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WiCKNeY KIDS



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Why did WCNY replace the Plus channel with WiCKNeY KIDS?

Education is a fundamental part of WCNY's mission and the opportunity to bring this content to families is a remarkable community service. PBS remains the nation's most trusted provider of educational media for children, and TV is still the primary content platform especially among low-income families. The new channel makes it possible for families to have access to great children's programming on a variety of household schedules.

WCNY also added a new 24/7 WiCKNeY KIDS channel to broadcast children's shows during many of the high children viewing periods – evenings, nighttime and weekends – when WCNY is airing other programming for adult audiences.

The new channel supports parents and caregivers seeking the best in violence-free, trusted and educational programming for their children. With PBS Kids programming on WCNY's new 24/7 WiCKNeY KIDS channel, WCNY is helping to prepare children for success in school and life. PBS KIDS is the number one education media brand that parents trust.

What is GLOBAL CONNECT?

GLOBAL CONNECT replaces WCNY's World channel. The new channel was added to give members and viewers broader perspectives of the news of the day and insight into the many cultures of the world. GLOBAL CONNECT offers live broadcasts from a number of foreign broadcasters and cultural programs that explore aspects of life from a wide mix of countries and cultures. The newscasts include: NHK from Tokyo, BBC World News from London, Deutsche Welle from Berlin, and CCTV from Beijing. The new channel also includes programming from FNX—First Nations Experience—that offers Native American and World Indigenous Peoples content, helping to build awareness and understanding of indigenous societies and traditions.

The new channel gives viewers different perspectives on international and American events that are not available from any other American broadcaster.

While WCNY does not necessarily endorse the views, reporting, or commentary that may be presented by the programming, our intent is to give viewers the opportunity to see how the international media portrays and presents news and events from around the world. The new content also allows viewers to see breaking news as it happens from different sources around the world.

In addition to the live newscasts, the new channel's lineup includes:

- *Cool Japan*: a look at differences in the way foreigners and Japanese think about actions in public places.
- *Euromaxx*: Offering engaging insights into European culture and lifestyles.
- *Indian Pride*: Magazine-style series showcasing the history, talent and culture of the 562 American Indian Nations.
- *Doc*: Focuses on different aspects of life worldwide, with a wide range of topics from fatherless Filipino children conceived by foreign holidaymakers to China's Digital Detox camps that combat Internet addiction.
- *Great Gear*: a look at the latest products from a wide range of industries born from unique Japanese ideas and technologies.

How can I find out where to watch these channels?

To view WCNY where you live, visit wcnyc.org/wheretowatch. This guide features our channel information by provider.

The Plus channel used to feature repeats of the Sunday night programs, how can I watch these repeats?

You can watch the repeats on WCNY on various dates and times, generally between 1 and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Often times, Passport features

these programs. Passport is available for WCNY members only. To become a member, visit wcnyc.org/membership.

How can I watch PBS NewsHour? I used to watch it at 6 and 10 p.m. on Plus.

WCNY recently made a number of programming changes, including switching the Plus channel to a 24/7 children's channel. With that change, the 6 p.m. PBS NewsHour was dropped as was a 10 p.m. PBS NewsHour on the previous World channel. However, the 10 p.m. PBS NewsHour will return to our GLOBAL CONNECT channel on Monday, Jan. 30.

How can I watch the Plus channel's Classic Arts Showcase program?

Due to a number of late minute changes and technical issues, all the planned changes were not able to be put into place with the addition of two new channels.

Classic Arts Showcase will air nightly on our Create channel (24.2) from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. starting Monday, Jan. 30 at 10 p.m.

Will Plus programs be available on another WCNY channel?

The Plus channel included many repeats from WCNY's other channels and has been replaced with the 24/7 children's channel WiCKNeY Kids. This service allows WCNY to present children's programming during many of the high children viewing periods – evenings, nighttime and weekends – when WCNY is airing other programming for adult audiences.

PBS does not allow member stations to schedule other programming on this service. If there are additional programs from the Plus channel you enjoyed but are not elsewhere, please let the WCNY TV programming department know what they are so we can try to include them in future schedules.