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## **KMUW 89.1 Wichita Public Radio: *Crossing the Cedar Fence - Discussing Abortion on the Anniversary of Dr. Tiller's Murder***

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KMUW – Wichita Public Radio will present an original documentary and live broadcast discussion on the community impact of the abortion protests beginning in 1991 through the murder of Dr. George Tiller in 2009, on to today. “Crossing the Cedar Fence” is a documentary produced by News Director, Aileen LeBlanc, followed by a live, civil discussion between two people who passionately believe very different things. The program will be broadcast on **Tuesday, May, 27th at 6pm.**

On May 31, 2009 a man walked into the lobby of the Reformation Lutheran Church in Wichita and shot Dr. George Tiller in the head, killing him.

Five years later, just off Kellogg Drive, *South Wind Women's Center* is offering abortion services in the same building where Dr. Tiller worked. Next door is a Right-to-Life clinic called *Choices*.

The clinics are separated by a cedar fence --- and the whole world. Until now.

“The documentary portion of the program will look back at the debate over abortion, which played out in Wichita beginning with the “Summer of Mercy” protests in 1991 and again in 2001. The community was at times polarized, with families, churches and friends at odds,” said LeBlanc.

You can send email questions and ideas for the discussion to [special@KMUW.org](mailto:special@KMUW.org).

Tune in to 89.1, Wichita Public Radio at **6pm on Tuesday, May 27th** or stream the program at [KMUW.org](http://KMUW.org).

NPR's *Weekend Edition Saturday* will broadcast a version of the KMUW story on Saturday, May 31, 7-9AM.

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