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special programs and guests

Music, Culture, Arts and Entertainment

Writer’s Voice Today, we talk with spy fiction writer Alan Furst about his latest book Under Occupation. Then we air excerpts from interviews we did with him about his previous novels, Spies of the Balkans and The Foreign Correspondent. We also play a recording of a poem by the Greek poet C.P. Cavafy, Waiting for the Barbarians. It’s translated from the Greek by Edmund Keeley. And the audio is from Poetry Foundation.org Monday, January 13 at 10:00 PM.

Jim Motavalli: speaks with Singer-songwriter, Chris Brown at 8:45 PM; Chris Crowley, about his book “Younger Next Year” at 9:30 PM; and Irwin Chusid, on Sun Ra’s legacy at 10 PM. Tuesday, January 14 at 8:00 PM.

First Voices Radio with Tiokasin Ghost Horse: In the first half-hour, host Tiokasin welcomes Max Nesterak, a reporter for a soon-to-be-announced news outlet in Minnesota, part of the States Newsroom network. Previously, he’s worked at Minnesota Public Radio and National Public Radio. In the second half-hour, Tiokasin talks with Oqwílwegwa, Kim Recalma-Clutesi of the Qualicum First Nation, British Columbia, Canada. Oqwílwegwa is a cross-cultural interpreter, teacher, researcher and writer on topics of ethnobiology and tribal history. She is also a nonprofit director, political organizer, and award-winning videographer and film producer. Oqwílwegwa is a co-author of “Indigenous song keepers reveal traditional ecological knowledge in music.” Tuesday, January 14 at 12 noon.

News and Public Affairs

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

1) Sarah Anderson, Director of the Global Economy Project at the Institute for Policy Studies - and co-editor of the IPS website Inequality.org, talks about her recent article, “The Threat of War Inflates Stock Holdings of Military Contractor CEOs.”

2) Hedrick Smith, Pulitzer Prize-winning former New York Times reporter and editor and Emmy award-winning producer/correspondent, talks about his new PBS documentary airing nationally this week, “The Democracy Rebellion: A Reporter’s Notebook. Smith travels the country looking for positive stories of democratic reform and finds them in six states where grassroots activists are fighting to equal the playing field.

3) Jon Rainwater, Executive Director of Peace Action and the Peace Action Education Fund considers the recent House passage of a War Powers Resolution and the fight ahead in the U.S. Senate and through grassroots organizing across the U.S., to prevent President Trump from launching a disastrous war with Iran in the coming weeks and months.

4) Saya Ameli Hajebi, a leader of the Sunrise Movement in Boston, MA, and a High School senior, discusses organizing for the Green New Deal, the next Climate Strike on April 22nd, and the 2020 presidential candidate’s positions on climate change in the 2020 election. Monday, January 13 at 8:00 PM and in the WPKN archive.

WPKN Events

WPKN’s Environmental Film Series continues with “Inhabit – A Permaculture Perspective.” Inhabit is a feature length documentary introducing permaculture: a design method that offers an ecological lens for solving issues related to agriculture, economics, governance, and on. Monday, January 13 at the Bijou Theatre, 275 Fairfield Ave. Bridgeport, CT. Doors: 7 PM / Show: 7:30 PM. $12.00

WPKN’s Environmental Film Series continues with “Linda Ronstadt - The Sound of My Voice” on Thursday, January 16. A musical biography of one of the most successful female singers - and one of the most successful recording artists - of all time. Featuring Dolly Parton, Bonnie Raitt, Jackson Browne, and more. Bijou Theatre, 275 Fairfield Ave. Bridgeport, CT. Doors: 6:30 PM / Show: 7 PM. $12.00

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