

DEIB DIGEST

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"Each time a woman stands up for herself, without knowing it possibly, without claiming it, she stands up for all women." — Maya Angelou

"For most of history, Anonymous was a woman." — Virginia Woolf

"I am not free while any woman is unfree, even when her shackles are very different from my own." — Audre Lorde

The 2024 theme celebrates "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion."

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987. [Read More Here](#)

Check out [WXXI's Women's History Page](#)

[PBS LearningMedia collection Rebel Girls](#)

A Tale of Two Cities

We have explored how Rochester is "a tale of two cities." On one side, our community boasts incredible innovation, some of the best academic institutions in America, comfortable living environments, relatively low unemployment rates, and plenty of recreational opportunities. Yet on the other side, the [2020 Act Rochester Hard Facts Update](#) highlights significant disparities across our region that disproportionately affect Black and Latino people

For example, we have one of the highest rates of childhood poverty in the nation. For adults, African Americans are almost three times as likely to be unemployed, three times as likely to live in poverty, and earn incomes that are less than half of whites in the region.

The resources below offer more explanation and information to help us move forward.

Read [The Divide Within Us](#)

Watch [The History of Segregation and Structural Racism in Rochester](#)

DEI BOOK CLUB February Selection

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates (Tah-nuh-ha-see)

[Find it at the library](#)

Discussion moderated by Mona Isler on Thursday, April 4 at 10:00 am in the WXXI Board Room or on Zoom (email me for the invite!)



DEI Learning Journal Prompt

Questions for Self-Reflection:

How has decades of housing discrimination impacted your community?

How has the history of land ownership affected your economic situation?



Get more information at www.actrochester.org



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

WXXI Classical will highlight the accomplishments of female composers and performers, presenting works and performances throughout every day of the month. Check the webpage for new profiles of women, with audio features on air throughout the month.

<https://www.wxxiclassical.org/women-in-classical-music>

WXXI Classical Presents **Kearstin Piper Brown and friends** featuring Kearstin Piper Brown, with Nyla Thomas and musicians from the Black Student Union at Eastman (BSUE).

Sunday, March 3 Asbury First Church, 1040 East Ave.

An Evening with the Spelman College

Glee Club This special event is part of the spring tour of the Spelman College all girls Glee Club

Wednesday, March 13 6:30 pm at Asbury First.

Don't miss these continuing series:

The Spanish Hour Mondays @ 10:00pm

Gateways Radio Tuesdays at 8:00pm

Concierto Tuesdays @ 9:00pm

¡Fiesta! Thursdays @ 10:00pm

Check out Classical's updated report on the number of works by women and people of African heritage through 2023.

[AA and Women Playlists 20-23](#)

Rochester Latino Theatre Company

presents a Latin-American voice recital, "Canciones de mi Tierra" March 16th, 2024 6 PM Karen Rettner Community Music Center Messinger Hall. The recital will expose Latin-American song works that are underrepresented in the classical music repertoire.

Live from Hochstein returns for nine weeks of live

performances including a celebration of the [Nazareth College's Women in Music Festival](#) on 3/27)

Wednesdays at 12:10 pm beginning March 20.



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.

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

MTI On-demand

You can now view MTI programming on-demand through the PBS App!
www.pbs.org/show/move-to-include/

Indie Lens Pop Up: "**Matter of Mind: My Parkinson's**" Film Screening + Panel Discussion

Join WXXI for a special FREE screening and discussion of Matter of Mind: My Parkinson's, a film by Anna Moot-Levin and Laura Green. Three people—a political cartoonist, a mother turned boxing coach, and an optician—navigate their lives with resourcefulness and determination in the face of a degenerative illness, Parkinson's disease.

Monday, 18 March, 6:30pm - 8:30pm
 The Little

<https://thelittle.org/matter-of-mind-my-parkinsons/>

Did you know: Move to Include has PBS LearningMedia curated collections
<https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/collecton/move-to-include/>

INCLUSION DESK

[Deaf residents are suing Brighton. They say the police are discriminating against them](#)

[Super Bowl telecast criticized for not showing ASL performances](#)

NATIONAL NEWS

[Youth with autism are more likely to be arrested. A Nevada judge wants to remedy that](#)

[A hospital is suing to move a quadriplegic 18-year-old to a nursing home. She says no](#)

**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>

Hariet Tubman: Visions of Freedom

Monday, March 4th at 9:30pm

Meet the woman who repeatedly risked her life and freedom to liberate others from slavery. [More Info](#)

Rising Against Asian Hate: One Day in March

Tuesday, March 19th at 10pm

Explore the fight against Asian American hate following the March 2021 mass shootings. [More Info](#)

American Masters "Marian Anderson - The Whole World in Her Hands"

Thursday, March 21st at 9pm

Explore the life of the famous singer who became an icon for the civil rights movement. [More Info](#)

[AARP Profile of Henry Louis Gates](#)

American Masters "Roberta Flack"

Thursday, March 28th at 9pm

Discover music icon Roberta Flack's rise to stardom and triumphs over racism and sexism [More Info](#)

POV Shorts "Shut Up and Paint"

Thursday, March 28th at 10:30pm

An artist's canvas becomes an embattled space. [More Info](#)

Fannie Lou Hamer: Stand Up

Friday, March 29th at 10:30pm

Civil rights hero Fannie Lou Hamer is remembered by those who joined her in the struggle. [More info](#)



Click to see [Now showing](#)

Click to see [Music in the café](#)

Punch 9 for Harold Washington

Black Cinema Series

Thursday, March 14, 2024 7:30pm

Harold Washington takes on a city rife with corruption and discrimination to be elected Chicago's first African-American mayor in 1983.

<https://thelittle.org/punch-9-for-harold-washington/>

Maestra One Take Documentary Series

Thursday, March 7 7:00 pm

Five incredible women from around the world, who are boldly breaking glass ceilings in the male-dominated world of orchestral conducting, take center stage. <https://thelittle.org/maestra/>

**50 Year of Hip Hop Series**

House Party

Friday, March 22 7:30 pm

Kid decides to go to his friend

Play's house party, but neither of them can predict what's in store for them on what could be the wildest night of their lives. <https://thelittle.org/house-party-1990-mar-22/>

Indy Lense Popup: Razing Liberty Square

On demand until 4/28/24:

<https://www.wxxi.org/highlights/razing-liberty-square-on-demand/>

ImageOut presents Kinky Boots

at Little 1 Thursday, March 21 7:00 pm FREE

<https://thelittle.org/kinky-boots-imageout/>

Oscar Nominated Shorts

Now Playing

<https://thelittle.org/oscarshorts2024/>

AWARDS & NONSENSE

Oscar Movie Trivia Party

Sunday, March 10 4:00 PM

Join The Little's staff for a night of celebrating movies and the Oscars, in all their messy glory! Oscar movie trivia, plenty of prizes, themed snacks, and a hefty dose of nonsense! Stay to watch the Oscar ceremony (free!) and play Oscar bingo to win!

Doors Open: 4:00pm

Trivia: 5:00pm

The Oscars: 7:00pm



NEWS

WXXI News
<https://www.wxxinews.org/>
 Executive Editor Denise Young
 News Director Randy Gorbman

CITY MAGAZINE
<https://www.roccitymag.com/>
 Editor Leah Stacy

[Keepers of the town square \(Megan Mack and Evan Dawson!\)](#)

Stories You May Have Missed

[Connections: Previewing the Rochester Public Library's new Archive of Black History & Culture](#)

[Connections: Author and sociologist Matthew Desmond on his book, "Poverty, by America"](#)

[RTS honors the legacy of Rosa Parks and the importance of transportation equity](#)

[From boxing to e-gaming, YMCA hopes free programs will draw thousands of Rochester teens.](#)

[CITY: I-90 Comedy Battle League launches Friday at Comedy @ the Carlson](#)

[CITY: Partnership perks | Happy Gut Sanctuary + Roc City Ramen](#)

Don't Miss:

WXXI New Reporter Racquel Stephen's Tiny Mic series on Instagram
<https://www.instagram.com/p/C0MJWZZ0tVu/>

COMMUNITY

Growing Up WILD: NYSDEC & WXXI Education Early Childhood Workshop Series

Wednesday March 6th 6-8 pm
 Workshop #1: Growing Up WILD is an early childhood education curriculum that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them.

Frederick Douglass R Center
 Register [here](#):

Get Ready for the Total Solar Eclipse!

Saturday, March 9th 2:00-4:30 pm
 WXXI

Join WXXI Education and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for a training to learn how to safely experience the 2024 total solar eclipse with young children.
 Register [here](#)

AKOMA Heritage Concert

Saturday, March 2 6:00-8:00 pm
 Mt. Vernon Baptist Church
 AKOMA & The Voices of Thunder will be singing for their annual joint Heritage Concert to raise scholarship funds.

International Women's Day Celebration

RMSC Saturday, March 9 11:00-3:00
 Celebrate Women's HERStory! Learn about Rochester's Changemakers, explore hands-on activities, and meet inspiring female scientists. [Info](#)

Badass Babes DeTour

Memorial Art Gallery
 Thursday, March 21 6:00-7:00 pm
 Celebrate the women in our collection who made MAGnificent muses, painted perfect portraits, and altered our perceptions of feminism, the art world, and who fought to give women the rights of agency. [Info](#)

Wake Up!: The Cinema of Spike Lee at

Dryden Theatre
 March 15 Jungle Fever
 March 29 Malcolm X [Info](#)

Bunny Hop

Memorial Art Gallery
 Sunday, March 24 11:00-2:00

Grab your little ones and hop on over to MAG for a fun-filled afternoon of art, music, creativity, and connection! Have fun with the Seneca Park ZooMobile, the Submarine School of Music, arts and crafts, a movie, and more. [Info](#)

New Ground Poetry Night

Equal=Grounds
 First Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 pm
 The lineup is first come, first on stage. Each poet has five minutes (or three poems, whichever comes first.)

Mondays at Geva
 Geva Theatre
 March 11 BlackOut Poetic Art [Info](#)

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