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Open Mic Newsletter

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Now Offering Volunteer Training Sessions!

You can become acquainted with the air board and other radio technology in an introductory session, and later sessions are tailored towards specific goals and types of shows, such as successful interviewing on talk programs, or curating great playlists during music sets. **As a non-profit educational radio station, it is KOPN's mission to train and educate radio professionals who can produce great programs for our listeners.** If you are interested in being on air, fill out a volunteer application at the button above! Even if you are shy about being on air, there are plenty of off-air roles for you to help KOPN with.

Meet some of KOPN's programmers at the training sessions:



The Jazz Broker (host of The Jazz Exchange) and Brad Roby (host of The Ragtime Troubadour)



Mike Hagan (host of Open Mike Radio) and Dylan Martin (KOPN Operations Manager and co-host of The Grateful Dead Show and Heavy Rotation)



Ras Shumba (host of Motherland Jam and Reggae Party), Dale Langford (host of Morning Ayre on Tuesday mornings), Elizabeth Herrera (host of She Served Too and co-host of Women's Issues, Women's Voices), and Jet Ainsworth (KOPN Executive Director)

Ask a Volunteer: Laura Mitchell



I have been a listener and monthly contributor to KOPN since I moved back to Columbia seven



years ago. **The first shows that caught my attention were the international shows and the folk shows on Sunday.** In

November 2021, Interim General Manager Sarah Catlin nominated me for the programming committee, which has been a joy. I love hearing about new ideas for shows.

This past April, I decided I should put in more volunteer hours at the station. I offered to do whatever the office needed. I was assigned a tedious but really wonderful job.

I was scanning old documents, old photos, and even old T-shirts so that they could be stored electronically. I got to see pictures of people I know now from back in the day and I had the chance to meet more of the programmers.

I am excited about the move and the new Executive Director. **Now I am helping to re-shelve the CDs in the beautiful new space.** And I love the special shirt I got for volunteering with the move! Since I retired, I've been listening to a lot of the syndicated news programs. When I'm not at KOPN, I work half time at Westlakes (right across the street from KOPN's new location!) and raise chickens."

Underwriter Spotlight: **House of Chow**



House of Chow has been a long-time supporter of KOPN, and they've been serving up fresh Asian cuisine almost as long as we've been serving up tasty tunes. They've been in their current location at the corner of Broadway and Stadium since 1981. House of Chow was opened by Amy Chow and has been managed by Amy's nephew, James Lowe, since 2014. The menu features the dishes you would expect—General Tso Chicken, Beef Broccoli— as well as traditional dishes from mainland China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong.

[View the full menu here.](#)

They also have an extensive hot tea menu brewed fresh at your table, including “blooming” teas that open before your eyes in clear glass teapots. Their cuisine is available for dine-in, carry-out, or delivery through various delivery services. The House regularly appears on Inside Columbia Magazine's Best of Columbia awards list, the Columbia Daily Tribune's Reader's Choice Awards, and Feast Magazine's Reader's Choice Awards. But don't take their word for it—**go try House of Chow yourself, and be sure to tell them “I heard you on KOPN!”**

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Missouri River Festival of the Arts:

Catch the festival at Thespian Hall in Boonville August 24 through 27. All performances begin at 7:30 PM. Artistic Director David Halen has recruited an outstanding group of musicians

and selected a wonderful repertoire and a superb conductor to lead the Missouri River Festival Orchestra!



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On Thursday, August 25, David Halen and friends set the table with the music of Kreisler, Dvorak and Shostakovich. Michael Hawk and Sylvia D'Eramo take the stage in the second half with a selection of Broadway tunes.

Friday, August 26 features an evening of musical masterpieces. The Brahms Eb Major Trio featuring Roger Kasa, horn; Xiaoxa Quang, violin; and Mia Hynes, piano; is both a pastoral and majestic work. The Beethoven Septet, Op. 20 is one of his most popular works. It features clarinet, horn, bassoon, violin, viola, cello, and double bass in a brilliant display of chamber ensemble technique.

Saturday, August 27 features Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro," and a Mozart Violin Concerto, featuring Festival Artistic Director David Halen, soloist. The concert will close with Symphony No. 7 by Beethoven. The orchestra will be led by Ms. Stephanie Childress, Assistant Conductor of the St. Louis Symphony. Ms. Childress has conducted orchestras in France, Hungary, Poland, Netherlands, and other cities across Europe and the United States. She is very accomplished for her young age!

[Click here for tickets!](#)

Upcoming Events in our Broadcast Range:
Boonville:

- August 24-27: The Missouri River Festival of the Arts returns to Boonville for its 47th year. All performances are at 7:30 PM.

Columbia:

- August 19: Local non-profit Love Coffee and U. C. Music host an open mic night at Love Coffee at 7 PM. Love Coffee is located at 15 Business Loop 70 E.
- September 3: Diane Patterson performs at Yoga Sol, located at 210 St James Street. This year, Diana released her 6th solo CD and did a two-month spring tour in northern Europe.
- September 17: Jabberwocky Studios presents AfricaFest 2022, ending with a performance by the Aina Cook Band at the Missouri Theatre at 7 PM.

New Bloomfield:

- TONIGHT: Al Jolly performs at ElderBlossom View Winery at 5 PM. The winery is located at 208 Co Rd 398. If you come from Columbia or Jefferson City, the winery can be accessed off E Zumwalt Road on Highway 63 between Columbia and Jefferson City.
- August 20: Sarah & Mark perform at ElderBlossom View at 6 PM.
- August 27: Disengaged performs at ElderBlossom View at 6 PM.
- August 28: Al Jolly performs at ElderBlossom View at 5 PM.



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