

Coalition Update

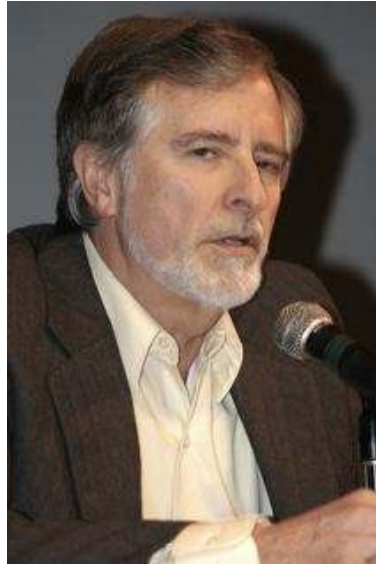
A big Coalition welcome to Mark Hart, who will be joining the MDC state organizer program in the first week of March. Mark will be hosted by Tampa Bay Community Network (a PEG station) in Cooperation with Florida PIRG. Mark comes equipped to media reform work with years of experience in government and community affairs, journalism, and as a public information officer.

Oakland Digital Inclusion Summit

On February 15, Media Alliance and its partners led a successful day of discussion and community building on the subject of bringing the benefits of digital technology and connectivity to a broader, more diverse populace than is currently served in the greater East Bay area. To learn more about the event and the action moving forward, go to <http://digii.wordpress.com/>. Media Alliance should begin to post video from the event starting next week.



Oakland Digital Inclusion Summit, clockwise from top, left: Eloise-Rose Lee, Media Alliance, and “Peggy D” (Davey D’s mother); Dr. McNair Knox, 1 East Palo Alto Community Center; Marnee Burke & Rene de Guzman, 1 Economy and Oakland Museum talk with hip-hop journalist and activists, Davey D.



Upcoming Events

Feb 26-28: We Media Conference, Miami, FL

March 1: Texas Community Media Summit, Austin, TX

March 2: 5th Annual NYC Grassroots Media Conference, New York, NY

March 4-5: Politics Online Conference, Washington, DC

March 26-29: The 33rd Annual Community Radio Conference, Atlanta, GA

March 28-30: Women, Action, & the Media (WAM!) 2008: Workshop for Women in Media Policy, Cambridge, MA

March 29: Local Media, Democracy and Justice: A Southern California Regional Summit, Los Angeles, CA

March 31-April 1: Freedom to Connect, Silver Spring, MD

May 22: Bridging the Scholar/Activist Divides in the Field of Communication, ICA Pre-Conference, Montreal, Canada

May 28-30: International Summit for Community Wireless Networks, Washington, DC

June 6-8: National Conference for Media Reform, Minneapolis, MN

June 20-22: Allied Media Conference, Detroit, MI

July 9-12: Alliance for Community Media Conference and Exhibition, Washington, DC

Sept 26-27: Making History: Race, Gender and the Media in the 2008 Elections, Queens, NY

Oct 5-8: Rural Telecommunications Congress, Smuggler's Notch, Vermont

More from Oakland, *clockwise from top, left*: Lisa Rudman, National Radio Project/*Making Contact*; Greg Eppler-Wood, Vermont Access Network; information tables in the sun; Dancing Feathers, a Native youth powwow dance group enlivens the afternoon.