

DEIAB DIGEST

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility and Belonging

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During Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, communities celebrate the achievements and contributions of Asian and Pacific Americans with community festivals, government-sponsored activities and educational activities for students.

Check out the Asian American PBS LearningMedia Collection [here](#)

DEIAB SPOTLIGHT: Alette Jordan



Position: Executive Director
How long have you worked at The Little: 8 ½ months

Describe your job in 5 words:

Exciting, Adventurous, Stimulating, Brow-Raising
Favorite cookie: Shortbread or Lemon

Favorite restaurant: Velvet Belly

One thing you are reading or watching: [The Dreamblood Duology](#) by N.K. Jemisin

Making A Difference One Reel at a Time

Have you seen: Midday Classical Host Dr. Steve Johnson Tiktoks and social media reels sharing amazing, and often unknown, information about Classical music, especially highlighting Black and brown musicians? Follow the WXXI Classical [Facebook](#) or Steve's [Instagram](#) or [TikTok](#)

TikTok follower Henry says:



(Also, congratulations to Dr. Steve who was honored with the [Alfred Mann Dissertation Award for 2024](#). The annual award goes to a distinguished dissertation in music theory or musicology!)

Building a Race Equity Culture

The term anti-racist has emerged in recent years to advance and replace previously well-meaning words like tolerance and acceptance. Being anti-racist is an active way to evolve, grow, and move toward racial equity.

The [National Museum of African American History & Culture](#) says that for white people, this involves acknowledging their privilege, working to change internalized racism, and addressing racism when they see it. For people of color, it means recognizing how race and racism have been internalized, and whether it has been applied to others.

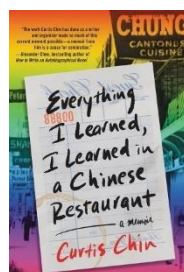
Read: [Being Antiracist](#)

Watch: [The Danger of a Single Story](#)

DEI BOOK CLUB May Selection

Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant by Curtis Chin

A vivid, moving, funny, and heartfelt memoir tells the story of Curtis Chin's time growing up as a gay Chinese American kid in 1980's Detroit. Read more about his memoir [here](#)



Author Curtis Chin joins us virtually to moderate the discussion on Friday, May 24 at 12:00 pm.

Find it at the [library](#)

DEI Learning Journal Prompt Questions for Self-Reflection:

What is your workplace doing to build a race equity culture?

How can learning about policies, racial groups, and outcomes help support anti-racism efforts?





RADIO

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS ON 91.5

WXXI Classical Daily Hosts

Brenda Tremblay 6:00 – 10:00 am
Steve Johnson 12:00 – 4:00 pm
Mona Seghatoleslami 4:00 – 7:00 pm

WRUR Daily Hosts

9-12 Opening Tunings with Scott Regan
2-4 The Afternoon with Yarms
Full schedule [here](#)

Besure to check our the WXXI Classical website for the Classical radio schedule, to listen live and read Classical music news from all over <https://www.wxxiclassical.org/>

A Passion for Bach and Coltrane with the Imani Winds

Mon 5/13, 8:00-10:00pm.
Passion for Bach and Coltrane includes spoken word by AB Spellman and is performed by the Imani Winds, along with the Harlem Jazz Quartet and jazz soloists.

Folk Classics Across the Globe

Thu 5/16, 3:00-4:00pm.
Never-before recorded folk tunes from three contrasting countries and cultures: Iran, Venezuela and Ukraine/Russia

CD Spotlights

[The Mystery Sonatas, Alan Choo, violin & Apollo's Fire](#)

2024 Rochester Music Fame Induction Ceremony

May 5 at 7:00 pm Kodak Hall
Celebrating Rochester's rich musical culture and history and the people who have made our region a mecca for musical excellence. [Info](#)

[Classical Bog and Arts Features Introducing ENCORE: A Chorus for People Living with Dementia and their Caregivers](#)

[Documentary about providing musical instruments to students in LAUSD wins Oscar](#)

[8 Tracks: Music for movies of the mind](#)

[Baritone Will Liverman celebrates women in new album 'Show Me The Way'](#)

[Rediscovering the rigor of composers Julia Perry and Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson](#)

[A story of Jewish Shanghai, told through music](#)

[Nailah Hunter forges her own dark fantasy on 'Lovegaze'](#)

[Amanda Gorman's poetry and Bach's music offer joint message of hope](#)



Move to Include is a national initiative that uses the power of public media to promote inclusion. Project Manager Sarah Abbamonte <https://movetoinclude.us/>

Visit Rochester IDEA Engagement Series

Introduction to American Sign Language and Deaf Culture
Thursday, May 2 12:00 pm
Register [here](#)

Ted Talk: [Aimee Mullins - My 12 pairs of legs](#) Athlete, actor and activist Aimee Mullins talks about her prosthetic legs and the superpowers they grant her.

MOVE TO INCLUDE ON TELEVISION

Indie Lens Pop-Up: The Tuba Thieves
Monday, May 20 10:00 pm
Against the backdrop of a string of California high school tuba thefts, hard of hearing filmmaker Alison O'Daniel generates new sensitivity to sound and meaning in an unconventional documentary experience. [Info](#)

Virtual Community Event with POV

"Between the Lines: A Poetry Reading and Performance for unseen"
Thursday, May 23 7:00 pm
Registration [here](#)

PBS KIDS is advancing its mission to serve all kids and families by integrating American Sign Language (ASL) interpretations into multiple series <https://pbskids.org/videos/american-sign-language-full-episodes>

INCLUSION DESK

[These identical twins both grew up with autism, but took very different paths](#)

[Deaf Day of Play at Strong Museum fostered community engagement](#)

[Lilac Festival adding new sensory regulating space to be more inclusive](#)

[RIT festival showcases student innovations in technology and inclusivity](#)

[Caregivers need time for themselves. A New York state voucher program aims to help](#)

**WXXI Main**

<https://www.wxxi.org/tv>

WXXI World

<https://www.wxxi.org/world>

WXXI Create

<https://www.wxxi.org/create>

WXXI Kids 24/7

<https://www.wxxi.org/kids247>

WXXI Passport

<https://www.wxxi.org/kids247>

America Reframed: Chinatown Rising

Thursday, May 2 7:00 PM

Against the backdrop of the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, a young San Francisco film student and Chinatown resident turned his lens onto his community. [More Info](#)

Photographic Justice: The Corky Lee Story

Monday, May 13th at 10:30pm

Photographer Corky Lee's quest to document Asian American history, culture, and activism. [More Info](#)

Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World

Thursday, May 16th at 4pm & 5pm,

Thursday, May 23rd at 4pm & 5pm.

Chuck D from Public Enemy explores Hip Hop's political awakening over the last 50 years. [More Info](#)

American Experience "The Riot Report"

Tuesday, May 21st at 9pm

When US inner cities erupted in violence in 1967, LBJ created a commission to investigate.

[More Info](#)

Great Performances "Purlie Victorious"

Friday, May 24th at 9pm

The comedic play tells the story of a Black preacher's scheme to reclaim his inheritance and win back his church from a plantation owner.

[More Info](#)

Watch: [A Conversation with NAACP Image Award Recipient, Nikki Giovanni](#)



Click to see [Now showing](#)

Click to see [Music in the café](#)

Challengers

Tennis, a love triangle, and Zendaya.

Challengers is the latest from director Luca Guadagnino. [Info](#)

We Grown Now

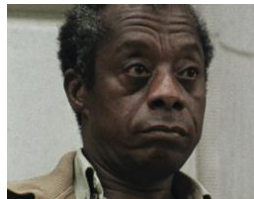
In 1992 Chicago, as Michael Jordan solidifies himself as a champion, a story of two young legends in their own right begins. [Info](#)

**Butterfly in the Sky**

May 3-9

Inspiring and nostalgic, Butterfly in the Sky takes

audiences behind the scenes of the beloved PBS children's series Reading Rainbow, and tells the story of its iconic host LeVar Burton. [Info](#)

**James Baldwin Centennial Series**

I Heard it Through the Grapevine

May 19 4:00 pm

James Baldwin retraces his time in the South during the Civil Rights Movement, reflecting with his trademark brilliance and insight on the passage of more than two decades. [Info](#)

**50 Year of Hip Hop Series The Forty-Year Old Version**

May 22 7:00 pm

Radha is a down-on-her-luck NY playwright, who is desperate for a breakthrough before 40. Reinventing herself as rapper RadhaMUSPrime, she vacillates between the worlds of Hip Hop and theater in order to find her true voice. [Info](#)

One Take Series**An Evening with Rashaad Parker**

Thursday, May 23 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 25 3:00 pm

Watch 4 of Rashaad's short films with Q&A

BLACK LIVES MATTER, A Sanctuary for Daniel Prude
ROC CITY SPEAKS Episode 1
ROC CITY SPEAKS Episode 2
ROC CITY SPEAKS Episode 3

High Falls Women in Film Bye Bye Tiberias

Wednesday, May 29 7:30pm

Years after leaving her Palestinian village to pursue an acting career in France, Hiam Abbass returns home with her daughter, in this intimate documentary about four generations of women and their shared legacy of separation. [Info](#)



NEWS

WXXI News

<https://www.wxxinews.org/>

Executive Editor Denise Young
News Director Randy Gorbman

CITY MAGAZINE

<https://www.roccitymag.com/>

Editor Leah Stacy

[CITY: A timely pruning](#)

Stories You May Have Missed

[UR Medicine and Rochester Regional collaborate on event to improve the Black birthing experience](#)

[Rochester celebrates launch of Roc Murals project with art in underserved neighborhoods](#)

[A proposed Underground Railroad corridor highlighting Harriet Tubman's fight for freedom](#)

[Connections: How business owners and the public can support and grow minority and women-owned businesses](#)

[Connections: Discussing efforts in the literary world to bring authors from all backgrounds into the foreground](#)

[CITY: Garth Fagan Dance to open studio doors for First Friday](#)

[CITY: Calling all local photographers](#)

[CITY: American Puffalo](#)

[CITY: Not just desserts](#)

Don't Miss:

WXXI New Reporter Racquel Stephen's Tiny Mic series on Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/p/COmJWZZOtVu/>

COMMUNITY

Find many more events in the [CITY Events Calendar](#)

Asian Pacific American Association Link Gallery Exhibit commemorating National Asian Pacific American Heritage Month May 1-31
City Hall [Link Gallery](#)

Irondequoit Historical Society Holocaust Remembrance
Thursday, May 2 7a-8:30p
Irondequoit Public Library [Info](#)

How Do I Say This Exhibit
Opening May 3
Lumiere Photo [Info](#)

National Black Authors Day
Saturday, May 4 11a-2p
Avenue Black Box Theatre [Info](#)

Holocaust Remembrance Concert
Sunday, May 5 7:30-9p
Kilbourn Hall [Info](#)

Senator Brouk's Community Baby Shower
Sunday, May 5 1-4p
Thomas P. Ryan Community Center
[Info](#)

Let's Be Clear Documentary Screening
Monday, May 6 5:30-7:30p
Theater at Innovation Square [Info](#)

Latinx Voices in Rochester: Exploring Education and Empowerment with Let Our Children Soar!
May 11 1:00-2:30
Central Library
A reading and discussion series featuring *Let Our Children Soar!*, [Info](#)

Ikebana Flower Arranging
Tuesday, May 14 6-7:30 pm
Irondequoit Public Library [Info](#)

Action for a Better Community: Community Action Month Celebration
Saturday, May 18 10a-4p
MLK, Jr. Park
Enjoy vendors, free food, music, entertainment and learn about ABC's Greenlining work [Info](#)

Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration Day
Memorial Art Gallery
Sunday, May 19 12:00-5:00p [Info](#)

The Color Purple
Tuesday, May 21 5:00p
Winton Branch Library
[Info](#)

Rochester's Latinx Community: Contributions and Potential
Saturday, May 25 1-2:30p
Central Library, Kusler-Cox Auditorium
[Info](#)

This is My Grandmother
Documentary Screening
Wednesday, May 29 6:30-8p
Henrietta Public Library [Info](#)

Gallery Obscura: 2023-24 Flower City Arts Center's Studio 678 Photo Club
Eastman Museum
Through May 26
Creative works by students who are a part of the Flower City Arts Center's Studio 678 Photo Club. More info [here](#)