WLIW21 Debuts WLIW Arts Beat,
New Monthly Series Celebrating Arts and Culture on Long Island, February 2014

WLIW21 continues its commitment to bringing the Long Island community quality programming with WLIW Arts Beat premiering on Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. The half-hour program will air each month on WLIW21. After the broadcast, each episode will be available to viewers online on WLIW.org/ArtsBeat.

WLIW Arts Beat celebrates the rich world of arts and culture on Long Island, across the region and the country. Each episode will present a feature story about arts and culture on Long Island, supplemented by segments from the tri-state area and across the nation.

“We are excited to spotlight the thriving and expansive arts and culture scene on Long Island and across the nation,” says WLIW21 General Manager and Executive Producer of Local Production, Diane Masciale. “WLIW Arts Beat is another example of WLIW21’s ongoing commitment to providing the Long Island community with new programming that is informative, entertaining and inspiring.”

The premiere episode features Sonic, a graffiti artist from Huntington, Long Island; the current Broadway hit show “After Midnight;” an exclusive interview with actor Bryan Cranston who brought the iconic “Breaking Bad” character Walter White to life; and a photography exhibit by singer Graham Nash.

WLIW Arts Beat is a production of WLIW21 in association with WNET. WNET is the parent company of THIRTEEN and WLIW21, New York’s public television stations and operator of NJTV. For more than 50 years, WNET has been producing and broadcasting national and local documentaries and other programs for the New York community.

WLIW Arts Beat is made possible by public television viewers.

Producers are Saskia Chanoine, Hillary Sieber and Ally Gimbel. Coordinating Producer is Rebecca Fasanello. Associate Producer is Elizabeth Muentes. General Manager of WLIW21 and Executive Producer of Local Production is Diane Masciale and Executive in charge is John Servidio.
About WNET
As New York's flagship public media provider and the parent company of THIRTEEN and WLIW21 and operator of NJTV, WNET brings quality arts, education and public affairs programming to more than 5 million viewers each week. WNET produces and presents such acclaimed PBS series as Nature, GreatPerformances, AmericanMasters, PBSNewsHourWeekend, CharlieRose and a range of documentaries, children's programs, and local news and cultural offerings available on air and online. Pioneers in educational programming, WNET has created such groundbreaking series as GettheMath, OhNoah! and Cyberchase and provides tools for educators that bring compelling content to life in the classroom and at home. WNET highlights the tri-state's unique culture and diverse communities through NYC-ARTS, Reel13, NJTVNewswithMikeSchneider and MetroFocus, the multi-platform news magazine focusing on the New York region. WNET is also a leader in connecting with viewers on emerging platforms, including the THIRTEENExploreiPadApp where users can stream PBS content for free.