KUEN Channel 9 - Programs and Issues Report  
April 1-June 30, 2021

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 the Utah State Office of Education. A representational list of these programs includes:

**Turning Points in US History:** Turning Points in U.S. History is a series designed to provide a clear overview of the people and events that became significant pivotal points in history. Rare archival footage and photographs, authentic recordings, and other primary source documents bring history to life, while stunning graphics and engaging narration lend context and clarity to the subject. This series aired Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on KUEN.

**Getting to Know the World’s Greatest Artists:** Get to know the world's greatest artists with this informative and engaging video series! This series of 8 episodes aired Mondays, May 24 at 9:00 a.m. on KUEN.

**Descubra Ingles:** Spanish speaking youngsters will have fun learning English under the teaching of Maestro Javier and friends in this animated musical series. The series includes short English lessons with practice time, on-screen visuals for vocabulary and words, colorful characters and catchy songs for each letter of the alphabet! An interactive and entertaining way to hear and learn English! This series aired on KUEN Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.

**Deadly Obesity Epidemic + extended interview shows:** With over two thirds of Americans overweight or obese, this chronic disease, obesity, has become the number one health problem in our nation and around the world. This disease that is killing our children is barely a blip on the radar of issues that need to be addressed. Why? The Deadly Obesity Epidemic documents how a food environment filled with sugar, sugary drinks and processed food changes people's food processing hormonal balance in such a way that it causes obesity and diabetes. This new understanding challenges the old energy imbalance model of obesity that has set up people to become fat and sick through no fault of their own, or through lack of willpower to control their diet and exercise more. KUEN aired this series Wednesdays; April 14 from 10am-12 noon; April 21 from 9am-11am; and April 28 from 9am-10 am.
Branches on the Tree of Life: The Biology of... series of core curriculum programs explores the "deep branches" on the tree of life to reveal a modern view of the classification and phylogeny of each group studied in the biology curricula. The narrated programs feature new techniques of microscopy, animation, and photography to reveal the structure, process, and behavior in living things. This series of 16 episodes aired Thursdays from 9:00 to 11:00 beginning April 29 on KUEN.

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.

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 airs this series Monday through Friday at 7:00 p.m.

The West is Burning: A look at the state of forests in the western U. S., and the history of forest management and litigation that has contributed to the current conditions and the catastrophic fires plaguing the region. The film also explores the critical need for interdisciplinary approaches to forest restoration, and looks at how local stakeholders are coming together to better manage and steward the land. This one-hour program aired Thursday, April 22 at 8:00 p.m. on KUEN.

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 broadcast this series on Monday nights at 11:00 p.m. and on Friday mornings at 5:00 a.m.

NHK Newsline: 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.

The Long View: The Long View chronicles the efforts of Oakland's students, educators, organizers, parents, and community members to create lasting solutions to systemic inequities in the city's public school system. The film unfolds over the course of a three-year community effort to advance an agenda for change rooted in racial justice and a commitment to school and district transformation. Anyone interested in education reform and grassroots organizing will find in The Long View a story both familiar and thought provoking. This 90-minute documentary aired Thursday, May 13 at 8:00 p.m.
**General Interest Programming**

**Second Opinion with Joan Lunden:** The award-winning SECOND OPINION is a national initiative to promote health literacy and empower viewers to take charge of their healthcare. This season features new host Joan Lunden, an esteemed journalist and television personality, breast cancer survivor, and women's health advocate. In each half-hour episode, Lunden hosts a panel of medical experts along with a real patient story that highlights a specific medical condition, disease, or public health issue in order to examine effective treatments and solutions. **KUEN** aired this series Fridays at 8:00 p.m.

**The Joy of AI:** Artificial Intelligence is the focus of much fear and anxiety, but THE JOY OF AI takes a refreshingly optimistic look at the machines designed to make our lives easier. Host and professor Jim Al-Khalili (Shock and Awe: The Story of Electricity) shows how AI is changing our lives with real life examples and expert interviews. This one-hour program aired Monday, May 17 at 9:00 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.

**The Ito Sisters: An American Story:** Explore the lives of three Nisei sisters from the Sacramento Delta, from their childhood on a farm in the Delta to their internment during WWII and beyond. **KUEN** aired this program on Wednesday, May 6 at 8:00 p.m.

**Art Connection:** This weekly series highlights four artists and their craft. Travel around the world, meeting fascinating people and the love of art that connects them all. **KUEN** broadcast this series Sundays at 7:00 p.m.

**The Kitchenistas:** What started as a 7-week nutrition program seven years ago in National City (CA) for women seeking healthier diets, has become a Latina-led movement to raise the health, wellbeing, and resilience of the community. National City has one of the highest rates of obesity and diabetes in San Diego County and in the state of California, and the program graduates, called "Kitchenistas", are out to change that, one healthy meal at a time. **KUEN** aired this 60-minute documentary Tuesday, Apr 27 at 8:00 p.m.