



WAMC Program Guide

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Fund Drive Time is Here Again!

The Real Meaning of Community

Alan S. Chartock
WAMC President and C.E.O.

I've said it before and I'll say it again. WAMC is a fragile undertaking. Together we have done remarkable things. In the last three fund drives we have raised an incredible amount of money, three million dollars, to keep this ship afloat. That is really, really amazing. It shows community at its best. It shows that when people decide something is worth having, they build it and support it. All that counts is that every person does something. Whether it's five dollars, or twenty five thousand dollars, we're all in this together. When we forget the real meaning of community, this enterprise will collapse. The other day, I was driving along and heard a small classical music station in Connecticut trying to raise some money. The little station was having a very tough time. My heart went out to them and I debated whether to pick up the phone and call with a small donation. After a few minutes of indecision, I made the call and pledged some money. I felt much better.

With some 400,000 people listening to the station each month, we have to assume that many of you are

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February Programming Notes

Joe Donahue
WAMC Vice President of News & Programming

I was rummaging through the attic about a week ago looking for a particular nostalgic trinket, when I came upon a giant stuffed lion puppet. The lion, Leo, is dressed in a tux with tails and is holding a baton. "Leo the Conductor" was the first premium I ever received for my first pledge to public radio. I was 8 years old and donated to WHYY in Philadelphia, where I grew up. I took Leo out of the dusty box, freeing him from his claustrophobic existence of cold storage, and he is now sitting here at my desk at the house. He is a nice reminder about how long public radio has been a part of my life and the importance I found in it, even as a child.

He is also a reminder that the "lion's" share of February programming will be our Fund Drive, beginning February 6th. I would love to tell you when the drive will end, but I have no idea. That is up to you. Just know, when the one-million dollar goal is reached, we will go back to regular programming.

With that said, we have two exciting new shows to tell you about. We are thrilled to announce that Bill Moyers is joining the WAMC line-up. Moyers & Company is a weekly hour of compelling and vital conversation about life and the state of American democracy, featuring some of the best thinkers of our time. A range of scholars, artists, activists, scientists, philosophers and newsmakers bring context, insight and meaning to important topics. The series occasionally includes Moyers' own essays on society and government. The show airs Fridays at 2PM.

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thinking what I was thinking at that moment. You know you want to do it and, if you're reading this, you know you have made a commitment. It would be great if you could do what I do, deputize yourself to get others to do what's right. I know that you have friends who listen to the station all the time. You have to help them to get past the excuses and point out that the only way the station will stay alive is if they do something. Several people have told me that they can't afford to pledge. "Not a dollar?" I always ask them. I recently heard from someone who didn't like the fact that conservative Republican Nan Hayworth was given time on our air. I replied that I was proud that every Member of Congress was given time to speak to their constituents and that we could decide whether or not what we were hearing made sense.

Think of all the good things that you've made possible and kept alive. It could be your school or your religious institution or your local hospital. Think about all the times your clock radio woke you up to Morning Edition or WAMC kept you company during a long drive through a snowstorm. Think about the words Carole King and James Taylor sang: "...you've got a friend." Think about J.T. and Sam Waterston, Pete Seeger, and so many others who have done so much. If there is anything you can do to help us get to that million dollar mark, please do it. I'm doing what I can to keep it alive and I'm begging you to join me. Life without WAMC would be unimaginable. It would be a terrible loss. Remember there is no university that can pick us up, no conglomerate TV station. It is up to us, just as it has been every day for all of these years. I'm counting on you. – Alan



WAMC Pledge Central

Underwriter Spotlight

Bard Center for Environmental Policy, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY

Join in every other Wednesday for the National Climate Seminar, and listen in real time to experts discuss the latest science, politics and economics of climate change.
www.bard.edu/cep/ncs

Brod & Taylor, Williamstown, MA

Makers of the folding proofer to rise bread, make yogurt and melt chocolate.
www.brodandtaylor.com

The College of Saint Rose, Albany, NY

Presenting their 2012 Spring Season showcasing music and visual arts at The Massry Center for the Arts. More than an academic facility, the Massry Center is a cultural focal point in the Capital Region. www.strose.edu

Hudson Valley Community College's Workforce Development Institute

Career Training in solar energy, energy efficiency, indoor environmental technician, pharmacy technician and more. Including onling and client-specific training. www.wdi.hvcc.edu

Kintz Plastic, Howes Cave, NY

Providing thermoformed plastic enclosures for the computer, bio-medical and aerospace industries since 1976. www.kintz.com

Northeast Association of the Blind at Albany

Doctor Harry Judge and low-vision rehabilitation center providing services for low-vision population to help provide a more independent life style. www.nabavision.org

Steele Engineering and Consulting, Troy, NY

Providing residential and commercial clients with solutions to a variety of building and facility-related challenges. Whether your building project involves new construction, renovations, investigations, or repairs, Steele Engineering and Consulting P.C. can move quickly to provide detailed and cost-effective evaluations, reports, and designs to help solve your building problems.
www.steeleengineering.com

Additionally, WAMC has partnered with Emmy winning writer and former New York Times “Ethicist,” Randy Cohen, for his new series Person Place Thing. The concept is simple: he invites notable figures from all genres and backgrounds to discuss one person, one place and one thing about which they feel passionately.

Having heard a few early programs, it is mesmerizing and beautifully produced by our own, Ian Pickus (that alone guarantees great quality.) I really love this show and not just because Randy, when he was a writer for David Letterman, made me part of a “Top Ten List.” The Topic? Top ten stupidest license photos. I came in # 2, Letterman made # 3. Person Place Thing debuts on February 17th at 1PM.

It is a busy month and you can make sure all your favorite programs, new and old, air at their regular times if this fund drive is swift and joyful. As he stares at me now, I know this is something “Leo” would approve of.

We’ll both see you on the other side.

Happy Listening,
Joe



Alan Chartock – In Fund Drive Action!

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The WAMC transmitter is located atop Mount Greylock in Adams, MA. The WAMC-AM transmitter is located in Albany, NY. WAMK’s transmitter is located on Overlook Mountain, Woodstock, NY.

Technical updates about our transmitters can be found at www.wamc.org/engineering.html

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- WANC-FM 103.9 - Ticonderoga, NY
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- W226AC 93.1 - Rensselaer-Troy, NY
- W243BZ, 96.5 - Ellenville NY
- W246BJ 97.1 - Hudson, NY
- W247BM, 97.3 – Cooperstown, NY
- W257BL, 99.3 - Oneonta NY
- W271BF, 102.1 - Highland NY
- W280DJ, 103.9 - Beacon NY
- W292DX, 106.3 - Middletown NY
- W296BD, 107.1 - Warwick NY
- W299AG 107.7 - Newburgh, NY

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WAMC Program Schedule at a Glance

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
12:00 AM	BBC World Service					BBC World Service	Jazz After Hours
1:00 AM						Jazz After Hours	
5:00 AM	Morning Edition					BBC World Service	BBC World Service
5:30 AM						Legislative Gazette	
6:00 AM						Living on Earth	
7:00 AM						Only A Game	Marketplace Money
8:00 AM						Weekend Edition	Weekend Edition Sunday
9:00 AM	The Roundtable					Car Talk	
10:00 AM						Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me!	
11:00 AM						Midday Magazine	Midday Magazine
12:00 PM	Midday Magazine					Midday Magazine	Midday Magazine
1:00 PM	Car Talk	Alternative Radio	Commonwealth Club	WAMC Conversation with...	Speakers Corner	Metropolitan Opera (see page 21)	Le Show
2:00 PM	Vox Pop				Moyers and Company		Prairie Home Companion
3:00 PM	The Media Project	The Book Show	51%	The Health Show	The Best of Our Knowledge		
3:30 PM	WAMC Northeast Report						
4:00 PM	All Things Considered						
5:00 PM						All Things Considered	
6:00 PM	WAMC Northeast Report					A Prairie Home Companion	Media Project
6:30 PM	Marketplace						Health Show
7:00 PM	Fresh Air						Thistle and Shamrock
8:00 PM	The Best of Our Knowledge	Radio Deluxe	Live at the Linda/ASO	51%	This American Life	Hudson River Sampler	Classical New England with the BSO
8:30 PM	Medical Monday			The Book Show			
9:00 PM	Mountain Stage	Living on Earth		Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me!	Marketplace Money		
10:00 PM			Selected Shorts	On the Media	Cap Con	Bluegrass Time	Grateful Dead Hour
10:30 PM		Leg Gazette					
11:00 PM	As It Happens					Tim Coakley Jazz Show	Hearts of Space

Program Descriptions

The Academic Minute

Weekdays, 7:37am and 3:56pm

Leading experts explain their research and discoveries to an engaged listening audience. **E-mail:** academicminute@wamc.org. **Web:** <http://www.wamc.org/academic-minute.html>

Afropop Worldwide

Sundays, 4–5pm

George Collinet hosts this mix of world music from Africa, the Caribbean and the Americas. Tapes are not available. **Phone:** (718) 398-2733. **E-mail:** afropop@aol.com. **Web:** www.afropop.org

All Things Considered

Weeknights, 4–6:00pm

Saturdays and Sundays, 5–6pm

Tapes and transcripts are available. **Phone:** (877) 677-8398. **E-mail:** atc@npr.org (weekend e-mail: watc@npr.org). **Web:** www.npr.org/programs

Alternative Radio

Tuesdays, 1pm–2pm. " For tapes write to PO Box 551, Boulder, CO 80306, call (800) 444-1977 or visit www.alternativeradio.org.

As It Happens

Weeknights, 11pm–12midnight

A nightly international newsmagazine from the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that covers major stories from around the world and regularly focuses on important Canadian news. **Phone:** (416) 205-2600. **E-mail:** aih@toronto.cbc.ca. **Web:** www.radio.cbc.ca/programs/asithappens

BBC World Service

Weekdays, 12–5am

Saturdays, 5–5:30am and Sundays, 5–7am

The latest news from the BBC. Tapes are not available.

BBC The World Today

Tuesday–Saturday, 12midnight–1am

The latest news from the BBC. **E-mail:** world.services.letters@bbc.co.uk.

Web: www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice

The Best of Our Knowledge

Mondays, 8:05–8:30pm; Repeated Fridays at 3pm; Repeated Saturdays at 1:30pm on WAMC AM 1400

Bob Barrett hosts this look at the latest developments in the halls of academe. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **E-mail:** knowledge@wamc.org. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-tbook.html

The Book Show

Tuesdays, 3:05–3:30pm

Repeated Thursdays at 8:30pm

Joe Donahue hosts this weekly half-hour of literary interviews with acclaimed authors. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-bookshow.html

The Capitol Connection

Fridays, 10:30pm

Repeated Saturdays at 1pm

Alan Chartock's weekly talk with political notables. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **Phone:** (800) 323-9262. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-capitol.html

Car Talk

Saturdays, 10–11am

Repeated Mondays at 11am

Tom and Ray Magliozzi tell you what ails your car. To be on the program, call (888) 227-8255. **Phone:** (888) 227-5865 or write to Car Talk, PO Box 3500, Harvard Sq., Cambridge, MA 02238. **Web:** www.cartalk.cars.com

Commonwealth Club

Wednesdays, 1pm–2pm. " Call (800) 933-7548 or visit www.commonwealthclub.org.

Classical New England with the BSO

Sundays, 8pm–10pm

Classical performances from the Boston Symphony Orchestra. During Tanglewood season, this show will be replaced by Live at The Linda broadcasts.

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2nd Wednesday of the month, 8–10pm

Jay Ungar and Molly Mason host live folk music from the Linda. Call (518) 465-5233, x4.

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Earth Wise

Weekdays 11:10am and 4:04pm

From green business and new environmental legislation to how nature impacts our environment in ways never before considered, Earth Wise offers a look at our changing environment every day through public radio.

Hosted by Bill Schlesinger. **Web:**

www.wamcradio.org/earthwise/about.html

51%

Thursdays, 8:05–8:30pm

Repeated Wednesdays at 3:05pm

WAMC's Susan Barnett explores important issues of particular interest to women. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **E-mail:** 51@wamc.org. **Web:**

www.wamc.org/prog-51.html

Fresh Air

Weekdays, 7–8pm

Hosted by Terry Gross, this daily interview and features program provides a fresh look at contemporary culture. Tapes and transcripts are \$23.45.

Phone: (877) 213-7374. **E-mail:** freshair@whyy.org.

Grateful Dead Hour

Sundays, 10–11pm

Hosted by David Gans, this program features classic performances by the Dead and their fellow travelers. **Web:** www.gdhour.com

The Health Show

Thursdays, 3:05–3:30pm

Repeated Sundays at 6:30pm

Bob Barrett and Dr. Nina Sax present news and features important for your good health. **E-mail:** bbarrett@wamc.org. **Web:** www.healthshow.org

Hudson River Sampler

Saturdays, 8–10:00pm

Wanda Fischer hosts a program of the very best folk, bluegrass and blues music. Playlists are available at: www.wamc.org/prog-hudson.html

In Our Backyard

Fridays, 7:06am

Repeated at 12:55pm Fridays

Dr. Ward Stone, distinguished wildlife pathologist, answers environmental questions posed by listeners.

Jazz After Hours

Saturdays, 1–5am

Sundays, 12midnight–5am

Jim Wilke hosts this program of jazz recordings. Write to c/o Public Radio International, 100 North Sixth Street, Suite 900A, Minneapolis, MN 55403.

E-mail: jim@jazzafterhours.org. **Web:** www.jazzafterhours.org

Le Show

Sundays, 1–2pm

Hosted by Harry Shearer, this weekly show takes a humorous and satirical look at the news. **Web:** www.harryshearer.com/news/le_show/

Legislative Gazette

Fridays, 10pm

Repeated Saturdays at 5:30am

The WAMC news team takes you inside New York State government. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **Phone:** (800)323-9262. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-gazette.html

Living on Earth

Saturdays, 6:05–7am

Repeated Tuesdays at 10pm

Environmental news and information program hosted by Steve Curwood.

Phone: (800) 218-9988. **E-mail:** letters@loe.org. **Web:** www.loe.org

Marketplace

Weekday mornings, 7:50–8am and 8:50am

Weekday evenings, 6:30–7pm

Marketplace AM highlights overnight developments in the business world;

Phone: (213) 621-3500. Write to 261 So. Figueroa Street, Suite 200, Los

Angeles, CA 90012. **E-mail:** letters@marketplace.org. **Web:** www.marketplace.publicradio.org

Marketplace Money

Sundays, 7–8am

Repeated Fridays at 9pm

Host Kai Ryssdal looks at the week's major national and international stories that will impact the average listener's wallet. **Phone:** (800) 228-7123. **Web:** www.marketplacemoney.org

The Media Project

Sundays, 6pm

Repeated Mondays at 3:05pm

An inside look at media coverage of current events, with Alan Chartock, Daily Freeman Publisher Ira Fusfeld, and WTEN TV Anchor Elisa Streeter with host Rex Smith, Times Union Editor. Tapes/CD's are \$10. **Phone:** (800) 323-9262. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-media.html

Midday Magazine

Weekdays, 12noon–1pm

Brian Shields anchors an hour of regional and national news, weather and features. Tapes are not available. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-middaymag.html

Midday Saturday

Saturdays, 12 noon–1pm

Host Bob Barrett brings you the best of WAMC news. Tapes are not available.

Midday Sunday

Sundays, 12noon–1pm

Host Bob Barrett brings you the best of WAMC news. Tapes are not available.

Morning Edition

Weekdays, 5–9am

NPR and WAMC's David Guistina bring you regional and national news and features. Tapes are available. **Phone:** (877) 677-8398. **E-mail:** morning@npr.org. **Web:** www.wamc.org/morning.html

The Moth Radio Hour

First Friday of each month 11am-12pm

We'll hear true stories told live on stage without scripts, notes, props, or accompaniment. Humorous and heartbreaking tales told with honesty, bravery and wit.

Mountain Stage

Mondays, 9–11pm

Performances by contemporary folk, rock, and country artists. Write to West Virginia Public Radio, 600 Capitol St., Charleston, WV 25301.

Phone: (800) 521-2112. **E-mail:** larry@mountainstage.org. **Web:**

www.mountainstage.org

Moyers and Company

Friday 2pm-3pm

A weekly series that veteran journalist Bill Moyers says will try to make sense of our tumultuous times, "for myself and hopefully for anyone who wants to keep me company."

Music from the Hearts of Space

Sundays, 11pm–12midnight

Stephen Hill offers ethereal late-night listening. **Phone:** (415) 499-9902 **E-mail:** help@hos.com. **Web:** www.hos.com

Nature Watch

Weekdays, 8:19am

Bob Kantor shares interesting facts about the environment. Write c/o Finger Lakes Productions International, Inc., 119 South Cayuga Street, Ithaca, NY 14850. **Phone:** (607) 275-9400. **Web:** www.naturewatch.com

Only a Game

Saturdays, 7–8am

Nationally known author and veteran NPR commentator, Bill Littlefield, explores sports at all levels. Tapes are available. **Phone:** (800) 909-9287.

E-mail: oag@wbur.bu.edu. **Web:** www.onlya game.org

Paul Caiano's WAMC Regional Forecast

Weekdays, 6:53am and 12:25pm

Listen to Paul Caiano's WAMC Regional forecast, updated every weekday morning. Paul Caiano is a meteorologist at WNYT Newschannel 13.

Person Place Thing

Third Friday of each month 1pm- 2pm

Person Place Thing embraces the idea that people reveal themselves most intimately when speaking not directly about themselves but about something they care about passionately. Interview subjects come prepared to talk about a person, a place, and a thing that are important to them: love it or hate it, as long as you have strong feelings about it. This structure elicits conversations that would not emerge in a standard interview, inviting the guests to tell stories they never have before.

The Power of Words

Second and fourth Friday of each month 1pm - 2pm

Follow American history through some of the most memorable political speeches of our time. Original speeches from the likes of Presidents F.D. Roosevelt, Ronald Reagan, Barack Obama, & J.F. Kennedy, followed by discussion and analysis by Alan Chartock and guest scholars.

A Prairie Home Companion

Saturdays, 6–8pm

Repeated Sundays from 3–5pm

Monologues, skits, and more, hosted by Garrison Keillor. Write to Prairie Home Productions, LLC, 611 Frontenac Place, St. Paul, MN 55104. **Phone:** (800) 228-7123. **E-mail:** phc@mpr.org. **Web:** www.prairiehome.publicradio.org

Pulse of the Planet

Weekdays, 11:20am

Weekends, 8:35am

A two-minute sound portrait of Planet Earth, tracking the rhythms of nature, culture and science. Write to Pulse of the Planet, PO Box 344, Accord, NY 12404. **E-mail:** pulse@jgc.org. **Web:** www.pulseplanet.com

Radio Deluxe

Saturdays, 2–4pm

Tuesdays 8-10pm

Singer/guitarist John Pizzarelli takes listeners on a 2-hour tour through the great American songbook. **Web:** www.radiodeluxe.com

The Roundtable

Weekdays, 9am–11a,m

Joe Donahue and rotating co-hosts offer this mix of news, interviews and more. Featuring *Performance Place*. Tapes are not available. **Web:** <http://www.wamc.org/prog-roundtable.html>

Selected Shorts

Sundays, 11am–12noon

Repeated Wednesdays at 10pm

A match of Oscar and Tony Award winning actors with short stories by contemporary and classic authors. Tapes are available. **Phone:** (212) 864-1414, ext. 206. **E-mail:** shorts@symphonyspace.org. **Web:** www.symphonyspace.org

Star Date

Weekdays, 5:06am and 12:45pm

Weekends, 10:27pm

Your source for astronomical information and current events. From the University of Texas at Austin McDonald Observatory. Call (512) 471-5285.

Web: www.stardate.org

Tanglewood – Boston Symphony Orchestra Concerts

Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30pm

Sundays at 2pm

Throughout July and August Concerts will not air on WCEL, WRUN or WAMC-AM. Those stations will air our regular program schedule. **Web:** www.bso.org

This American Life

Fridays, 8–10pm

Repeated Saturdays at 4pm

Ira Glass hosts this weekly suite of radio storytelling. Tapes are available.

Phone: (312) 948-4600 (info.)/(312) 948-4680 (orders). **E-mail:** web@thislife.org. **Web:** www.thislife.org

The Thistle and Shamrock

Sundays, 7–8pm

Celtic music and culture are presented by Scotswoman Fiona Ritchie. Tapes are not available. **Phone:** (704) 321-3293. **E-mail:** thistle@npr.org. **Web:** www.npr.org

The Tim Coakley Jazz Show

Saturdays, 11:00pm–12 midnight

A mixture of jazz old and new, hosted by WAMC's Tim Coakley. Tapes are not available. Playlists: www.wamc.org/prog-coakley.html

Alternate Programming

The Tavis Smiley Show

A unique blend of news and newsmakers in expanded conversations on a variety of topics — all with a special focus on Black America.

Saturdays 2-4pm on WAMC-AM 1400

Vox Pop

Monday-Thursday, 2–3pm

WAMC's live call-in program exploring a variety of issues. Tapes are not available. **Phone:** (800) 348-2551. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-voxpath.html

Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me

Saturdays, 11am–12noon, Repeated Thursdays at 9pm

A weekly hour-long quiz program, hosted by Peter Sagal, with Carl Kasell as official judge and scorekeeper. Each week listeners test their knowledge against some of the best and brightest in the news and entertainment world while figuring out what's real news and what's made up. **Phone:** (202) 513-3232. **E-mail:** waitwait@npr.org

WAMC Bluegrass Time

Saturdays, 10pm – 11pm

Nick Barr hosts this blend of bluegrass music, featuring the classics from the masters all the way to the current "hits". Playlists:

www.wamc.org/prog-bluegrass.html

WAMC "Conversation With..."

Thursdays, 1pm-2pm

Alan Chartock talks with authors, politicians, artists and other notables.

WAMC Northeast Report

Morning Edition – Weekdays, 6:50–7:10am

Early Edition – Weekdays, 3:30–4pm

Late Edition – Weekdays, 6–6:30pm

The latest in news and information featuring reports from WAMC's bureau chiefs along with commentary, interviews, national and international news and the weather forecast. **Web:** www.wamc.org/prog-northeast.html

WAMC's Speakers' Corner

Friday, 1pm- 2pm

The Moth, Person Place Thing, The Power of Words and other shows that feature great stories, speeches and interviews.

Weekend Edition

Saturdays, 8-10am

Sundays, 8-11am

Scott Simon with Weekend Edition Saturday, Audie Cornish with Weekend Edition Sunday, and WAMC's Bob Barrett, bring you the news.

Phone: (877) 677-8398. **Comment Line:** (202) 842-3522. **Saturday E-mail:** wesat@npr.org; **Sunday E-mail:** wesun@npr.org **Saturday Web:** www.npr.org/programs/wesat/

Sunday Web: www.npr.org/programs/wesun/

Writer's Almanac

Weekdays, 8:33am and 10:25am

Saturdays and Sundays, 12:45pm

Garrison Keillor shares literary works from around the world. Tapes and Transcripts are not available. **Web:** www.writersalmanac. publicradio.org

February Events Calendar

Kids and Family

Winter Ecology Walk and Exploration

February 5, 1:00PM-2:30PM

Venue: Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Millbrook

Love Bugs

February 12, 11:00AM-12:00PM

Venue: Children's Museum of Science and Technology, Troy

Mister G

February 24, 11:00AM-12:00PM

Venue: Hudson Opera House, Hudson

Art and Museum Exhibits

Burlington's First Friday Art Walk

February 3, 5:00PM-8:00PM

Venue: Throughout Burlington, VT, Burlington

Contemporary Crafters of Color

February 11, 12:00PM-5:00PM

Venue: Hudson Opera House, Hudson

Albany and the Civil War: Medicine on the Home and Battle Fronts

Through February 26, 2012, 10:00AM-5:00PM; (Museum closed Mondays and Tuesdays)

Venue: Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany

Sculpture in the Streets

Through March 12, 2012, 6:00AM-10:00PM; (All day)

Venue: Downtown Albany Business Improvement District, Albany

Community Events

Craft Supplies Sale

February 4, 11:00AM-3:00PM

Venue: Gardiner Library, Gardiner

15th Annual Bartender's Ball

Date: February 11, 6:30PM-12:00AM; (no tickets at the door)

Venue: Saratoga City Center, Saratoga

Wendell-Judd Cup Ski Event

February 25, 2:00PM-3:00PM

Venue: Marlboro College, Marlboro

Lectures/Literary

Alan Lightman, novelist and screenwriter

February 2, 8:00PM-9:30PM

Venue: Assembly Hall, Campus Center, UAlbany Uptown Campus, Albany

Abstract Expressionism and the African American Artist

February 11, 2:00PM-3:30PM

Venue: Hudson Opera House, Hudson

Environmental Science, Policy and Engineering Winter Seminar Series

February 23, 7:00PM-9:00PM

Venue: Union College, Nott Memorial, Schenectady

Film, Theater and Dance

Short Plays & Skirmishes

February 10, 2012 - February 11, 2012 on

Friday 7:00PM-9:00PM

Saturday 1:00PM-3:00PM

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Letter to the Editor: In Praise of "Vox Pop"

I thought you might be interested in a good news response to one of your Medical Monday shows. I usually have WAMC on in my car, and one day last August, I was listening to your interview with Dr. Jian Shen, then a brand new member of the medical staff of St. Mary's Hospital in Amsterdam, NY. He is a surgeon specializing in minimally invasive spinal surgery.

A friend of a single woman we'll call LL, I had agreed to be her 'second ears' in her search for a resolution for her severe back problems as she interviewed specialists. She wanted to make a decision for treatment before she got so bad she wouldn't be able to make a wise one. We had already seen three specialists (at Yale New Haven, Simsbury and West Hartford), and each had a different approach to her problem, so we were having a hard time knowing what to do and how to decide.

Listening to Dr. Shen talk with you that day, I pulled over to the side of the road and called LL on my cell phone, told her about the program and to turn on her radio, which she did. Subsequently, she went online and listened to the interview again. Then she asked me if she thought we should go and see him, and I told her that if I were she, I would (knowing that meant a two hour trip into NY state from Lakeville, CT).

To make a long story shorter, she had the surgery in October and the results have been stunningly good (three vertebrae spacers inserted and subsequent fusion). She was walking almost immediately and her primary physician, her physical therapist, and others have expressed amazement at the results and have given others references to Dr. Shen.

On top of the surgical approach and success of the operations, the doctor has been exceptionally accommodating of LL's many questions along the way, always giving her/us ample time during appointments. I have a daughter whom I may be taking to see him in the next year or so, who is having issues with her lower spine.

We are indeed grateful to WAMC for airing these programs that can REALLY make a difference!

Thank you!
Tina C. - Lakeville, CT

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Metropolitan Opera
February Broadcast Schedule

Saturday, February 4 – 1pm

Anna Bolena (Donizetti)

NOTE: **DELAYED FEED - Opera will run in its entirety.** Anna Netrebko's portrayal of the ill-fated queen driven insane by her unfaithful king. A Met premiere production by David McVicar. Ekaterina Gubanova is her rival, Jane Seymour, Ildar Abdrazakov sings Henry VIII, and Marco Armiliato conducts.

Saturday, February 11 – 12pm

Gotterdammerung (Wagner)

With its cataclysmic climax, the Met's new Ring cycle, directed by Robert Lepage, comes to its resolution. Deborah Voigt stars as Brünnhilde and Jay Hunter Morris is Siegfried—the star-crossed lovers doomed by fate. Fabio Luisi conducts.

Saturday, February 18 – 1pm

Il Barbiere Di Siviglia (Rossini)

Peter Mattei and Rodion Pogossov share the title role of the barber in Bartlett Sher's popular production, which propels the comic action right into the audience. Isabel Leonard sings her first Met Rosina, sharing the role with Diana Damrau, and Javier Camarena makes his Met debut as the Count.

Saturday, February 25 – 1pm

Ernani (Verdi)

Angela Meade takes center stage in Verdi's thrilling early gem. Marcello Giordani and Roberto DeBiasio share the role of her mismatched lover, and all-star Verdians Dmitri Hvorostovsky and Ferruccio Furlanetto round out the cast.

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11:00 am						BBC World Service						
11:30 am	Tell Me More											
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1:00 pm	Here & Now					BBC World Service	Weekend Edition					
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2:00 pm	Talk of the Nation					The Tavis Smiley Show	BBC World Service					
2:30 pm												Wait Wait Don't Tell Me
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6:00 pm	Marketplace					All Things Considered						
6:30 pm	As It Happens											
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