

## Panelist Bios

### **Zak Clement-Bremer**

#### **Account Executive, Catalist**

After receiving a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Michigan State University and a Master's degree in Political Management from George Washington University, Zak Clement-Bremer worked as a database administrator for several high profile democratic organizations including ROCPAC, Joe Lieberman for President, and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee. Mr. Clement-Bremer most recently worked for the Hillary Clinton Presidential campaign where he helped integrate the campaign's volunteer, donor, on-line activist, and voter data.

### **John W. Delicath**

#### **Deputy Editorial Director, Media Matters for America**

John W. Delicath is a communications expert with more than 15 years experience in academia and government. He has held teaching positions at Allegheny College, the University of Pittsburgh, and the University of Cincinnati, where he taught courses in rhetoric, political communication, and media studies, including courses that examined media coverage of social movements, environmental issues, and the Iraq war. He is the author of numerous journal articles and book chapters, and is co-editor of *Communication and Public Participation in Environmental Decision Making* (SUNY Press). Most recently, he served as a senior communications analyst with the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO). He earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in communication studies from the University of Louisville and the University of Georgia, respectively, and completed course work for his Ph.D. at the University of Iowa.

### **Representative Raúl M. Grijalva (D-AZ)**

#### **Co-Chair of Congressional Progressive Caucus**

Congressman Raúl M Grijalva, is serving his 4<sup>th</sup> term in Congress. A native of Tucson, Arizona and son of a *bracero*, Congressman Grijalva has been advocating for his community's needs for more than 30 years.

Before entering Congress, Congressman Grijalva served as Pima County Supervisor and Tucson Unified School District Board member where he rose to chairman of both bodies. His political career stemmed from his advocacy during the Chicano Movement, striving to ensure that parks, health centers, and schools were accessible and in locations to serve all members of the community.

Congressman Grijalva serves on the Education and Labor Committee and Committee on Natural Resources. Congressman Grijalva was recently elected as co-chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus where his work prioritizes reinvesting in community infrastructure in the United States, our public education system, an alternative energy green jobs creation initiative, equity in education, and pursuing comprehensive, humane immigration reform. In addition, he has been an outspoken critic of the war in Iraq.

On the national level, Congressman Grijalva has been a consistent leader on environmental issues. He currently serves as Chairman of the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. As Chairman of the Subcommittee, Congressman Grijalva championed efforts to advance the National Landscape Preservation System, protect wilderness areas, protect endangered species, and advance the National Parks Service Centennial Initiative. Most recently, he worked to protect the Grand Canyon from the threat of expanded uranium mining, advance ecological restoration on Federal lands, and address the need for a budget fix for wildland fire suppression funding.

### **Chris Hughes**

#### **Obama's former online org leader/Facebook co-founder**

Chris Hughes has spent his brief career developing technologies that make it easier for people to communicate and self-organize. After co-founding Facebook in 2004, Hughes worked first as the site's spokesperson and later as a product manager specializing in user experience. In 2007, Hughes left Facebook to work on Barack Obama's presidential campaign as the Director of Online Organizing, where he was charged with developing online tools to engage and empower supporters to network and self-organize. Hughes oversaw the development of the on-site network [My.BarackObama.com](http://My.BarackObama.com) along with the campaign's presence on other networks like Facebook and MySpace. In 2006, Hughes graduated magna cum laude from Harvard with a degree in History and Literature.

### **Art Kleiner**

#### **Editor-In-Chief of *Strategy+Business***

Art Kleiner ([www.artkleiner.com](http://www.artkleiner.com)) is the editor-in-chief of *strategy+business*, the quarterly management journal published by Booz & Company. He is the author of *The Age of Heretics: A History of the Radical Thinkers Who Reinvented Corporate Management* (2008, Jossey-Bass, 2nd Edition) and *Who Really Matters: The Core Group Theory of Power, Privilege and Success* (2003, Doubleday). He is a longtime faculty member at New York University's Interactive Telecommunications Program, and a lecturer and writer on management, scenario planning, and media.

### **Laura Quinn**

#### **Chief Executive Officer, Catalyst**

Laura Quinn is a founding partner of QRS Newmedia, Inc., which specializes in

communication technology design and integration services. Founded in 1996, QRS clients have included the Democratic Presidential campaigns in 1996, 2000 and 2004; a wide of range of progressive political campaigns, organizations and non-profits; and other corporate and academic institutions. QRS's technology renovation for the Democratic National Committee in 2003-04 included complete IT, telecom and media system overhauls, as well as construction of a national voter file and new internet marketing systems, that helped the DNC increase their donor base more than five-fold and to out-fundraise the Republican National Committee for the first time in history.

Prior to these endeavors, Ms. Quinn served as Deputy Chief of Staff for Vice President Gore, as Director of the Democratic Technology and Communications Committee for the Democratic Majority Leader in the U.S. Senate, and in a variety of senior Senate and campaign positions.