

**January 21, 2008**

**THE WORLD WITHOUT US, Howard Weisman**

*From The New Yorker:* "Teasing out the consequences of a simple thought experiment—what would happen if the human species were suddenly extinguished—Weisman has written a sort of pop-science ghost story, in which the whole earth is the haunted house."

Bill Lakatos, host

**February 18, 2008**

**FIVE MINDS FOR THE FUTURE, Howard Gardner**

*From Publishers Weekly:* "Psychologist, author and Harvard professor Gardner (Multiple Intelligences: New Horizons) has put together a thought-provoking, visionary attempt to delineate the kinds of mental abilities ("minds") that will be critical to success in a 21st century landscape of accelerating change and information overload."

Bill Ribble, host

**March 17, 2008**

**LIFE ON THE MISSISSIPPI, Mark Twain**

The popular 19th-century humorist offers lively recollections ranging from his salad days as a novice steamboat pilot on one of the world's greatest rivers to views from the passenger deck in the twilight of the river culture's heyday.

Bruce Raby, host

**April 21, 2008**

**THE LEFT HAND OF GOD, Michael Lerner**

*From Publishers Weekly:* "Named one of *Utne's* 100 American Visionaries, Rabbi Lerner, editor of *Tikkun* magazine, delivers an ambitious proposal called a 'Spiritual Covenant with America.'"

Steve Buckley, host