

On World Press Freedom Day: May 3, 2023

A Day Of Action To Free Journalists Julian Assange/Mumia Abu-jamal, Defend All Journalists & Freedom Of The Press

May 3 is the annual World Press Freedom Day. Throughout the world, journalists are being targeted, tortured, and murdered. There is growing censorship by governments & corporate media. In the United States, the two most world known journalists are Julian Assange who was also publisher of Wiki-leaks and Mumia Abu-Jamal. Julian Assange is member of the Media, Entertainment & Arts Alliance in Australia and has been imprisoned in the UK for “espionage”, and Mumia was a member of CWA NABET and working as a journalist on Philadelphia’s NPR (National Public Radio) radio station, WUHY-FM, (now WHYF) in Philadelphia and was president of the Philadelphia Association of Black Journalists. The SEIU in 2000, ILWU Local 10, OEA and CWA PMWG have also called for his freedom.

In 1999, ILWU shutdown all West Coast ports and led a demonstration of 25,000 people in San Francisco to demand freedom for Mumia. NPR was also broadcasting commentaries from Mumia, but his commentaries were removed after pressure from the police.

Amnesty International has called for a new trial for Mumia because of prosecutorial misconduct and two years later his death sentence was changed to life in prison. Many of the largest papers around the world including the Washington Post, The Guardian, and New York Times have demanded the dropping of the charges & freedom of Julian Assange, yet they are silent about case of Mumia Abu-Jamal. These cases are absolutely connected, and we call on KQED, NPR, PBS, and all major media in the US to support the freedom of both Julian Assange and Mumia Abu-Jamal.

The UK’s National Union of Journalists has stated that the “US charges against Assange pose a huge threat, one that could criminalize the critical work of investigative journalists & their ability to protect their sources.”

There will also be actions in the US and around the world. We will have reports on the fight against censorship here and around the world, and struggles of journalists globally for their rights and freedoms.

**Free Mumia and Julian Now!
Defend The Freedom of The Press NOW!**

**Wednesday May 3, 2023, 12:00 noon
At: KQED TV & Radio
2601 Mariposa St., San Francisco**



Endorsed by: Code Pink, Labor Action Committee to Free Mumia, Bay Action To Free Julian Assange, United Front Committee for A Labor Party, LaborNet, WorkWeek, Bay-View Newspaper & JR Valery, Dennis Bernstein-Producer and host of KPFA Flashpoint

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