

UNCHAINED MELODIES



OTHER RESOURCES ON POP CULTURE

OVERVIEW

If you're interested in learning and hearing more about popular culture, we've included a list of resources that are available to you in other ways:

- Podcasts
- Other Edovo Courses

PODCASTS

Pop Culture Happy Hour

Description: Pop Culture Happy Hour is a lively chat about books, movies, music, and pretty much anytime else that strikes a nerve.

Episode Suggestions:

- What does 2026 have in store for Pop Culture? (12/4/22)
- Pop Culture favorites (12/9/25)
"It's been a great year for T.V., movies, and music. This episode highlights some of the best, including K Pop Demon Hunters and Sinners (nominated for a record 16 Academy Awards)."
- Reality T.V., Romance, and Race (9/2/24)
"Our culture can reflect to us new ways of understanding what we accept as a society, especially when it comes to things like gender sexuality, class, and race."

Profess-Her

Description: Explore some favorite shows, music, and movies from a female and feminist perspective. (two college professors).

Episode Suggestions:

- Pop Charts, not Pop Tarts (11/16/18)
- "Women of music" part 1 What counts as a Lady Anthem?
Among other interesting topics, this episode discusses the history of female musicians and how they relate to women's movements.

What We Talk About When We Talk About

Description: A weekly podcast that talks all about Pop Culture and the big picture about it.

Episode Suggestion:

- Memes (6/10/19)
"How did they come about? Why do they persist? What even counts as a meme?"

The Watch

Description: Every week this podcast breaks down the latest in T.V., Movies, and Music.

Episode Suggestion:

- ABC suspends Jimmy Kimmel... (9/18/25)
"What ABC's decision to indefinitely suspend Jimmy Kimmel means for the media space."

African American Studies at Princeton University

Description: The Princeton African American Studies Department is known as a convener of conversations about the political, economic, and cultural forces that shape our understanding of race and racial groups.

Episode Suggestion:

- A Black Gaze (6/16/22)
"How do we look at and respond to work by black contemporary artists."

A 16z Podcast

Description: The a 16z Podcast discusses Technology and Cultural trends, music, and the future.

Episode Suggestion:

- Chris Best of Substack on the Future of Media (9/2/25)
"What if the future of media isn't controlled by algorithms of legacy institutions, but by independent voices building directly with their audiences?"

Making Sense with Sam Harris

Description: Neuroscientist and philosopher Sam Harris, explores important and controversial questions about the human mind, society, and current events.

Episode Suggestion:

- #400 The politics of information (2/6/25)
"Talks about the culture wars and polarization."
- #392 Technology and Culture (11/19/24)
"How technology is changing our culture."

Alt.Latino

Description: A voyage across the world in search of Latin alternative music releases.

Episode Suggestion:

- Flaco Jimenez and Eddie Palmieri, why their music mattered. (8/10/25)
"2 distinct products of Latin Culture and musical traditions who also expanded the idea of tradition in their musical visions."

Code Switch

Description: Fearless Conversations about race. It explains how race reflects every part of society- from politics and pop culture to history, food, and everything in between.

Episode Suggestion:

- The Most Banned Book in America. (6/26/24)
"Author Mike Curato wrote Flamer as a way to help young, queer kids, like he once was, better understand and accept themselves. It was met with praise and accolades, until it wasn't. It became a flashpoint in a long and messy culture war."

Blackbelt Voices, exploring our culture with Michael Harriet

Description: Stories about Black Folks Down South that honor our history, celebrate our culture, and shape our future.

Episode Suggestions:

- A conversation about the intersection of race, politics, and culture. (10/5/22)

Uncuffed: Voices from behind prison walls

Description: The *Uncuffed* podcast is a showcase for personal stories and deep roundtable conversations with the incarcerated *Uncuffed* producers.

Segment Suggestion:

- **Uncuffed Presents: Track Change**
“Uncuffed is pleased to share the new podcast Track Change. Follow a group in Richmond, Virginia, as they record an album inside a local county jail. A soundtrack to rebuilding a life after incarceration.”

OTHER EDOVO COURSES

Black History, Black Freedom, and Black Love: Lessons from influential black voices

A Master Class

“The breadth of black history and culture, as told by some of today’s preeminent voices.”

Understanding Media and Culture: “An Introduction to Mass Communication”

This is an 842 page manual that takes an in-depth look at how media trends are reshaping the United State’s cultural landscape, and how that culture shapes media in return.

