



KVCR & FNX

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

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KVCR FLOODS THE COMMUNITY TO GAIN INPUT

For years, KVCR has brought Riverside and San Bernardino counties PBS and public television programs, NPR news, and compelling stories. Now they're ready for their reviews from viewers and listeners. Empire KVCR will host five community conversations and a chance to serve as an audience focus group.

The conversations are designed for KVCR to hear the voices of our audience, with their thoughts and ideas about the stories KVCR should tell and how to tell them. Our TV production crew were on hand to capture soundbites and feedback that was featured on Social Media and will be edited for a later TV interstitial for the public to see.

The focus is to bring public media fans across the Inland Empire together to listen to our community and better understand what they want to see and hear from their local PBS-NPR station and how we can better serve them.

The five sessions were held in various cities throughout the Inland Empire and our broadcast region. They included Palm Springs at the Coachella Valley Economic Partnership; in Redlands at the University of Redlands; in Temecula at the Temecula Community Recreation Center; in Riverside at the Riverside Main Library, and in Claremont at the Albrecht Auditorium at the Claremont Graduate University.

The two-hour conversations were emceed by Kellee McQuinn and sponsored by the Inland Futures Foundation of the San Bernardino Community College District alongside EMPIRE KVCR. The station gave prizes, including "Public Radio Nerd" and "PBS Nerd" t-shirts, pens, and coffee mugs.



Director of Operations, Tony Papa and Moderator/Emcee Kellee McQuinn



Our members are valued and loved! We spoke directly with our listeners and viewers about the future of their public media radio and TV station KVCR. Comments and critiques were well received and will help provide a better understanding in fulfilling our mission to the community.

BEAT REPORTER HIGHLIGHTS

Residents Protest New County Services Building Near San Bernardino Neighborhood - Residents of two different neighborhood associations in San Bernardino joining together to protest a proposed Transitional Assistance Department building near their neighborhood.

Loma Linda Psychiatrist On The Dangers And Rise Of Fentanyl - The rise of fentanyl, a synthetic drug that has exploded in popularity and lethality over the last few years. KVCRC spoke with a Loma Linda psychiatrist.

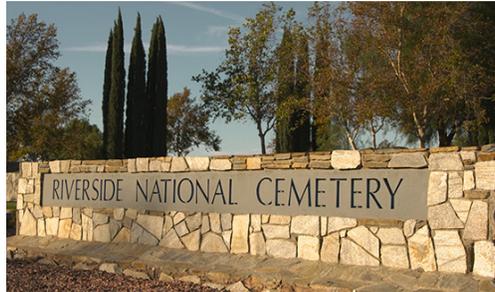
Loma Linda Psychologist On The Epidemic Of Teen Suicide - Loma Linda psychologist shared the epidemic of teen suicide in the United States.



Public Art Installation Addressing Climate Change Coming To Riverside - Public art installation addresses climate change coming to Riverside in 2021.

How Chronic Stress Contributes To Risk Of Alzheimer's - November is Alzheimer's Awareness Month, and chronic stress can increase your risk of developing Alzheimer's and dementia. Researchers say chronic stress is bad for both the body and the brain.

MIDDAY NEWS SEGMENTS HIGHLIGHTS



Pearl Harbor Sailor Laid to Rest in Riverside - 24-year-old sailor Kirby R. Stapleton who was killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor has been laid to rest at Riverside National Cemetery. Last year, scientists confirmed Stapleton's remains using advanced DNA samples.

CA Mental Health Warm Line - California now has a statewide mental health phone line for people in need of support. The line is staffed by people with firsthand experience with mental illness who anticipate more than 2000 calls a month.

Airbag Fraud - U.S. Customs and Border Protection seize eight counterfeit Honda airbags at Ontario International Airport. The agency says fraud may occur after a vehicle is involved in a wreck and the original airbags are replaced.

Riverside Student Arrested - A 17-year-old student was arrested for an alleged criminal threat in a social media post aimed at Ramona High School in Riverside and illegal possession of ammunition.

Tech Giants Pledge Billions to Combat Housing Crisis - Apple, Google and Facebook pledge a combined \$4.5 billion to ease California's affordable housing shortage. The private money will pay for grants, loans, and land.

THIS MONTH ON KVC-ARTS



In conversation with singer **Dodie Stevens**, will be part of Legends of the 60's. | **Damian Kulash** of the band, **OK Go** appearing at the Lewis Family Playhouse. | **Bobby Rydell**, who was a teen idol of the early 60's. | **Wink Martindale** talks about his early days in radio and TV. | **Brian Hyland** of the pop song Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny Yellow Polka Dot Bikini. | Emmanuel Rogers in conversation with **Justin Bua**, artist, and co-host of the podcast Art Attack. | David Fleming in conversation with **Lee Rocker**, part of The Stray Cats. Rocker's been a driving force in the rockabilly world.



Lifestyles

with Lillian Vasquez

Lifestyles takes a fresh look at arts, culture and issues across our unique region. If it's interesting and it's here in the Inland Empire, it's Lifestyles with Lillian Vasquez.

Director and Producer **Joey Travolta** about his new film **Carol of the Bells** coming to theaters in December. **AND** actor **Donna Mills** who plays Helen Harris in the film.

Al Arguello with the Bank of America talks about their Neighborhood Builders grant. **AND** CEOs for Habitat for Humanity Riverside **Kathy Michalak** and OneFuture Coachella Valley **Sheila Thornton** recipients of the 2019 Bank of America grant.

Cid Pinedo, President and CEO of the Children's Fund whose mission is to give vulnerable children support, opportunity, and hope through community partnerships.

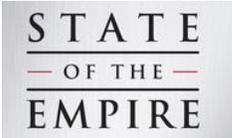
Glynn Washington, public radio host and co-founder of the NPR show Snap Judgment. Glynn talks about the history of the program and the Spooked series.

Dan Quinn, Community Engagement Manager for Southern California Easterseals, celebrating 100 years of providing programs and services to people with disabilities. **AND** Mayor **Bill Zimmerman** of Menifee for "Mayor's Movie Moments".

Local TV Production In Progress

Programs In DECEMBER

San Bernardino Air Show Highlighted



State of the Empire is our locally produced news program that explores happenings in the Inland Empire.

In November the KVCR production team was back in action at the SBD Air Show capturing all the aerial acrobatics performed by the Patriots jet aircraft team. Utilizing 5 different camera setups with wide angle, telephoto and extreme telephoto lenses the exhilarating footage will make an exceptional addition to the growing community video library.



New Graphics Promoting Empire KVCR

Halloween - We got spooky for this graphic in celebration of Halloween, depicting a group of trick-or-treaters approaching a creepily decorated porch.



Thanksgiving - For this year's Thanksgiving celebration, our graphics department has created an animated skit between two turkeys.



AdvertTravel - As part of a new series of interstitials promoting Empire KVCR | Passport, we have developed four different animated graphics centered on the themes of travel, music, nature, and food.

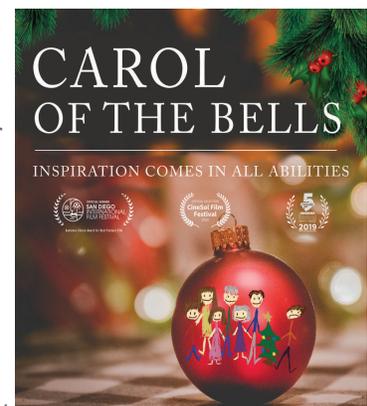


Chaperone on Masterpiece – Journey from Kansas to New York City with the diffident chaperone to uninhibited dancer Louise Brooks in this Jazz Age drama that reunites Downton Abbey screenwriter Julian Fellowes, actress Elizabeth McGovern and director Michael Engler. **December 16 at 8:00pm**

Classic Christmas with the Bach Festival Society Every year, the Bach Festival Society of Winter Park, Florida puts on a performance that fills the beautiful Knowles Memorial Chapel at Rollins College with the sounds of the holiday season. **December 16 at 10:00pm**

35th Annual Fort Lauderdale Christmas Pageant The pageant showcases classic holiday songs, but there's always something new that can't be missed in each year's powerful retelling of the story of the first Christmas, complete with live animals, flying angels and beautiful vocal performances. **December 17 at 9:00pm**

Carol of the Bells – A look at a Christmas movie starring RJ Mitte (best known for playing Walter White's son who had cerebral palsy in the TV series Breaking Bad) that was made by several film students who are on the autistic spectrum. **December 19 at 9:30pm**



Nova: Decoding Davinci Journey to Florence to discover how Leonardo da Vinci used science, from human dissections to innovative painting techniques, to create his legendary artwork. Learn why Mona Lisa's smile is so captivating - and what it took to create it. **December 26 at 7:00pm**

Roxanne – Steve Martin and Daryl Hannah star in this hit comedy from 1987. A witty and charming fireman with a large nose falls in love with a new neighbor. (A recreation of the play Cyrano de Bergerac.) **December 25 at 8:00pm**

POV: America – Diego lives away from his family, where he scrubs wax in a surf shop by day and stilt-walks the malecon by night. He returns home after his grandmother, America, falls from her bed, leading to his father's arrest for elder neglect. **December 26 at 10:00pm**



COMMUNITY MATTERS

RADIO RECOGNITION



A couple of months ago, Empire KVCR listeners heard that our radio service had been nominated for the Feeding America Riverside-San Bernardino Media Partner of the Year. We let KVCR listeners know about the nomination and provided a link on our news website for voting. After all the votes were counted, Empire KVCR was declared the winner. Empire KVCR now holds the proud title of Media Partner of the Year from Feeding America!

WE'RE HOME!

Empire KVCR radio staff are back in the building and are now broadcasting and recording in the newly renovated studios on the SBVC campus. Technicians are helping us complete updates and training and we're moving into the future with Empire KVCR News!



Now that we are back in the studio watch for upcoming events here at KVCR. Book your tour today to visit your newly remodeled studio.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR MEMBERS

As we prepared to celebrate Thanksgiving, we wanted to share our gratitude for our radio and television members who support our station. As a thank you to them, we sent out an E-Blast member benefit offering a chance for them to win two tickets to the Chinese Lantern Festival at the Fairplex in Pomona. Members from both radio and television who entered the drawing were asked to reply with their name, phone number, and address and winners were selected randomly the next day.



The Chinese Lantern Festival is a great way for our members to enjoy the holidays with family and friends. This year, the festival features larger-than-life lantern displays depicting the four seasons, live Chinese folk music and dance, and special holiday displays. The festival is open every Thursday through Sunday night until January 5.

KVCR members will have more chances in the future to enter drawings for fun local events.

RADIO SHOW IS COMING TO SAN BERNARDINO



On Saturday, January 25, KVCR will present an afternoon with Says You!...public radio's quintessential quiz show, aired weekly from coast to coast. Undeniably the warmest, wittiest cocktail party you'll ever enjoy, whether there's bubbly in your glass or in your personality.

Pledge today to reserve your seat. There will be a Meet & Greet in the KVCR Studio at 2:00.

The radio game show will be played in person at the San Bernardino Valley College Auditorium - Doors open at 2:15. Show begins at 3:00.

FNX

COMING IN NOVEMBER

Future History (Series) – An inspiring documentary series that follows hosts Sarain Fox and Kris Nahrgang on a journey of discovery through an Indigenous lens. For generations across North America, Indigenous Peoples have been reeling from the devastating effects of colonialism that left families, languages and cultures destroyed.



December 5 at 7:00pm

Indigenous Movie Marathon – This Marathon consists of the following films: *How People Got Fire*, *Wapos Bay: Long Goodbyes*, *Pete & Cleo*, *More Than Frybread*, *Blue Gap Boyz*, *Places Not Our Own*, *Turquoise Rose*, *Every Emotion Costs*, *The Sun at Midnight*, *Legends from the Sky* and *K'ina Kil: The Slaver's Son*.



December 25 at 10:00am

Ollie & Emma – A heartwarming sitcom about two awkward, shy young adults navigating an intercultural relationship in spite of their well-meaning friends and family. Ollie



(Caucasian) and Emma (First Nations) meet in college, and while they are immediately smitten, it is not an easy transition into love.

December 29 at 5:00pm

Indigenous Music Marathon – The marathon consists of episodes from *Studio 49*, *The AUX* and *Indigenous Day Live 2018*. *STUDIO 49*, FNX's locally produced music performance series featuring in-studio showcases by Native and World Indigenous artists. *The AUX* is a rotating compilation of music videos featuring diverse talents of Native American & World Indigenous cultures. Different genres such as hip-hop, rap, dance, rock, and many more are featured on *The AUX*. *Indigenous Day Live 2018* is a music series featuring live concerts & solo performances from the 2018 celebration across Canada. **December 31 at 7:30pm**

CURRENTLY IN PRODUCTION

CHANGE THE CAPTION



FNX team members Eric Peck and Frank Blanquet were present at the Red Nation Film Festival's Screening of Lakota filmmaker Yvonne Russo's animated short film *Minnie's War Bonnet*. KVCR and FNX animator Eric Peck was the film animator and Blanquet served as cultural advisor to Peck. FNX provided the workstation and software for the film that is currently broadcasting on PBS stations across the nation within the *Warrior Tradition* series and as a standalone interstitial.

WELCOME ABOARD KTOO

Alaska Public Television station KTOO in Juneau Alaska will go live with the FNX feed on December 2nd 2019. The station submitted all contract paperwork and will start to contribute to FNX with some of their local programming.

SOCIAL MEDIA

All month long FNX TV celebrates Native Americans and Indigenous

California city returns island to Native American tribe after more than 150 years



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People! On this edition of FNX NOW, we take a look back to 2018 - Los Angeles celebrated their inaugural Indigenous Peoples Day. Dropping Columbus Day to honor the first/original people of this continent. The event took place in down town Los Angeles with an opening ceremony from Tongva community members (whose lands LA sits on) and city

councilman Mitch O' Farrell (Wyandotte) who along with community organizers and Native organizations pushed to replace Columbus Day. At this gathering Native people from all over the U.S. and beyond came out to support and make their presence known. First Nations Experience was there to cover it.