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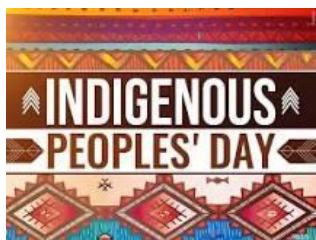
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility and Belonging

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Check out our DEIAB webpage <https://www.wxxi.org/program-guides/deiab/>

CELEBRATE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY!



Indigenous Peoples' Day is a holiday in the United States that celebrates and honors indigenous American peoples and commemorates their histories and cultures. It is celebrated across the United States on the second Monday in October. In 2021, Joe Biden formally commemorated the holiday with a presidential proclamation, becoming the first U.S. president to do so.

Locally On June 14, 2022, the City of Rochester along with full Mayoral support, voted unanimously to replace Columbus Day with only Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Rochester. On October 10, 2022, the city celebrated Rochester's first annual Indigenous Peoples Day. On October 07, 2022, the resolution to the initial proclamation was read and the Haudenosaunee Flag was raised.

Local celebrations [here](#)

Learn more about Indigenous People Day [here](#) and [here](#)



Hispanic Heritage Month September 15 to October 15 recognizes the achievements and contributions of

Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success. The theme for 2024 is "Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together." [Info](#)

Hispanic Heritage Musical Performance – Opera in the City: Raíces y Ritmos: Celebrating Hispanic Heritage
Wednesday, October 2nd
City Hall Atrium

Ms. Mariposa Reading Adventures
October 6 11:00 am Memorial Art Gallery
October 12 11:00 am Webster Branch Library

Hispanic Heritage Closing Ceremony
Saturday, October 13 12:00-5:00
International Plaza

DEIAB SPOTLIGHT: Lisa Medina



Position:
Development
Coordinator

How long have you worked at WXXI: 9 years!

Describe your job in 5 words:
Assiduous,

Meaningful, Collaborative,
Supportive, and Eventful.

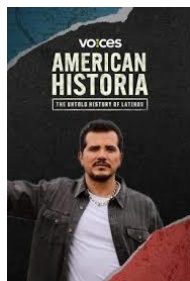
Favorite cookie: Oatmeal Ginger

Favorite restaurant: Sunshine
Vegan Eats, Buffalo, NY

What are you reading or watching:
For Brown Girls with Sharp Edges
and Tender Hearts by Prisca
Dorcas Rodriguez.

DEI Book Club

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, the book club will watch **VOCES American Historia: The Untold History of Latinos** (3-part series) [Preview](#)



Join actor John Leguizamo on a quest to uncover Latino and Latina heroes and their contributions, shining a light on the rich and often overlooked history of Latinos.

Book club discussion on Tuesday, October 29 at 11:00 am in the Board Room and via Zoom.

DEI Learning Hair/Cabello

This is the story of Black hair [Watch](#)

Sesame Street "I love my hair" [Watch](#)

My Son's Hair is Part of a Thousand-Year-Old Tribal Culture. His School Called it a 'Fad.' [English Spanish](#)

The hijab is not a symbol of gender oppression – but those who choose to wear it risk Islamophobia [English Spanish](#)

Why some Black women won't or can't quit hair relaxers-even as the dangers become clearer [English Spanish](#)



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 Host

9-12 Opening Tunings with Scott Regan
Full schedule [here](#)

Stay informed: Subscribe to the Classical eNewsletter (and other Newsletter)

<https://www.wxxi.org/newsletter-signup/>.

Jewish High Holy Days Performances

Live from Temple B'rith Kodesh A Rosh Hashanah Service

Wednesday October 2 7:30-8:45 pm
Celebrating the Jewish New Year

Music for the Days of Awe An Observance of the Jewish High Holidays

Wednesday October 9 12:00-1:00 pm
a musical observance of Rosh Hashanah
and Yom Kippur

Live from Temple B'rith Kodesh A Yom Kippur Service

Friday October 11 7:30-8:45 pm
Annual broadcast of the Kol Nidre Service



Gateways Music Fall Festival

October 14-18
Eastman School of Music
Performance schedule [here](#)

The African Children's Choir

Friday, October 25 7:00 pm
Trinity Reformed Church
The African Children's Choir is sure to melt the hearts of audiences with their performance of popular children's music, traditional spiritual songs and African cultural pieces.
[Info](#)

Classical Blog and Arts Features

Crystal Sellers Battle has music you should hear by Dr. Steve Johnson [Read/Listen](#)

Looking for more local Classical performances? Check out the Eastmans School of Music Concerts and Events Calendar [here](#)



Move to Include is a national initiative that uses the power of public media to promote inclusion. Project Manager Sarah Abbamonte [Move to Include](#)

Move to Include on Television

A Wider World

Saturdays at 9:30 am
This series focuses on inspirational stories that celebrate the resilience of the human spirit. [Info](#)

Art + Medicine: Disability, Culture and Creativity

Friday, October 18 9:00 pm
Artists and healthcare clinicians create alternative perspectives on disability. [Info](#)

Sky Blossom: Diaries of the Next Greatest Generation

Sunday, October 20 2:30 pm
Sky Blossom is a raw, inspiring film on children taking care of family with disabilities. [Info](#)

POV: Eat Your Catfish

Sunday, October 27 10:00 pm (WORLD)
A brutally frank and darkly humorous portrait of a family teetering on the brink, grappling with the daily demands of disability and in-home caretaking. [Info](#)

From the Community

540WestMain Presents: Social Emotional Learning & the Neurodivergent Student

Thursday, October 3 6:30-8:00
Learn how Social Emotional Learning can support neurodivergent students in building positive relationships. [Info](#)

Move to Include on Radio

[Connections: How to make voting more accessible for people with disabilities](#)

[Connections: Discussing challenges faced by direct support professionals](#)

FROM AROUND THE WEB

[USTA invests in growing Rochester's wheelchair tennis program](#)

[Rochester Accessible Adventures offers wheelchair tennis classes](#)

Webinar: "Workplace Accommodations for Neurodivergent and Invisible Disabilities" [Watch](#)

Move to Include On Demand [Watch](#)



[WXXI Main](#) [WXXI World](#) [WXXI Create](#)

[WXXI Kids 24/7](#) [WXXI Passport](#)

VOCES American Historia: The Untold Stories of Latinos

Friday, Sep 27, Oct 4 and 11 9pm
Inspired by John Leguizamo's own multi-faceted style, each episode will combine cultural travel segments as well as entertaining interstitials, unveiling Leguizamo's passionate revelations about his favorite Latino figures. [More info](#)

The Broken Promise

Monday, October 7th at 9pm
The Broken Promise shines a light on how we can overcome authoritarians. [More info](#)

Beyond Debate: A Revolution in Education

Monday, October 14th at 9pm
Follow students in Boston and Chicago public schools to witness debate-based pedagogies in action. [More info](#)

POV "Twice Colonized"

Monday, October 14th at 10pm
Aaju Peter is a renowned Inuit lawyer and activist launches an inspiring effort to establish an Indigenous forum, she also embarks upon a deeply personal journey to mend her own wounds. [More Info](#)

VOCES Latino Vote 2024

Tuesday, October 22nd at 10pm
Documentary and Digital Shorts Showcase Latino Voter Stories in Key Battleground States Across the U.S. [More Info](#)

VOCES " Our Texas, Our Vote"

Monday, October 28th at 10pm
Go inside the largest Latino voter registration mobilization in Texas history. [More Info](#)

Dia de los Muertos

Tuesday, October 29th at 4pm
"Dia de los Muertos" is a musical celebration of this much-anticipated and highly celebrated fiesta by people of Mexican heritage everywhere. [More Info](#)



Click to see [Now showing](#)
Click to see [Music in the café](#)

¡Presente! Latin Film Series: Spy Kids

Sunday, September 29 3:00 pm
"Spy Kids" is the story of Carmen and Juni Cortez, siblings who discover that their parents are secretly spies, and when their parents are captured, it's up to the kids to save them and the world! [Info](#)

Lyd

Monday, September 30 7:30 pm
A story of a city that once connected Palestine to the world — what it once was, what it is now, and what it could have become. [Info](#)

ImageOut LGBTQ+ Fall Film Festival

October 10-20
ImageOut's annual Fall Film Festival showcases the best in new LGBTQ+ cinema from around the world. [Info](#)

Spooky Season: Sleepy Hollow

Thursday, October 10 7:00 pm
Genesee Country Village & Museum
Mixing gothic horror and stylized fantasy, Tim Burton's creepy and atmospheric adaptation of "Sleepy Hollow" features an extraordinary cast of characters that dabble in the supernatural. [Info](#)

The Little's 95th Birthday Party Members Only

Thursday, October 17 3:00 and 6:00
Celebrate The Little's 95th birthday with a free screening of Life Itself, free birthday cake, and free popcorn! Choose either showtime and come celebrate 95 years of loving movies, music, art, and culture in Rochester with us! [Info](#)

A Train Near Magdeburg

Friday, October 18 1:00 pm
On April 13, 1945, a small U.S. Army reconnaissance team set out to investigate a German train stopped on the tracks near the site of their next battle. [Info](#)

Black Cinema Series and Spooky Season: The Blackening

Wednesday, October 23 7:00
The Blackening skewers genre tropes and poses the sardonic question: if the entire cast of a horror movie is Black, who dies first? [Info](#)

Spooky Season: Ganja & Hess

Monday, October 28 7:30 pm
After being stabbed with an ancient, germ-infested knife, a doctor's assistant finds himself with an insatiable desire for blood. Bill Gunn's 1973 American black horror film.



NEWS

[WXXI News](#)

Executive Editor Denise Young
News Director Randy Gorbman

[CITY MAGAZINE](#)

Editor Leah Stacy

Congratulations Leah!

CITY Magazine Editor Leah Stacey was selected in the 2024 Class of the Rochester Business Journal's 40 Under 40. This event recognizes and brings together the individuals who will be the future leaders of Rochester. These individuals are not only achieving success in their careers but giving back in meaningful ways to the Rochester community. [Info](#)

Stories You May Have Missed



[WXXI welcomes Chris Hastings, award-winning executive producer and public media leader, as new president and CEO](#)

[Using the rebranding of a Rochester school to inspire excellence](#)

[Local schools offer new Advanced Placement course on Black history](#)

[Connections: Exploring Mexico's Black history](#)

[Frederick Douglass statues undergo repair and will be put back at various city locations](#)

[Rochester's mayor upset about Walgreens closure in Bulls head neighborhood](#)

[Women of color gather in Rochester to focus on health and entrepreneurship](#)

[Connections: Exploring how local efforts to address poverty have affected families](#)

[Connections: Local leaders on the state of poverty in Rochester](#)

[HBCU Football Classic celebrates Black education and leadership in Rochester](#)

[Teen Empowerment celebrates new facility, new possibilities](#)

[RCSD's Ruth Turner: ROC Restorative H.U.B serves hundreds of Rochester students](#)

COMMUNITY

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

In This Moment Book Launch

Monday, September 30 6:30-8:30 pm
Dryden Theatre
Featuring Rochester luminaries Joe Beard and Almeta Whitis [Register](#)

ROC Reading Partners

A remote evening reading program for Rochester city school students (Grades 2 - 4) to engage young readers. [Info](#)

Plot & Pulse

October 5-November 9 (Virtual)
Create a short story, while gaining the tools. [info](#)

Queering Democracy: Art, Identity, and Politics in 2024

Opens Friday, October 4 6:00-0:00 pm
RoCo [Info](#)

Latin Dance Celebration

Saturday, October 5 3:00-4:00 pm
Central Library Gleason Auditorium
Cultural voyage with costumes and creative movements. [Info](#)

Hispanic Heritage Celebration Day

Sunday, October 6 12:00-5:00 pm
Memoria Art Gallery
Enjoy free museum admission and live performances and presentations. [Info](#)

International Film Series: Sin Nombre

Monday, October 7 5:30 pm
Pittsford Community Library
A young Honduran girl and a Mexican gangster are united in a journey. [Info](#)

Our Voices Documentary/Discussion

"This is My Grandmother"
Thursday, October 10 6:30
Irondequoit Public Library
Chronicles the stories of two Indigenous families. [Info](#)

Raising of the Haudenosaunee flag

Friday, October 11 10:30am
Town of Irondequoit

MCC Diversity Conference

Friday, October 11
MCC Flynn Campus Center
Role of Belonging in Higher Education [Info](#)

2024 Boundless Together Annual Diversity Conference

Tuesday, October 15
Riverside Convention Center
Keynote: Author Isabel Wilkerson. [Info](#)

Walk With Willow

Sunday, October 20 9:00 am
Grab your walking shoes and take steps to end domestic violence and amplify hope in our community. [Info](#)

Community Justice Initiative Ballot or Bulletin Voter Town Hall

Saturday, October 26 11:30
Phyllis Wheatley Library
Civics education and discussion of local issues and politics. [Info](#)