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WFAE Adds 1A and The Daily to Weekday Schedule

Charlotte Talks with Mike Collins Evening Broadcast Moves from 9 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Charlotte, N.C. (June 25, 2018) – WFAE 90.7 FM announces several program schedule changes that will take effect on Monday, July 2, 2018. **1A** with Joshua Johnson will air live weekdays from 10 a.m. to noon, and **The Daily**, which is produced by the New York Times, will air from 9 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The evening broadcast of *Charlotte Talks* with Mike Collins will move from 9 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, giving more listeners the opportunity to engage with this award-winning local talk show.

“The addition of 1A and The Daily to WFAE’s program schedule presents an opportunity to bring national news programs to WFAE that are not only on top of the latest news but also approach difficult conversations with a level of curiosity, empathy and civility that I believe listeners will find refreshing,” said Ju-Don Marshall, WFAE’s chief content officer. “These shows take listeners beyond the headlines through deeper context and analysis.”

Hosted by Joshua Johnson, 1A also has conversations about the important topics. The show is produced by WAMU in Washington, D.C., and distributed by NPR.

“We hope our new listeners in Charlotte will help us co-author the show because input from listeners is so fundamental to who we are,” Johnson said. “We think of 1A as a program that acts as a national mirror – that takes time to help America look at itself and to ask what it wants to be.”

Before joining WAMU, Johnson co-created and hosted the nationwide public radio series *Truth Be Told*, which explored race in America. He also taught podcasting at the University of California, Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism. Johnson began his public radio career helping launch a regional news partnership between Miami’s NPR station, WLRN, and *The Miami Herald*. Then he served for more than five years as morning news host for KQED in San Francisco.

The Daily, hosted by Michael Barbaro, draws on the unrivaled quality and expertise of The New York Times's global footprint of more than 1,450 journalists. The podcast version of the show has found massive success, becoming the most-downloaded new show in 2017 on Apple Podcasts and winning a DuPont-Columbia University Award for audio excellence. The radio show will give listeners a deep analysis of one or two of the day's top news stories. The show is produced by The New York Times and is distributed by American Public Media.

The Daily has received widespread media acclaim. The New Yorker wrote: "In Barbaro's hands—or, rather, in Barbaro's voice—The Times becomes conversational and intimate, instead of inky and cumbersome. It's a twenty-minute update murmured in your ear by a well-informed, sensitive, funny, modest friend—the kind of person who has as many questions as answers."

Before hosting The Daily, Barbaro was a national political correspondent for The New York Times and host of The Run-up, a political podcast that chronicled the 2016 election. Previously, he covered New York's City Hall and the U.S. retail industry. He joined The New York Times in 2005 from The Washington Post, where he covered the biotechnology industry. Barbaro graduated from Yale in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in history.

About WFAE

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