

DEIB DIGEST

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NEW YEAR NEW NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year! Welcome to the new DEIB Newsletter for WXXI, The Little and CITY. This new iteration will feature more opportunities for DEIB learning. Because changing any culture starts with the people. If you come across a video, article or other media that you think should be shared in this space, please send it along. misler@wxxi.org

DEI Reading for Work:

[The Leader's Guide to Unconscious Bias: How To Reframe Bias, Cultivate Connection, and Create High-Performing](#)

[How to Be an Inclusive Leader, Second Edition: Your Role in Creating Cultures of Belonging Where Everyone Can Thrive](#)

DEIB Learning - Adverse Childhood Experiences

Explore adverse childhood experiences, or ACEs. ACEs are traumatic events that occur in childhood (ages 0-17) that impact a person's brain development and can have a lasting effect on their mental, physical, and emotional wellbeing into adulthood.

Read about the statistics behind [Adverse Childhood Experiences](#)

Read and participate in [Take the ACE Quiz - And Learn](#)

WXXI Education in the Community

Join us for a Hee-hawesome-Adventure with PBS KIDS Donkey Hodie! The Donkey Hodie: Hee Awesome Adventure! Pop-Up Experience is coming to the Central Library. This children's museum-style exhibit has six hands-on activity stations and offers opportunities for kids to move, solve puzzles, and be crafty. The exhibit is geared towards families with toddlers through early elementary-age.

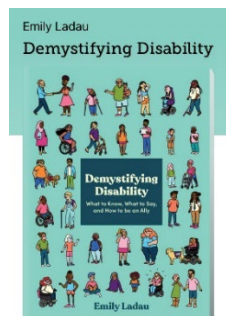


[Info](#) Free and open to the public!

DEI BOOK CLUB January Selection

Demystifying Disability: What to Know, What to Say, and How to Be an Ally by Emily Ladau
[Find it at the library](#)

Discussion moderated by Sarah Abbamonte on Thursday, February 1 at 11:00 am in the WXXI Board Room or on Zoom (email me for the invite!)



Premiering Jan. 4: Work It Out Wombats! Podcast

The *Work It Out Wombats! Podcast* will feature eight fun-filled episodes **rolling out every Thursday beginning January 4**. All episodes will be available for free on pbskids.org, the [PBS KIDS Video app](#), the [PBS KIDS YouTube](#) channel, the [Work It Out Wombats! YouTube](#) channel, and across all major podcast platforms, including [Apple](#) and [Spotify](#).





RADIO

WXXI Classical Daily Hosts

Brenda Tremblay 6:00 – 10:00 am

Steve Johnson 12:00 – 3:00 pm

Mona Seghatoleslami 4:00 – 7:00 pm

Dialogue on Disability Week

Jan 22-28, 2024 Classical 91.5 celebrates and shares the stories of the abilities of musicians with disabilities on our [web page](#)

Throughout the month we'll be presenting performances by musicians with disabilities on air, adding content to the website, as well as producing brief on-air vignettes to highlight musicians with differing abilities.

Check out: [The genre-busting world of keyboardist Robert Glasper](#)

[The 10 Best Classical Albums of 2023](#)

Gateways Radio

Tuesdays @ 8pm beginning 1/16-4/9. Gateways Radio, hosted by bassoonist Loki Karuna (formerly Garrett McQueen), features exceptional compositions and exquisite performances, celebrating the Gateways Music Festival's mission of connecting and supporting classical musicians of African descent and serving as a source of inspiration, enlightenment, and engagement for communities—especially communities underrepresented in classical music.



Move to Include is a national initiative that uses the power of public media to promote inclusion. It spotlights people of differing abilities and disability issues – including education, healthcare, housing, recreation, employment and local efforts to support inclusion – through television, radio, news, special events, and social media. The initiative works to inspire and motivate people to embrace different abilities and include all people in all aspects of community life.

Project Manager Sarah Abbamonte
<https://movetoinclude.us/>

Dialogue on Disability Week
January 22 – 28

Look for DOD content all week on classical radio, news, television, Connections, and online.

Move to Include and the AI Sigl Community of Agencies will be partnering with One Take on their January screening of a new documentary, "[All You Hear is Noise](#)", which follows 3 Special Olympics athletes.

First screening with talk back is Thursday, January 11, at 7:15pm at The Little. Encore screening (without talkback) is Saturday, January 13, at 3pm.



DOD ON TV

WXXI-TV

- Inside Our Autistic Minds, 22 January, 9 pm
- Path Forward: Remembering Willowbrook, 23 January, 10:30 pm
- Wonders of the World that I Can't See, 24 January, 10:00 pm
- USA Wheelchair Football Championship Game, 25 January, 9:00 pm
- POV: Fire Through Dry Grass, 27 January, 9:00 pm

DOD ON AIR

Connections with Evan Dawson: Emyle Watkins, lead investigative reporter for WBFO's Disabilities Desk, on the importance of inclusive media representation of people with disabilities (Date TBD)

**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>

Don't Miss

The Cost of Inheritance: An America Reframed Special on Monday, January 8th at 10pm. Exploring reparations to illuminate the scope and rationale of this complex debate.

<https://video.wxxi.org/video/america-reframed-the-cost-of-inheritance-trailer/>

NYS Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 2024 on Monday, January 15th at 9pm. In this tribute to the life and legacy of Dr. King, New York State will celebrate the people and organizations in our great state who embody the principles of America's greatest leader for social justice, freedom, and equality for all.

Independent Lens "Racist Trees" on Monday, January 22nd at 10pm. Were trees intentionally planted to exclude and segregate a Black neighborhood?

<https://video.wxxi.org/video/trailer-racist-trees-cga1ky/>

Independent Lens "Razing Liberty Square" on Monday, January 29th at 10pm. Miami's Liberty City public housing projects become ground zero for climate gentrification.

<https://video.wxxi.org/video/trailer-razing-liberty-square-mukty2/>



Click to see [Now showing](#)

Click to see [Music in the café](#)

Coming Soon:

The Color Purple (December 25)

A bold new take on Alice Walker's beloved novel. This musical follows the extraordinary sisterhood of three women who share one unbreakable bond.

<https://thelittle.org/the-color-purple/>

American Fiction

"American Fiction" is Cord Jefferson's hilarious directorial debut, which confronts our culture's obsession with reducing people to outrageous stereotypes.

<https://thelittle.org/american-fiction/>

Black Cinema Series discussion
December 29 at 7:00 pm

Martin Luther King Jr Celebrations

Martin Luther King, Jr., strategic theme for 2024 is 'Shifting the Cultural Climate through the Study and Practice of King in Nonviolence'.

Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission—By Eastman School of Music, Monday January 15, 2024 9 a.m.—10:30 a.m. [Info](#)

Roberts Wesleyan College—Martin Luther King Jr. Discovery Day—January 15, 9:45—1:30 p.m. to honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., and see how education for character lives on at Roberts. [Info](#)

Blackstorytelling League of Rochester—Join members of the Blackstorytelling League of Rochester as they share stories of history, heritage, and culture. Brighton Memorial Library at 11 a.m. [Info](#)

MLK Park

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park (formally Manhattan Square Park) is a popular gathering place. The year-round park has been the busy home to a wide range of visitors from families from throughout the region to downtown workers on their lunch breaks.—Rink is now open through March 10, 2024—Special events—Skate to Commemorate January 15, 2024. Bring a can good and receive free admission. [Info](#)

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY—The RMSC celebrates the life and Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. Museum & Science Center Monday, January 16, 2023—11am–3pm [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

Stories You May Have Missed

[Local Spanish radio station Poder to increase power as it seeks to serve more people](#)

[Donation will help St. John Fisher train nurses to care for people with developmental disabilities](#)

[Census Bureau wants to change how it asks about disabilities. Some advocates don't like it](#)

[Disability service providers asking Hochul for more money in new budget](#)

[Hochul signs bill to create reparations commission](#)

[New resource helps teachers map lessons on area's racist history](#)

Don't Miss:

WXXI New Reporter Racquel Stephen's Tiny Mic series on Instagram
<https://www.instagram.com/p/C0mJWZZOtVu/>

COMMUNITY

Kwanzaa Coalition Celebration
 Tuesday, December 26 4-7 pm
 City Hall Atrium
 To honor and witness the seven principles of Kwanzaa in action; unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith. [Info](#)

Kwanzaa Celebration
 Thursday, December 28 5-8 pm
 Memorial Art Gallery
 Immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of our Kwanzaa Celebration! [Info](#)

Anansi Tales for the Holidays
 December 27-29 7:30-8:30. December 30 3-4 pm
 MuCCC
 Anansi Tales for the Holidays is a mixture of African, Caribbean, and African-American folklore presented in interactive theatre, storytelling, and puppetry. [Info](#)

Winter Break: Steam Through the Ages
 December 26-30 11 am – 3 pm
 RMSC
 Celebrate winter break at the RMSC! Join us for a week-long lineup of hands-on STEAM fun and experiences to bring your students winter fun while staying warm. Come enjoy the break by discovering the science of the season with hands-on themed science programs, shows, and activities. [Info](#)

Day off ZooCamp – MLK Day 2024
 January 15 9 am – 4 pm
 Seneca Park Zoo
 School is out, so come to the Zoo instead! We'll spend the day exploring what animals do in the wintertime and learning which ones prefer the cold! [Info](#)

Last chance: Gillian Laub: Southern Rites
 Through December 31
 Eastman Museum
 American photographer Gillian Laub (b. New York, 1975) has spent the last two decades investigating political conflicts, exploring family relationships, and challenging assumptions about cultural identity. [Info](#)

Break Week: Pete the Cat
 Crafts and Games
 December 26-January 1
 Strong Museum of Play
 Meet Pete the Cat. Enjoy a special Pete the Cat story time. Play Pete the Cat games with your friends and family. Create your own sparkling four groovy button bracelet then wear it to the Pete the Cat dance party! [Info](#)

RPO: Let's Groove Tonight:
 Motown and the Philly Sound
 Friday, January 5 8-10 pm
 Kodak Hall
 Prepare to get on your feet as the pop, soul, and R&B sounds of Motown and Philly Soul face off in this exciting concert experience. [Info](#)

