"Selected Shorts" is a 59-minute program with one music-filled, 60-second, floating midpoint break. The outcue before the break is always, "PRI, Public Radio International," and the incue is "Welcome back."

The exact placement of the break in each show is listed in the weekly Timings and Cues, and Content Depot.

Each program begins with the tag, "From Public Radio International." This is followed by a 20- to 40-second tease, then the incue by host Isaiah Sheffer, "That was..." This leads into the first story.

A music bed and credits follow the last story. The outcue is the PRI audio logo.

*Shows generally contain 2-3 stories. Rarely, a program may contain only one story with no midpoint break. This will be noted on the weekly Timings and Cues.