Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month

Keystone Edition Arts: Hispanic Heritage Month

Tonight at 7pm on WVIA TV
Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated nationally from September 15 through October 15. It is a time to recognize the contributions from, and cultures of, Hispanic and Latin American countries. Keystone Edition Arts will introduce you to some of the Hispanic artists that now call northeastern and central Pennsylvania home, and learn how they share their heritage in a variety of art forms.

Get Your Holiday Wreath and Support WVIA!

LL Bean Holiday Wreaths are back this year, for your contribution of $150 to WVIA through October 30th! Canadian and Maine Balsam is adorned with real pinecones, faux crab apples, and holly berries, and finished with a bright red bow. Delivered anywhere in the US in time for the holidays. No matter where you celebrate the holidays this year, bring the magic of the season home with your support of WVIA.

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Mind Over Matter: Mental Health in the Age of COVID
Thursday, October 28 at 8pm on WVIA TV
On the next Mind Over Matter, join moderator Tracey Matisak and a panel of regional experts as they discuss stigma, senior isolation, telemedicine and how families are managing through the latest COVID surge. We’ll present personal stories from those who are coping with mental health challenges and provide information on where to get help.

VIA Short Takes: Everybody Knows Schpay

Hard Core rocker Steve “Schpay” Spirko has had a rock ‘n’ roll dream since the 1970s - and he’s not about to give up on it! Take a tour of Steve’s wild career and revel in his never say die attitude toward rocking your world!

A Call to CARE

The notion of “a second chance” is deeply ingrained within the American psyche. A Call to CARE is a one-hour original documentary film produced by WVIA that explores how that legacy is being applied in the 21st century through a unique endeavor by criminal justice professionals. The film explores the Court-Assisted Re-Entry Program, an effort to help paroled individuals with a moderate-to-high risk of recidivism avoid a devastating relapse into criminal behavior. It chronicles the program’s comprehensive rehabilitative process and celebrates its healing resonance in the community.
WVIA Fall Family Days at the Lackawanna County Coal Mine Tour and Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum!

Go down in history at WVIA's Fall Family Day at Lackawanna County Coal Mine Tour and Pennsylvania Anthracite Heritage Museum! WVIA Members are welcome to come with their families the first two weekends of November from 10am-2pm. Email links to reserve your tickets will be sent two weeks prior to the event.

Learn More

To update your email address with us please contact Member Services at (570) 602-1110 or email members@wvia.org to secure your tickets. We hope to see you there!

Announcing the Page Turners Fall 2021 Book: Call the Midwife by Jennifer Worth

We are excited to announce our next book selection, Call the Midwife by Jennifer Worth, which inspired the beloved PBS series. Call the Midwife tells colorful stories of midwifery and families in London’s East End. The heart-warming series follows the nurses, midwives, and nuns from Nonnatus House, who visit the expectant mothers of Poplar, providing the poorest women with the best possible care and working through unexpected challenges along the way.

Watch Call the Midwife Season 10 Sunday nights on WVIA TV and on-demand on PBS Passport.

Join the WVIA Page Turners and the Scranton Library for a virtual discussion of Call the
Midwife on Tuesday, November 16 at 7PM on Zoom.

One lucky participant will receive a $15 Library Express Gift card and a special prize from WVIA!

The Page Turners Book Club is free and all are welcome to participate. If you'd like to support us, your donation of $40 or more we will send a copy of the book as our thanks.

To RSVP or donate, email pageturners@wvia.org.

Have you heard of the WVIA Insider Society?

The WVIA Insider Society is a group of dedicated members that have donated $1,000 or more to support annual operations for WVIA or restricted gifts for specific projects. To learn more about the Insider Society program or how to become an Insider Society member, please contact Jen Kindler, Director of Major Gifts at 570-602-1128.

Where there’s a will, there’s a way.
Everyone can benefit from a gift anyone can make.

For over 50 years, WVIA has been able to thrive thanks to the strong support from individuals across our region. If you would like to ensure that WVIA is here for another 50 years and beyond, consider a legacy gift made with consideration for both your family’s financial needs as well as your personal charitable goals.

By including WVIA in your will, you are not only creating a personal legacy by supporting an organization you care deeply about, but also extending the gift of public media to future generations.

For more information or to request a FREE planned giving guide, please contact Jen Kindler, Director of Major Gifts at 570-602-GIVE or at jenkindler@wvia.org.
WVIA Radio Highlights

Homegrown Music: Merrie Amsterberg, Tuesday at 9pm
We go deep into the archive for this memorable live 1997 concert with singer-songwriter Merrie Amsterberg, who was joined on Peter Linton on guitar. Ms. Amsterbug is featured on a number of distinctive instruments.

Orlando - George Fredric Handel: Saturday at 1pm
Handel’s astonishing theatrical sensibility turned Ariosto’s epic Orlando Furioso into an operatic tour-de-force, exploring themes of heroism, love, and insanity through experimental musico-dramatic forms considered cutting-edge at its 1732 premiere.

The story: The warrior knight Orlando is madly in love with Angelica, Princess of Cathay. Angelica and the shepherdess Dorinda both love Prince Medoro. Deception and chaos reign. Can the sorcerer Zoroastro, benevolent guardian of Orlando, save the day?

Plunging us into a medieval world of chivalry and sorcery, Bejun Mehta leads this production with his iconic and visceral interpretation of this conflicted anti-hero. Sounding more exciting than ever, Mehta’s deep understanding of the character electrifies this production as Orlando’s battle plays out in his own psyche.

Emily Fons returns to the company following her lauded performance in the title role of Haymarket’s 2018 production of Cesti’s L’Orontea. Kimberly Jones, David Govertsen, and Erica Schuller round out the cast.

Haymarket Opera Company inspires a culturally vibrant community and diversifies the artistic landscape of Chicago and the Midwest through the presentation of historically informed opera and oratorio from the Age of Enlightenment.

Haymarket Opera Company takes its name from both Chicago’s Haymarket Affair of 1886 which gave focus to the world-wide labor movement, and from the King’s Theatre in the Haymarket District of London where Handel produced his Italian operas.

For 9 seasons HOC has been enriching the musical community of Chicago and the Midwest with performances of 17th- and 18th-century operas and oratorios using period instruments and historically informed staging conventions. HOC debuted with Handel’s Acì, Galatea e Polifemo in 2011, and has since given 17 operatic productions and numerous concert performances. The company has received glowing reviews in the Chicago Tribune, Italy’s L’Opera, Opera News, and Early Music America. The New York Times praised HOC’s “finely played, carefully sung, lovingly detailed period performance.”

Pittsburgh Symphony: Great No. 2’s, Sunday at 2pm
Two great 2nds are featured this week. The sumptuous, expansive Symphony No. 2 of Rachmaninoff and Chopin’s poetic Piano Concerto No. 2 featuring soloist Yulianna Avdeeva. Christoph Konig, conducts

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