

## OUR VALUABLE SAVER SAVER

## For real change, vote for all 9 of our candidates in **KPFA's Local Station Board election.**

**CRAIG ALDERSON** is a long-time Berkeley resident and union activist, who works at both UC Berkeley and the Berkeley teachers' union. He's currently appointed as the secretary of the KPFA Local Station Board.





PAULA ERKKILA, a writer, an Occupy activist, and a retired public sector MD, lives in the Guerneville/Cazadero area of Sonoma County. She's an active supporter of KPFA and has been attending Local Station Board meetings for the past year.



JOSE LUIS FUENTES-ROMAN was born in San Salvador, El Salvador in 1968, and is now a people's lawyer in Oakland, California.



KATE GOWEN has listened to KPFA for 20 years and has been an ardent supporter of the station for the last decade. She lives in Petaluma and works at a small herbal extract production company.



MARK HERNANDEZ is a computer network technologist who lives in Fresno. He is a member of the Fresno Free College Foundation/KFCF Board of Directors and served as a member of the KPFA Local Advisory Board/Local Station board, 1999-2008.



**DAN SIEGEL** is an Oakland civil rights attorney who has been a political activist since the 1960s. Since 1968, he has been active with KPFA/Pacifica serving as the network's general counsel and its interim executive director, as well as being a member of the Pacifica National Board and KPFA's Local Station Board.



CAROLE TRAVIS is a retired union leader and attorney from Chicago. An activist supporter of Occupy, Oscar Grant, and peace and justice generally, she is currently helping on the Pelican Bay Anti-Solitary Confinement lawsuit.



BARBARA WHIPPERMAN currently volunteers as the KPFA Local Station Board treasurer and lives in Richmond. She's a retired administrative worker, former nursery school teacher, and long-time active supporter of KPFA.



BURTON WHITE is a former KPFA public affairs staffer and is now a labor arbitrator who lives in Oregon. He listens to KPFA on the web, and if elected, pledges to attend all LSB meetings in person.



Questions? Read the candidates' statements at <www.SaveKPFA.org>. Ballots are scheduled to mail November 6. If you are a current KPFA member, please contact us if you do not receive one. SaveKPFA's phone number is (510) 969-9373 and our email is <voteSaveKPFA@gmail.com>.



## SaveKPFA: WHAT WE STAND FOR

- **RESTORE LOCAL CONTROL AT KPFA**. KPFA is an invaluable resource, sustained for decades by our diverse, local communities. As in the fight to save KPFA and the network in 1999, we oppose the Pacifica National Board imposing its own agenda on the station. Pacifica should respect each station's right to select its own station manager, set its own budget, and determine its own programming. Funds raised from our listeners should support KPFA, not an overblown Pacifica bureaucracy.
- ENSURE HIGH QUALITY, PROGRESSIVE PROGRAMMING. Quality programming attracts and keeps listeners. KPFA is world-renowned for its news, commentary and public affairs broadcasts, as well as its music and cultural programming. Programming changes should be based on evidence gathered by regular listener surveys, community outreach, and other fair and honest methods. Program changes should have broad appeal and should help KPFA compete for new audiences to widen the reach of alternative news and culture. We believe movements have many voices. KPFA is a voice of all those in struggle.
- **RESPECT KPFA'S LISTENERS.** Listeners' contributions have sustained KPFA since it was founded in 1949. Thousands of listeners objected to top-down decisions when Pacifica cancelled the popular and financially successful *Morning Show,* and local managers threatened to axe the 9AM *Democracy Now!* and arts programming. Pacifica should respond to such listener activism with gratitude and careful assessment. Managers should not "fire" an existing audience without a solid plan to replace it with a bigger one. Fundraising work done by listeners such as the over \$63,000 in pledges raised by **SaveKPFA** should be welcomed, not attacked. When KPFA's listeners democratically petition under the bylaws to vote on an issue, Pacifica must not delay the vote to benefit its political allies. Even the appearance of such behavior is detrimental to KPFA and the network.
- **SUPPORT KPFA'S STAFF.** Support all staff and volunteers, without whom KPFA could not exist. Workers who give their time and talent should not have to worry about management intimidation when they organize or speak their minds. Pacifica should not be hiring union-busting lawyers with listeners' funds, diverting staff retirement funds to pay bills, or putting gag rules on staff. **SaveKPFA** led the successful fight to reverse Pacifica's hiring of the nation's top union-busting law firm. All staff should have a voice in the station, as well as training opportunities, a supportive and safe workplace, and the tools to do their jobs well.
- **REQUIRE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FROM PACIFICA.** Too many Pacifica meetings are held in closed "executive session." **SaveKPFA**'s representatives have steadfastly opposed a growing culture of secrecy in Pacifica, and have protected KPFA's funds from being taken by Pacifica without accountability. Listeners and staff are entitled to understand how KPFA's money is being spent and how our representatives vote.

ENDORSERS: MITCH JESERICH, KPFA's Letters & Politics • RAJ PATEL, author, food activist • LONI HANCOCK, State Senator • RASHIDAH GRINAGE, founder of PUEBLO • MARGY WILKINSON, KPFA board chair • AILEEN ALFANDARY, KPFA News co-director • YING LEE, Asian Americans for Peace & Justice • DIANA MARTINEZ, Letters & Politics • RYCH WITHERS, Executive Director, KFCF (Fresno) • BRIAN EDWARDS-TIEKERT, KPFA's UpFront • SAL ROSSELLI, president, NUHW • DR. RAYE RICHARDSON, founder/owner, Marcus Books • SASHA LILLEY, KPFA's Against The Grain; CWA steward • JIM BENNETT, former interim KPFA general manager, former Pacifica board member • SHELLEY KESSLER, Secretary-Treasurer, San Mateo Central Labor Council • DONALD GOLDMACHER, co-producer, Heist • LARRY BENSKY, former Pacifica National Affairs correspondent • JOHN HAMILTON, KPFA News; CWA steward • SHERRY GENDELMAN, former Pacifica board chair • PHILIP MALDARI, KPFA's Sunday Show; CWA steward • AL YOUNG, California Poet Laureate emeritus • MAX ANDERSON, Berkeley City Council DANA FRANK, historian, UCSC
RICHARD WALKER, radical geographer, UCB
RAMSEY KANAAN, founder, AKPress
PMPress
DAVID MCNALLY, author, Global Slump • JACKSON ALLERS, FSRN reporter; World Hip Hop Market • BONNIE SIMMONS, KPFA DJ • SASHA FUTRAN, Vice Chair, KPFA board • JOANNA MANQUEROS, KPFA's Music of the World • DAVID BACON, photographer, KPFA correspondent • LYNN HOLLANDER SAVIO, Mario Savio Memorial Lecture • MIGUEL GUERRERO, KPFA's Rock en Rebelión • CARLOS MUÑOZ, JR., Ethnic Studies, UCB • GEORGE LAKOFF, Linguistics professor, UCB • KRIS WELCH, KPFA's Living Room • CONN HALLINAN, columnist, Foreign Policy In Focus • STEVE EARLY, labor journalist • BOB BALDOCK, KPFA events • JON FROMER, singer/songwriter • GIULIANA MILANESE, SF Jobs with Justice • BARBARA EPSTEIN, History of Consciousness, UCSC • LAYNA BERMAN, KPFA producer • IGNACIO CHAPELA, Microbiologist • LAURA LIVOTI, founder, Justice in Nigeria Now! • MIKE ROTKIN, former Santa Cruz mayor • LIBBY SAYRE, CWA District 9 • ROSE KETABCHI, news technical producer • LARRY KELP, KPFA producer, Sing Out! • ARI KRAWITZ, Public Access TV Director • JACK KURZWEIL, Listener Rep, KPFA board • TIM LYNCH, KPFA producer/host • GLENN REEDER, KPFA News DAVID McNALLY, author, Global Slump
WES 'SCOOP' NISKER, radio commentator, author
LAURA PRIVES, Producer, Letters
Politics; Pacifica board • LEWIS SAWYER, producer Early Morning Music, former KPFA receptionist • and many others! (affiliations for identification only)