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WFAE's Joni Deutsch Named in Charlotte Agenda's 30 Under 30 Program

Charlotte, N.C., (Sept. 19, 2018) – WFAE's **Joni Deutsch** was selected for [Charlotte Agenda's 2018 Class of 30 Under 30](#). The program recognizes young people making an impact in Charlotte.

Deutsch was recognized for her work as host of "[Amplifier](#)," a podcast series that profiles the musicians, songwriters and artists who call the Queen City their musical home. She is also responsible for editing and producing WFAE's other podcasts: "[FAQ City](#)," "[SouthBound](#)" and "[She Says](#)."

Launched earlier this month, "Amplifier" celebrates the minds and music that help shape Charlotte. Episodes have highlighted notable musicians and singers such as Hope Nicholls, considered to be the matriarch of the Charlotte music scene and lead singer for the '80s band Fetchin' Bones; Chad Lawson, a classical pianist; and Jason Jet who has an alternative R&B sound that Grammy-winner Anthony Hamilton has called "the next best thing in Charlotte."

"Amplifier" is available at [WFAE.org/Amplifier](#) and the WFAE app, as well as through [Apple Podcasts](#), [NPR One](#), [Stitcher](#) and other sources for podcasts.

About Joni Deutsch

Joni Deutsch is an award-winning radio producer and host. Before joining WFAE in 2017, Deutsch was an assistant producer/guest host of NPR's live performance music program *Mountain Stage*. Deutsch was also the creator and host of *A Change of Tune*, a weekly indie/alternative music program and the award-winning 30 Days of #WVmusic podcast series for which she won a prestigious Gracie Award in 2018. Deutsch's work has been featured on NPR's *Morning Edition* & *Weekend Edition*, *Current*, Poynter, Nieman Lab, and more, as well as speaking engagements at major public media conferences across the nation. Deutsch is a graduate of West Virginia University and received her Masters of Arts in Strategic Communication from American University. She is currently participating in the Online News Association's 2018 Women's Leadership Accelerator Program.

About WFAE

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