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A Bounty of New Collections This Spring!

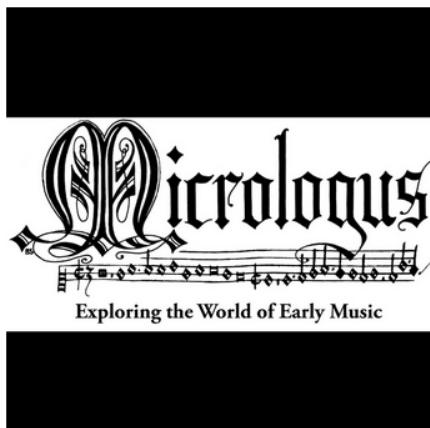
The spring season brings with it new Special Collections to the AAPB, including a landmark series in early public broadcasting, local news and current affairs from Wisconsin, and a pioneering series in bringing early music to the listening public:



Public Broadcast Laboratory



Here & Now



Micrologus with Ross W. Duffin

Public Broadcast Laboratory: [More than thirty episodes of the groundbreaking and controversial series *Public Broadcast Laboratory \(PBL\)*](#) are now available to the public at the AAPB. *PBL*, an experimental project funded by the Ford Foundation and aired on National Educational Television from 1967 to 1969, presented current affairs, arts and culture content, documentary films, investigative reporting, and other experimental programming during two of the most turbulent years in American history. *PBL*'s coverage of American race relations led to bans from the airwaves in several Southern states.

Here & Now: For nearly two decades, PBS Wisconsin's flagship current affairs program *Here & Now* has presented Wisconsin news and current events under the stewardship of host Federica Freyberg. [This collection contains over 900 episodes](#) which aired between the series debut in 2003 and June 2021 and includes coverage of Wisconsin politics, the impact of the Great Recession on industry in the state, and the events of 2020, from COVID to Black Lives Matter to the election and its aftermath.

Micrologus: The public radio series *Micrologus* began in 1980 on WCLV in Cleveland. Hosted and produced during its entire run by Dr. Ross W. Duffin, this series came to National Public Radio shortly after its debut and ran for 18 years, presenting works of early music from the 13th through 18th centuries. Dr. Duffin, the director of the early music program at Case Western Reserve University for over four decades, brings his expertise and love of medieval and renaissance music to the airwaves in [this unique collection of over one hundred episodes!](#)

New Multimedia Primary Source Discussion Sets!

The AAPB's collection of Multimedia Primary Source Discussion Sets, designed for use in secondary and post-secondary U.S. history classrooms, has doubled! New packages full of AAPB media, teacher guides and classroom activities have been added to cover four more themes from U.S. history:



- [The Tet Offensive](#) examines the early 1968 Viet Cong/NVA attacks on U.S. and South Vietnamese forces, the coverage in American media, and how this coverage empowered the anti-war movement.
- [Student Protests in the 1960s](#) looks at the rise of student activism on campuses, the tactics involved, the issues (the Vietnam War, racism and civil rights, military presence on campus) and how these protests were seen in the era's media.
- [The AIDS Crisis, 1981-1993](#) delves deep into the first decade of the AIDS epidemic in America, the increasing media coverage of AIDS in the 1980s, and how AIDS activists defied the discrimination at large in American society to demand better treatment and life-saving education.
- [The American Indian Movement \(AIM\)](#) follows the development of AIM and the push among Native American activists in the late 1960s/early 1970s for a more just settlement of Native issues through militant actions such as occupations of Alcatraz and Wounded Knee.

See all these and more at the AAPB website!



Celebrate May with the Asian American-Pacific Islander and Jewish American Heritage Collections at the AAPB!

In celebration of both Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month *and* Jewish American Heritage Month, explore the AAPB's [Asian American and Pacific Islander \(AAPI\) Collection](#) and [Jewish American Heritage Collection](#) in May!



More spring surprises from the AAPB: Public television series focusing on the outdoors are a popular draw in the AAPB; these three episodes are a pleasant way to celebrate the arrival of the spring season!

[Michael Ambrosino's Show: "Spring"](#): From WGBH in Boston, this 1970 episode of a magazine show hosted and produced by longtime GBHer (and *Nova* creator) Michael Ambrosino trains his cameras on the Boston area in the sparkling spring sunshine.

[New Jersey Outdoors: "Shore Birds: A Rite of Spring"](#): This episode of *New Jersey Outdoors* from the New Jersey Network Collection spends time in the Delaware Bay feeding grounds of migrating sanderlings and red knots from their winter grounds in South America to the Canadian Arctic.

[Roadside Adventures: "Adirondack Spring Rise"](#): *Roadside Adventures* from Mountain Lake PBS in upstate New York explores all sorts of attractions and events in the Adirondack region; this half-hour trip through the mountains features gorgeous scenery dotted with greenery and wildflowers.

Library Journal, one of the leading American trade publications for libraries and library professionals, has named the **American Archive of Public Broadcasting** [one of the top 10 free online reference resources for 2022](#)! As a "site [that expands] the possibilities of research for students, general readers, and scholars," the AAPB joins nine other sites as one of *LJ*'s top picks for free and open online research resources.

Any thoughts on future AAPB collections or exhibits you'd like to see, series we should work on digitizing/preserving under our new Mellon grant, stations we should be in contact with? Get in touch! Email us at aapb_notifications@wgbh.org and share with us!

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