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Independent Media IS THE GIFT - WRFI Winter Fund Drive - Special Programs 12/2-12/8

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**NEWS & TALK in the morning - MUSIC noon til
sunrise**

**WINTER FUND
DRIVE**

You know that feeling you get when you're driving home for the holidays? When you drive back into your hometown, cross that invisible line and can tune back in to your favorite local radio station for the first time after long road trip hours of flipping through channels? Yup THAT feeling. It's a feeling of home, familiarity, and community and it's why WRFI is here for you during the holidays, and every day of the year, and why we're hoping you'll support us this gratitude season.

Protect your independent community radio station by donating to our Winter Fund Drive December 2nd through 8th at WRFI.org/support.

WRFI Schedule - AM News, PM Tunes!

December Fund Drive - 12/2-12/8 - Daily Specials & DJ Team Ups

	Tue 12/2	Wed 12/3	Thurs 12/4	Fri 12/5	Sat 12/6	Sun 12/7	Mon 12/8
5 AM	Writer's Voice	THE MATH	THE MATH	Made In Queens Emergency	Radio Echohook	A Way with Words	Schedule Check
6 AM	The Thom Hartmann Program	Bookworm	Between the Lines		Hard Mouth Radio	Big Picture Science	Project Censored
7 AM					Hard Mouth Radio	Alternative Radio	Background Briefing
8 AM					Earth Riot Radio	FreeThought Radio	Democracy Now!
9 AM	Law and Disorder	Waking Up with Sarah	Unreserved	• The Human Rights & Social Justice Program	• Radio Days The morning	With Good Reason	Courtspring
10 AM	Against the Grain	Against the Grain	Technician	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: CREATIVES: The morning update: A conversation with independent film maker, photographer, and musician, Patti Smith	• SPECIAL: Made of Clay with Rita LaRue: American Artists & Their Work at the End of the 20th Century	The English Radio Hour
11 AM				• The Capital Pressroom	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates		The Capital Pressroom
12 PM	• SPECIAL: Jumping in the Sugarland	• Alliance Latina: Carlos Gutierrez & Special Guest: Carlos Gutierrez	• The Spanish Radio: Felix & Special Guest: Felix	• Crazy Words, Crazy Tune: Roger Smith's Special Guest: Thomas M.	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• WRI Spring: Anthony: Let's Talk About Spring	• The African: Patti Smith & Special Guest: Patti Smith
1 PM							
2 PM	• The Good, The Bad & Ugly: Morning Show: Special Guest: Felix	• The Big Scoop Show: The Scoop: Special Guest: Carlos Gutierrez	• SPECIAL: Instrument: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• The Big Scoop Show: The Scoop: Special Guest: Carlos Gutierrez
3 PM							
4 PM	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: Youth: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• Are You Out There: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates	• SPECIAL: The Morning Update: Politics, Culture, and Economic Updates
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SCHEDULE

Starting Giving Tuesday 12/2, WRFI's volunteer hosts are pulling out all the stops to help raise funds for free speech and free expression here on WRFI Community Radio. Don't miss on the phenomenal special programming we've got planned every day next week and don't forget to give early and often to support your LOCAL nonprofit community radio station.

We will have daily special shows, team ups, and collaborations with all your favorite WRFI hosts.

Upcoming Live Performances & On-Air Guests

Tuesday December 2nd 4-5pm**Amber Martin LIVE ON-AIR during Amie's Winehouse**

Amber Martin, a local singer songwriter based in Upstate NY, will be joining as a guest on Amie's Winehouse for a special winter drive happy hour. She will play some of her music for us and share her sip and song pairing as well.

Amber Martin is a local singer and song writer whose music is vulnerable and honest. Known for her unique lyricism, haunting melodies and voice that cuts with both grit and tenderness. Her songs feel personal because they are. Indie folk that hits straight to the chest. Her debut album Honey Eyes was released in 2021.

She recently formed a trio - Amber Martin & The Fruitstand. They made their debut at this year's Porchfest Ithaca. Insta: [@ambermartinmusic](https://www.instagram.com/ambermartinmusic)

Friday, Saturday December 6th 3-5pm**Elijah Jake LIVE ON-AIR during Hovercraft**

Elijah Matoushek is a film and video production artist based out of Philadelphia, PA. He is a 2017 graduate of Temple University, with a major in Media Studies and Production.

He is a freelancer and works with video production at Weathervane Music, a non-profit organization whose mission is to build community through creating music.

In addition to film and video, Elijah has a passion for music, poetry, photography, and other mediums.



Saturday December 6th 10-11am

CREATIVES on WRFI 'Remaining Native' A Conversation with Indigenous Filmmaker Paige Bethmann' hosted by Zoë Van Nostrand

Tune in for a special **CREATIVES** on WRFI with **Paige Bethmann** airing **12/1 5-6pm** and **12/6 10-11am**.

Paige Bethmann
Filmmaker of
'Remaining Native'



Tune in for two broadcasts of **CREATIVES** on WRFI, Zoë Van Nostrand interviews Indigenous filmmaker **Paige Bethmann (Mohawk & Oneida)** on her new documentary 'Remaining Native' screening at Cinemapolis on **12/7 at 2:30pm**.

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*Tune in for a special broadcast of **CREATIVES** on WRFI: an **interview with Indigenous filmmaker Paige Bethmann** on her new documentary 'Remaining Native'*

*Zoë Van Nostrand interviews Paige Bethmann (Mohawk & Oneida) on her recent documentary **Remaining Native**. The film will be showing at Cinemapolis with a filmmaker talkback on **December 7th at 2:30pm** in collaboration with the **Gayoghó:nq' Learning Project**.*

*Paige Bethmann is a Haudenosaunee from the Mohawk and Oneida communities, and has worked in non-fiction television for various digital and broadcast networks such as ESPN, PBS, Vox Media, Youtube Originals, USA, and NBC. She is a graduate of Ithaca College, with a bachelor's degree in Film, Television, and Radio from the Park School of Communications. **Remaining Native** is her first feature film.*

The interview explores Paige's role and identity as a storyteller in her community, and the responsibility she feels as a descendant of a boarding school survivor in telling the story of Ku and his relationship with his grandfather who ran away from his residential boarding school through the Nevada desert three separate times as a child. The interview explores the role of the sacred in the film, and Ku's athleticism as a teenage track star aiming to run at University of Oregon.

Trigger Warning(s): The interview discusses the impact of residential boarding schools on Indigenous communities

Sunday December 7th 10am-12pm

SPECIAL **Made of Clay Report with Guest Kira Lallas, hosted by Peaches Gillette & Eric Clay**

*The **Made of Clay Report** with Peaches Gillette and Eric Clay will host local*

playwright, former hospice worker and therapist Kira Lallas.

Kira sought meaningful secular work not attached to any one religious or spiritual tradition. Through Hospice and theatre, Kira embraced the wildness of compassion and justice in her own sacred engagement of the universe.

Tune in for a special **Made of Clay** on **WRFI** with **Kira Lallas** airing **12/7 from 10am-12pm.**



Kira Lallas
'Koans at the End of Life: A Hospice Worker's Story'

Tune in for a special conversation with Kira Lallas hosted by Eric Clay & Peaches Gillette on Lallas' reflective monologue 'Koans at the End of Life' on her experiences with the dying; upcoming performances on 12/7 & 12/14 in Trumansburg.

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Kira is the author and solo performer of "[Koans at the end of life](#)," telling many stories that allow us to witness the mysteries of living and dying, to be taught by them and learn from them. We will talk with Kira about her work from 10AM to Noon, Sunday, December 7. You can find this conversation and over 700 others in their entirety at madeofclay.org

Performances of "[Koans at the End of Life: A Hospice Worker's Story](#)" are December 7 and 14, at 1PM and 4PM each day, at the Word of Mouth Catering Event Space in Trumansburg. Space is limited.

Share the Community Radio Gratitude Far & Wide this Giving Season

Daily gratitude baskets chock-full of local goods, independent media, and community



experiences -
**one basket will
 be gifted to a
 donor every
 day of the drive**
 (call in and talk
 to an on-air host
 during the drive
 to be entered to
 win!).

*Tune in daily
 and our on-air
 hosts will
 announce all the
 goodies in that
 days basket!*

CALL TO WIN!

Special thanks to our 2025 community donors: [Kitchen Theatre](#), [Gimme Coffee](#), [Buffalo Street Books](#), [Ithaca Murals](#), [Project Censored](#), and [South Hill Cider](#) for supporting this years baskets!

Looking for a stocking stuffer? Or a holiday gift?



We're mailing one of these folded up cuties to every donor of a donation of any amount for our Winter Fund Drive! They fold up into a small package and can be shared as a Hanukkah gift, tucked into a Christmas stocking, or for an Ujamaa or Kuumba Kwanzaa gift. Share the gratitude, and give the gift of independent media to someone in your life.

A brand new WRFI design by Hello Earthling's Emily Hopkins!

This will be
available as a T-
shirt and a tote bag.
Donations above
\$120 can request
this design as a
“donor gift” when
you call in or donate
online at
WRFI.org/donate



All swag & donor gifts will be available for pick-up BEFORE December 20th!

FIND YOUR FAVORITE HOSTS!

Every music hour during the drive has a special co-host! Find your favorites and tune in for special team ups, live performances, and themed shows!

WRFI Schedule - AM News, PM Tunes!

- News/Talk
- LIVE Music
- Music
- ◆ Local Host

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5 AM	Writer's Voice	TUC Radio	51%	Music In Queso Emergency	Radio EcoShock	A Way with Words	Scholars Circle	5 AM
		Bookwaves	Between the Lines					
6 AM	The Thom Hartman Program				Food Sleuth Radio	Big Picture Science	Project Censored	6 AM
					Laura Flanders & Friends			
7 AM	Background Briefing				Hard Knock Radio	Alternative Radio	Background Briefing	7 AM
8 AM	Democracy Now!				This Way Out	Freethought Radio	Democracy Now!	8 AM
					Earth Riot Radio			
9 AM	Law and Disorder	Rising Up with Sonali	Unreserved	◆ The Human Rights & Social Justice Program Ute Ritz Deutch	◆ Radio Days The Hochbergs	With Good Reason	Counterspin	9 AM
							Making Contact	
10 AM	Against the Grain	Against the Grain	Techtonic	◆ SPECIAL The Inquiring Socialist Theresa Alt ITHACA COMMON COUNCIL MEMBERS Economic Update	◆ SPECIAL CREATIVES Zoe Van Nostrand Remaining Native: A conversation with Indigenous film-maker Paige Bethmann	◆ SPECIAL Made of Clay with Kira Lallas Peaches Gillette & Eric Clay 'Koons at the End of Life: A Hospice Worker's Story'	The Ralph Nader Radio Hour	10 AM
11 AM	The Capitol Pressroom				◆ SPECIAL The Mustard Hour DJ Dijon & Special Guest Eric Clay STEVIE WONDER '70S-'80S	◆ Will Spring Astrology Tim T. & Special Guest Josh H.	The Capitol Pressroom	11 AM
12 PM	◆ SPECIAL Jumping in the Sugarbowl Keir Neuringer & Special Guest Doctor B. SUGARBOWL FAVORITES MIXTAPE GIVE-AWAY	◆ Alcanse Latino Carlos Gutierrez & Special Guest Ute Ritz-Deutch	◆ The Scenic Route Felix & Special Guest Sam "The Cool" Fishman	◆ Crazy Words, Crazy Tune Roger Smith & Special Guest Theresa Alt			◆ The African Postman DJ Art-V & Special Guest DJ Tally SWAG - GIVE-AWAY	12 PM
1 PM					◆ SPECIAL Bartlemania Dr. B. & Special Guest Ray & Sidekick NC LIVE IN THE WRFI STUDIO	◆ SPECIAL The Joe Show Joe Romano & Special Guest Peter B. ALL ABOUT THE JOY		1 PM
2 PM	◆ The Good, The Bad & Ugly Morpheus & Special Guest Five	◆ The Big Scoob Show Big Scoob & Special Guest Carlos Gutierrez	◆ SPECIAL Instrument Spotlight Sam "The Cool" Fishman & Special Guest Somer THE LOCALS ONLY SPOTLIGHT	◆ SPECIAL Bendy Bus Sarah Hennies & Special Guest Keir			◆ The Big Scoob Show Big Scoob & Special Guest DJ Art-V	2 PM
3 PM			◆ SPECIAL Attic Inhabitant Ben & Special Guest Emily MURDERING THE CLASSICS		◆ SPECIAL Hovercraft Rain & Special Guest DJ Dijon LIVE ELIJAH JAKE	◆ SPECIAL Burning Airlines Peter B. & Special Guest The Batgirl 1983: GIRLS VS. BOYS - WHO WILL SURVIVE?!		3 PM
4 PM	◆ SPECIAL Amie's Winehouse DJ Amie & Special Guest Peter B. LIVE AMBER MARTIN	◆ SPECIAL Youth Radio Project & Special Guest Tim T. ALL HANDS ON DECK	◆ Are You Out There? Max & Special Guest Tim T.	◆ SPECIAL Songbird. mp3 Gianni & Special Guest DJ Plutonium CONTINUUM OF CARE			◆ SPECIAL Vicious Pink Show Gayle & Special Guest Josh H. THE FLYING V	4 PM
5 PM	◆ SPECIAL Matter Media DJ Spicy Bones & Special Guest Amie A CONVERSATION WITH MARK THORNTON	◆ SPECIAL 'Zone Beyond the Meadow' Aaron & Clara	◆ SPECIAL Press Record & Play: The Wintry Mix Dan Aloï & Special Guest Sasha E.	◆ Kampung Jamz Dr. Billy & Special Guest Roger Smith	◆ SPECIAL Threading the Needle w/ Dom & Special Guest Angela of Roundabout THE GONG SHOW RETURNS	◆ The Secret Ingredient Jordan & Special Guest DJ Spicy Bones	◆ SPECIAL Who's On/What's On Five & Special Guest DJ Clara GRATITUDE HOUR	5 PM
6 PM	◆ SPECIAL The Warm Up Heather & Special Guest Amie AROUND THE WORLD WITH RADIO GARDEN	◆ Mind Meadow Clara & Special Guest Aaron	◆ George's Sparkletone Hour George & Special Guest Kevin Deery	◆ Radio Waves Christina & Special Guest Roger Smith			◆ SPECIAL The African Guitar Box Cheese Louise & Special Guest Clara	6 PM
7 PM	◆ SPECIAL Monsoon Radio Daniel Bass & Special Guest John RAGA ROCK & ROCKIN' RAGAS	◆ SPECIAL Catholic Block lowercase marc & Special Guest Daniel Bass SWANS: THE EARLY YEARS	◆ SPECIAL Night Toast Rich & Special Guest Kevin Deery EXCLUSIVELY 1978	◆ The Rocket Morton Show Rocket Morton & Special Guest lowercase marc	◆ The Strangest Feeling DJ DiJa & Special Guest Cristina	◆ SPECIAL Take it Easy Caylyn & Special Guest Nina PROGRESSIVE SOUNDSCAPE OF BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS	◆ Humming Wires John & Special Guest Felix T.	7 PM
8 PM								8 PM
9 PM	◆ SPECIAL Digital Binary DJ Law & Special Guest DJ Plutonium MIXING LIVE ON-AIR OFF MY DJ DECKS	◆ Vicious Pink Show Gayle & Special Guest Kid Catharsis WE ARE THE WEIRDOS, MISTER	◆ SPECIAL Call to the Universe NYDT & Special Guest Rob H. COSMIC JAZZ & ELECTRONIC MUSIC FROM 2025	◆ The Conference of the Birds Stephen Cope & Special Guest Niko	◆ SPECIAL Bombast Kid Catharsis & Special Guest DJ DiJa A BOMBASTIC BOATLOAD OF DESERT ISLAND DISCS	◆ SPECIAL Lake Snake Radio Rob & Special Guest DJ Law 'THE FINEST VIBES OF 2025'	◆ Take in Easy Caylyn & Special Guest Rocket Morton	9 PM
10 PM								10 PM
11 PM	Goudas Iscariot	Un-Briellievably Good Tunes	Cheddar Off Bread		And You Don't Stop Chuck D	Le Show	Music in Queso Emergency	11 PM

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Want to **learn more about WRFI** before you donate? Check out **Candid**, your go-to for learning more about non-profit organizations.

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