

WPKN Newsletter November 12, 2018

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special programs and guests

Music, Culture, Arts and Entertainment

On *Digging in the Dirt* Kevin Gallagher's guest will be the Executive Director of the Bionutrient Food Association Dan Kittredge. Dan comes to WPKN to talk about the upcoming 8th annual Soil & Nutrition Conference they are sponsoring and the debut of the BFA's Bionutrient Meter. The meter is a breakthrough hand held spectrometer that analyzes your foods quality. Exciting stuff. **Monday, November 12 at 5:00 PM.**

Writer's Voice: We spend the hour talking with Chris Feliciano Arnold about his book, *The Third Bank of the River: Power and Survival in The 21st Century Amazon*. It's a sweeping investigation of crime and corruption in the Amazon — all the more relevant now that the extreme right-wing politician Jair Bolsonaro has been elected President of Brazil. We originally spoke with Chris Arnold before the election but were able to get a post-election update from him today to add to the program. **Monday, November 12 at 10:00 PM.**

Sometimes Classical: Richard Epstein will welcome two conductors to his program. James Sinclair, who founded and conducts Orchestra New England, will be presenting the 39th occurrence of their historical fantasy "Colonial Concert", flash-back entertainment with the orchestra in Colonial garb playing by candlelight. (That event takes place on Saturday, November 24, in New Haven.) Later in the show, Richard will be joined in the studio by conductor and educator Sal LaRusso, who will lead the Westport Community Band with collective bands from the Weston, CT school district the next evening - Thursday, November 15, 7:30 pm. The event will honor Veterans, raise funds for wounded vets and pay tribute to the late founder of Purple Hearts Homes, Dale Beatty. LaRusso spent many years heading up music programs at Weston High School and is a well-regarded band conductor. **Wednesday, November 14 sometime between from 1:00 and 4:00 PM.**

Tidings from Hazel Kahan: Raza Rumi, a Pakistani author, journalist and blogger and follower of Sufi thought talks about the tradition of hospitality, friendship and loyalty and the divergent ways these traditions shape and reflect Eastern and Western cultures. The subject of hospitality holds a certain irony for Raza who was forced to flee from his country after narrowly missing an assassination attempt on his life in Lahore which tragically killed his driver. **Wednesday November 14 at 7:30 PM and [archived](#).**

News and Public Affairs

This week's guests on *Counterpoint*, hosted by Scott Harris:

- 1) John Cusick, a fellow at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund who co-led the group's 'Prepared to Vote' efforts at the polls on the Nov. 6th election, assesses the voter suppression tactics and disenfranchisement of voters in the 2018 midterm election -- and initiatives to eliminate deliberate partisan efforts to place obstacles in the way of all Americans' right to vote.
- 2) Lisa Gilbert, Vice President of Legislative Affairs with Public Citizen, discusses President Trump's firing of U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions and the mobilization of people across the US who protested in over 1,000 cities demanding that Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation be protected.
- 3) Norman Solomon, co-founder of RootsAction.org and founding director of the Institute for Public Accuracy, talks about his recent article, "A Challenge to the New Blue Congress: Govern as Progressives," where he'll assess the strength of left movements' capacity to influence the Democratic party agenda in the House -- and concerns about the next 2 years of the Trump presidency.
- 4) Tom Swan, executive director of the Connecticut Citizen Action Group discusses progressive gains in the state legislature in the 2018 election, and the work CCAG and other progressive activist groups will be doing to influence public policies of the incoming administration of CT governor-elect Ned Lamont. **Monday, November 12 at 8:00 PM and in the WPKN [archive](#).**

WPKN Events

The WPKN *Music on Film* Series continues with the documentary "Grace Jones: Bloodlight And Bami" on Thursday, November 15, 2018. Doors: 6:00 pm / Show: 7:00 pm; \$12.00. At the Bijou Theatre, 275 Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport, CT.



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