Internships available Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter

To Whom It may Concern,

We would welcome your participation in all that is Prison Radio. We are located in San Francisco and Philadelphia. We also have virtual internship opportunities. Enclosed is a questionnaire for you to fill out. As well as a bunch of information about Prison Radio.

We will provide you with former interns numbers who can also answer questions.

Call us if you have questions, or just to check in.

Best Wishes,

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Prison Radio Intern/Volunteer Form

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Cell Phone:

Emergency Contact:

Email:

Best time to call:

Your schedule for the week (time you will arrive and leave the office each day, or preferred hours if working remotely): M_____Tu_____W_____Th_____F_____ Sa_____ Su_____

Dates of Internship: Month ________ to ___________

Questions:

1) What are the main skills that you would like to develop during your internship at Prison Radio? (If you do not have a clear idea, we can lay out the possibilities when you come in.)

2) What would you like to learn about Prison Radio or the prisoners we work with?

3) What part of organizing do you already have skills in (i.e., web, mailings, audio productions, or others)?

4) Other questions you think are relevant.

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Return your completed questionnaire by regular mail or as an attachment:

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Prison Radio/General Information

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MISSION
Prison Radio’s mission is to challenge mass incarceration and racism by airing the voices of men and women in prison, thereby bringing their voices into the public debate.

HISTORY
Prison Radio was founded by Noelle Hanrahan in 1990. We have consistently worked to inspire, catalyze and conduct grassroots organizing and activism. We have built a constituency of 6 thousand members, 3000 of which are active in the last three years. For each project we work in collaboration or we initiate a grassroots organizing effort to develop and implement broad and lasting social change. For instance, we wrote, produced, and distributed the Know Your Rights pieces in targeted communities in Arabic, Farsi, and English. We produced extensive literature about COINTELPRO while working on FBI and police disruption as part of Judi Bari’s struggle for justice; we were key organizers in that struggle. In the past 18 years we have been key organizers in the fight to bring awareness to Mumia Abu-Jamal’s case. In addition to breaking down barriers between the inside of prison and the outside, we do extensive grassroots work with family members of the prisoners who work with us. We are among the key organizers in the national/international movement for the recognition of political imprisonment and for an understanding of mass incarceration and racism in the U.S.

VISION
Prison Radio believes prisoners themselves speaking directly about their experience powerfully illustrates the perspectives and the intrinsic human worth of those who exist outside the privileged upper-class world reflected in the U.S. media. We seek to have the American public question the costs to society of mass incarceration and the death
penalty. We seek to work in solidarity with those people at home and abroad who wish to bring about the elimination of racism, classism, and sexism in the allocation of resources.

**PROGRAM**
We believe that prisoners’ voices will: (1) help shift public opinion toward a more humane view of prisoners, (2) help spur public motivation to look at core-system issues that create crime and poverty, and (3) help expose the injustices of the prison industry. The prison system is growing while the public’s access to it is shrinking. In fact our sons, daughters, fathers, mothers, uncles and aunts are being incarcerated in places that the public and journalists have increasingly limited access to. This is a very dangerous situation for society. Censorship has lethal consequences for thousands whose stories remain untold, whose rights we fail to defend, and whose oppression we fail to resist. State correctional departments, our national government, and the media have systematically attempted to "disappear" prisoners from the nation’s consciousness. This while one out of every 136 adults is in prison, and over 5.1 million U.S. citizens are under correctional control, a percentage greater than that of any other country on Earth. At the current rate of increase in incarceration in the United States it would appear that a new form of slavery has emerged.

We are working directly with prisoners to empower them and build an outlet for their voices. Our fundamental goal is to see these prisoners released, and then to help them transition on the outside. We anticipate that our list of organizers and supporters will continue to grow as an indication of our effectiveness.

We are currently working with a variety of prisoners: Lifer Writers with the Other Death Penalty Project, Siddique Abdullah Hasan (Ohio State’s death row and part of the Lucasville Five), Herman Wallace, Albert Woodfox (the Angola Three), Dortell Williams (doing life in Lancaster, CA), Lori Berenson (in Peru), Kevin Cooper (Death Row CA), Lynne Stewart (FMC Carswell in Ft Worth, Texas), Mumia Abu-Jamal (SCI Mahanoy, in Pennsylvania). We record dozens of additional prisoners for various projects.