakers have narrowed their education policy priorities.

City Lights

"The Art of Teaching: Mindy Stomblor" WABE 1/25/2024 1:00 AM

Dr. Mindy Stomblor, professor of sociology and pedagogy, as well as principle senior lecturer at Georgia State University takes the spotlight in our series, "The Art of Teaching."

Tzadik Performing Arts Center WABE 3/21/2024 1:00 AM

Weber School music director Drew Cohen and sound engineering teacher Michael Levine detail the school's new state-of-the-art Tzadik Performing Arts Center. The new center allows students to pursue a wide range of creative endeavors using state-of-the-art facilities and equipment.

Closer Look

Cobb County's controversial school board maps WABE 2/14/2024 1:00 PM

On Wednesday's edition of "Closer Look with Rose Scott," we examine an ongoing conflict surrounding maps for the Cobb County Board of Education. This debate goes back to the 2020 U.S. Census when population data revealed how the county's demographics have changed

More funding for rural public schools WABE 3/20/2024 1:00 PM

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EMPLOYMENT

All Things Considered

2/8/2024

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Georgia lawmakers passed a bill backed by Governor Brian Kemp that would make it harder to organize labor unions across the state.

3/21/24

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3/21/2024 5:04 PM

The Georgia House passed a bill that will making it harder for companies seeking state incentives to organize unions.

ENVIRONMENT

All Things Considered

2/1/2024 WABE 2/1/2024 7:04 PM

Sales of electric and hybrid light duty vehicles in the Georgia and the rest of the U.S. are on the rise according to new numbers from the U.S. Energy Information Agency.

2/9/2024 WABE 2/9/2024 5:04 PM

Georgia is issuing draft permits to further a company's efforts to mine titanium dioxide near the Okefenokee Swamp.

3/29/24 WABE 3/29/2024 6:04 PM

After starts and stops, in the end, state lawmakers did not pass a bill addressing a controversial mining proposal near the Okefenokee Swamp.

City Lights

"Human" WABE 1/19/2024 1:00 AM

Brooklyn-based artist Nehpriei Amenii discusses her original puppetry experience, "Human," a deep-sea story told from the perspective of a young seahorse making her way through a complex, changing habitat. The show is on stage at the Center for Puppetry Arts, and teaches lessons of sustainability by recycling and repurposing existing materials in the puppets' construction.

Atlanta Green Theater Alliance WABE 2/7/2024 1:00 AM

Adam Friedman, co-founder and board chair of the Atlanta Green Theatre Alliance, discusses new possibilities in making theater and theatrical production more environmentally friendly and sustainable.

Via Citrus WABE 3/12/2024 1:00 AM

Danny Trejo, founder of Via Citrus, details his citrus tree delivery service, the viability of fruit-growing in the Atlanta area, and sustainable, local farming practices that he espouses through his work.

Closer Look

Local community effort to expand solar energy WABE 1/18/2024 1:00 PM

Don Moreland, the founder of Solar Crowdsourc and the executive director of Georgia Solar Energy Association, discusses Solarize Gwinnett and Solarize Cobb. The two volunteer-led community campaigns are happening now to urge homeowners to switch to solar energy.

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

All Things Considered

2/22/24

WABE

2/22/2024 4:32 PM

A Georgia non-profit that helps kids transition out of the foster care system is set to receive a million dollars .. as the state continues to deal with an influx of those who need assistance.

Closer Look

Closer Look's Best of 2023

WABE

1/2/2024 1:00 PM

In our first conversation, Show Host Rose Scott speaks with parents about raising transgender and genderfluid children. She also talks with a psychotherapist about the impacts Georgia's SB 140 measure could have on LGBTQ youth.

HEALTH

All Things Considered

2/23/24 WABE 2/23/2024 5:04 PM

New data shows an increasing number of people are signing up for healthcare coverage through the Affordable Care Act... leading Georgia's health advocates to continue to push lawmakers for a full Medicaid expansion.

3/15/24 WABE 3/15/2024 4:04 PM

Atlanta COULD be on track to get a new hospital run by Morehouse School of Medicine.

3/22/24 WABE 3/22/2024 5:32 PM

Georgia Democratic lawmakers say they'll keep fighting to expand Medicaid in the state after a Republican-led committee rejected the latest attempt.

Closer Look

How PTSD impacts first responders WABE 1/10/2024 1:00 PM

On today's special edition of "Closer Look with Rose Scott," we begin a two-day series discussing a serious health risk among first responders: post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration,

HISTORY

All Things Considered

2/12/2024

WABE

2/12/2024 5:04 PM

The city of Atlanta and the National Center for Civil and Human Rights are launching a series of talks, looking at the history of the Chattahoochee Brick Company site.

City Lights

“Remember This: The Lesson of Jan Karski”

WABE

1/30/2024 1:00 AM

Playwright Derek Goldman and actor Andrew Benator discuss “Remember This: The Lesson of Jan Karski” on stage at Theatrical Outfit through February 18. The play tells the true story of the heroic Karski, a Polish soldier who fought against the Nazis and was instrumental at uncovering the atrocities of the Holocaust to the international community.

Georgian Chamber Players Presents...

WABE

2/26/2024 1:00 AM

Pianist Julie Coucheron and cellist Khari Joyner discuss the Georgian Chamber Player's upcoming free concert, "A Musical Journey Celebrating Black History Month, taking place at the Atlanta History Center.

The Negro Motorist Green Book

WABE

3/27/2024 1:00 AM

Dr. Meredith Evans, Director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum, and author and documentarian Candacy Taylor, discuss “The Negro Motorist Green Book.” The show explores how the Green Book helped to guide Black travelers to hospitable lodging, welcoming restaurants, and places of community all across the country in a time when discrimination was often the law of the land.

LEGAL

All Things Considered

1/10/24 WABE 1/10/2024 6:04 PM

Governor Brian Kemp is tempering expectations on lawsuit reforms in Georgia. He addressed the changes in front of thousands of business, community and government leaders today [Wednesday], as WABE's Rahul Bali reports.

2/2/2024 WABE 2/2/2024 4:04 PM

Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis has acknowledged a personal relationship with a special prosecutor she hired for the Georgia election interference case.

3/14/24 WABE 3/14/2024 6:04 PM

The Georgia Board of Pardons and Parole will weigh a clemency request for a man who was convicted in the shooting death of his former girlfriend more than three decades ago.

Closer Look

Atlanta deacon's family files new lawsuit WABE 1/23/2024 1:00 PM

Deacon Johnny Hollman Sr., who was involved in a minor traffic accident, died on Aug. 10 after he was tased by Atlanta Police Officer Kiran Kimbrough. Officer Kimbrough has been terminated—but Hollman's family and their attorneys are now demanding further accountability. Attorney Harold Spence discusses a new pending civil rights lawsuit against the City of Atlanta, Kimbrough and the tow truck driver who responded to the scene.

Possible political fallout of DA Fani Willis WABE 2/5/2024 1:00 PM

Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis has acknowledged her personal relationship with Special Prosecutor Nathan Wade. However, Willis argues that she should not be disqualified from the Georgia election interference case following her admission.

some charges dropped in election interference case WABE 3/13/2024 1:00 PM

Fulton County Superior Court Judge Scott McAfee has dismissed some of the charges against former President Donald Trump and others in the 2020 Georgia election interference case. WABE politics reporter Sam Gringlas discusses the latest.

LIFESTYLE

City Lights

"Legacy List" Season 5

WABE

1/8/2024 1:00 AM

Matt Paxton, host of the Emmy-nominated PBS series "Legacy List," stops by to discuss what's in store for Season 5 and offers advice for people who wish to de-clutter their surroundings, organize valuable keepsakes and collectibles, and proactively make the best use of their living space.

Cheap and Free Date Ideas

WABE

2/14/2024 1:00 AM

In celebration of Valentines Day, Team WABE gets together with suggestions for a free or cheap date night in Atlanta. Submissions cover a range of ideas, including places to hike or have a picnic, and other ways to enjoy companionship without breaking the bank.

MEDIA

City Lights

Media Music Moment

WABE

3/13/2024 1:00 AM

City Lights music contributor Dr. Scott Stewart dives into the scores behind this year's Oscar movies in our new City Lights series, "Media Music Moment."

MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS

All Things Considered

1/5/24 WABE 1/5/2024 4:32 PM

A new report warns Democrats not to ignore the decline in Black voter turnout across swing states during the most recent midterm elections.

1/16/24 WABE 1/16/2024 4:04 PM

Twelve immigration and customs enforcement detention centers hold the majority of immigrants in custody in the country – one of which is in South Georgia.

3/8/24 WABE 3/8/2024 5:04 PM

Ahead of the Georgia primaries, a National voting rights organization is focusing on mobilizing Black voters.

3/22/24 WABE 3/22/2024 6:04 PM

Georgia senators are moving forward with two bills levying punishments for jurisdictions that do not comply with state and federal immigration laws.

City Lights

Pearl Cleage WABE 1/3/2024 1:00 AM

Award-winning Atlanta poet and playwright Pearl Cleage discusses her newest play, "Something Moving: A Meditation on Maynard," coming to the Alliance Theater this fall. The story centers on Maynard Jackson, the first Black mayor of the City of Atlanta, and his rise to power and prominence during the Civil Rights Era.

Fighting for Freedom WABE 1/16/2024 1:00 AM

Lisa Vallen, the organizer behind "Fighting for Freedom: Labor and Civil Rights in the American South," discusses the exhibition and the parallel history of the intertwined movements seeking racial and economic justice in the Southern US.

Hear Me Now: The Black Potters of Old Edgefield SC WABE 2/1/2024 1:00 AM

Curators Katherine Jentleson and Monica Obniski discuss "Hear Me Now: The Black Potters of Old Edgefield South Carolina," opening February 16 at the High Museum of Art. The exhibit features artistic works or pottery made by enslaved people in South Carolina, and seeks to retroactively provide credit and recognition for these accomplishments.

Freaknik: The Wildest Party Never Told WABE 3/20/2024 1:00 AM

We hear about the new Hulu documentary "Freaknik: The Wildest Party Never Told," detailing the history of Atlanta's spring break event attended by millions HBCU students over several years.

Closer Look

the interstate system segregated black residents

WABE

1/30/2024 1:00 PM

Plus, Steve Davis, the assistant vice president of transportation strategy for Smart Growth America, discusses his organization's report "Divided by Design." The report looks at historical data of how one built and one unbuilt highway in Atlanta and Washington D.C. have disproportionately impacted Black residents and what could be done today to address the harm caused by the highways.

NPR Host shares HBCU experience in new book

WABE

1/31/2024 1:00 PM

Lastly, NPR's Weekend Edition Sunday host Ayesha Rascoe discusses her new book, "HBCU Made: A Celebration of the Black College Experience." The book is a collection of essays from alumni of historically Black colleges and universities, and how these schools shaped their lives.

Georgia ranks third for workplace discrimination

WABE

2/8/2024 1:00 PM

A study of data from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission found that Georgia ranks third highest in the nation for workplace discrimination. Retaliation, racial discrimination and sexual discrimination are the three most common types of discrimination cases faced in the state

OTHER

All Things Considered

1/19/24

WABE

1/19/2024 4:32 PM

Animal rights groups are joining locals of a Southwest Georgia town in an effort to stop a multi-million dollar monkey breeding facility.

Closer Look

Closer Look's Best of 2023 – Show Host Rose

WABE

1/3/2024 1:00 PM

On today's "Closer Look," we look back on the most compelling conversations of 2023, as selected by show host Rose Scott. First, Zarickus Worthy and his daughter, Zymeriya discuss their self-published children's book, "The Drills." Lastly, we revisit "Closer Look's" top conversation of the year. Civil rights icon Xernona Clayton, who was honored in 2023 with an 8-foot statue in downtown Atlanta, talks candidly with Rose about her life, her passion to help others and the importance of operating in excellence.

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

All Things Considered

1/3/24 WABE 1/3/2024 4:04 PM

Georgia could take a step toward legalizing sports betting this legislative session... which begins this month.

1/24/24 WABE 1/24/2024 4:32 PM

Georgia Republicans have advanced legislation to remove the Secretary of State from the State Election Board – as lawmakers push a slew of new voting bills ahead of the 2024 election.

2/16/2024 WABE 2/16/2024 6:04 PM

Some state Democrats want to change Georgia law to allow direct ballot questions.

If they succeed, it could put referenda on divisive issues -- things like gun rights, school vouchers or abortion rights -- before Georgia voters.

3/18/24 WABE 3/18/2024 4:32 PM

Georgia Senate Republicans are advancing another package of election law changes, with two weeks left in the legislative session.

Closer Look

The 2024 Political Season Begins WABE 1/8/2024 1:00 PM

Monday marks the start of the 2024 legislative session. WABE politics reporters Sam Gringlas and Rahul Bali return to “Closer Look,” to discuss lawmakers’ priorities, proposed bills and debated issues that could potentially come up during the session.

First week of legislative session wraps up WABE 1/12/2024 1:00 PM

WABE politics reporter Rahul Bali returns to “Closer Look” to recap the latest news from Georgia’s 2024 legislative session and to discuss some of the key takeaways from Governor Brian Kemp’s State of the State address.

“Leave It Blank” Campaign warns Biden WABE 3/5/2024 1:00 PM

The Listen to Georgia Coalition is leading its own “Leave It Blank” Campaign for the Georgia Primary. Clara Green, an organizer with Jewish Voice for Peace Action and Georgia State Rep. Ruwa Romman discuss their effort to “warn President Biden that he must stop enabling the genocide in Gaza or risk losing the 2024 presidential election.”

PUBLIC SAFETY

All Things Considered

1/5/24

WABE

1/5/2024 5:04 PM

The manhunt is over for 33 year old Victor Demetrious Baymon. He's suspected of multiple shootings that left one dead and two injured in Forest Park. The shootings were reported around 10:30 this morning.

1/19/24

WABE

1/19/2024 5:04 PM

A federal judge has denied a lawsuit aiming to stop construction on Atlanta's Public Safety Training Center.

1/26/24

WABE

1/26/2024 5:32 PM

It's been three years since a liquid nitrogen leak killed six people at a poultry processing facility in Gainesville, Georgia.

RELIGION

All Things Considered

2/26/24

WABE

2/26/2024 6:04 PM

e a look at the skyscape, and you'd be hard pressed not to see the "Jesus Saves" sign at the top of a noticeably old church. That Church is Big Bethel AME, and it just got a sizeable grant to ensure it stays a prominent part of the skyline...and a lot more.

City Lights

American Sikh

WABE

2/20/2024 1:00 AM

Filmmakers Visvajit Singh and Ryan Westra discuss their animated short film "American Sikh." Singh, a member of the Sikh religion, elaborates about his upbringing in both India and the US, as well as his experiences and misconceptions about his faith that he encountered in a post-9/11 New York City.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

City Lights

A.I. and Film: From HAL to Her

WABE

3/4/2024 1:00 AM

Emory professor Dr. Gregory Zinman details the Emory Cinematheque film screening series, "A.I. and Film: From HAL to Her," which covers how Artificial Intelligence has been portrayed cinematically, and how emerging technology might impact the future of filmmaking.

Spiders - From Fear to Fascination

WABE

3/28/2024 1:00 AM

Dr. Linda S. Rayor details Fernbank's latest exhibition, "Spiders - From Fear to Fascination," which showcases the incredible world of arachnids and their impact on other species and their surrounding habitat.

TRANSPORTATION

All Things Considered

3/1/24 WABE 3/1/2024 6:04 PM

Georgia drivers are paying an average price of 3-dollars and 20-cents per gallon for regular unleaded gasoline. That's according to motoring company Triple-A

3/7/24 WABE 3/7/2024 4:32 PM

Electric vehicle maker Rivian is pausing construction on its 5-billion-dollar electric vehicle factory an hour east of Atlanta.

City Lights

"Rolling Sculptures" WABE 2/19/2024 1:00 AM

Bruce Patton, Director of Curatorial Services at the Savoy Automobile Museum details their new exhibition, "Rolling Sculptures," on view through March 31st. The classic cars on display combined form and function, and are emblematic of the bygone era from which they hailed.

Closer Look

Atlanta E-Bike Rebate Program WABE 1/22/2024 1:00 PM

Rebecca Serna, the executive director of Propel ATL, and Rosalind Tucker, the managing director of Mobility Services at Atlanta Regional Commission, discuss the new Atlanta E-Bike Rebate Program. The program, that launches this spring, will offer up to \$2,000 toward an e-bike for an income-qualifying resident. Smaller rebates will apply for residents above the income requirement.

Can Georgia Lead US in EV production WABE 2/26/2024 1:00 PM

The U.S. is on a mission to lead the world in the production of electric vehicles and batteries. This all comes as Georgia Governor Brian Kemp is pushing the Peach State to be a frontrunner, by becoming the electric mobility capital of the U.S. On today's edition of "Closer Look," Rose talks with guests about the current state of EV production and adoption in the U.S. and what's being done to increase the EV workforce. Guests include:

Transit and mobility concerns across metro Atlanta WABE 3/29/2024 1:00 PM

Whether you are biking, walking, driving, or catching MARTA, getting around metro Atlanta is a major concern for people throughout the city. Rose talks with panelists about the current state of transit and mobility and what can be done to streamline commuting.

WOMEN

City Lights

Judy Collins/The NEXT Movement/Emily Holden WABE 1/11/2024 1:00 AM

Legendary singer-songwriter Judy Collins discusses her career, latest works and thoughts on activism and feminism. Plus, Faith Carmichael, Okorie Johnson, and Katherine Dirga discuss “The NEXT Movement,” streaming now on WABE TV, and Emily Holden takes the stage in our series, “Speaking of Comedy.”

Galentine's Day WABE 2/13/2024 1:00 AM

Mara Davis stops by with suggestions for “Galentine’s Day,” a special day to recognize and celebrate friendship between women.

Closer Look

The Women and Girls dominating ATL Sports WABE 2/7/2024 1:00 PM

Keeping girls in sports is critical. Data suggests that girls in Georgia play sports at a far lower rate than boys (119k vs. 80k), despite the lifelong benefits. In honor of National Girls and Women in Sports Day, show host Rose Scott talks with several guests about the importance of female representation and participation in the world of sports, plus the impact athletics can have on a young girl’s life.

2027 Women’s World Cup in Atlanta? WABE 3/15/2024 1:00 PM

Lastly, Rose sits down with Cindy Parlow Cone, the president of the United States Soccer. The former Hall-of-Famer and Olympian discusses why Atlanta could be the host city for the 2027 FIFA Women’s World Cup. She also discusses plans for a new state-of-the-art training facility in Fayette County, GA.

YOUTH

City Lights

"Interrupting Chicken" WABE 1/5/2024 1:00 AM

Executive producers Ron Holsey and Loris Kramer discuss Season 2 of the animated Apple TV series "Interrupting Chicken", based on the popular children's book of the same name.

"The Mad Hatterpillar and her many heads" WABE 1/25/2024 1:00 AM

Writer and director Rachel Frawley and composer and music director Sarah Beth Hester discuss "The Mad Hatterpillar and her Many Heads," which is currently at Stage Door Theatre. The colorful puppet-centric production carries important messages of acceptance and sustainability for younger audiences.

"Shari and Lambchop" WABE 2/21/2024 1:00 AM

Director Lisa D'Apolito and puppeteer Mallory Lewis discuss the new documentary, "Shari and Lambchop," which closes the Atlanta Jewish Film Festival on February 26 at the Sandy Springs Performing Arts Center at City Springs. The film and discussion tell the story of Shari Lewis, the creator and star of the popular children's TV show "Lambchop's Play-Along".

Closer Look

L.E.A.D. use sports to mentor Black male youth WABE 1/17/2024 1:00 PM

Studies show Black male students who have a Black male teacher or mentor have better academic outcomes. Wednesday's special edition of "Closer Look with Rose Scott" was a themed show that focused on the importance of mentoring young Black boys. Show host Rose talks with several guests, including former professional athletes who exemplify the transformative power of mentorship through their athletic-based programs.

COMMUNITY

Morning Edition

Park Grants-Mecke-S TUES ME

WABE

2/20/2024 7:31 AM

A local nonprofit is granting Metro Atlanta almost 4 million dollars for improving its public spaces.

WABE's Marisa Mecke has more.

CONSUMERISM

Morning Edition

Home Depot Q4 2023-LO-C

WABE

2/20/2024 6:04 AM

The Atlanta-based Home Depot released its latest financial report today [TUES] .. and sales dropped compared to last year.

Sales overall for fiscal 2023 hit roughly 152 billion .. a decrease of 3 percent from 2022.

Quarter four sales also decreased compared to the same time last year.

Home Depot officials predicted that after 3 years of growth and a spike in home improvement projects during the pandemic, it would all flatten-out in 2023.

Looking ahead, officials say Home Depot sales will continue to decline by about 1 percent over the next year.

ECONOMY

Morning Edition

EV industry-Hyde-XF

WABE

1/2/2024 7:44 AM

One of the handful of new state laws going into effect January 1st deals with online subscriptions and food delivery apps. WABE Politics Reporter Rahul Bali explains what it means for customers and businesses.

Housing Bill-Bali-S

WABE

2/21/2024 6:04 AM

State lawmakers have reached a deal related to how local governments approach zoning and building new housing in Georgia. As WABE's Rahul Bali reports... there is still a key point of contention.

Rivian Pause-Hyde-S

WABE

3/8/2024 6:04 AM

Electric vehicle maker Rivian is pausing construction on its 5-billion-dollar electric vehicle factory an hour east of Atlanta. As WABE's Marlon Hyde reports, the California based company will start producing its new vehicles in Illinois rather than its planned Georgia factory.

Waffle House Strike-Hyde-S

WABE

3/25/2024 7:04 AM

Some Waffle House workers in Georgia are protesting a national company policy that deducts mandatory meal costs from their paychecks.

They held a strike yesterday at a restaurant in Conyers [MON]

As WABE's Marlon Hyde reports, they're organizing with the Union of Southern Service Workers.

EDUCATION

Morning Edition

Literacy Letters-Sei-SF MON ME

WABE

2/19/2024 7:31 AM

Georgia lawmakers are pressing the Department of Education to improve student literacy.

Legislators are asking for results ... after passing a bill last year that overhauls how students are taught to read.

As WABE's Juma Sei reports, the pressure is apparent in hearings at the capitol, and in letters recently obtained by WABE.

Student Loans-Virgin-SS FRI ME

WABE

3/8/2024 7:31 AM

The U.S. Department of Education says as of 2023, more than 1.6 million Georgians have federal student loan debt totaling almost 70 billion dollars.

As WABE's Julien Virgin reports, a civic group is hosting a seminar tomorrow [Saturday] about the complexities of paying back this loans.

ENVIRONMENT

Morning Edition

Okee Mine Block-Jones-SF TUES ME

WABE

1/2/2024 6:31 AM

State lawmakers are set to take up the controversial plan for a mine near the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge when the legislative session starts this month. Emily Jones reports.

Coal Ash-Jones-V THURS ME

WABE

2/22/2024 6:04 AM

Federal regulators are pushing back on a Georgia-approved plan for the toxic byproduct of burning coal for electricity.

Emily Jones reports.

OKEE Public-Mecke-SS THURS ME

WABE

3/7/2024 6:31 AM

Just shy of 100 public commenters voiced their opposition to proposed mineral mining permits near the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge in south Georgia.

They made their pleas to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division last night [TUES]. WABE's Marisa Mecke has the story.

HEALTH

Morning Edition

Alabama Embryo Ruling-LO-Rayam-TW

WABE

2/21/2024 8:45 AM

The Alabama Supreme Court has ruled that frozen embryos .. or a fertilized egg before it develops into a fetus .. can be considered children under state law.

And with Georgia being a neighboring state..... patients and providers are raising questions about the future of fertility treatments here....

Joining us this morning is Elizabeth Ling, Senior Helpline attorney with the legal reproductive justice defense fund, If-When-How.

Ling has spent years managing the fund's legal helpline, assisting people in understanding the laws around a variety of reproductive experiences.

Health bills-Mador-SS THURS ME

WABE

3/7/2024 7:31 AM

With three weeks left in this year's legislative session, Georgia lawmakers are considering a number of health-related proposals.

WABE's Jess Mador has a look at some of the legislation advancing at the state Capitol.

LEGAL

Morning Edition

Fulton Courts-Cruz-S THURS ME

WABE

2/22/2024 7:04 AM

Fulton County officials say the ongoing system outage from a cybersecurity attack has had little impact on its court system.

WABE's Chamian [shuh-MAYN] Cruz has more.

MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS

Morning Edition

detention money-wu pearson-v WABE 2/22/2024 6:04 AM

Immigrants bonding out of detention centers in Georgia pay some of the highest fees compared to the rest of the country.

Sanctuary City-Wu Pearson-S WABE 3/7/2024 7:04 AM

A state senate committee is seeking punishments for Georgia communities with so-called 'sanctuary city' policies that protect undocumented immigrants.

WABE's Emily Wu Pearson explains.

Naturalized Voters-Wu Pearson-S MON ME WABE 3/19/2024 8:04 AM

A new study finds naturalized citizens in Georgia could have a huge impact on the upcoming election.

WABE's Emily Wu Pearson looks at the numbers.

Latino Hate Letter-Wu Pearson-V WABE 3/20/2024 6:04 AM

Latinos across the state are calling on the president of the University of Georgia to denounce hate speech targeting their community.

WABE's Emily Wu Pearson reports.

Wrongly Convicted-Bali-SS WED ME WABE 3/20/2024 7:31 AM

A group of wrongly conviction Georgians are asking the state to compensate them for their time in jail.

Several are gathering at the State Capitol today [WED]

WABE Rahul Bali reports.

POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

Morning Edition

New laws food apps-Bali-SS TUES ME

WABE

1/2/2024 6:31 AM

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Political Breakfast

WABE

2/20/2024 7:20 AM

More on the electrifying testimony from Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis...

She walked into a Fulton County Courtroom last week, demanding to clear the air.

A hearing was underway to determine if a conflict of interest existed after Willis hired special prosecutor Nathan Wade to work on the election interference case.

The two shared a romantic relationship.

At issue is if Willis personally profited after Wade spent money earned on trips the two took together.

In Court, Willis cried Foul.

Did that move work in her favor?

Republican Strategist Brian Robinson and the Atlanta Civic Circle's Saba Long...In for Tharon Jonson...weigh in.

Library Bill-Sei-SS WED ME

WABE

2/21/2024 6:31 AM

Georgia lawmakers are considering a bill that would give parents more insight into what their children check out from school libraries.

WABE's Juma Sei has more.

Laken Riley Act-Feito-V FRI ME

WABE

3/8/2024 8:04 AM

The U.S. House voted to pass an immigration bill named for Georgia nursing student Laken [LAY-kin] Riley.

The 22-year-old was killed last month while out on a morning run.

It passed mostly along party lines yesterday [THURS], just hours before the President's state of the union address.

WABE's Melissa Feito reports.

Protecting Officials-Gringlas-S

WABE

3/20/2024 7:04 AM

Judges in Georgia will soon enjoy more protections surrounding their personal information amid a rise in threats against public officials.

WABE's Sam Gringlas reports.

The deadline is fast approaching for state lawmakers who want to legalize sports betting in Georgia.

A House committee did not pass either legislation Monday, planning to take both up again tomorrow [WED].

WABE Politics Reporter Rahul Bali explains.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Morning Edition

Police Alternatives-Cruz-V MON ME

WABE

2/19/2024 7:04 AM

The Atlanta Policing Alternatives and Diversion Initiative is continuing to divert low-level offenders from jail... and helping them get the resources they need.

As WABE's Chamian [shuh-MAYN] Cruz reports, officials say last year, the program received close to 15-hundred requests.

Fulton Animal Services deadline-LO-C

WABE

3/25/2024 7:04 AM

Fulton County says its preparing to cut off animal control services within city of Atlanta limits by next Wednesday [April 3rd] .. unless the city agrees to pay its share of rising operations costs.

The County says roughly 400 animals taken into its shelter every month are found in the city of Atlanta.. and the majority of the County's resources go towards caring for them.

County officials say after years of public input, Fulton opened up a new, 40-million dollar animal shelter to replace an outdated, overcrowded facility.

Now the County says all 15 of its cities have signed off on the enhanced services and costs .. except for Atlanta.

The city has not responded to WABE's request for comment.

[Officials say if the city does NOT sign the agreement by April 3rd, Fulton will drop all animal services calls within city limits.]