

2023 Q2 Community Affairs Programming Report KCSN
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April 2:

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On Point:

Learning to understand a culture outside of your own is important. But what's the difference between celebrating another culture.. and stealing from it? Cultural appropriation is taking something from another culture outside of your own and misusing its elements or using them without asking or crediting the source. Guests: Ivy Randall, CSUB Sociology Graduate; Vanessa Galvan, CSUN Latinas Rising

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On Point:

On Point this week is about earthquake preparedness, risks for Los Angeles and a bit about the powerful ones in history. Guests are two academic and industry experts on the subject.

April 16

OCIF:

CA State Senator Catherine Blakespear, 38th District (representing San Diego and Orange Counties) joins Karyn Bower and Nicholas Reese to discuss redistricting, making the transition from local to state government, and the current issues that are important to residents in District 38.

On Point:

The show explored post stress slave disorder and focused mainly on the impact of slavery in the current generation of African-Americans. It drew a comparison between this tragedy and other types of post-traumatic stress disorders.

April 23

OCIF:

The Associated Student Government does more than plan campus events. Saddleback College ASG President Gloria Lee discusses ASG's advocacy efforts meeting with local representatives in Washington DC to address the top issues students are facing, such as basic needs, homelessness and affordable housing, DACA and the Dream Act, and foster youth. A plan for student housing at Saddleback College is moving forward, and efforts towards communicating available mental health resources to students. Hosted by Karyn Bower and Izzy Sokolowski.

On Point:

Homelessness Crisis: The program was about homelessness. We had one guest and the focus was mainly on what services are available to this vulnerable group as well as the basic reasons for becoming homeless. Topics ranged from mental health, to drug abuse and the cycle of poverty.

April 30

OCIF:

UCLA's 2022 "Hollywood Diversity Report" reported significant gains by women in key roles in the film industry. Student filmmakers Jacinda Mallari and Shelby Gleason from LoFI (Ladies of Film & Media Industry) join the show to discuss advocating for female and LGBTQIA film and media makers in predominantly male fields.

On Point:

More than 60,000 people are estimated to be experiencing homelessness in Los Angeles. According to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), about 72 percent of displaced people in the county are unsheltered. What housing options — temporary, permanent, or somewhere in-between — are available to help shelter currently-unhoused people in L.A.? From the perspective of people creating (and using?) these housing options, which are working to make a difference in the city's homelessness crisis? Guests: Ken Craft, Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission; Stephen Fiechter, PATH Los Angeles; Mike Arnold, Midnight Mission; Grace Ancheta, Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission.

May 7

OCIF:

A study commissioned by Orange County found that being supported through Project Kinship significantly reduced the likelihood that people who were formerly incarcerated would become incarcerated again. In this show, Project Kinship's Director of Programs, Madeline Hernandez, and Peer Navigator Coordinator, Raymond Sanchez, share how restorative practices through a trauma informed lens are providing hope, healing, and transformation in the lives of those impacted by incarceration, gangs, and violence. Hosted by Karyn Bower and Nicholas Reese.

On Point:

Los Angeles is a city full of art exhibits, museums and is home to many well-known artists. But some of most popular art in LA can be found on the streets. As the Tate Museum in London explains, "Street art is related to graffiti art in that it is created in public locations and is usually unsanctioned, but it covers a wider range of media and is more connected with graphic design." We hear from two Los Angeles street artists on today's show. Guests: Gustavo Fuentes; "Defer" (Alex Kizu)

May 14

OCIF:

The decommissioned San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) has been a fixture on the Orange County coast since the 1960s. Today on OC In Focus, John Dobken joins Karyn Bower and Mark Spinn to share the history of SONGS and the current status of the demolition project.

On Point:

In Los Angeles, traffic fatalities have spiked over the last year, despite efforts by city and county officials to reduce pedestrian, bicycle and traffic fatalities. We look at the current state of roadway safety in LA County and ask: what can be done to reduce the number of collisions and deaths on our roads? Guests: Lauren Ballard, LADOT; Matthew Dubiel, LA County Public Works; Damien Kevitt, Streets Are For Everyone; Lili Trujillo, Street Racing Kills.

May 21

OCIF:

A holistic approach to student academic success means including the whole family when addressing educational disparities. Neighborhood based community centers remove the transportation barrier to academic and leadership development programs while allowing families and their children to build the kind of relationships that will support a child from preschool through college. Lori Ohls, Sr. Director of Programs and Strategy at KidWorks, joins the show to share the power of hope and purpose in facilitating the social and emotional wellbeing in kids who live in distressed communities.

On Point:

For many years — high school students have been stressing to achieve perfect scores on their ACTs and SATs. Now some U.S. colleges and universities are no longer requiring standardized testing for admissions. But without the SAT and ACT, how will colleges and universities determine a requirement for students to be accepted into the schools? Will these developments determine how and which students will be accepted in college? Guests: Audrey Dow, Luis Osuna, Rob Franek, David Dufault-Hunter; Hosts: Gitanjali Mahapatra, Tracy Mejia

May 28

OCIF:

Ladies of Film Part 1. This week on OC In Focus, Cynthia Nguyen and Rimma Panina join Karyn Bower and Mark Spinn for part one of a discussion on equity and roles for women in the filmmaking industry.

On Point:

NFTs have made it possible to turn anything into sellable, tradeable tokens. Millions upon millions of dollars are being spent to own a JPEG image file - a file image that could be of anything, from a baseball card to a concert ticket to even a photo of a mural, like this one. But there are so many unanswered questions about NFTs — from how easy is it for anyone to just download the NFT image and claim it has their own, to possible money laundering, and the question of isn't this just getting the rich richer?

Host: Sofie Bredahl, Daniel Sandoval

June 4

OCIF:

Karyn Bower and Alyssa Gervacio host part two of our conversation on equity for women in filmmaking. This week we're joined by filmmaker and actress Mona Ebrahim, and actress/singer Megan Malerie.

On Point:

Street vendors are a huge part of Los Angeles vibrant food scene. California legalized street vending in 2018. But many vendors struggle to keep up with the high costs of buying and maintaining equipment they need to comply with health regulations. They also face the risk of harassment. There are an estimated 10,000 vendors in LA County — only 200 were able to receive a permit. Guests: Lyric Kelkar, Janette Villafana

June 11

OCIF:

Former Saddleback College student and current Colorado Rockies first baseman Joshua Fuentes joins Karyn Bower and Dylan Luden on OC In Focus to discuss the Major League Baseball lockout, MLB during COVID, and the journey from south Orange County little league to the big leagues.

On Point:

One year into the COVID-19 pandemic, school campuses have slowly begun to reopen. The governor's office says 86% of California schools now offer in-person or hybrid instruction. And many parents and educators say they are ready to get children back to school. But what kinds of struggles with mental health, academics, or social skills are

students bringing back to campuses? GUESTS: Christian Perez, Jenny Hontz, Greg Knotts. HOSTS: Justin Gonzalez & Elizabeth Campos

June 18

OCIF:

Each year in California there are more than 20,000 brain-injuries and 16,000 strokes. High Hopes is a brain-injury rehabilitation program in Tustin helping people who have suffered brain-injuries, strokes, or who have Multiple Sclerosis, receive appropriate treatment and recover their lives. Mark Desmond, Director of High Hopes, discusses the physical, cognitive, and behavioral aspects of rehab, and how robotics has helped advance treatments. Saxophonist Eric Marienthal also joins the show to share about the Eric Marienthal & Friends Concert that helps raise awareness and funds to assist in the rehabilitation costs for brain injury treatment.

On Point:

Gentrification describes the many changes that follow when higher-income people move into neighborhoods that have historically been havens for lower-income residents. Often, gentrification brings new resources into a community: new developments, new job opportunities, and lower crime rates. But often, gentrification also ends up forcing lower-income residents out of the neighborhood. Can L.A. solve its housing crisis while also avoiding the worst side-effects of gentrification?

June 25

OCIF:

Former Saddleback College student and California State Senate candidate Alex Mohajer shares the influence of his mother on becoming a youth activist and political candidate, campaign financing, supporting small businesses in Orange County, and building bridges between political differences. Mohajer dives into the ongoing weekly protests in Irvine supporting the women-led revolution in Iran and why paying attention to the movement in Iran matters in the U.S. Hosted by Karyn Bower and Nicholas Reese.

On Point:

Some entrepreneurs have found the social media platform TikTok to be a good place to do business. The platform for sharing short videos is available in over 150 countries and has over 1 billion users and has been downloaded over 200 million times in the United States alone. With so many people using Tik-Tok, chances of viewers being potential customers are very high. So how much has Tik-Tok changed the lives of entrepreneurs? How does Tik-Tok compare to other popular social media platforms like Instagram or Facebook as a place to do business?