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August BlueNotes "smoothes" the soul

In August, BlueNotes Classic Jazz goes "smooth." Join host Larry Beck for a look at a jazz genre that generated controversy among traditionalists. Featured artists include Marion Meadows, The Rippingtons, Paul Taylor and a slew of musicians with only one name -- Kenny G, Sade, Najee and Basia. BlueNotes airs Saturday, August 27 at 8pm.

Thirty years of Stan

By: Emma Fullen, Ball State Public Media Intern If you know WBST or IPR, chances are you'll know Stan Sollars. He's the voice you hear bright and early on Morning Edition reporting the local news and the producer on a multitude of projects throughout his 30 year WIPB/IPR supremacy.

Sollars' on-air career spans over more than 50 years, debuting as a 13-year-old host on Wes-Del High Schools' station, WDHS-FM. His interest in production, however, rang through his early childhood.



SOLLARS

"Ever since I was a wee lad, I was interested in radio and television," Sollars said. When he was just 3-years-old he built tinker toy microphones and broadcasting towers.

"I was fascinated by being able to speak to people and help them laugh or tell them the news."

Sollars attended Ball State University where he earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts in journalism. He became a senior lecturer at his Alma Mater and joined Indiana Public Radio as a Senior Producer in 1992. Even after 30 years, Sollars looks forward to every day.

"I still feel useful, that's the thing. News is not always a joyous profession, especially these days," he said. "We've got the pandemic, we've got severe political divides— some days it's not happy, but I think it's helpful for public discourse to know what's going on.

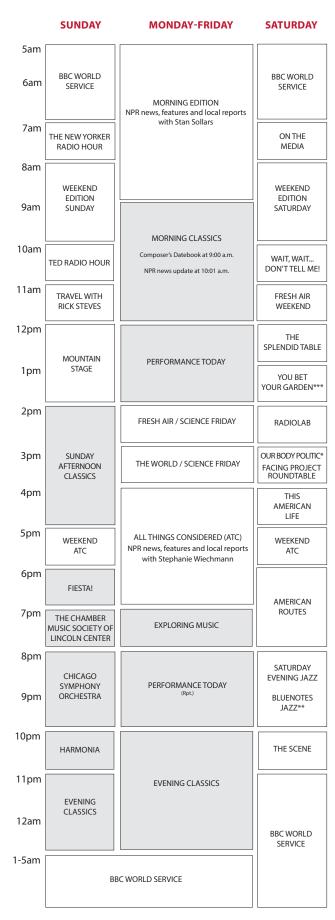
"There are the sad stories, but there are also stories of encouragement and discovery. And learning about the negatives can be turned into things that can help people down the road."

Sollars' production work doesn't end at reporting the news. From 1994-2000, he produced and engineered 62 weekly shows and five specials of "Rock & Roll America," an NPR series which now resides in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Museum collection. He served as production sound mixer for PBS national education segment, "Sweetwater Music Minute," and has earned more awards (including 2 Emmy Awards) than you can count on all your fingers and toes.

He recently had the opportunity to test audio codices for Netflix, researching how far down audio can be shrunk without ruining the quality.

To the non-audio engineer, this project would normally go in one ear and out the other, literally and figuratively. A few nods and smiles might be shared to say "sure, I totally understand what you're saying," and also "what the heck did you just say." (continued on page 2)

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE



* THE ROUNDTABLE airs the last Saturday of the month at 3 p.m. THE FACING PROJECT airs the last Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m. ***MET OPERA SATURDAY MATINEES air at 1 pm (on WBSB 89.5 FM Anderson only), Dec. - May.

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But Sollars' teaching philosophy goes beyond the classroom, truly helping students, listeners and colleagues grasp the difficult concepts he knows forwards and backwards.

As studious and committed he is to his radio work, just a stroll through Sollars' telecommunications classrooms will prove to the casual passerby just how much his students value his collegiate guidance.

In one room, a whiteboard hangs with the words "Sollar System" written by students describing the breadth of Sollars' sound design diagrams for his class, Sounds of The Beatles which focused on the bands' engineering techniques.

And just walking past the several award-winning,

surround-sound recording facilities, you can feel the pride radiate from Sollars' himself, having led the design process.



Since 1969, Sollars has fully dedicated himself to whatever he commits to. And that has served him very well.

Pointing to his mind, he said: "That 13-year-old is still in here. I bring that same work ethic that I was taught at the station [in high school] to my work, every day.

"As long as I'm still happy and they still let me through those doors, I'll be here."

Sollars at Wes-Del High School

COMING UP ON THE FACING PROJECT

The Facing Project with J.R. Jamison and Kelsey Timmerman

Season 3; Episode 7: Athletes & Activism (originally aired on May 29, 2021):



Professional athletes, like any celebrities, have huge followings

and can influence positive change; yet they are often expected to temper and censor their statements on politics, social justice, and activism.

Join J.R. Jamison and Kelsey Timmerman as they discuss Athletes & Activism and share stories from Cincinnati Bengals All-Pro Safety Jessie Bates III and former Ball State basketball Center Trey Moses.

Stories included in this episode -

Momma's Boy

Jessie Bates III's story as told to Mitchell Carter from Facing Social Justice in Sports

Untitled

Trey Moses's story as told to Thomas Deckard from Facing Social Justice in Sports

UNDERWRITER SPOTLIGHT:

Daniel Stallings, Stallings Wealth Management

By: Emma Fullen, Ball State Public Media Intern

After more than a decade in higher education, Daniel Stallings saw wealth management as a way to combine his passions.

"I have always been driven to help educate individuals," Stallings said. "I felt this was a career where I could continue to make an impact in helping my clients pursue their goals and dreams."



Stallings Wealth Management is motivated by their tagline, "Educated Strategies for Your Future,"

focusing personal attention to help their clients make informed decisions during challenging times.

"And there always seems to be a new challenge that we face along our journey," he said.

Whether a client has goals in investment, retirement, life, disability, long-term care or for their small-business, Stallings is committed to embracing the journey and any obstacles that may come along.

Stallings has been an underwriter for two years and continues to support IPR.

"I have valued public radio since my youth and I have always found it to be a trusted and informational resource," he said.

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AUGUST ARTS CALENDAR

- **4: Robin and Linda Williams.** Arts Place, Inc., Hudson Family Park Amphitheater. 7 p.m. myartsplace.org
- **13: The Small Glories.** Muncie Three Trails Music Series, Canaan Commons. 7 p.m. munciethreetrails.com
- 18: The Barefoot Movement. Arts Place, Inc., Hudson Family Park Amphitheater. 7 p.m. myartsplace.org

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- **20: Girl Named Tom.** Honeywell Center, Ford Theater. 7:30 p.m. honeywellarts.org
- 31: Sunset Series Winds on the Green. Richmond Symphony, Forest Hills Country Club. 6 p.m. richmondsymphony.org
- 12-14, 19-21, 26-28, Sept 1-4: Beauty And The Beast. Muncie Civic Theater, Mainstage. 7:30 p.m. with Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. munciecivic.org

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