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**LEADING PUBLIC MEDIA PROVIDER *WHYY* OFFERS
 SPECIAL, MULTIPLATFORM COVERAGE OF
 REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ELECTIONS**

Philadelphia, Pa – WHYY is offering its viewers and listeners a host of live programming and special coverage of the political races taking place nationally and across the region. Top experts and commentators from across the country will also present in-depth analysis on this dynamic political landscape. “This election cycle has been the most contentious and engaging in years. We are committed to providing the residents of Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey with thought provoking commentary and discussions around key races and the major political and social issues of our time,” says Sandra M. Clark, vice president for news and civic dialogue at WHYY.

The line-up includes:

ONLINE:

Working and Poor: An overlooked constituency, issue on campaign trail: goo.gl/r2CU9g

In the series *Working and Poor*, WHYY/Newsworks reporters Katie Colaneri and Aaron Moselle examine how campaign issues like raising the minimum wage, affordable child care and well-paying jobs affect the more than 800,000 people in the Philadelphia region living from paycheck-to-paycheck — if they get one at all.

Radio Times: Money In Politics: goo.gl/dzew3f

Marty Moss-Coane and her team explore the role that money plays in the US political system. Hear Marty’s conversation with Fordham University law professor Zephyr Teachout who wrote of the historical efforts to prevent political corruption in her book *Corruption in America*. Listen to a frank discussion about the Supreme Court decisions that led to a gusher of spending and catch *The New Yorker* staff writer Jane Mayer who spent years investigating how the Koch Brothers became two of the most influential spenders in electoral politics:

EVENTS:

StateImpact Pennsylvania: The Politics of Pennsylvania's Energy Future

Tuesday, October 25, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

WHYY Studios, 150 North 6th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106

Guest Registration: whyy.org/events

This election season has polarized voters along issues of race, gender and class. Lurking beneath these divisions is a less-discussed but equally important divide on the nation’s



energy future. Pennsylvania is in the crosshairs of this debate. Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton present two starkly different futures when it comes to energy policy, environmental protection, and climate change. StateImpact Pennsylvania reporter **Susan Phillips** will moderate a panel examining their platforms, as well as developments in alternative energy, natural gas, nuclear, and coal, through a national and a regional lens.

Radio Times

Thursday, November 3, 10-11:00 a.m.

WHYY, 150 North Sixth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106

Guest Registration: why.org/events

In a special pre-election edition of Radio Times, Marty Moss-Coane and her guests will take a look at local and national races and break down the fiercest Election Day match ups. Marty will be joined by national interest blogger for NewsWorks.org **Dick Polman**, **James Peterson**, host of the WHYY podcast “The Remix” and MSNBC commentator **Joe Watkins** and Rutgers University Scholar **Kelly Dittmar**.

WHYY & First Person Arts Present: Sincerely, Philadelphia: A Letter to Our New President

Wednesday, November 9, 8 p.m.

Christ Church Neighborhood House Theater (20 N. American St., Philadelphia, PA 19106).

Near the corner of 2nd and Market Streets

TICKETS \$12 before Oct. 28; \$15 starting on Oct. 28; \$10 for FPA members

Guest Registration: why.org/events

In this open-letter style performance, Philadelphians come together through storytelling to share personal accounts in response to some of the biggest issues of the past four years such as #BlackLivesMatter, the European refugee crisis, Pope Francis' visit, the state of area schools, and more. Featuring Philadelphia Poet Laureate **Yolanda Wisner** and poet **Denice Frohman**.

ON AIR:

(WHYY-FM) Radio Times!

Friday, October 14, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18, 10 a.m.

Friday, October 28, 10 a.m.

Marty continues her series of one-on-one interviews with candidates for statewide office when she speaks with Pennsylvania's Democratic candidate for US Senate **Katie McGinty** (10/14) about her contentious race against incumbent **Pat Toomey**. Marty will also speak with both candidates for Attorney General of Pennsylvania: Democratic candidate **Josh Shapiro** on 10/18 and Republican candidate **John Rafferty** on 10/28.

(WHYY-FM) Fighting Words: A History of Debate in America

October 16, 8:00 p.m.

This program takes a look at the history of debates and considers if Americans talk to – or just at – each other. From early debating societies and confrontations in early American newspapers, to the only political debate to take place in a kitchen, the show unpacks the importance of debating for the American democratic tradition.



(WHYY-TV and WHYY-FM) United States Presidential Debates

October 19, 9 p.m.

WHYY presents live special coverage and analysis of the US Presidential Debate between Democratic candidate **Hillary Clinton** and Republican Candidate **Donald Trump**.

(WHYY-TV) Delaware Gubernatorial Debate

Friday October 28, 5-6:00 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2 p.m.

Delaware state Senator **Colin Bonini** and Delaware Congressman **John Carney** will discuss key issues affecting the "First State." WDEL's **Chris Carl** will serve as moderator. This debate will also air live on **WDEL-FM/AM** at 8 a.m. on 10/28.

(WHYY-FM) Blame the Elites for the Trump Phenomenon

October 30, 8:00 p.m.

The elites of both parties have expressed contempt for Donald Trump, and Trump has succeeded, in part, by channeling his voters' contempt for the elites. Does support for Trump reflect an uninformed populism and misplaced anger by a large swath of the American electorate? Or have the elites failed to empathize with many voter's struggles and failed to craft effective policies to help them cope? Using the traditional Oxford-style debate format, this show will attempt to address these issues.

ELECTION DAY

(WHYY-TV)

- **8 p.m.-into the morning.** WHYY will cover the race for the White House along with key U.S. House and Senate races. WHYY will also present a special edition of *First, Wednesday* at 5:30 p.m. to recap the Delaware races for governor and congress.

(WHYY-FM)

- **7-8 p.m.** Special Election Night edition of Radio Times: Marty Moss-Coane and her panel of experts talk about what they expect from key local and national races. WHYY reporters will check in during the hour with a preview of some of the races being covered in the tri-state region.
- **8 p.m.-into Wednesday morning.** NPR and WHYY will be reporting from key locations throughout the country and the region and provide results from the presidential and U.S. House and U.S. Senate races. WHYY reporters will also keep eyes on the Pennsylvania Attorney General's race, congressional seats in South Jersey, and the Delaware governor and congressional races. Coverage will be hosted by WHYY's **Dave Heller** with analysis from WHYY's **Dave Davies**.

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