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Premiere of **Illinois Soul**
marks the dawn of a new era

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RADIO

90.9 FM: A mix of classical music and NPR information programs, including local news. (Also with live streaming on will.illinois.edu.)
See pages 4-6.

101.1 FM and 90.9 FM HD2: Illinois Soul is a mix of Black-hosted NPR and local news programs, smooth jazz, neo soul, R&B, and throwback jams. 101.1 is available in the Champaign-Urbana area.
See page 1 & 8.

580 AM: News and information, NPR, BBC, agriculture, talk shows. (Also heard on 90.9 FM HD3 with live streaming on will.illinois.edu.) *See page 7.*

TELEVISION

WILL-HD

All your favorite PBS and local programming, in high definition when available. 12.1: Contact your cable or satellite provider for channel information. *See pages 9-16.*

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Around the clock, award-winning children's programming. 12.2: also available on Comcast and Mediacom.

WILL Create


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PBS documentaries, news, and public affairs. 12.3: also available on Comcast and Mediacom.

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During our 102-year history, WILL has been proud to serve the University of Illinois' land-grant mission to enhance the lives of the people of Illinois and beyond, through the power of public media. Illinois Public Media has grown and thrived because we adapt to meet the most pressing needs facing our region.

Inspired by UIUC Chancellor Robert Jones' call for action in addressing the grand challenges of equity, access, and social justice, and in close partnership with our community partners throughout the region, we are proud to launch our newest initiative, Illinois Soul. (See page 1 and page 8.)

Illinois Soul is our new service highlighting Black experiences, celebrating Black culture, and enriching lives through the best in jazz, gospel, and R&B music. The station also features community affairs programs that highlight issues most important to our community, such as educational opportunities, workforce training, public health, and social justice.

In recent years, Black-owned media companies have disappeared from central Illinois, leaving these communities underserved. Illinois Public Media is uniquely positioned to fill that gap by providing a platform that elevates Black voices and features influential music born out of the Black experience in America. This format of audio service, combining NPR programs with jazz, R&B, and gospel, will be the first of its kind in the nation. (NPR news on WILL-AM 580 and classical music on WILL-FM 90.9, won't be affected by this change.)

All of us at IPM are grateful for the input and support from our Community Advisors and the hundreds of community members who have helped shape and guide this new service. I hope you will tune in to the new Illinois Soul on WILL-FM 101.1 and streaming everywhere at illinoissoul.org.

Moss Bresnahan, Executive Director
Twitter: @MossILMedia

ILLINOIS Soul 101.7 FM

AMPLIFYING BLACK VOICES

COVER STORY

New station features news, cultural programs that reflect the Black experience

Illinois Soul hits the airwaves on Feb. 1. Illinois Public Media's new radio station highlights Black experiences, celebrates Black culture, elevates Black voices, and showcases Black music. Later this year, Illinois Soul will also feature a new weekly news magazine with interviews, in-depth stories about Black communities in central Illinois, as well as discussions about improving mental wellness.

The service will broadcast on WILL-FM 101.1 and stream live at illinoisoul.org.

"Public media is uniquely positioned to meet the needs of its community in ways that commercial media might not, and this new service will connect listeners to the issues that matter most to those across our region," said Moss Bresnahan, executive director for Illinois Public Media.

Illinois Soul will be a 24/7 public media audio service featuring exceptional, Black-hosted NPR news programs — such as **Code Switch** and **It's Been a Minute** — alongside other popular programs from Will Downing and Robert Glasper, mixed with smooth jazz, neo soul, R&B, and throwback jams.

"On a national level, Illinois Soul will be the groundbreaking format for attracting Black adult audiences to public media," said Jill Clements, assistant corporate support director at Illinois Public Media and the driving force behind Illinois Soul. "We're also proud to be a part of the local community engagement efforts to better connect the University of Illinois and Black communities."

"I'm very excited to help develop new programs — including a weekly community



The Illinois Soul team: Shannon McFarland, Jill Clements, Reginald Hardwick, Kellie Blanden, and Kimberly Schofield

affairs show — that bring Black communities together to discuss issues and, more importantly, discuss solutions and ways to empower the community," said Reginald Hardwick, director of news and public affairs at Illinois Public Media.

Illinois Public Media's work in creating Illinois Soul is rooted in the idea of intentionally changing the media landscape with the support and guidance from respected Black community leaders and Black University of Illinois professionals who are advocating for the mission of the station and for its listeners.

"Black voices and perspectives are more important today than ever," said Tracy Parsons, community advisory member for Illinois Soul and community coalition facilitator. "The station and social media platform will be critical life supports to tell the Black communities' story and will build, empower, and inform communities of Black values and contributions."



The musical history of Black spirituality

The latest history series from Henry Louis Gates Jr. digs deep into the origin story of Black spirituality through sermon and song. **GOSPEL** explores how from blues to hip-hop, African Americans have been the driving force of musical innovation for over a century. Gospel music has also been a constant source of strength, courage, and wisdom from the pulpit to the choir lofts on any given Sunday. The four-hour series airs over two nights: 8 pm Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 12 and 13. The full series also airs at 8 pm Friday, Feb. 16.



Gates with Dionne Warwick



Bass guitarist Joshua Easley Jr.

There also will be a live screening and discussion at the Virginia Theatre at 7 pm Feb. 16 (see page 18) and at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield on a date to be announced.

In addition, don't miss the companion film, **GOSPEL Live!** presented by Gates. The concert celebration honors the legacy of gospel music in America, featuring secular and gospel artists singing their favorite gospel classics. **GOSPEL Live!** airs at 8 pm Friday, Feb. 9.

The story of a legendary freedom fighter

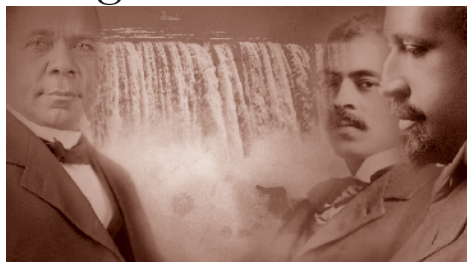


Alabama Public Television

Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth was raised in the crucible of segregated Birmingham but he was forged by an attempt on his life. When the Ku Klux Klan planted a bomb underneath his bed and he emerged unharmed, he was sure he was saved by God to lead a movement. His work not only ended legal segregation but led directly to the Civil Rights and Voting acts and inspired freedom movements around the world. **Shuttlesworth** tells the incredible story of this largely unknown freedom fighter at 10 pm Friday, Feb. 2.

A battle among Black civil rights leaders

The Black elite and intellectual society at the turn of the 20th century is explored in **The Niagara Movement: The Early Battle for Civil Rights**. The two-hour film examines the heated debate and conflict between W.E.B DuBois and William Monroe Trotter with Booker T. Washington on how to best uplift the race and secure equality for their community. **The Niagara Movement** airs at 10 pm Tuesday, Feb. 20.



Recognizing excellence 60 years later

Amid segregation, the all-Black Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State College men's basketball team (now known as Tennessee State University) won the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics tournament in 1957, 1958, and 1959. They became the first college team on any level to win three consecutive national titles. The team was led by legendary coach John McLendon and future NBA players Dick Barnett and John Barnhill. **The Dream Whisperer**, airing at 10 pm Tuesday, Feb. 6, details Barnett's long, frustrating, but successful journey to ensure his team's immortality. His tenacity, dedication, and struggle finally paid off in 2019 when the teams were inducted in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

Photo courtesy Dick Barnett



The team photo of the 1958 championship squad with Dick Barnett (No. 35).

Black female artists challenged an industry

American Masters presents **How it Feels to be Free**, a documentary that tells the inspiring story of six iconic African American female entertainers. Lena Horne, Abbey Lincoln, Nina Simone, Diahann Carroll, Cicely Tyson (at right), and Pam Grier challenged an entertainment industry deeply complicit in perpetuating racist stereotypes and transformed themselves and their audiences in the process. The two-hour encore presentation features interviews and archival performances with all six women, as well as original conversations with contemporary artists influenced by them, including Alicia Keys, an executive producer on the project, Halle Berry, Lena Waithe, Meagan Good, LaTanya Richardson Jackson, Samuel L. Jackson, and other luminaries, as well as family members, including Horne's daughter Gail Lumet Buckley. **How it Feels to be Free** airs on **American Masters** at 8 pm Tuesday, Feb. 6.



Met presents operatic story of Malcolm X

Anthony Davis' groundbreaking and influential opera, which premiered in 1986, arrives at the Metropolitan Opera at long last. **Great Performances at the Met** presents **X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X** at 2 pm Sunday, Feb. 18. Director Robert O'Hara oversees a potent new staging that imagines Malcolm as an Everyman whose story transcends time and space. The opera presents 12 vignettes from the life of Malcolm X, from youth to his death. An exceptional cast of breakout artists and young Met stars enliven the operatic retelling of the civil rights leader's life. Kazem Abdullah conducts the newly revised score, which provides a layered, jazz-inflected setting for the esteemed writer Thulani Davis's libretto.



WEEKDAYS

6 am

NPR Morning Edition with Leila Fadel, Steve Inskeep, A Martínez, and Michel Martin

9 am

Classic Mornings with Vic Di Geronimo

Join Vic for music and companionship and make each morning a classic morning!

Noon

Afternoon Classics

NPR News Headlines at 12:01, 1:01, and 3:01.

5 pm

NPR All Things Considered with Ailsa Chang, Mary Louise Kelly, Ari Shapiro, and Juana Summers

6 pm

The 21st Show with Brian Mackey

7 pm Monday-Thursday

The Evening Concert

Great performances from the great concert venues. Monday-Thursday at 7 pm. Also 6–9 pm Sundays. Listings may change.

Monday:**The New York Philharmonic This Week**

2/5 **Alan Gilbert and Frank Huang Perform Ein Heldenleben**

Esa-Pekka Salonen: L.A. Variations
Richard Strauss: Ein Heldenleben

2/12 **The March to Liberation**

Courtney Bryan and Tazewell Thompson:
Gathering Song
William Grant Still: Symphony No. 2
Adolphus Hailstork: Done Made My Vow,
A Ceremony

2/19 **Der Wein and Mahler's Third Symphony**

Alban Berg: Der Wein
Mahler: Symphony No. 3

2/26 **Alan Gilbert Conducts Mozart's Final Symphonies**

Mozart: Symphony No. 39 in F-flat Major
Mozart: Symphony No. 40 in G Minor
Mozart: Symphony No. 41 in C Major, Jupiter

Tuesday:**Chicago Symphony Orchestra**

2/6 **Hannu Lintu & Ray Chen**

Magnus Lindberg: Serenades
Édouard Lalo: Symphonie espagnole for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 21
Brahms: Symphony No. 4 in E Minor, Op. 98

2/13 **Tilson Thomas & Denk**

Mahler: Blumine
Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 3 in C Minor
Johannes Brahms/Arnold Schoenberg:
Piano Quartet No. 1 in G Minor, Op. 25

2/20 **A Chicago Symphony Chorus Spotlight**

Bruckner: Psalm 150
Bartók: Cantata profana
Brahms: A German Requiem

2/27 **Harding Conducts The Planets**

Schumann: Overture to Manfred, Op. 115
Brahms: Schicksalslied, Op. 54
Holst: The Planets, Op. 32

Wednesday:**This Week from China's National Centre for the Performing Arts** (WFMT Orchestra Series)

2/7 **Celebrating the Chinese New Year**

Li Huanzhi: Spring Festival Overture
Ravel: Bolero
Ma Sicong: Symphony No. 2
Wu Zuqiang, Liu Dehai, Wang Yanqiao:
Pipa Concerto, Little Sisters of the Grassland
Brahms: Symphony No. 3

2/14 **Zhao & Mahler in Beijing**

Huang Yijun, arr. Peng Xiuwen:
Fair Flowers Under Full Moon
Zhao Jiping: Violin Concerto in E Major, Op. 1
Mahler: Symphony No. 6

2/21 **Bruckner's Seventh & Guo's Riyue Mountain**

Guo Wenjing: Riyue Mountain, a Passacaglia for Orchestra
Bruckner: Symphony No. 7

2/28 **Berlioz, Debussy, and Saint-Saëns**

Berlioz: Roméo et Juliette: Scène d'amour
Chen Qigang: Reflet d'un temps disparu
Debussy: La mer
Saint-Saëns: Piano Concerto No. 2 in G Minor

Thursday:**The Sound of 13** with Loki Karuna (formerly Garrett McQueen)

2/1 **The Diaspora.**

As a Black man from England, composer Samuel Coleridge Taylor felt that he had to be engaged in the end-slavery movement.

2/8

Black Codes.

Learn about Black Codes with a side of music inspired by Mississippi and South Carolina.

2/15

Black History Month Special: Take Me To The Water.

Harpist Ashley Jackson's immersive audio experience touches on themes from African mythology, the antebellum spiritual tradition, and water's transportive, transmogrifying nature.

2/22 **Father of the Spiritual.**

The challenges of the Reconstruction era weren't enough to hold back Henry Thacker Burleigh.

2/29

Black History Month Special: Take Me To The Water

See 2/15 above.

8 pm Thursday

The Middle with Jeremy Hobson

This nonpartisan, live, call-in talk show focuses on elevating the voices of the people in the middle of the country.

7 pm Friday

Prairie Performances

Concerts from central Illinois are featured. This month's performances will be announced.

9 pm Friday

Atomic Age Cocktail Party

with Jason Croft

2/2 **Crooners.** (encore) An hour of some of our favorite hi-fi crooners.

2/9 **In Love with Love.** In honor of Valentine's Day, songs feature "love" in their titles.

2/16 **Count 'Em Up.** (encore) Atomic age standards about numbers.

2/23 **Space Age Bachelor Pad Music.** Wild and cool stereophonic fun!

10 pm

Night Music

Andrea Blain, Scott Blankenship, and Steve Seel keep you company through the night and into the morning.



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SATURDAYS

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition

with Scott Simon

9 am

Classics By Request

Send requests to Vincent Trauth at classreq@illinois.edu or leave a message at 217-265-5064.

11 am

Classics of the Phonograph

John Frayne's weekly exploration of memorable recordings from the 20th century.

2/3 Famous Black Conductors.

2/10 Pianists Playing Chamber Music; Artur Schnabel and Others.

2/17 Wilhelm Furtwaengler and Herbert von Karajan, Clash of Egos.

2/24 Leonard Bernstein, Pianist, and On the Big Screen.

Noon

Afternoon at the Opera

Saturday matinee broadcasts of the Metropolitan Opera from WNET.

2/3 **X: The Life and Times of Malcolm X** (Anthony Davis). Kazem Adullah, cond., with Will Liverman (Malcolm), Victor Ryan Robertson (Elijah/Street), Leah Hawkins (Louise/Betty), and the Metopera Ensemble. (Nov. 18, 2023, performance)2/10 **Valentines from the Met: Great Love Duets** (archival broadcast)2/17 **Un Ballo in Maschera** (Verdi). Carlo Rizzi, cond., with Charles Castronovo (Gustav III), Elena Stikhena (Amelia), Quinn Kelsey (Count Ankerström), Nina Minyasnán (Oscar), and the Metopera Ensemble. (Fall 2023 performance)2/24 **Mozart and Beethoven in Concert at the Met: Mozart's Requiem** (Feb. 24, 2023) and the **Finale from Beethoven's 9th Symphony** (March 22, 2022), with Yannick Nézet-Séguin, cond., with Golda Schutz, Emily D'Angelo, Dmytro Popov, Vladyslav Buial'skyi/ Elza van den Heever, Jamie Barton, Piotr Beczala, Ryan Speedo Green, and the Metopera Ensemble.

4 pm

NPR All Things Considered

5 pm

Performance Today Weekend with Fred Childs
Classical music in concert from American Public Media studios and sites across the nation and around the world, as well as classical music news, interviews, and features. **[Also Sundays at 2 pm]**

7 pm

The Midnight Special with Marilyn Rea Beyer
A lively potpourri of folk, Celtic and bluegrass, show and novelty tunes, and hilarious comedy routines.

9 pm

American Parlor Songbook with JP Houston and Julie Van Dusen

Clever songs, charming stories, and hilarious sketches.

NPR News Headlines at 9:01.

10 pm

Jazz Night In America with Christian McBride

11 pm

Atomic Age Cocktail Party with Jason Croft
(See Friday at 9 pm.)

midnight

Classics All Night

SUNDAYS

7 am

NPR Weekend Edition

with Ayesha Rascoe

9 am

Sunday Baroque

Hosted by Suzanne Bona. **NPR News Headlines** at 9:01 and 10:01.

1 pm

Feminine Fusion

Host Diane Jones highlights the influence of women in classical music.

2 pm

Performance Today Weekend

4 pm

NPR All Things Considered

5 pm

Classical Music

6 pm

The Evening Concert

The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

2/4 Reicha: Quintet in E minor for Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, and Horn, Op. 88, No. 1
Mozart: Divertimento in F major for Two Horns and Strings, K. 2472/11 Brahms: Scherzo, WoO 2, from F-A-E Sonata for Violin and Piano
Debussy: Quartet in G minor for Strings, Op. 10
Brett Dean: Twelve Angry Men for Twelve Cellos

2/18 Stravinsky: Ragtime for Eleven Players

2/25 Schubert: Quartettsatz in C Minor for Strings
Anna Clyne: Breathing Statues for String Quartet

Janáček: Quartet No. 1 for Strings, "The Kreutzer Sonata"

7 pm

The Evening Concert

Fiesta! with Elbio Barilari

2/4 **Gloria Villanueva: Catalanian Composer**
Some of her most exciting works including her Rapsòdia Simfònica for orchestra, guitar, and harp.2/11 **Music for Peace**
Inspiring, moving, and beautiful works by Latin American masters advocating for World Peace, including Argentine Ariel Ramírez's Misa Criolla.2/18 **Cuban Maestros**
Leo Brouwer's Estudio Sencillo Nos. 1-2, Amadeo Roldán's Suite from La Rebambaramaba and José White's Violin Concerto featuring Rachel Barton Pine.2/25 **Women Composers from Mexico**
Music by María Grever, Rosa Guraieb, Diana Syrse Valdés, and Gabriela Ortiz.

AS OF FEBRUARY 1:

WILL-FM 90.9 (90.9 FM HD)
programming remains unchanged
with 100+ hours of classical music

WILL-AM 580 (90.9 FM HD 3)
programming remains unchanged

WILL-FM 101.1 (90.9 FM HD 2)
format moves from 24/7 Classical
to Illinois Soul

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Select **WILL Classical** under **All Streams**

WEEKDAYS

6–9 am
Classical Music

9 am–noon
Classic Mornings
with **Vic Di Geronimo**

Join Vic for companionship and music, and
make each morning a classic morning!

Noon–overnight
Classical Music

Friday 7-9 pm
Prairie Performances
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SATURDAYS

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Classical Music

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Noon–overnight
Classical Music

SUNDAYS

All day
Classical Music

8 pm

The Evening Concert

- Gateways Radio** with Loki Karuna (formerly Garrett McQueen)
- 2/4 Gabriela Lena Frank: Coqueteos
Gernot Wolfgang: Common Ground
Scott Joplin: Cascades
William Grant Still: Symphony No. 1, Afro-American
- 2/11 Buskaid: Sunrise
Florence Price: Piano Sonata
Traditional: Let My People Go
William Levi Dawson: Negro Folk Symphony
- 2/18 **Black History Month Special: Take Me To The Water**
See Thu 2/15 of Sound of 13.
- 2/25 **Black History Month Special: Take Me To The Water**
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9 pm

Jazz Night In America with Christian McBride

10 pm

Classical Music

11 pm

Harmonia with Angela Mariani
Baroque and early music. **NPR News Headlines** at 11:01

overnight

Classical Music

willam580 SPECIALS

*Our programming slot for Sundays at
8 pm on WILL-AM is dedicated to bringing you
radio specials that meet the moment, celebrate
our history, and open our eyes and ears to new
perspectives.*

Feb. 4 WITNESS: BLACK HISTORY MONTH

A new special hour-long edition of Witness
History from the BBC World Service, brings
together some incredible interviews looking
at the African American experience. Told by
people who were there, you will hear stories that
are fascinating, harrowing, and inspiring.

Feb. 11 SELECTED SHORTS: A CELEBRATION OF LANGSTON HUGHES

Hosted by stage and film actor Teagle F.
Bougere, this special celebrates the protean
literary master and social activist Langston
Hughes (1901-1967).

Feb. 18 HBCU RENAISSANCE

Historically Black colleges and universities
(HBCUs) rose from the ashes of slavery and
have been educating Black students for
generations.

Feb. 25 SEEING (ME) IS BELIEVING WITH AUTHOR TAMI CHARLES

Join Host Eddie Robinson as he chats candidly
with acclaimed writer Tami Charles.

Monday - Friday			Saturday	Sunday		
NPR Morning Edition with Kimberly Schofield			5:00	BBC World Service	BBC World Service	
			6:00	Commodity Week	Inside Europe	
			6:30	State Week in Review		
			7:00	NPR Weekend Edition	NPR Weekend Edition	
1A			9:00	The Splendid Table	It's Been A Minute	
			10:00	Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!		
The 21st Show with Brian Mackey			11:00	Statewide	Code Switch/Life Kit	
Here & Now with Jason Croft			Noon	This American Life	Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!	
			The Middle (F repeat)	1:00	The Moth Radio Hour	The Treatment
				1:30		State Week in Review
The Closing Market Report			2:00	Radiolab	Reveal	
BBC Newshour	Commodity Week (F)		2:30			
Fresh Air			3:00	TED Radio Hour	On the Media	
All Things Considered with Jim Meadows			4:00	All Things Considered	All Things Considered	
			5:00	Hidden Brain	People's Pharmacy	
			6:00	Big Picture Science	Travel with Rick Steves	
The 21st Show (repeat)			7:00	Living on Earth	Throughline	
Fresh Air (repeat)	The Middle (Th)	Science Friday (F)	8:00	Latino USA	Special Programming See page 6.	
BBC World Service			9:00	Alternative Radio	To the Best of Our Knowledge	
			10:00	Science Friday (repeat)		
			11:00	Left, Right, and Center	Le Show	
			12:00-5 am	BBC World Service	BBC World Service	

Bold Listing = National/International News



AGRICULTURE

Todd Gleason, host, Closing Market Report & Commodity Week

Opening Market Report: 8:55 am; **Market Update:** 10:58 am; **Midday Market Report:** 12:58; **Closing Market Report:** 2:06. **Fridays: Commodity Week:** 2:30; **Grain Market Summary:** 4:32.

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IPM NEWS

Reginald Hardwick, news and public affairs director, Illinois Public Media

The news from Illinois Public Media's award-winning staff of reporters, hosts, and producers — Mae Antar, Nick Boivin, Jason Croft, Christine Hatfield, Emily Hays, Owen Henderson, Linda Kenyon, Brian Mackey, Jim Meadows, Steve Morck, Stephanie Mosqueda, Kimberly Schofield, Tinisha Spain, Kennedy Vincent, and Jose Zepeda — can be heard during **Morning Edition**, **The 21st Show**, **Here & Now**, and **All Things Considered**.

WILL Call: Wednesdays at 6:45 & 9:45 am and Thursdays at 5:44 pm on AM 580 and FM 90.9



WEATHER

Monday-Friday

Weather forecasts from meteorologist Andrew Pritchard throughout the day.



Illinois Soul features array of news, culture, and music

Beginning Feb. 1, tune to 101.1 FM (or stream live at illinoisoul.org) to hear diverse Black perspectives on Illinois Public Media's new radio station, Illinois Soul. The Black population is among the fastest growing across the listening area, while Black narratives, images, and culture are not reflected consistently in mainstream media. The 24/7 radio service will fill a void in regional media. Next month, *Patterns* will include a full schedule. Here are some highlights of the programs you will hear.

NEWS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

It's Been a Minute

Each week, host Brittany Luse takes the things everyone's talking about and through conversation with her favorite creators, tastemakers, and experts, gives you new ways to think about them. *Mondays at 7 pm on Illinois Soul / Sundays at 10 am on AM 580*



Code Switch

Every week listeners hear stories about race and identity to expand their minds and learn practical ways to make their lives better. It's lifelong learning that ranges from the big picture to tiny details and everything in between. *Fridays at 7 pm on Illinois Soul / Sundays at 11 am on AM 580*

Our Body Politic

This program reports not just on how women of color experience the major political events of the day, but how they impact those issues. All issues are women's issues. *Saturdays at 11am on Illinois Soul*

Reveal

From the Center for Investigative Reporting, this is the country's first weekly investigative public radio show. Peabody Award-winning host Al Letson takes listeners across the country and the world, exposing wrongs and holding the powerful accountable. *Wednesdays at 7 pm on Illinois Soul / Sundays at 2 pm on AM 580*



Throughline

Every headline has a history. Join us every week as we go back in time to understand the present. These are stories from the moments that shaped our world. *Thursdays at 7 pm on Illinois Soul / Sundays at 7 pm on AM 580*

MUSIC

The Cut Radio Show

George Majette hosts this gospel radio show that features the top gospel songs of the week as well as yesterday's gospel classics.

Jazz Network

Hosts Dee Alexander, John Hill, Dave Schwan, and Jana Lee Ross bring you the best of jazz.



Jazz Night in America

Host and Grammy Award-winning musician Christian McBride presents content on multiple platforms and from across the nation to share this uniquely American art form.



NewUrbanJazz Lounge



This program hearkens back to the earlier, more robust, smooth jazz. Host Bob Baldwin is a recording artist, jazz concert producer, and brings you the living genre from an artist's perspective.

Pillow Talk



Renowned broadcaster, celebrated jazz singer, and captivating storyteller Angela Stribling brings a carefully curated selection of jazz and R&B classics.

Roots of Smooth

Host Bobby Jackson, a jazz aficionado and 25-year broadcaster, goes deep into the musicology of smooth jazz and its relationship to other music, featuring a particular jazz artist each week.



Monday - Friday		Saturday	Sunday
Newsline	5:00	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
Classical Stretch (M,W,F) Sit and Be Fit (T, Th)	5:30	Arthur	Arthur
Molly of Denali	6:00	Molly of Denali	Molly of Denali
Alma's Way	6:30	Alma's Way	Alma's Way
Lyla in the Loop (see page 19)	7:00	Lyla in the Loop	Lyla in the Loop
Wild Kratts	7:30	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts
Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
Rosie's Rules	8:30	Rosie's Rules	Rosie's Rules
Sesame Street	9:00	Sesame Street	Sesame Street
Work It Out Wombats!	9:30	Work It Out Wombats!	Work It Out Wombats!
Donkey Hodie	10:00	MotorWeek	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack
Pinkalicious & Peterrific	10:30	Welcome to My Farm 2/17 Prairie Fire	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe
Elinor Wonders Why	11:00	Mid-American Gardener	America's Heartland 2/18 Prairie Fire
Nature Cat	11:30	Garden SMART	Market to Market
Curious George	Noon	America's Test Kitchen	2/4 Noon All Creatures Great and Small on MASTERPIECE
Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum	12:30	Cook's Country	1:00 Miss Scarlet and the Duke on MASTERPIECE
Arthur	1:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street Television	2:00 Atlantic Crossing on MASTERPIECE
Odd Squad 2/7 Reel Midwest: Homegrown	1:30	Pati's Mexican Table	5:00 PBS NewsHour Weekend 5:30 Samantha Brown's Places to Love 6:00 Doc Martin
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M Agatha Christie's Poirot 2/26 Inside the Mind of Agatha Christie Tu Antiques Roadshow, W Hemingway (see page 13) 3:30 2/28 Ken Burns: The Civil War	3:00	Lidia's Kitchen 2/24 Rick Steves Mighty Alps	2:00 Atlantic Crossing on MASTERPIECE
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The grid reflects changes to the PBS KIDS schedule beginning Feb. 5 (see page 19). Due to the fund drive, the daytime schedule will vary on Feb. 24–25.



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FEBRUARY FEATURES



Sing along...

During our upcoming TV fund drive, we have some great musical performances to share with you!

The long and illustrious career of the legendary Bee Gees is featured in the documentary **Bee Gees: In Our Own Time**. Airing at 10:30 pm Saturday, Feb. 24, the film tells the story of their award-winning career that spans five decades with over 200 million albums sold. It follows their career from modest beginnings to unrivaled worldwide acclaim to the tragedy of losing brothers Maurice and Andy. And watch **Bee Gees: One Night Only**, airing at 10 pm Sunday, Feb. 25, which features the group's 1997 concert at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas.

Tune in to this tribute concert that honors George Jones, one of the most beloved stars in country music history. The all-star performance features Brad Paisley, Dierks Bentley, Wynonna, Jelly Roll, Tanya Tucker, Travis Tritt, Lorrie Morgan, Justin Moore, Trace Adkins and more. **Great Performances: George Jones: Still Playin' Possum** airs at 8 pm Friday, Feb. 23.



Beautifully told and crafted, **Carole King and James Taylor: Just Call Out My Name** features live performances by the songwriting partnership between the multi-Grammy Award-winning artists. Airing at 7 pm Saturday, Feb. 24, the documentary explores music history in the making through the stories of both performers, their early partnerships, and their hugely successful solo careers.

PRAIRIE & FIRE

WILL's monthly magazine show features central Illinois stories at 7:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 15.

Prairie Fire features a profile of local blues legend Candy Foster, who has played R&B in central Illinois for more than 50 years. The piece will focus on his life and music and include footage from his recent performance at the Rose Bowl in Urbana.

Tim Hartin, who worked on the original **Prairie Fire** at WILL-TV and has won many Regional Emmys, will produce the segment as a guest collaborator. "This is like time travel for me," Hartin said about working on the piece. "It was 20 years ago this year that **Candy Foster Live at the Iron Post** aired on WILL-TV as a fundraiser." Other stories are in progress.



Danville native Gerald (Candy) Foster is shown performing at the Rose Bowl. Inset, a headshot from 40-plus years ago.

A forgotten era of the women's movement

Meet the pioneering women who changed the world while flying it. Maligned as feminist sellouts, "stewardesses," as they were called, knew that they were on the frontlines of a battle to assert gender equality and transform the workplace. **American Experience** explores this forgotten era of the women's movement in **Fly with Me** at 8 pm Tuesday, Feb. 20.



Tour the Dales

Since its first episode, **All Creatures Great and Small** has captivated audiences with themes of kindness, empathy, and love, and also inspired viewers to learn more about the Yorkshire Dales.

All Creatures Great and Small: Touring the Dales celebrates the beauty of the Dales and the locations featured in the series. Airing at 8 pm Sunday, Feb. 25 (right after the final episode of season 4), the virtual tour includes Skeldale House, Heston Grange, and The Drovers Arms, as well as scenic vistas, bridges, farms, stables, and countryside roadways. There's even a stop at the James Herriot Museum.



Fly with shorebirds, excavate a prehistoric creature, and communicate with a whale



Nature presents three new episodes this month Wednesdays at 7 pm.

Flyways (Feb. 7) features shorebirds that fly thousands of miles each year along ancient and largely unknown migratory routes called "flyways." Follow a conservation movement of bird-loving experts and citizen scientists as they mobilize to the challenge of understanding and saving shorebirds.

Attenborough and the Jurassic Sea Monster (Feb. 14) features Sir David Attenborough as he unearths a once in a lifetime discovery: the fossil of a giant Pliosaur, the largest Jurassic predator ever known. Follow a team of forensic experts on a perilous expedition to excavate the skull, uncover the predatory secrets lying deep inside the fossil, and unlock clues about the life of this giant sea beast.

At left, in **Patrick and the Whale** (Feb. 21), viewers meet Patrick Dykstra, who has traveled the globe following and diving with whales, learning how whales see, hear, and perceive other creatures in the water. In Dominica, Patrick has a life changing experience — a close encounter with a sperm whale he names "Delores." Witness Patrick and the whale attempt to communicate with each other in extraordinary footage.



Explore with new episodes of 'NOVA'

NOVA continues to seek answers to the unknown this month with new episodes Wednesdays at 8 pm. **Easter Island Origins** (Feb. 7) explores how the giant stone heads of Rapa Nui — also known as Easter Island — were carved and raised, and why? **Building the Eiffel Tower** (Feb. 14) follows the three decades of engineering innovations, successes, and failures that led to the dramatic rise of Paris' most iconic monument and how its construction helped transform the landscape of the modern world. **Hunt for the Oldest DNA** (Feb. 21) follows the revolutionary breakthrough that's unlocking the secrets of ancient DNA, revealing a strange, lost world from before the Ice Age.

1 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener**
7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G)
Lathe Turned Segmented Bow.
- 8:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
A Tight Squeeze. Season 2, episode 6 of 10. Felix is police adviser on a movie set and is soon called to action to investigate the murder of the abrasive director. *Repeated 7 pm 2/3 & 2 pm 2/5.*
- 9:00 Doc Martin** (TV-PG)
Fly Me to the Moon. Season 10, episode 5 of 9. Louisa is shocked when her father, Terry, makes an unannounced visit. Terry agrees to let Martin examine him but that backfires on the Doc, who is now bound by the rules of medical confidentiality. *Repeated 6 pm 2/4.*
- 10:00 Death In Paradise** (TV-PG)
Ye of Little Faith. Season 3, episode 4 of 8. DI Goodman and his team are introduced to the jet-setting world of airline pilots and cabin crew when an air stewardess is discovered murdered.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

2 Friday

- 7:00 Washington Week with The Atlantic**
7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
8:00 American Masters (TV-14) (DVS)
Little Richard: The King and Queen of Rock and Roll. This star-studded tribute honors Little Richard as a legend from the golden era of rock. Guests: Paul McCartney, Keith Richards, Mick Jagger, David Bowie, Elton John, Bob Dylan, Prince, and Bruce Springsteen. *Repeated 2 am 2/5.*
- 10:00 Shuttlesworth** (TV-14)
 See page 2.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

3 Saturday

- 7:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
A Tight Squeeze. See 8 pm 2/1.
- 8:00 Midsomer Murders** (TV-PG)
Faithful Unto Death. Season 1, episode 7 & 8 of 10. An investigation into the finances of a village community crafts center takes a sinister turn when the wife of the center's owner disappears and a neighbor is murdered.
- 10:00 Agatha Christie's Poirot**
The Third Floor Flat. Season 1, episode 5 of 10. Poirot investigates a murder that hits close to home after a new neighbor is found shot. *Repeated 3 pm 2/5.*
- 11:00 Austin City Limits** (TV-PG)

4 Sunday

- 7:00 Miss Scarlet and the Duke on MASTERPIECE** (TV-PG) (DVS)
The Calling. Season 4, part 5 of 6. Eliza and Nash are still struggling to work together when an explosive case takes them into a cutthroat industry where people will kill to keep their secrets. *Repeated 2 am 2/6 & 1 pm 2/11.*
- 8:00 All Creatures Great and Small on MASTERPIECE** (TV-14) (DVS)
Papers. Season 4, part 5 of 7. With the War feeling closer to home, James desperately wants Carmody trained to support Siegfried. *Repeated 12 am 2/5, 3 am 2/6 & 12 pm 2/11.*
- 9:00 Funny Woman** (TV-14)
 Season 1, part 5 of 6. Barbara is banished to Blackpool to await her fate and wonders if her career is over. A remorseful Clive decides to win her back. *Repeated 1 am 2/5 & 4 am 2/6.*
- 10:00 Nina** (TV-14)
Bruised Heart. Season 1, part 3 of 8. Nina is torn from her sleep on a day off by a phone call. Her father was rushed to the hospital.
- 11:00 RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service** (TV-14) (DVS)
 Season 1, part 5 of 8. The RFDS face a harrowing retrieval as a patient takes a critical turn midair.

5 Monday

- 7:00 Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G)
Old Sturbridge Village, Hour 2.
- 8:00 Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G)
Austin, Hour One.
- 9:00 Independent Lens** (TV-14) (DVS)
Sister Una Lived a Good Death. Following a cancer diagnosis, a wisecracking Catholic nun chooses to live as she's dying. Repeated 1 am 2/6 & 3 am 2/10.
- 10:00 Aging Matters: Aging with Pride** (TV-PG)
LGBTQIA elders face unique social, economic, and health challenges. This special sheds light on what many have endured and fought for in the hopes of enacting positive change in the ongoing pursuit of equality.
- 10:30 Reel Midwest: Homegrown** (TV-PG)
Silsilad/Detroit We Dey. A look at the nation's first Somali-American art center in Minneapolis, and a Nigerian community in Detroit explores the future of their social club. Repeated 3:30 am 2/7 and 1:30 pm 2/7.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

6 Tuesday

- 7:00 Finding Your Roots** (TV-PG)
Far and Away. Henry Louis Gates Jr. explores the roots of journalist Sunny Hostin and actor Jesse Williams. Repeated 2 pm 2/7, 4 am 2/8 & 4 am 2/12.
- 8:00 American Masters** (TV-14) (DVS)
How It Feels to Be Free. See page 3. Repeated 1 am 2/7 & 2 am 2/8.
- 10:00 The Dream Whisperer** (TV-PG)
See page 3.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

7 Wednesday

- 7:00 Nature** (TV-14) (DVS)
Flyways. See page 11. Repeated 2 pm 2/8, 3 am 2/9 & 12 am 2/11.
- 8:00 NOVA** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Easter Island Origins. See page 12. Repeated 4 am 2/9 & 2 pm 2/9.
- 9:00 Secrets of the Dead** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Graveyard of the Giant Beasts. Scientists try to determine if a 43-foot snake or a giant crocodilian was the apex predator in Colombia 58 million years ago. Repeated 1 am 2/8, 2 am 2/9, 4 pm 2/9 & 1 am 2/11.
- 10:00 Rise of the Nazis: Dictators at War** (TV-PG)
The Home Front. Season 2, episode 3 of 3. After Stalingrad, Hitler's stress intensifies.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

8 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener**
- 7:30 Ask This Old House** (TV-G)
- 8:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
Stiff Competition. Season 2, episode 7 of 10. An egotistical magician rehearses his breath-taking trick and ends up magically murdered. Repeated 7 pm 2/10 & 2 pm 2/12.
- 9:00 Doc Martin** (TV-PG)
Return to Sender. Season 10, episode 6 of 9. Martin and Louisa travel to London so he can deliver the keynote address at the Imperial College Obstetrics Conference. All does not go smoothly, however. Repeated 6 pm 2/11.
- 10:00 Death In Paradise** (TV-PG)
Political Suicide. Season 3, episode 5 of 8. DI Goodman and his team are drawn into the world of politics when Saint-Marie's scandalised Commerce Minister is discovered dead.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

9 Friday

- 7:00 Washington Week with The Atlantic**
- 7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**
- 8:00 Gospel Live! Presented by Henry Louis Gates Jr.** (TV-PG)
See page 2. Repeated 1 am 2/10, 2 am 2/12 & 3 am 2/12.
- 9:00 Symphony Celebration: The Blind Boys of Alabama With Dr. Henry Panion III** (TV-PG)
This film focuses on messages of humanity, peace, and love. Hailed as "Gospel Titans" by Rolling Stone magazine, this beloved group rose to fame in the segregated South with their thrilling vocal harmonies and roof-raising live shows. Repeated 10 pm 2/13 & 3:30 am 2/19.
- 10:00 Prairie Fire**
- 10:30 History with David Rubenstein** (TV-PG)
Siddhartha Mukherjee. Featured is Indian American physician Siddhartha Mukherjee, who also is an oncologist and bestselling author.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

Work, life of Hemingway featured

Hemingway, a three-part, six-hour documentary film by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick released in 2021, examines the visionary work and the turbulent life of Ernest Hemingway, one of the greatest and most influential writers America has ever produced. Interweaving his eventful biography with carefully selected excerpts from his iconic short stories, novels, and nonfiction, the series reveals the brilliant, ambitious, charismatic, and complicated man behind the myth, and the art he created. **Hemingway** will be rebroadcast at 3 pm Wednesdays beginning Feb. 7.



10 Saturday

- 7:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
Stiff Competition. See 8 pm 2/8.
- 8:00 Midsomer Murders** (TV-PG)
Death In Disguise. Season 1, episode 9 & 10 of 10. One of the founders of a new-age commune dies in an apparent accidental fall down the stairs. But when the other founder is mysteriously murdered in front of a room full of people, the first death looks like it may have been deliberate as well.
- 10:00 Agatha Christie's Poirot**
Triangle at Rhodes. Season 1, episode 6 of 10. An enchanting beauty is fatally poisoned while Poirot holidays on the Greek island of Rhodes. Repeated 3 pm 2/12.
- 11:00 Austin City Limits** (TV-PG)

11 Sunday

- 7:00 Miss Scarlet and the Duke on MASTERPIECE** (TV-PG) (DVS)
The Fugitive. Season 4 part 6 of 6. Eliza is on the trail of a fugitive who is charged with murder. She must find him before the police do or risk losing everything. Repeated 1 pm 2/18 & 2 am 2/13.
- 8:00 All Creatures Great and Small on MASTERPIECE** (TV-PG) (DVS)
The Home Front. Season 4 part 6 of 7. When Richard Alderson needs help, Helen returns to Heston Grange; however, buried family secrets threaten to tear their relationship apart. Gerald's beloved dog, Rock, needs veterinary help, but he is too worried about the operation. Repeated 12 am 2/12, 3 am 2/13 & 12 pm 2/18.
- 9:00 Funny Woman** (TV-14)
Season 1, part 6 of 6. The team reunites to record the last show. It is a triumph, but there are a few surprises still in store for Barbara as the series reaches its finale. Repeated 1 am 2/12 & 4 am 2/13
- 10:00 Nina** (TV-14)
In Her Image. Season 1, part 4 of 8. Nina becomes attached to Louise, a young obese patient whom Proust casually treats, convinced that all her problems are due to her weight problems.
- 11:00 RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service** (TV-14) (DVS)
Season 1, part 6 of 8. Wayne's personal struggles spill over into his work when he is confronted by a suicidal patient and a frantic medevac to Adelaide.

12 Monday

- 7:00 Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G)
Old Sturbridge Village, Hour 3.
- 8:00 GOSPEL** (TV-14)
The Gospel Train/Golden Age of Gospel. See page 2. Repeated 2 am 2/14 & 8 pm 2/16.
- 10:00 Amen! Music of the Black Church**
Explore the authentic spiritual experience of African American gospel music in this performance documentary taped before a live audience at the Second Baptist Church congregation in Bloomington, Indiana.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

13 Tuesday

- 7:00 Finding Your Roots** (TV-PG)
The Brick Wall Falls. Henry Louis Gates Jr. introduces actor Danielle Brooks and singer Dionne Warwick to their distant ancestors. Repeated 1 am 2/14, 2 pm 2/14, 4 am 2/15 & 1 am 2/16.
- 8:00 GOSPEL** (TV-14)
Take the Message Everywhere / Gospel's Second Century. See page 2. Repeated 2 am 2/15 & 10:30 pm 2/16.
- 10:00 Symphony Celebration: The Blind Boys of Alabama With Dr. Henry Panion III** (TV-PG)
See 9 pm 2/9.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

14 Wednesday

- 7:00 Nature** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Attenborough and the Jurassic Sea Monster. See page 11. Repeated 1 am 2/15, 2 pm 2/15, 3 am 2/16 & 12 am 2/18.
- 8:00 NOVA** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Building the Eiffel Tower. See page 12. Repeated 4 am 2/16 & 2 pm 2/16.
- 9:00 Secrets of the Dead** (TV-PG)
The Woman in the Iron Coffin. Follow a team of forensic experts as they investigate the preserved remains of a young African American woman from 19th century New York and reveal the little-known story of early America's free black communities. Repeated 2 am 2/16, 4 pm 2/16 & 1 am 2/18.
- 10:00 Pullman and the Railroad Rebellion: American Stories**
In 1864, the powerful industrialist and engineer George Pullman brought luxury to overnight train travel with his revolutionary sleeping cars, where passengers were served by an army of former slaves. Pullman soon established a company town for employees on Chicago's South Side that gave him complete authority over every aspect of their lives.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

15 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener**
- 7:30 Prairie Fire**
See page 10. Repeated 2:30 am 2/17 & 10:30 am 2/17.
- 8:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
Dead Air. Season 2, episode 8 of 10. Peggy is delighted when her favourite pirate radio station brings its trendy transmissions to Great Slaughter. Repeated 7 pm 2/17 & 2 pm 2/19.
- 9:00 Doc Martin** (TV-PG)
Love Will Set You Free. Season 10, episode 7 of 9. Before Martin and Louisa have even decided whether he will take the job, news of Martin's invitation to be the dean of Imperial College spreads through Portwenn like wildfire. Repeated 6 pm 2/18.
- 10:00 Death In Paradise** (TV-PG)
The Early Bird. Season 3, episode 6 of 8. When a birdwatcher is discovered murdered in the Saint-Marie jungle, the team have a particularly puzzling conundrum to solve. Is the traditionally quiet and calm world of birdwatching more cut-throat than it appears?
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

16 Friday

- 7:00** **Washington Week with The Atlantic**
- 7:30** **Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**
- 8:00** **GOSPEL** (TV-14)
The Gospel Train/Golden Age of Gospel. See page 2.
- 10:30** **GOSPEL** (TV-14)
Take the Message Everywhere/Gospel's Second Century. See page 2.

17 Saturday

- 7:00** **Sister Boniface Mysteries** (TV-PG)
Dead Air. See 8 pm 2/15.
- 8:00** **Midsomer Murders** (TV-PG)
Death's Shadow. Season 2, episode 1 & 2 of 8. A successful theatrical director arrives in the village with his head filled with disturbing childhood memories. A property developer in the village is savagely murdered with an Indian sword belonging to a vicar.
- 10:00** **Agatha Christie's Poirot**
Problem at Sea. Season 1, episode 7 of 10. Poirot's Mediterranean cruise is disrupted when an unlikeable passenger is found murdered in her stateroom. Repeated 3 pm 2/19.
- 11:00** **Austin City Limits** (TV-PG)
Alanis Morissette.

18 Sunday

- 7:00** **Secrets of Royal Travel** (TV-PG)
Secrets of the Royal Train. Climb aboard for an inside look at the history of the 'palace on wheels,' from its lavish past as the royal 'express of excess' to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's mobile home away from home. Repeated 3 am 2/20.
- 8:00** **All Creatures Great and Small on MASTERPIECE** (TV-PG) (DVS)
On A Wing and a Prayer. Season 4, part 7 of 7. James tries to get home for Christmas and Skeldale House prepares for a new arrival. Repeated 12 am 2/19, 1 am 2/19, 4 am 2/20 & 6:30 pm 2/25.
- 9:30** **Variety Studio: Actors On Actors** (TV-PG)
Margot Robbie ('Barbie') with Cillian Murphy ('Oppenheimer'); Emma Stone ('Poor Things') with Bradley Cooper ('Maestro')
- 10:00** **Nina** (TV-14)
Way Out. Season 1, part 5 of 8. While her department is overwhelmed by a flu epidemic, Nina finds Caroline, her best friend from high school, who has come to consult for her son.
- 11:00** **RFDS: Royal Flying Doctor Service** (TV-14) (DVS)
Season 1, part 7 of 8. When a catastrophic explosion at an underground mine creates a mass-casualty incident, the RFDS are called to save the lives of two brothers caught in the blast.

19 Monday

- 7:00** **Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G)
Lsu Rural Life Museum, Hour 1.
- 8:00** **Antiques Roadshow** (TV-G)
Austin, Hour Three.
- 9:00** **Independent Lens** (TV-14) (DVS)
Breaking The News. A scrappy group of women and LGBTQ+ journalists buck the white male-dominated status quo, banding together to launch the 19th, a digital news startup aiming to combat misinformation and include the voices often left out of the American story. Repeated 1:30 am 2/20 & 2 am 2/21.*
- 10:30** **Turning The Tide: Story of Hell, Healing, & Hope**
This film exposes the horror of the sex trafficking trade in Louisiana and identifies a growing team of unlikely warriors that has mobilized to fight.
- 11:00** **Amanpour and Company**

20 Tuesday

- 7:00** **Finding Your Roots** (TV-PG)
Mean Streets. Henry Louis Gates Jr. maps the family trees of comedian Tracy Morgan and actor Anthony Ramos. Repeated 1 am 2/21, 2 pm 2/21, 4 am 2/22 & 1 am 2/24.
- 8:00** **American Experience** (TV-14) (DVS)
Fly With Me. See page 11. Repeated 2 am 2/22.
- 10:00** **The Niagara Movement: The Early Battle for Civil Rights** (TV-PG)
See page 2.
- 11:00** **Amanpour and Company**

21 Wednesday

- 7:00** **Nature** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Patrick and the Whale. See page 11. Repeated 2 pm 2/22 & 3 am 2/23.
- 8:00** **NOVA** (TV-PG) (DVS)
Hunt for the Oldest DNA. See page 12. Repeated 4 am 2/23 & 2 pm 2/23.
- 9:00** **Secrets of the Dead** (TV-PG) (DVS)
The Alcatraz Escape. The three convicts who escaped Alcatraz in rafts in 1962 were swept out to sea and drowned, according to conventional wisdom. Now, a team of scientists believes the escapees could have made it to dry land, but only if they left at a specific time. Repeated 1 am 2/22, 2 am 2/23 & 4 pm 2/23.
- 10:00** **Al Capone: Icon** (TV-14)
Is Al Capone a ruthless killer, the quintessential self-made American man, or both?
- 11:00** **Amanpour and Company**

22 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener**
- 7:30 Ask This Old House (TV-G)**
Wildfire Mitigation.
- 8:00 Sister Boniface Mysteries (TV-PG)**
Stage Fright. Season 2, episode 9 of 10. Great Slaughter's Amateur Dramatic Society's upcoming production turns from drama to disaster when the leading actor is killed by the leading actress. *Repeated 2 pm 2/26.*
- 9:00 Doc Martin (TV-PG)**
Our Last Summer. Season 10, episode 8 of 9. As the Ellinghams prepare to leave for London, Ruth admits to Martin that she's been writing a paper on his blood phobia.
- 10:00 Death In Paradise (TV-PG)**
The Man With the Golden Gun. Season 3, episode 7 of 8. A murder on a privately owned island means DI Goodman and the team are cut off from the mainland when a storm comes in.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

23 Friday

- 7:00 Washington Week with The Atlantic**
- 7:30 Firing Line with Margaret Hoover**
- 8:00 Great Performances (TV-PG)**
George Jones: Still Playin' Possum. See page 10.
- 9:30 Kenny Rogers Farewell Concert Celebration: All In for the Gambler (TV-PG)**
This concert brought together fans, friends and music icons to celebrate Kenny Rogers' final farewell to Nashville with performances by Dolly Parton, Chris Stapleton, Idina Menzel, Lady A, Lionel Richie, Reba McEntire, and Kenny Rogers along with many other special guests.
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company**

24 Saturday

- 7:00 Carole King and James Taylor: Just Call Out My Name (TV-G)**
See page 10. *Repeated 2 am 2/25.*
- 9:00 Chic Featuring Nile Rodgers Jazz à Vienne (TV-PG)**
Immerse yourself in the concert by Chic and Nile Rodgers at the Jazz à Vienne music festival in France, as they perform a selection of Nile Rodgers-produced songs. *Repeated 1 am 2/26.*
- 10:30 Bee Gees: In Our Own Time (TV-G)**
See page 10.

25 Sunday

- 6:30 All Creatures Great and Small on MASTERPIECE (TV-PG) (DVS)**
On a Wing and a Prayer. The season 4 finale. See 8 pm 2/18.
- 8:00 All Creatures Great and Small: Touring The Dales (TV-PG)**
See page 11.
- 10:00 Bee Gees: One Night Only (TV-G)**
See page 10.
- 11:30 Culture Club: Live at Wembley (TV-G)**
After a successful 60-city world reunion tour, Culture Club, returned to London in 2016 for a special hometown show.

26 Monday

- 7:00 Italy Made with Love: Generations (TV-G)**
Viewers get an inside look at the work of master artisans and the talent and passion they put into everything they make. *Repeated 3:30 pm 2/28.*
- 8:30 Rick Steves Tasty Europe (TV-G) (DVS)**
Travel expert and globetrotter Rick Steves eats his merry way through Europe. *Repeated 10:30 pm 2/28.*
- 9:00 The All New Rock, POP and Doo Wop**
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

27 Tuesday

- 7:00 Armenia, My Home (TV-G)**
Featuring breathtaking cinematography and striking photographs, this film is a spectacular visual journey through Armenia, celebrating today's free republic and the nearly 3,000-year-old storied past of its people.
- 8:30 Ken Burns: The Civil War**
This documentary celebrates the Ken Burns' landmark series on its 25th anniversary with video clips and interviews with Ken Burns, Geoffrey Ward, Ric Burns, Buddy Squires, and others. *Repeated 3:30 pm 2/28.*
- 10:30 The World of Wisdom & Wonder (TV-G)**
Escape the stress of everyday life with scenes of nature's breathtaking vistas set to soaring original music and universal words of wisdom. Offering comfort, encouragement and hope, the program soothes the soul.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

28 Wednesday

- 7:00 Living Wild: Plant-Spiration with Hilton Carter (TV-G)**
Discover the art of creating stunning indoor greenery, with acclaimed plant influencer, author, and interior stylist Hilton Carter.
- 8:30 Great Scenic Railway Journeys 30th Anniversary Special (TV-PG)**
Viewers gain access to some of America's best railway adventures, from the Rocky Mountaineer to the Skyrail.
- 10:30 Rick Steves Tasty Europe (TV-G) (DVS)**
Travel expert and globetrotter Rick Steves eats his merry way through Europe.
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

29 Thursday

- 7:00 Mid-American Gardener (TV-G)**
- 8:00 Maestro & The European Pop Orchestra: Love & Peace (TV-G)**
This contemporary pop orchestra demonstrates that pop and classical music blend harmoniously.
- 9:30 Farewell Doc Martin (TV-PG)**
Caroline Catz narrates this behind-the-scenes special that celebrates 10 seasons of the beloved British dramedy. Learn details about Doc and Louisa's love story, the inspirations for the medical cases, and the real-life filming locations through on-set footage and in-depth interviews with the cast and crew.
- 10:30 Rick Steves Why We Travel (TV-PG)**
- 11:00 Amanpour and Company**

Friends get early streaming opportunities

Don't miss season 2 of **Sisi: Australian Empress** from Walter Presents. Friends of WILL can binge all six episodes of the new season with WILL Passport starting Feb. 2. Leveraging her beauty and her passion for freedom, Sisi endeavors to give the Habsburg monarchy a kinder face. In the process, she inspires a continent to embrace a new way of life. Presented in German with English subtitles, season 1 also is available exclusively to members with WILL Passport.



Call the Midwife returns with season 13 this spring, but Friends of WILL have an exclusive early streaming opportunity. It's 1969 and a surge in hospital births puts maternity beds in high demand across the nation. Thanks to the dedication of the women of Nonnatus House, Poplar manages the influx exceptionally well. Members can stream each new episode 30 days prior to its television premiere in March. Episodes 1 and 2 will be available with WILL Passport on Feb. 16 and 23, respectively.

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Illinois Soul hosts screening of ‘GOSPEL’

Arthouse EXPERIENCE

Illinois Soul will host a free screening of one hour of **GOSPEL**, a four-

hour history series from Henry Louis Gates Jr., with a panel discussion after the film. Part of the Arthouse Experience Film Series, the screening begins at 7 pm Friday, Feb. 16, at the Virginia Theatre, 203 W. Park Ave., Champaign.



Host Henry Louis Gates Jr. interviews Jekalyn Carr in a recording studio for ‘GOSPEL.’



The series digs deep into the origin story of Black gospel music, coming out of slavery, blending with the blues tradition, and soaring to new heights during the Great Migration.

Watch the full series on WILL-TV at 8 pm Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 12-13. (See page 2.)

‘GOSPEL’: Watch, listen, experience



An early publicity photo of Sister Rosetta Tharpe

This month, Henry Louis Gates Jr. returns with another four-part documentary, this time digging deep into the origin story of Black gospel music, coming out of slavery, blending with the blues tradition, and soaring to new heights during the Great Migration. From Chicago to Detroit and from California to the South, the story of **GOSPEL** unfolds over two nights on WILL-TV Feb. 12 & 13 (read more on page 2). In addition, thanks to a community engagement grant from WETA, Illinois Soul has created a pop-up gospel exhibit on the second floor of the Illinois Terminal, 45 E. University Ave. in downtown Champaign.

This exhibit draws from the film’s story, highlighting the cultural, historical, and musical impacts of gospel music across the nation, alongside the history, the music, and the people here in central Illinois who make up gospel’s impacts. We believe this space is a powerful choice. Illinois Terminal sees a variety of people each day. This location serves as a hub for people of all backgrounds and interests.

Illinois Soul is also thrilled to host two **GOSPEL** screening events across the viewing and listening area, one in Champaign-Urbana at the Virginia Theatre on Feb. 16 (see above) and another in Springfield at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (date to be announced). Please continue to check Illinois Public Media’s Facebook page for more information or follow this QR Code for more information.

WILL available to Hulu + Live subscribers

In December, Illinois Public Media announced that WILL-TV would live stream on Hulu + Live TV, one of the nation’s largest streaming services for live television with more than 4.5 million subscribers. This agreement represents the continued commitment by PBS to make its quality and award-winning content accessible to all Americans on as many digital platforms as possible. Hulu + Live TV’s subscribers will now have access to inspiring and educational content from WILL like **Mid-American Gardener** and **Prairie Fire** along with PBS favorites including **PBS NewsHour**, **Frontline**, **Antiques Roadshow**, **MASTERPIECE**, and WILL’s PBS KIDS channel.



ILLINOIS SOUL PRESENTS THE BLACK CHURCH FRI, DEC 15



Panelists, attendees discuss Black religion at film screening

Attendees of the December screening of an episode of **The Black Church** at the Virginia Theatre also participated in a panel discussion about Black religion, the Black church, and the imagination of Black people in relationship to God.

Panelist Leonard McKinnis, a professor of African American religions at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, said “a core of what gave birth to this institution (the Black church),



was the audacity and the courage of enslaved Africans who themselves rejected what I’m going to call a very violent theology. In other words, the enslavers found a way, as the father of Black Liberation Theology, James Cone would say, ‘to reconcile their understanding of Jesus and Black bodies hanging from trees.’ That’s a hell of a reconciliation.”

Also joining the discussion were Apostle Charlotte Blissit, Senior Pastor of Truth Pentecost Christian Center in Champaign; Dr. Jeff Trask,

treasurer for the Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Advocacy for Justice Committee; and Rev. Terrance Thomas, pastor of Bethel AME Church, the oldest Black church in Champaign County. The discussion was moderated by Kimberlie Kranich of Illinois Public Media. The program was a joint collaboration between Illinois Soul and the Virginia Theatre.

‘Lyla in the Loop’ premieres on PBS KIDS Feb. 5

Lyla in the Loop is a funny and engaging new animated series from PBS KIDS for children ages 4-8. Premiering at 7 am Monday, Feb. 5, the series features Lyla Loops and her fantastical blue sidekick, Stu, who use creative and strategic problem-solving and critical thinking skills to help their family, friends, and community. From building homemade carnival games to creating a new sandwich for the family restaurant, Lyla, Stu, and the whole Loops crew tackle challenges with equal servings of humor and heart. **Lyla in the Loop** will air daily at 7 am, with new episodes all month. **Wild Kratts** moves to 7:30 am, and **Curious George** will air weekdays at noon. **Hero Elementary** is taking a break.



Traffic specialist joins IPM operations team

Champaign native Chris Sheppard brought more than 20 years' experience in radio to Illinois Public Media when he joined the team in mid-November as a traffic specialist.

"Chris works alongside Jerry Morefield, Steve Morck, and Jason Croft, expanding our operations team to take care of radio and television logs," said Lillie Duncanson, director of operations. "This team is responsible for the traffic on all our stations. That means they schedule all audio and visual elements of programming (including breaks), and also are responsible for recording, creating playlists, maintenance, compliance, and all the other things that go into getting the right program on the air at the right time. This becomes even more important as we expand content on all our platforms."



"Having watched and listened to WILL for my entire life, I look forward to working alongside some of the best talent in broadcasting, and using my knowledge of the industry to help WILL continue to produce stellar programming," Sheppard said.

During his career, Sheppard has taken on nearly every role available in commercial radio. He says radio and television have always been where he feels most at home.

"Public media is important because having a source for accurate reports of the day's news is essential," Sheppard said. "Public media is also a free source of some of the best children's programming available, giving even the most concerned caregivers a safe entertainment option for kids of any age."

"I grew up with **Sesame Street** and **Mr. Rogers**, spent summer mornings drawing with **The Secret City**, and took countless naps to the soothing sounds of Bob Ross and his paintbrush," Sheppard said. "I also fondly remember recording a Reading Rainbow-esque book review that was broadcast on Channel 12 when I was in third or fourth grade."

Sheppard also is a University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign alumnus (LAS '02) and a huge Illini basketball fan. He has worked in the hobby industry, and, in recent years, he attended gaming conventions (video and board gaming) and escape rooms. He also is learning to play bass guitar.

Webb joins development team

Tiana Webb joined Illinois Public Media's Development Department in mid-November as a membership associate.

"We are very excited to have Tiana join our development team," said John Steinbacher, director of development. "She is responsible for managing our donor database functions, helping provide direct donor support, and working with the development staff to help build the analytical side of our digital fundraising efforts. This is a critical role as our fundraising operations evolve while ensuring donors maintain access to great benefits, like Patterns!"

"I'm excited to learn more about how public media works and to meet more people who are involved in our community," Webb said about her new position. "Since joining IPM, it's the people that I work with that stand out the most. Everyone has been welcoming and patient with me as I learn more about my job. It's a very open environment where I am comfortable asking questions."



"As a C-U native, I grew up watching WILL and PBS. I think (Illinois Public Media) is such an important part of the community," Webb said. "Not only does it give kids the opportunity to learn, but it also provides information and resources to the community that they may not otherwise have access to. Since I started working here, I have seen first-hand how important it is to connect with the community and bring people together. I've really enjoyed getting to be a part of Friendsgiving and the screening of The Black Church. The staff members are passionate about their work here."

The Champaign native studied business management at Eastern Illinois University. She likes reading and photography. Previously she has worked as a leasing coordinator and as a dog trainer.

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