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**CHICAGO PUBLIC RADIO ADDS TWO POPULAR NEWS PROGRAMS
TO WBEZ LINEUP AS OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21:**

**ACCLAIMED *HERE & NOW* MAGAZINE SHOW, WEEKDAYS; WHILE
MARKETPLACE MONEY BOLSTERS ECONOMIC COVERAGE, SUNDAYS**

Plus *Marketplace Morning Report* Among Current Programs Shifting Time Slots

September 10, 2009 - **Chicago Public Radio** is proud to announce the addition of two popular news programs to its lineup, effective Monday morning, September 21: ***Here & Now***, a national daily news and arts magazine, and ***Marketplace Money***, a weekly extension of *Marketplace* focusing on personal finance issues. Additionally, WBEZ is moving ***Marketplace Morning Report***, a daily ten-minute business brief, to 8:50 a.m. weekdays, further bolstering the station's business and economic coverage. Time slots for several other programs, including *The Story* and *On the Media*, also will be shifted to broaden their potential accessibility.

"The addition of *Here & Now* and *Marketplace Money* are part of our continuing commitment to bring the best news and information programming to our region. As is the case with our other programming, both shows bring depth and context to daily events, but do so with a style that's credible, conversational, and creative," said Steve Edwards, WBEZ Acting Program Director, in announcing the changes. "In a broader sense, given on-going concerns about the state of journalism, we feel WBEZ has not only an opportunity, but an obligation, to do all we can to provide the listener with the very best news and information in Chicago. The residents of our region need it and our mission demands it."

New to the Chicago Public Radio lineup will be:

Here & Now, a one-hour daily news and arts magazine hosted by award-winning journalist Robin Young, which will air weekdays at 1 p.m. Produced by WBUR (Boston) and distributed by Public Radio International, *Here & Now* features coverage of national and international news and culture, with interviews and sound-rich feature reports on the day's news, plus the arts, science, technology and culture.

Marketplace Money is an extension of the award-winning *Marketplace* program, which will focus on helping people understand how the larger forces in the economy and financial markets will affect everything from household budgets to retirement savings and mortgages. The one-hour program (from American Public Media) will air Sundays at 2 p.m., while the ten-minute *Marketplace Morning Report*, also produced by APM, will air weekdays at 8:50 a.m., immediately preceding Chicago Public Radio's *Eight Forty Eight*.

Further, listeners will find that the new schedule also reflects a shift in timeslots for current programming including Chicago-based *Filmspotting*, along with *The Story, On the Media, Definitely Not the Opera*, and *Speaking of Faith*.

In order to accommodate these programming changes, no longer on the WBEZ schedule will be *Afropop Worldwide* (which aired most recently Fridays at 11 p.m.); *American Routes* (Saturdays, at 7 p.m.); and *Talk of the Nation* (weekdays at 1 p.m.).

The most comprehensive change for listeners will be the weekday mid-day slot, to now feature a broader mix of long and short form news segments: *The Story*, now airing at 11 a.m.; *Worldview*, remaining at 12 noon; *Hear and Now* at 1 p.m.; and *Fresh Air* now airing at 2 p.m.

The complete new schedule can be found at www.chicagopublicradio.org.

Chicago Public Radio is a community-supported, non-commercial public service broadcasting institution, broadcasting throughout Chicago and surrounding regions to nearly 500,000 weekly listeners. From news and public affairs to arts and culture, the station's eclectic and distinctive selection of internationally, nationally and locally produced programs reflects the diversity of the community it serves. Chicago Public Radio programming is available at WBEZ 91.5 FM Chicago, WBEQ 90.7 FM Morris, W217BM 91.3 FM Elgin and chicagopublicradio.org. Vocalo is available at WBEW 89.5 FM Chesterton and Vocalo.org.

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Editor's note: Programming schedule, indicating current and new time slots, is attached.