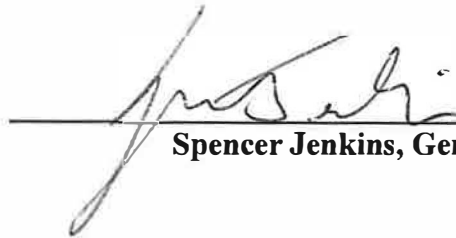


UEN Channel 9 — Programs and Issues Report October 1–December 31, 2023

Listed below are programs that KUEN Channel 9, Utah Education Network, 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.



Spencer Jenkins, General Manager

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:

Biz Kid\$ — Three Minutes to Change the World: This hour-long program follows four young entrepreneurs as they compete in an international contest to change the world. Sharing their lives, passions, joys and hardships, these semi-finalists from the United States, Canada, India and Singapore must present their business ideas to some of the world's most influential technology leaders in just 180 seconds. The documentary inspires people of all ages to use innovation and technology to bring about change in their communities. KUEN aired this special October 11 at 11 a.m.

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 to teach English language learners. This series aired Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. on KUEN.

Children of the World: From some of the most remote locations in the world, the appealing photography of wide-eyed children just being kids quickly engages audience attention. These close-up programs are so captivating and the children so innocent that experiencing their unique lifestyles will have a lasting effect. These children, like children everywhere, live their lives with the sweet innocence of youth combined with hopeful dreams for the future. KUEN broadcast this series Fridays at 9 a.m. beginning November 10.

Core Biology: Take a journey through the major turning points in the biological sciences: explore discoveries in plant and animal sciences, genetics, microbiology and environmental sciences. Today the animal sciences and zoology form the knowledge basis for such diverse disciplines as human physiology and nutrition, genetics and animal breeding, and the exciting field of wildlife ecology. For the first time the scientific discoveries that provide insight into the nature of animal classification, physiology and behavior are brilliantly brought together in one program. Arranged chronologically, each discovery is presented with clear graphics and brilliant high-definition footage. This four-part series aired on KUEN beginning Thursday, November 9 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Infinite Art Hunt: This live-action series follows Freddie on her mission to become a great artist. With the help of her cousin Ty and their Grandma Tilly, an eccentric art teacher with friends all over town, the kids go on art quests around their neighborhood. The cousins learn about art spaces (big and small), hear from local makers and get a chance to create original pieces for themselves. This program invites elementary-school-age viewers to join Freddie on a virtual field trip covering a range of artistic mediums and styles, from public art and sculpture gardens to museums and airports. Each episode is shot on location in real spaces with real guests, including curators, photographers, educators, and artists, and inspires kids to explore art in their own community. KUEN aired this series Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and Fridays at 3:30 p.m.

American Sign Language: An easy-to-learn, step-by-step approach to learning sign language, complete with drills and practice exercises to increase signing ability and understanding. It's the perfect guide to the fundamentals of communicating through sign in a variety of everyday situations. This series provides an excellent resource for every American Sign Language (ASL) student as well as teachers, parents and professionals learning ASL to be able to communicate clearly and naturally with the Deaf community and people with hearing loss. Students will learn basic to advanced communication skills, vocabulary, finger spelling, the alphabet, the fundamentals of communicating through sign in a variety of everyday situations, proper ASL etiquette and how to communicate with people in the Deaf community. This series aired on KUEN Tuesdays at 1 p.m. beginning October 24.

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. Reporters and presenters from DW's Berlin studios provide viewers with depth and clarity as well as a unique European perspective on the day's events. KUEN aired this series Monday through Friday at 7 p.m.

Energy Switch: Energy and climate are intertwined, two of the most important topics in the world today. Yet viewers know very little about them. This show aims to change that by bringing together two renowned experts from government, NGOs, academia and industry with differing perspectives on important energy and climate topics, such as: Could solar and wind power our

future? Or could hydrogen be the dominant energy source? Should we have more or less nuclear power? How should we respond to climate change? What policies most effectively reduce emissions? How could we pay for them? These lively discussions and more are moderated by renowned energy scientist and communicator Dr. Scott Tinker. The show is produced, written and directed by Emmy-winning documentary filmmaker Harry Lynch, creator of the celebrated PBS series *Great Performances: Now Hear This* and *Stories of the Mind*. This series aired Thursdays at 8 p.m. on KUEN.

Open Mind: This half-hour weekly public affairs broadcast 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 p.m. and on Friday mornings at 5 a.m.

NHK Newslines: Produced by NHK, Japan's leading news public broadcaster, this program delivers 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 more than 30 news bureaus throughout the world. Their wide network of correspondents around the globe covers breaking news and developing stories, offering a unique Asian perspective. KUEN aired this series twice a day, Monday through Friday, at 7 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Community First, A Home for the Homeless: This series tells the story of leaders and residents at Community First! Village, a 27-acre, master-planned development providing affordable, permanent housing for hundreds of chronically homeless people in Austin, Texas. The Village offers a variety of microenterprises, providing the residents an opportunity to make a dignified income; 20 percent of the residents at the Village have never been homeless but choose to live there as support. This housing model illustrates how the sense of community at the core of the Village is transforming the lives of homeless people and can be replicated throughout the United States. KUEN aired this program Saturday, November 25 at 8 p.m.

Free to Speak: What is free speech? Is it an outdated idea? What about hate speech? This three-part series underscores how free speech is necessary for human survival as it presents thought-provoking, ironic and often heartbreaking stories. Host Nadine Strossen is joined by free speech experts, critics and defenders to examine its power and controversy historically and today. This series aired Thursday at 9 p.m. on KUEN, beginning October 9.

General Interest Programming

Life in the Heart Land: A series of eight half-hour episodes that dive deep into the heart of the country to meet the neighbors, communities and organizations creating unique solutions to rural America's toughest challenges. Facing formidable obstacles, these collaborators are breaking down divides and roadblocks to build new pathways to meaningful, positive outcomes that have the power to inspire empathy and action while transforming other communities across the nation. KUEN aired this series Tuesdays at 8 p.m. beginning October 17.

The Fabulous History of Skiing: This one-hour documentary traces the evolution of locomotion on two slats of wood — from cave art to a form of 19th-century transportation to the leisure sport we know today — revealing surprising insights and unexpected stories from archival material, historians and sports personalities. KUEN aired this program on Wednesday, October 11 at 8 p.m.

Discovery Road: Explore the people and places of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area (MPNHA). This program features a '55 Pontiac that 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 for themselves. Using music, storytellers and the characters in the communities along the way, this program presents Utah's history, scenery and culture in an entertaining and educational manner. The 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 aired on KUEN Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Wednesdays at 12 a.m.

Reciprocity Project: A collection of stories highlighting the value of communities living in reciprocity with the earth. Featuring seven short films created with Indigenous communities across Turtle Island in the U.S. and Colombia, the filmmakers and community partners created stories in response to the question, "What does reciprocity mean to you and your community?" Each film shines a light on the challenges and triumphs of those who celebrate and fight for their communities, heritage and land in the face of the modern industrial age. It invites learning from time-honored and current Indigenous ways of life and teaches us how to conserve our relationship with the earth. KUEN aired this program on Saturday, November 4 at 9 p.m.

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

All-Star Orchestra: A front-row seat to some of the world's greatest music, this program features popular symphonic scores and exciting new works by today's leading composers. The Emmy-winning series introduces viewers to top players from across the U.S. performing and sharing insights on the music. The exciting performances captured by multiple cameras embedded within the orchestra provide viewers with a roadmap to start or continue their journey with classical music. KUEN aired this four-part series Sundays at 8 p.m. beginning October 1.