### Access Accountability Quality

The airwaves (radio & television) are public property! Corporations receive leases to use the airwaves. They must agree, as "tenants," to serve the public. We have the right and the responsibility to know what they are supposed to be doing and if they are doing



The number of media companies is shrinking FAST. Less than 10 multinational

media corporations own a majority of our newspapers, television & radio stations, cable companies, magazines, movie theaters and many other media-related businesses. Federal policies continue to loosen restrictions for such corporate monopolies. Most of us are unaware and silent on this issue.

Are we getting programming that fairly reflects our society? Are we reading/seeing/hearing news that presents a variety of perspectives? Are the issues we care about shown without bias or stereotyping?

Even PBS NewsHour was recently analyzed\* and found to use sources that are: 4:1 male; 2:1 Republican; 85% Caucasian. While the majority of public opinion has turned against the Iraq war, "stay the course" sources were quoted 5 times more than those favoring a withdrawal US troops and NO peace activists were included at all.

\*see www.fair.org

#### **A**lternatives

#### Social Justice



Media Justice seeks not only to transform existing media policies and practices, but to create and support alternatives that serve the public interest.

In Hawai'i, our public access cable television stations are good examples of places where community voices can be heard and the people can

learn and use communications technology. Will they be there tomorrow? We need to make sure this access is protected and expanded.

Media both shapes and responds to issues. If we care about social justice, we should care about media. Media matters to community groups, GLBT organizations, labor activists, immigrants, environmentalists, artists, etc. What we're NOT hearing on the news might be even more important than what we are hearing.

Whether it's making sure our stories are told accurately, or telling them ourselves, groups that are marginalized, peoples that have no voice can build media skills and use media tools to create progressive social change.

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# **MEDIA JUSTICE**

Access

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**About Us** 

WhoIs

Telling Our

Stories?

CENSORED!

How much does a FREE PRESS cost?

Hawai'i People's Fund

# MEDIA JUSTICE Conference

Saturday, March 17, 2007 Kapi'olani Community College

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What are you watching?

**Registration Information** 

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**Conference Details Inside** 

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## Hawai'i People's Fund Supports

#### Hawai'i's People's VOICES!

What is the current landscape of media justice in Hawai'i? What assets must we protect and build on? What needs must be filled?

#### Hawai'i People's Fund **Media Justice Conference**

- ~ to increase awareness of media justice
- ~ to understand local challenges
- ~ to provide opportunities for networking
- ~ to offer the potential for collaboration
- ~ to explore possibilities for community action

#### Who should come:

People who care about justice, People who care about media, People who care about media justice.

#### Saturday, March 17, 2007

Return the attached registration form or contact our office for more information.

# Hawai'i Peoples Fund **Media Justice Grantmaking**

**Community Media Collaboration** grant funding will be available. Details on grant requirements are available from Hawai'i People's Fund and will be distributed at the conference.

Proposal deadline is May 1.

#### **Conference Highlights**

Networking opportunities

Information on the global, national and local media landscape

> Current and cutting edge media activism

Diverse panels of local media experts

Report from delegates to National Conference for Media Reform

Small workshops and group discussions

Funding opportunities for media justice projects

Lunch Included!

Useful resource packets

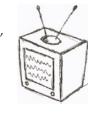
Some neighbor island travel scholarships available

\$15 advanced registration—\$20 at door

Kapi'olani Community College Ohi'a Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (cafeteria) 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Workshop Sessions will be selfselected. If your first choice is full, please move on to your second choice. They will all be great! More details will be provided in your conference packets.



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Registration Form-Please Return by March 5, 2007

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