

**KUEN Channel 9 - Programs and Issues Report
Jan 1-March 31, 2022**

Listed below are programs that **KUEN** Channel 9, Utah's Learning Channel, deems to be of importance in the **KUEN** viewing area. Education is the primary focus of this station, serving educators and all citizens of our service area. These programs are indicative of **KUEN's** commitment to provide the citizens of Utah access to the highest quality and most effective instructional experiences.

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K - 12 Instructional Programming

KUEN approved a comprehensive schedule of instructional programs for use in Utah's elementary and secondary schools. These programs were selected and scheduled in cooperation with staff of the Utah State Board of Education. A representational list of these programs includes;

Sing and Spell: These animated musical programs teach young children the basics of phonics and word and letter identification, using original songs and lessons for lively learning. The series features the first 29 high frequency words presented in the Open Court/Imagine It language arts kindergarten program. This edutainment media content for young learners is a fun way to get children onto the reading runway and for teaching English language learners. **KUEN** aired this series Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

Biz Kid\$: BIZ KID\$ is the fun, fast-paced TV series where kids teach kids about money and entrepreneurship. Created for school-aged children, each half-hour episode features several young business owners and philanthropists who share their success stories. Whether it's a skateboard designer, a candy store owner, or a hip-hop music producer, the kids on the series inspire young viewers. Throughout the series, kids learn about saving, budgeting, investing and giving back to the community. Spoofs of old TV shows and comedy sketches performed by a humorous cast of characters make the series a hit with both kids and parents alike. The King of Ka-Ching, a cheesy lounge singer, and Francine Fairtrade, a world traveler with extensive knowledge of all things exotic and financial, are two of the characters who add to the fun. This 4series aired on **KUEN** Mondays and Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.

Introduction to Information Literacy: Information Literacy is a crucial skill in obtaining knowledge. In this program, learn how to find credible sources on the internet, read and evaluate a topic critically, and notate your sources. Ethical issues are also addressed. **KUEN** aired this program Wednesday, February 2 at 9:00 a.m.

Ancient History: Globe Trekker's Zay Harding hosts this new look at the world's ancient civilizations: civilizations that left remarkable ruins. As interpreted by historians of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, these ancient civilizations were presumed to be primitive and embroiled in wars, invasion and conquest. Now archaeologists have come to regard them in a new light in terms of accomplishments and unique variations on complex social organizations. Filmed in high-definition, these programs

highlight new understandings of the civilizations of Greece, the Incas, the Anasazi, Britons and Native North Americans. These programs aired on **KUEN** Fridays from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. February 25 – March 11.

Teen Kids News: TEEN KIDS NEWS is a dynamic news program for teens and pre-teens by teens. The half-hour weekly program provides information and news to students in a way that's educational as well as entertaining. The focus of the program is young people, so all the stories are in their words. This program inserts the clear, informed voice of students into the adult-dominated media and provides a unique perspective that is not currently available on network news programs. Weekly Reader provides educational content and works with teachers nationwide to download scripts to teach public speaking, reading and writing skills. **KUEN** broadcast this series Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.

Global Footprints on the Environment: Every step we take has an impact on the environment from urbanization to deforestation to waste. The Global Footprints series uncovers the big issues around Global Warming and talks to the people who are walking in the right direction when it comes to finding the right solutions. Get a deeper understanding of man's footprint on the environment. This series aired on **KUEN** Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. beginning March 10

Public Affairs Programming

DW News: A daily newscast from the heart of Europe. As one of the world's largest international broadcasters, Deutsche Welle provides public television viewers the unique opportunity to see our world from another perspective. The global economic crises, war in Afghanistan, and the worldwide campaign to combat global warming are issues that affect viewers on both sides of the Atlantic. On DW News, reporters and presenters from our Berlin studios provide your viewers depth and clarity as well as a unique European perspective on the day's events. **KUEN** broadcast this series Monday through Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Blind Trust: Leaders and Followers in Times of Crisis: What emotions connect a political leader to his followers? What is large group identity and why is it the most important factor in American politics since the Capitol insurrection of January 6, 2021? For more than four decades, renowned psychiatrist Vamik Volkan, a five-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee, has worked in traumatized areas around the globe. Vamik's work is key to helping us understand national, ethnic, religious and cultural identity, and has shaped the leading model of conflict resolution used around the world today. **KUEN** aired this 60-minute program Thursday, January 6 at 9:00 p.m.

Open Mind: A half hour weekly public affairs broadcast, THE OPEN MIND is a thoughtful excursion into the world of ideas, exploring issues of national and public concern with the most compelling minds of our times. Hosted by Alexander Heffner. **KUEN** aired this series on Monday nights at 11:00 p.m. and on Friday mornings at 5:00 a.m.

NHK Newslines: NEWSLINE is produced by NHK, Japan's news leading public broadcaster, delivering the latest from Japan, Asia and the rest of the world. featuring global news and current affairs, business, sports, science and technology trends plus global weather forecasts from over 30 news bureaus throughout the world. Their wide network of correspondents around the globe cover breaking news and developing stories, offering a unique Asian perspective. Together with a team of trusted anchors, NHK NEWSLINE presents a picture of what's happening now, and what's ahead. **KUEN** aired this series twice a day, Monday through Friday, at 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Trust Me: "TRUST ME" shows how an avalanche of biased news and mis-information is undermining trust in society. This drives fear, which promotes racism, political polarization and mental

health disorders. When fear goes up it erodes trust. When people don't trust each other, they don't help each other and progress stalls. Sensational media take advantage of our survival instincts to earn more clicks and ad revenue with shocking headlines and we're enabling them each time we share.. "TRUST ME" uses compelling human stories, facts and experts to show empirical realities and the right way to consume media. This one-hour documentary aired Thursday, March 24 at 9:00 p.m. on **KUEN**.

The Civil Discourse: The Civil Discourse is an interview series featuring high-profile and renowned guests in conversation across difference. Building on the legacy of over 15 years of The Drexel InterView, this reimagined series explores controversial topics in the spirit of civil discourse, respectable intellectual debate, and greater cultural understanding. Join high-profile and renowned guests in discussion with Host Paula Marantz Cohen to explore a spectrum of opinion and experience. **KUEN** aired this series Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. beginning January 6.

General Interest Programming

Doctor Q & A: Doctor Q & A provides answers to some of the most common questions about important medical topics. Each half-hour episode features experts from top medical institutions around the country addressing subjects as varied as heart disease and strokes, skin care, back pain, stomach problems, sleep trouble, children's mental health and Alzheimer's disease. **KUEN** aired this series Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. beginning February 4 11.

Bears of Durango: An adventure-filled exploration of conservation science, BEARS OF DURANGO embeds with a dynamic team of wildlife researchers tasked with conducting a black bear study in Durango, Colorado. In response to an exponential increase in black bear-human conflicts - including bears breaking into cars and homes, and cubs getting trapped in garages - Colorado Parks and Wildlife commissioned a six-year study to determine the factors behind the state-wide trend, and to propose solutions to quell it. BEARS OF DURANGO invites viewers to consider their own regions and backyards, and how they can better cohabitate with the wildlife around them. This one-hour program aired Monday, January 24 at 8:00 p.m. on **KUEN**.

Discovery Road: Explore the people and places of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area (MPNHA). "Discovery Road" features a '55 Pontiac which travels along U.S. Highway 89, All-American Road State Route 12, and Scenic Byway State Route 24 in Utah. As the car drives along these roads, viewers will "discover" the things that make the MPNHA worth driving to themselves.

Using music, storytellers and the characters in the communities along the way, Discovery Road presents Utah's history, scenery and culture in an entertaining and educational manner. The Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area (MPNHA) is a federally designated area of central and southern Utah running along the beautiful and historic U. S. Highway 89 — including the All-American Road, Utah State Route 12, and Capitol Reef Scenic Byway Utah State Route 24, which both intersect with U.S. 89 and together form the MPNHA's Boulder Loop. This series airs on **KUEN** Saturdays at 6:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 12:00 a.m.

Fukushima Monologue Following the March 2011 accident at TEPCO's Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant, Matsumura Naoto was the sole resident who stayed put. FUKUSHIMA MONOLOGUE tells the story of his sacrifice and how his decision to stay changed the course of his life. The documentary gives viewers a chance to reflect on the power of resilience, and what is truly important. **KUEN** aired this program on Saturday, March 12 at 8:00 p.m.

Route 66: The Untold Story of the Mother Road: A documentary series that uncovers the extraordinary lives and achievements of women who overcame gender discrimination and segregation to build fulfilling lives and legacies on America's most iconic highway. From entrepreneurs and waitresses, anthropologists and politicians, to artists and military sergeants, these women transformed their communities and the American West through their hard work, perseverance and ingenuity. Since its inception in 1926, Route 66 has struck a chord with Americans. Its roughly 2,400 mile stretch from Chicago to Los Angeles still represents the journey from the East to the American West, with its wide-open skies and mix of different cultures. Heritage tourists come to the historic corridor longing for a more personal experience on America's vanishing main streets, while international visitors come by the tens of thousands to experience a male-oriented America mythologized through classics like *On The Road*, *Easy Rider* and the TV Show *Route 66*. Despite its moniker as the "Mother Road," little attention has been paid to women's lives across many different cultures and 90 years of history on this beloved highway. This documentary examines the history of Route 66 through a diverse female lens, shedding new light on this iconic and historic corridor and bringing the path of women in the American West - from Native American, Latino, Asian and African American communities of varying socio-economic backgrounds - to the forefront. **KUEN** broadcast this three-part series Wednesdays at 9:00 p.m. beginning March 2.

Dutch Hop The hammered dulcimer, accordion, trombone and bass blend to create unique polka melodies and the 100-year-old dance tradition of the Volga Germans, immigrants who came to the United States from Germany by way of Russia. Along with their agricultural skills, they brought a unique form of music. Viewers meet the musicians, dancers and families who treasure this cultural gem and strive to keep the tradition alive. **KUEN** aired this 60-minute documentary Sunday, January 2 at 8:00 p.m.