

WXDU, DUKE UNIVERSITY DURHAM, NC

QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST FOURTH QUARTER 2023

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SECTION I: Issues Programming

In an effort to promote community awareness and to fulfill its public service commitment and obligation, WXDU has identified the following issues to be of concern to the Duke University and Durham community:

1. Community Activism and Involvement
2. History
3. Arts and Literature
4. Sports
5. Science and Technology
6. Diversity and Culture

To address these issues, WXDU broadcasts the following radio shows:

“WXDU News”

Sundays 5:00-6:00 pm

Host Forrest DeMarcus plays a mix of syndicated news pieces and WXDU original content. Original content covers arts, humanities, and sports in the Duke and Durham area, and may include interviews, live lectures, and other forms of discussion.

“WXDU Sports”

Every other Sunday, 5:00-6:00 pm in fall/spring semester

Hosts Matt Burr, Miguel Bordo, and David Mills cover regional sports.

“WXDU Conversations in Health Care”

Periodically, Sundays 5:00-6:00 pm

DJs Gavin Yamey and Garreth Kelleher interview local health specialists about current global health news and how it applies to North Carolina and Durham.

Syndicated programming examples:

“Science Unscripted” is produced by Deutsche Welle and gives updates on science and technology from around the world.

“Living Planet” is produced by Deutsche Welle to cover environmental science and sustainability.

“Making Contact” is produced by the Radio Project and “produces media that analyses critical social and environmental issues and encourages civic participation, by giving voice to diverse perspectives and opinions.

“World in Progress” is produced by Deutsche Welle and covers ecological and geopolitical news from around the globe.

SECTION II: Responsive Programs

WXDU creates and shares broadcast programming to address the above-referenced issues. Specific examples of our programming include:

Issue Category	Name of Show	Date aired	Duration (minutes)	Description
geopolitics; economics	Living Planet	10/8/2023	30	Putin's war on Ukraine effects Europe's energy crisis
climate science; agriculture	World in Progress	10/8/2023	30	The increasing climate problems of farming with peat
sports	WXDU Sports	10/15/2023	60	Duke University sports talk
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climate science; history	Living Planet	11/05/2023	30	How European cities are trying to adapt to this new era of extreme weather
climate science; agriculture	Living Planet	11/05/2023	30	Making fuel out of food
sports	WXDU Sports	11/12/2023	60	Duke University sports talk
psychology	Conversations on Healthcare	11/19/2023	60	WXDU DJs talk with Duke's Jeff Swanson, a leading researcher on firearm-related suicide and homicide
climate science; history	Living Planet	12/03/2023	30	The origins of climate change
climate science; geopolitics	Living Planet	12/03/2023	30	The effect of war on climate
culture; history	Top of Mind	12/17/2023	60	How Native Americans are reclaiming their narrative
sports	WXDU Sports	12/24/2023	60	Duke University sports talk
geopolitics; economics	With Good Reason	12/31/2023	30	Humanitarian aid in disaster zones
climate science	Living Planet	12/31/2023	30	Some climate change trends heading in the right direction

SECTION III: PUBLIC SERVICE STATION EVENTS

For our non-staffed hours of broadcast in **Q4 2023**, our automated system is set up to play a random assortment of music from a large database, inserting a recording of our station ID at the top of every hour and a recorded PSA roughly every 20 minutes. Below is a small sampling of topics from our recorded PSAs.

Automated PSA Topics (samples)
Childhood Asthma
March of Dimes
Hands-Only CPR
Mens Preventive Health
Youth Reckless Driving Prevention
Childhood Obesity
Hispanic Parental Engagement (College)
GED Achievement
Foreclosure Prevention
Lifelong Literacy
Teen Dating Violence Prevention
Big Brothers & Sisters
Humane Society
Newborn & Child Survival
American Stroke Association
Forest Service
Feeding America
CDC-Coronavirus
Caregiver Assistance
Retirement
Gun Safety
Empowering Girls in STEM
Alzheimers

In addition, with the reintroduction of in-studio DJs, we began to offer more timely and local PSAs:

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The Hillsborough Arts Council is hosting their annual **Solstice Lantern Walk and Market** event on **Thursday, December 21st** from 5-8pm at the Farmers Market in Downtown Hillsborough. This event is free, but there is a suggested donation of \$5.00. Participants are asked to craft a handmade lantern before the event. Registration is required. To register, go to **www.hillsboroughartscouncil.org**.

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On Saturday December 16, the **Bennett Place Historic Site** is hosting a day-long holiday event from **10 am – 4pm** with Candlelight Tours from 6 pm – 8 pm. Come witness how Christmas was celebrated in the Piedmont Carolinas during the Civil War. There will be cooking demonstrations, complimentary drinks, historical reenactments, a bake sale, and a visit from Ole Saint Nick. The event is free, and all proceeds from the bake sale go towards the preservation of the site. Visit their website at **www.bennettplacehistoricsite.com** for more information.

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Housing for New Hope is a non-profit organization that advocates on behalf of the unsheltered and helps them not only find safe permanent housing, but also with the tools and support to stay there. Housing for New Hope is looking for volunteers to help improve their properties, make housewarming kits, and help with administrative tasks. To get involved, visit their website: **housingfornewhope.org**. Together, let's end homelessness one valuable person at a time.

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On December 14th, **Movie Loft** and **Shadowbox Studio** are screening the hit American drama **'Lucky'**! This touching film features the legendary Harry Dean Stanton, his final film performance before his death in 2017, and is directed by John Carroll Lynch (the widely recognized actor in Fargo). DJ and hotdogs start around 7pm, the movie starts at 8:30. This event is free, indoors, and all money collected will be given to the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC. Find more info at **shadowboxstudio.org**

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The **Durham Holiday Parade** marches on Saturday, December 9th at 10am! Cheer on dynamic floats, hometown bands, drill teams, schools, and community groups as they make their way down Main Street. This is a free event, happening rain or shine. Please note that Main Street will be blocked due to the parade. For more information, go to: **drplaymore.org**.

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The Town of Cary is celebrating the season at their **Heart of the Holidays Celebration** on Saturday, December 2, 2023. From 2-5 p.m, enjoy an old-fashioned holiday atmosphere at Page-Walker Arts & History Center, with free cookies, activities for kids, and carolers. Afterwards walk downtown for Cary's annual Christmas Tree lighting event. Future events and a more detailed schedule can be found at **carync.gov**.

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The **Independent Animal Rescue** is a non-profit group in the Triangle that works to provide homes for hundreds of unwanted cats and dogs each year. IAR is run primarily by committed individuals from the community who volunteer their time to help homeless animals and to keep our support programs functioning. They are in need of foster parents and volunteers. To learn more about how you can help, visit **<https://animalrescue.net/>**.

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The American Indian Heritage Celebration is happening on **Saturday, November 18th from 11am-4pm** at the North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh. Traditional crafts, food, stories, dance, and more will fill the museum all day long. This event is free. Find details and schedule at **ncmuseumofhistory.org**

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The **Durham Art Walk Holiday Market** is a festive fine arts and crafts event that kicks off the holiday season in downtown Durham on **November 18th & 19th**. The Market invites art lovers to experience a weekend featuring local artists, live music, and interactive arts experiences. It is free and family friendly! Find a schedule, map, and other details at **durhamarts.org**

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SMASHFEST is back!! Durham's **Scrap Exchange** holds this beloved fundraising event on November 24th, their own anti-capitalist 'Black Metal Friday'. Breakable items will be for sale to crush, melt, and hurl. There will be noise. There will be destruction. There will be...catharsis. This is a fun, unique, family-friendly event that benefits the Scrap Exchange, Durham's #1 reuse arts center / gallery / studio / thrift store. Visit scrapexchange.org/smashfest

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Liberty Arts Studios & Foundry and Durham Central Park present the **7th Annual public Iron Pour** at Durham Central Park on Saturday, **November 4 from 4-9 p.m.** 5,000 pounds of molten iron will be poured into molds and sculptures. Come enjoy live music, drumming performances from Batalá Durham, fire breathers, and local food trucks. This is a family-friendly event. Find out more at libertyartsnc.org

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Duke and UNC's Departments of Music are sponsoring their first ever **Electronic Dance Music (EDM) Production Masterclass** on **October 26th from 7-9 PM**. This event is open to everyone in the local EDM community to submit tracks of any EDM genre and at any level of completion to be reviewed by Dr. Garcia-Mispireta and Duke PhD Candidate, Cade Bourne. More information can be found at music.duke.edu/events/.

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Duke's **2023 Cinematic Arts Student Film Festival** returns to Rubenstein Arts Center on **November 2, 2023 7:00pm**. This curated festival showcases various works produced by students in Cinematic Arts courses at Duke University. The event is free and open to the public. More information is at cinematicarts.duke.edu/screensociety

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The **2023 WXDU RECORD FAIR** returns to Duke campus on Saturday, **October 28th, 11am – 4pm** in Duke's Rubenstein Arts Center. Local vinyl vendors will be there with bins of both recent and classic albums, cds, cassettes, and more. Entry is free. There will be free parking in the Campus Drive Lot on Anderson Street, across from the Ruby. Transactions are **cash-only**. For more information, visit our Facebook event page - **WXDU RECORD FAIR**

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The **ZINE MACHINE** Printed Matter Festival is happening at The Fruit in Durham on **Sunday, October 15th**. Zine Machine is part of a growing global zine festival movement celebrating small-batch, self-published, personal, non-corporate, handmade printed matter of all kinds. Over 70 local creators will be present for sales and conversation. This free, family friendly event runs from **11am to 5pm**.

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The **CLICK! Photography Festival** celebrates the medium of photography by showcasing exceptional photo-based works, artists, and programming. Throughout October, CLICK! will hold events in galleries across the Triangle, including a Photo Fair at Durham Central Park on October 15th, 10am - 3pm, and multiple experiences of Michael Galinsky's project 'The Decline of Malls Across America.' Find info and a calendar of events online at **clickphotofest.org**

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Feed Durham is a scrappy mutual aid collective that came together in response to mounting hunger in the Durham area, due to COVID. Since 2020, they have fed 155,000+ neighbors in need through no-contact cookouts, where they prepare meals for 500 people per day, and offer grocery give-aways. For more information or ways to get involved, visit their Instagram or Facebook page.

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Preservation Durham works to protect Durham’s unique sense of place by sharing passion and knowledge through programs such as the preservation of historic buildings, educational events and workshops, and community outreach initiatives. They offer a variety of walking and bike tours highlighting Durham’s murals, architecture and landscapes, tobacco heritage, and civil rights history. For a schedule of events, visit **preservationdurham.org**

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Do you like knitting, sewing, weaving, felting, spinning, or other fiber crafts? **Piedmont Fibershed**, a Durham nonprofit dedicated to local, sustainable textiles, and Durham Parks & Recreation are hosting a series of free and low-cost fiber events! Join fellow crafters to work on projects at free monthly meetups, or learn new craft skills at one of the program's workshops. For more information and to register, visit **PiedmontFibershed.org**

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Established in 1966, the **Eno River Association** is a non-profit land trust and conservation organization driven by a mission to conserve and protect the natural, historical, and cultural resources of the Eno River Basin. The basin currently spans 7,500 acres of land in Durham and Orange counties and is home to six public parks. Visitors can find places to hike, fish, bike, paddle, picnic, camp, and more! Visit **enoriver.org** for information and ways you can support.

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Bike Durham believes everyone should have access to safe, affordable, and sustainable transportation regardless of who they are or where they live. Biking and walking are the most healthy and sustainable ways to move. Through events, advocacy and education, Bike Durham empowers all people to walk, bike, and ride transit more often. To learn more, check out **bikedurham.org**

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Book Harvest is a Durham-based nonprofit that provides an abundance of books and ongoing literacy support to families and their children, and serves as a model for communities committed to ensuring that children are lifelong readers and learners. They host book drives, uni- and bi-lingual storytimes, maintain a public Family Space, and much more. To learn about Book Harvest and ways you can help, visit **bookharvest.org**

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The Durham Crisis Response Center works with the community to end domestic, sexual and family violence and human trafficking through advocacy, education, support and prevention. Their services include a 24-hour helpline, legal advocacy, shelter, counseling, and more. Visit **thedcrc.org** for more information and ways to support.

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TROSA is a Durham nonprofit helping individuals with substance use disorders become healthy, productive members of their community. It employs members and generates funding through several programs in the Triangle, including a moving and storage service, lawn care, and the TROSA Thrift Store. Learn more at **trosainc.org**

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Meals on Wheels of Durham enhances the quality of life for seniors, people with disabilities, and other eligible community members by delivering meals, offering personal interactions, and other services. For more information, to volunteer or donate, visit mowdurham.org

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SplatSpace is a multidisciplinary makerspace in downtown Durham. As a community of hackers and makers, teachers and students, their goal is to reach out to each other and the surrounding community to share a passion for art, technology, and innovation. Members have access to a wood shop, metal shop, 3-D printers, and more. For more information, visit splatSPACE.org

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The **Animal Protection Society of Durham** is a non-profit organization that has been helping animals in our community since 1970. APS relies on donations from caring individuals and corporations to feed, shelter and provide medical attention for nearly 5,000 animals each year. Volunteer opportunities include helping with cats, dogs, or general admin duties. Find more at apsofdurham.org

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El Futuro is a volunteer, nonprofit outpatient clinic meeting the need for bilingual mental health services for the growing Latino immigrant community in North Carolina. They offer bilingual individual, group, and family therapy; psychiatric treatments; and substance use assessments and services; and more. Learn how you can get involved at elfuturo-nc.org

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For over 20 years, **Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Triangle** has been Eastern NC's premier mentoring organization. It builds future leaders in the community by matching historically marginalized youth with committed adult mentors. One-to-one mentoring relationships support the critical social and emotional development needed to help promote the confidence, mental health, and well-being of children across the Triangle. Learn more at bigstri.org

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Since 1985, the **Durham Literacy Center** has trained more than 2,500 volunteer tutors who have, in turn, helped empower more than 18,000 Durham residents. They offer programs for adult literacy, high school equivalency test training, English as a second language (ESL), life-skills education for incarcerated youth, and more. For information, or to volunteer and donate, go to **durhamliteracy.org**

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The Arc of the Triangle supports children and adults in the Triangle with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in the achievement of their personal goals and dreams through partnership and advocacy. They offer a multitude of services, including music therapy, guardianship, and supported employment. For more information, visit **arctriangle.org**

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GoDurham is Durham’s free mass-transit system, reaching many locations in the city including schools and universities, hospitals, and shopping centers. Buses operate regularly Mondays through Saturdays. For routes and times, go to **godurhamtransit.org**.

Other local agencies are: **GoTriangle, GoRaleigh, GoCary, and Chapel Hill Transit**.