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GMCR Media Advisory

Gila / Mimbres Community Radio will present Amy Goodman - Award Winning Journalist, Best Selling Author and host/producer of Democracy Now! - in a fundraising event on Sunday 19 April 2009 on the campus of WNMU / Western New Mexico University in Silver City, NM.

The event will take place from 3-5 pm at WNMU’s Global Resource Center located on the north side of the campus near the intersection of 12th & Kentucky.

The suggested donation at the door is $10 and $5 for students. Refreshments will also be available for a donation and this will be an all ages event.

Amy Goodman’s appearance is part of an ongoing 50 city tour from coast to coast to coast to mark the publication of the New York Times Best Seller “Standing Up to the Madness” which she co-authored with her brother David Goodman. The tour coincides with the 13th anniversary of Democracy Now! which is seen and heard 5 days a week on hundreds of radio stations, public access television stations and other cable and satellite TV outlets across the country. The tour is a celebration of Democracy Now’s success and the parallel ascendancy of community media in its many forms.

Amy’s book documents the heroic efforts of individuals and organizations that have fought against seemingly impossible odds to preserve democracy and attain social justice on a range of issues from global warfare to environmental degradation to the ongoing collapse of the world economy. Additional info on Amy Goodman and web & publication quality photos are available at http://tour.democracynow.org/inquiries.html.

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GMCR’s application for a non commercial/educational full power license was in direct response to the need for locally based and focused media outlets that inform and enable the large segments of our population that are underserved by conventional, mainstream and commercial media.

The proceeds of the event will be used to further the GMCR effort to establish and operate a community radio station in Silver City that will serve Grant County and adjacent areas of Southwest New Mexico. GMCR is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization and filed its application with the FCC in October 2007. The pace of FCC deliberations is slow but we are confident that we will be granted a construction permit and hope for good news to that effect within the year.

The station will be non-profit, non-commercial, member based, listener supported, locally oriented, and volunteer operated. It will have a strong educational component and air a wide variety of music, news and public affairs, Spanish language programming, and a range of interests including music, the arts, culture, science, spirituality, the environment, economics, entertainment, and media literacy.

For additional information on the event or the radio project, visit the Gila / Mimbres Community Radio website at www.gmcr.org, write to email@gmcr.org, or call 575.534.0217

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