



Speakers + Presenters, 2011: Harnessing Our Collective Power

Rod Arakaki, Audience Development Director, YES! Magazine

Rod joined staff in the Fall of 1999, first as interim Associate Editor for the Winter issue of YES!, and then as Network Coordinator, helping to develop the State of the Possible retreat series. In 2002, he became Operations Manager, in 2007, Business Manager, and in 2009, Audience Development Director. Prior to joining PFN, he was a full-time parent to his daughter for three years and Senior Program Manager at NeoPath, a Redmond, Washington medical device development firm for seven years. He lives with his wife and their two children in a cohousing community on Bainbridge Island. He has a BS in Mechanical Engineering from UC Berkeley.

Dan Archer, Comics Journalist

Dan Archer creates non-fictional, journalistic comics to offer a new perspective on US foreign and domestic policy and give voice to stories that wouldn't otherwise be heard. His journalistic pieces have been published by the *Huffington Post*, *Alternet*, *The Guardian UK*, *Presente*, *Operamundi*(Brazil), *Expressbuzz* (India) and *Independent World Report*. He a 2010 John S.Knight Fellow at Stanford University, and has also worked with several publishers, including Penguin, Atlantic Books, Random House and Beauclair Books. He received his MFA in cartooning from the Center for Cartoon Studies in Vermont and currently co-teaches the graphic novel project through the Creative Writing Department at Stanford University.

Jason Barnett, Executive Director, The UpTake

Jason Barnett is a founder and the executive director of TheUpTake.org, a news media organization that merges online video, social media strategy and cutting-edge technologies and tools to engage and empower citizen journalists. Since its inception, The UpTake has advanced the frontier of citizen-fueled newsgathering, garnering national notoriety through its coverage of the 2008 political conventions and the Minnesota U.S. Senate recount and trial. The UpTake was recognized as a top-ten website of 2008 by the Center for Public Integrity and has won a number of awards from the Society of Professional Journalists. Follow Jason on Twitter @JasonBarnett

Monika Bauerlein, Co-Editor, Mother Jones

Monika Bauerlein is co-editor of Mother Jones, where, together with Clara Jeffery, she spearheaded an era of editorial growth and innovation, marked by two National Magazine Awards for general excellence, the addition of a seven-person Washington Bureau, and an overhaul of the organization's digital strategy that tripled MotherJones.com's traffic. Previously she was Mother Jones' investigative editor, focusing on long-form projects marrying in-depth reportage, document sleuthing, and narrative appeal. Together, Bauerlein and Jeffery have overhauled Mother Jones magazine's website, putting a much greater emphasis on staff-generated, daily news and original reporting.

Doug Clopp, Deputy Director of Programs, Common Cause

Doug Clopp joined Common Cause in September 2010 as the Deputy Director for Programs. He is the former Director of Governmental Affairs and Coalition Coordinator of Consumers for Affordable Health Care Foundation. Prior to his work on health policy, Doug was the Democracy Project Coordinator for the Maine Citizen Leadership Fund focusing on protecting and enhancing Maine's landmark Clean Elections program, improving Maine's campaign finance laws, and promoting governmental ethics.

Dan Dineen, Associate Publisher, In These Times

Dan Dineen, a graduate of Loyola University Chicago, is Associate Publisher of In These Times. He has worked at In These Times since he graduated in 2008 and in that time has helped create and implement several grant projects including Working In These Times and a comprehensive circulation and development growth plan. He handles all business duties, advertising inquiries, reprint requests, and oversees development strategy.

Liz DiNovella, Culture Editor, The Progressive

Elizabeth DiNovella is Culture Editor of The Progressive. She writes about activism, politics, music, books, and film. She also produces Progressive Radio, a thirty-minute public affairs program hosted by Matthew Rothschild. Before working for The Progressive, DiNovella was the News and Public Affairs Director at WORT-FM, the community radio station of Madison, Wisconsin.

Adriano Farano, co-founder, Tactilize and OWNI.eu

Freshly graduated from Stanford University (Knight Fellowship) in June 2011, Adriano is a digital entrepreneur. He is the CEO and co-founder of the Palo Alto-based Tactilize, a publishing platform for tablet devices. In 2009, he joined OWNI France and helped transition OWNI from a super-blog to a media group. In 2010-11, OWNI France received an ONA award and was the only non-US finalist at SXSW Accelerator. OWNI is Tactilize's sister company.

Laura Flanders, The Laura Flanders Show

Laura Flanders is the host of The Laura Flanders Show coming to public television stations in the fall of 2011. She was the host and founder of GRITtv with Laura Flanders, a nationally syndicated daily program on Free Speech TV and the host of The Laura Flanders Show and RadioNation on Air America Radio. She is the author of the *New York Times* best-seller, *BUSHWOMEN: Tales of a Cynical Species* (Verso, 2004) and *Blue GRIT: True Democrats Take Back Politics from the Politicians* (Penguin Press, 2007.) She also writes for *The Nation* and *The Huffington Post* and is a regular contributor to MSNBC ("The Ed Show" and "Countdown" with Keith Olbermann.) She has appeared on shows from *Real Time with Bill Maher* to *The O'Reilly Factor*.

Jay Harris, We the People Campaign

Jay Harris is director of the We the People Campaign, bringing together a broad coalition of progressive organizations – indy and community media, netroots and grassroots activists, labor, business, and policy groups across a range of issues – for a coordinated campaign to challenge runaway corporate power. From 1991 to 2009, Jay was the president and publisher of *Mother Jones*, the investigative news organization. Jay is the president of the board of the Public Intelligence Foundation (publishers of the Hightower Lowdown) and serves on the

board of the First Amendment Coalition and the communications advisory board of Human Rights Watch. He lives in San Francisco.

Prof. Gary King, Director of the Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard

Gary King is the Albert J. Weatherhead III University Professor at Harvard University, based in the Department of Government (in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences). He also serves as Director of the Institute for Quantitative Social Science. King develops and applies empirical methods in many areas of social science research, focusing on innovations that span the range from statistical theory to practical application.

John Knight, Executive Editor, Once Magazine

John Knight is a co-founder and Executive Editor of *Once* Magazine based in San Francisco. In addition to the magazine, he freelances in the city and works with McSweeney's Voice of Witness education program, creating oral history curricula for high school students.

Hatty Lee, Art and Production Manager, Colorlines.com

Hatty Lee is the Art and Production Manager for ARC and ColorLines Magazine. Born and raised in the Bay Area, she attended Santa Clara University and the Academy of Art University. She has done design work with various organizations and artists to promote issues ranging from domestic violence to immigration. She was Design Director of Hyphen Magazine, a non-profit Asian American magazine. She believes that visual media and music are important tools in bringing people together and changing politics. Hatty tweets at @hattyslee.

Sam Mayfield, The UpTake/Lower Third Productions

Sam is an independent videographer, film editor, media justice advocate and community organizer. Sam was on the ground with The UpTake at the beginning of the Madison protests and is currently working on a documentary film about the uprising. She is dedicated to community made media and has worked for several years in VT with CCTV, Center for Media and Democracy.

J. Miranda Mulligan, Digital Design Director, BostonGlobe.com

Miranda Mulligan is the digital design director for The Boston Globe. She is a designer and educator with over ten years of professional experience in print and web design, photography and information graphics reporting. She has also worked for The Virginian-Pilot, interned with The Sun-Sentinel and The Philadelphia Inquirer and volunteered for Online News Association, Virginia Press Association, the National Press Photographers Association and the Society for News Design.

Randy Paynter, President, Care2

As the founder of Care2, Randy had the inspiration for harnessing the power of market forces to support social and environmental causes. Randy launched Care2 in 1998 as an online email and ecard service (originally called "care-mail") that donated a percentage of revenues to environmental nonprofits. The company quickly expanded its focus to include additional free services and content such as news, green living, shopping and community features. Prior to founding Care2, Randy was a consultant with Commtech International Management Corporation, which manages a series of venture capital funds. Randy is a proud composer, avid naturalist, and once trekked across Borneo with two Penan tribesmen.

Randy loves spending time with his two young children, his wife, Nancy, a dog, Daisy, several hermit crabs and a variety of mostly nameless fish. He holds a BA from Harvard University and an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

Tasneem Raja, Digital Interactive Editor, Mother Jones

Tasneem Raja is Mother Jones' Digital Interactive Editor. She specializes in web app production, interactive graphics, and user interface design. Before joining Mother Jones, she was an interactive producer at The Bay Citizen. Before crossing over to the dark side, she was a features reporter and copyeditor at The Chicago Reader.

Ben Rattray, President, Change.org

Ben Rattray is the founder and CEO of Change.org, a social network for nonprofits, political campaigns, and engaged citizens around the world. Ben Rattray was previously a government affairs consultant and co-founder of GFS, a social entrepreneurship venture to help nonprofits and municipalities navigate the federal grant process, which won the top software award at Stanford University's annual business competition. Ben Rattray is a frequent speaker about how organizations and activists can use the social web to advance social change and is a graduate of Stanford and the London School of Economics.

Libby Reinish, Program Coordinator, Free Press

Libby Reinish, Program Coordinator, works to build public support for Free Press' campaigns and initiatives, including the media ownership and public media campaigns. She organizes local hearings and events, conducts public outreach, and collaborates with local and grassroots allies on Free Press events. Before joining Free Press, Libby was a co-founder of WXOJ-LP, Valley Free Radio, in Northampton, Mass. She also coordinated Prometheus Radio Project's Full Power campaign and was a consultant to Radio Vieques. Libby has also served as communications coordinator for the Historic Santa Fe Foundation. She writes about urban agriculture and simple living; her work has appeared in Urban Farm and Make Magazine. Libby earned her B.A. from Hampshire College in American Studies/Media Studies.

Hanaa Rifaey, President and Publisher, The American Independent News Network

Hanaa Rifaey brings a diverse background in outreach to the The American Independent News Network, with previous experience in advocacy organizations as well as on Capitol Hill. Since moving to D.C. from the Pacific Northwest, she has managed programs and campaigns in a variety of issue areas including civil rights, health care, and climate change. Hanaa received her undergraduate degree from Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington and her master's degree at George Washington University in Washington, DC. She enjoys searching for the perfect bowl of pho in her spare time.

Don Rojas, Executive Director, Free Speech TV

Don Rojas joined Free Speech TV in 2009, and is responsible for leading the organization's evolution and growth. An internationally-renowned journalist and communicator, his distinguished career spans over 30 years as a newspaper editor, general manager of a major New York City radio station (WBAI-Pacifica), the first communications director of the NAACP, media manager at Oxfam America, Internet publishing pioneer (The Black World Today) and former press secretary to the late Prime Minister Maurice Bishop of Grenada. Mr. Rojas has edited four books on Caribbean and Central American political movements,

has taught journalism at Long Island University in New York and has lectured on subjects ranging from the political economy of the Caribbean to the struggle for a new international information order at universities in the USA, Canada, Europe and the Caribbean. A budding chef, Don claims to make the best banana pancakes west of the Mississippi.

Maya Schenwar, Executive Director, Truthout.org

Maya Schenwar is executive director of Truthout. Previous to that, she was senior editor at Truthout and reported on a wide range of issues, including US foreign policy, prison reform, the military budget, immigration, health care, poverty and more. She has been published in Truthout, In These Times, AlterNet, Ms. Magazine, Bitch Magazine, Zeek, and other publications, and before joining Truthout, she served as contributing editor for Punk Planet Magazine in Chicago.

John Schwartz, Instructional Telecommunications Foundation

John has worked in media and telecommunications since the 1970's. He participates in the conference as a representative of Instructional Telecommunications Foundation and four other non-profit organizations he established in the early 1980's. These non-profits operate microwave systems in the Educational Broadband Service, transmitting both broadband wireless data and video programming. John founded Colorado public television station KBDI-TV, Channel 12 and the bilingual public station KRZA-FM, Alamosa, Colorado. He helped to establish public station WYBE-TV, Philadelphia and still serves on the WYBE-TV board. John also has worked as a telecommunications consultant specializing in new technologies, with clients including the Rockefeller and MacArthur Foundations, as well as noncommercial radio and television stations.

Leslie Thatcher, Literary Editor, Truthout

Leslie Thatcher is Truthout.org's Literary editor and French Language translator. As part of her work as an editor for Truthout, Leslie evaluates and develops graphic artists' and writers' work for publication.

Jamie Woolf, Pinehurst Consulting

Jamie Woolf has over twenty years of experience consulting to business leaders. Based on her work inside dozens of organizations, Jamie lays out her "best practices" to enjoy more success at home and at work. She founded The Parent Leader to help mothers and fathers gain the self-awareness and leadership skills to transform their daily parenting challenges into desired results and co-founded Pinehurst Consulting, an organization development and training consulting firm.

Justin Wredburg, Community Builder, Razoo

Justin Wredberg works as Community Builder at Razoo - a website that enables individuals to donate and fundraise for nonprofits online. At Razoo, Justin is focused on building and inspiring communities of generous givers. Since 2005, Justin has been on staff with two different non-profit organizations. He has experienced the frustrations and joys of fundraising, and is well-equipped to serve non-profits with Razoo. If there's one thing you should know about Justin, it's this: he loves people.