Law for the People

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Cover photo of Eastern State Penitentiary, where solitary confinement first took hold.  
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## Banquet Schedule

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When David Kairys and David Rudovsky started their Philadelphia law firm in May 1971, both were fresh from the trenches as Philadelphia public defenders. Kairys, a Baltimore native, had only recently graduated from Columbia Law, and Rudovsky, from New York, NYU Law.

Representing a range of active civil rights and anti-war groups, there was plenty to do in Mayor Frank Rizzo’s Philadelphia. Kairys & Rudovsky immediately got to work as Philadelphia counsel for the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (later folded into the Center for Constitutional Rights). Their focus was on civil liberties, police misconduct and criminal defense. Their litigation soon yielded an extraordinary string of local and national victories that extended through the 1970s and beyond.

Described by Cornel West as “one of the grand long-distance runners in the struggle for justice in America,” David Kairys is one of the nation’s leading civil rights lawyers. Among his achievements are victories in the leading race discrimination case against the FBI, and in challenges to unrepresentative juries around the country, stopping police sweeps in Philadelphia, acting as lead lawyer in the most significant acquittal of anti-Vietnam War activists (Camden 28), representing Dr. Benjamin Spock in a free speech case before the Supreme Court, and conceiving and litigating city lawsuits against handgun manufacturers. He is widely known for his creative and regularly successful strategies on civil rights, police abuse, criminal defense, and government and corporate misconduct.

Recently, Kairys has been litigating innovative Native American rights cases with the Indian Law Resource Center. His work on a Supreme Court case was instrumental in preserving the law of jury representativeness, and the public nuisance theory he conceived for the city handgun cases has become the basis for a range of lawsuits challenging corporate conduct that undermines public health or safety.

Now primarily a professor of constitutional law at Temple University, Kairys has written trailblazing works on equality, freedom of speech, legal history, and legal theory.


Throughout his career David Rudovsky has devoted himself to civil rights and criminal defense litigation. He has worked on some of the foremost litigation regarding police and governmental misconduct, prisoners’ rights, First Amendment freedoms, and racial discrimination. His far-reaching cases have established landmark decisions furthering civil liberties and civil rights nationwide.

Rudovsky has argued two significant civil rights cases in the United States Supreme Court: *Mitchell v. Forsyth* (1985) which ended Attorney General immunity for illegal electronic surveillance, and *City of Canton v. Harris* (1989) which established liability of municipalities for civil rights violations by police. He has also prepared innumerable amicus briefs in civil rights cases in the Supreme Court and has argued scores of significant civil rights and criminal law cases in federal and state courts.

Rudovsky is also the author of books essential for anyone who litigates civil rights and criminal cases, including *Police Misconduct: Law & Litigation*, and *The Law of Arrest, Search and Seizure in Pennsylvania*.

Since 1987, Rudovsky has been a Senior Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Law School where he teaches courses in Constitutional Criminal Procedure, Criminal Law, and Evidence. He received the best teacher award on three occasions, as well as the university’s Lindback Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Rudovsky is President of the Board of Directors of the Defender Association of Philadelphia, has served as President of the Board of the Pennsylvania Institutional Law Project and was the first treasurer of the National Police Accountability Project of the NLG. In 1986, Rudovsky received the MacArthur Foundation Fellowship for his work in Criminal Justice.

Together, the Davids grew their firm throughout the years, with the help of a succession of talented and committed lawyers and legal workers: Holly Maguigan, Jules Epstein, Paul Messing, Lisa Rau, Jonathan Feinberg, Adam Thurschwell, Dana Bazelon, Jack Levine, Julie Shapiro, Mary Elcano, Linda Backiel, Jayma Abdoo, Ilene Kalman, June Kapler, Tanya Alexander, and numerous law students. The current firm name is Kairys, Rudovsky, Messing and Feinberg.

Each year the National Lawyers Guild gives the Law for the People Award to an individual or group whose work embodies the values that our membership holds dear. Previous recipients include Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noreste (PCUN) in 2005, civil libertarian David Cole (2003), the Eurofresh Tomato Workers, (2001), and Transport Workers Local 100 President Roger Toussaint (2006).
Ernie Goodman Award
Karen Detamore

Philadelphia stalwart Karen Detamore has spent the past four decades fighting injustice wherever she finds it.

Karen joined the Guild in 1973 when she was a legal worker for Philadelphians for Equal Justice, an organization dedicated to assisting victims of police violence. She spent the rest of the decade lending crucial support to diverse projects that included the NLG Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee, union drives in Puerto Rico and the NLG Military Law Project in Japan.

Karen maintained that resolve through her law school years at Rutgers-Camden, and carried it into her private practice where she focused her service on military personnel and veterans.

Always keen to expand her representation of the underrepresented, Karen went on to direct Friends of Farmworkers, a legal services organization providing legal representation and education to migrant and seasonal farm workers throughout Pennsylvania. Through the course of Karen’s directorship, which lasted a full two decades, Friends of Farmworkers has protected the rights of thousands of workers to organize and to receive a fair day’s pay.

In that time she also served as the president of the Pennsylvania Project Directors Corporation, an association of legal aid directors, and as a member of the Board of Governors of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. Because of Karen’s wide reach, vision, dedication, and vigorous work ethic, Friends of Farmworkers stands today as a formidable legal advocacy force.

Though health problems forced her to leave her post in 2009, Karen remains active in the Guild, and as an advisor to Friends of Farmworkers. She recently conducted a series of interviews for the Philadelphia chapter’s oral history project, an initiative that, like so much of Karen’s work, is sure to keep the fire burning.

Each year the Ernie Goodman Award is awarded to a Guild lawyer who, within the past several years or currently, is engaged in legal struggle against financial, political or social odds to obtain justice on behalf of those who are poor, powerless or persecuted. The Goodman Award is given by the National Lawyers Guild Foundation.
Over the past seven years, Brad Thomson has juggled his paralegal work at the People’s Law Office of Chicago with his own diverse and committed activism in and out of the Guild.

Though the PLO has a long history of staff attorney membership, Brad was among the first legal workers in the office’s nearly 40 year history to seek out the Guild, and he has shown a deep dedication ever since.

As a paralegal he provides legal information daily to ordinary people as well as activist groups, including CopWatch, Iraq Veterans Against the War, Food Not Bombs, and Civilian Soldier Alliance.

Brad was also instrumental to the organizing work the PLO did around the Chicago police torture cases. Amidst the confusion of a decades-deep scandal, he and coworker Alberto Rodriguez quietly took on the tasks of attending the entire trial for serial torturer cop Jon Burge, keeping countless torture survivors and their families up to date, and helping mobilize community members and activists to keep the court and the streets packed.

Outside of the office, Brad often responds to the call for Legal Observers™ at a variety of demonstrations, or leaves his green hat at home to go protest himself.

His cries of “Shame! Shame!” during a March 2003 anti-war demonstration brought him a broken nose at the hands of Chicago police, who have probably since realized that they whacked the wrong person. In the months that followed, Brad signed on to the class action lawsuit Vodak v. City of Chicago, and soon became a key worker on the case. Since then, not only has he served as the primary contact for class members, but he collected and pored over hundreds hours of footage, evidence which PLO attorneys have used to defeat the city’s motions for summary judgment and which will be presented to a jury, when or if the case goes to trial.

Brad is an active member of Chicago’s NextGen committee, and of the Civilian-Soldier Alliance. Recently Brad worked to bring the Guild into his anti-war work when he helped lead the organization of a very successful Continuing Legal Education workshop on military law.

Brad has also assisted with the criminal defense of activists targeted by the federal government, including Palestine supporters, and animal rights activists.

The annual NLG Legal Worker Award is given to a Guild member whose legal support work has demonstrated leadership in the organization, marked by one or more notable accomplishments, and recognized by her or his peers.
Andrew is a third year student at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, and has been active in the Guild since his studies began. Andrew is everywhere in the Chicago Guild. He is an active, vocal, beloved member of his law school chapter, the Chicago NLG student community, and in the larger Chicago chapter, where he now serves as the city’s first Student Director of the Board. Andrew makes people want to commit themselves to doing the People’s work. He builds community, he forges alliances. Andrew is a force to be reckoned with.

He is an Iraqi-American and has been active in providing friendship and assistance to the Iraqi refugee communities in Detroit and Chicago. He is ardently anti-war and a vocal opponent of sectarianism of all forms. He has been involved within the Chaldean/Assyrian community, a largely Christian ethnic minority population from Iraq, and has withstood intense criticism for his unwavering positions against ethno-nationalism, separatism, and Islamophobia. He is a humanist who has always argued passionately for the mutual respect of all parties, and has at times put his studies on hold to address emergency needs of the Iraqi community. Not one to confine himself, Andrew has worked tirelessly to help raise awareness of struggles of oppressed people throughout the Middle East, including Palestine, without regard to religious belief or ethnic affiliation.

The strong relationships Andrew forged with Loyola’s administration have made possible the first glimmers of change in an oppressive academic environment. For instance, his staunch advocacy for racial justice in the university community was instrumental in securing renowned critical studies scholar Juan Perea the position of permanent tenured professor at Loyola. Perea is now an NLG Loyola faculty advisor. Andrew also continues to support the living wage struggle of Loyola’s newly unionized food services workers. He has interned at The People’s Law Office and, more recently, was an Ella Baker Fellow at The Center for Constitutional Rights.

C. B. King (Chevene Bowers King, 1923-1988) was one of the country’s most prominent and courageous civil rights lawyers. For over 30 years he practiced law in Albany, Georgia, where he was a major figure in the civil rights movement. He was well-known for his courage, courtroom eloquence, and legal skills in the face of tremendous adversity and sometimes even violent opposition during the civil rights movement in Georgia.

C.B. King was also a great teacher. In his office, on the streets and in the courtroom, he taught several generations of law students and young lawyers how to practice law with a commitment to the poor, the disenfranchised and the oppressed. A great many students underwent life-changing experiences under his tutelage.
Holly Cooper is the Associate Director of the Immigration Law Clinic at the University of California, Davis, where she advocates for the rights of immigrant prisoners every day.

Born and raised in Texas, her early school years were infused with the sounds of spoken Spanish, and her life’s work has firmly focused on alleviating hardships exacerbated by borders.

In high school Holly traveled to South America with a group working to eradicate rabies. Before law school, she worked for two years assisting with Know Your Rights presentations in Spanish and English at Legal Services of North Texas. During this time she also volunteered at Proyecto Adelante and translated hundreds of asylum applications for Central Americans fleeing the wars in their home countries.

After graduating from law school at UC Davis she went to work as a staff attorney for the Florence Immigrant and Refugee Rights Project. There she founded the Children’s Project which provides free legal services to unaccompanied minors detained by INS. Holly worked with the Project for four years, in which time she represented hundreds of children and shaped it to become one of the most successful resources for refugee children in the country.

Holly went on to conduct countless more Know Your Rights presentations for thousands of indigent noncitizens. She quickly became an expert on issues of custody, asylum, and the immigration consequences of criminal convictions, expertise she brought to the Quick Reference Guide to Immigration Consequences of Arizona Criminal Convictions, which she co-authored with the Immigrant Law Resources Center.

In 2006, Holly accepted a position as clinical professor in the UC Davis immigration clinic and began sharing her wealth of knowledge with students. Her notable and frequent litigation victories have included several published Ninth Circuit decisions on the standard used to determine whether a person has made a claim to U.S. citizenship, due process concerns in bond hearings, and many others. As if this wasn’t enough to fill her time, Holly has also made several humanitarian trips to Haiti since the recent earthquake.

The National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild awards the Carol Weiss King Award annually for excellence in the pursuit of social justice through organizing, litigating, and teaching. The award has honored dozens of individuals whose work has significantly advanced human and civil rights for all.

Marking its 40th Anniversary this year by launching a Campaign for the Future, the National Immigration Project commemorates its own history, as well as the life of prominent U.S. lawyer Carol Weiss King (1895-1952) who specialized in immigration law and the defense of the civil rights of immigrants, and was a founding member of the National Lawyers Guild.
Mumia Abu-Jamal is an award-winning journalist who has spent the past 30 years reporting from Pennsylvania’s death row. Convicted of the 1981 murder of a Philadelphia police officer, Mumia has used the global publicity surrounding his case to put forth powerful critiques of capitalism, imperialism, racism and the prison-industrial complex.

At the time of his arrest, Mumia was a dedicated and socially conscious journalist, banned from the local National Public Radio affiliate station for his heartfelt and hard-hitting reporting, while still serving as president of the Philadelphia Association of Black Journalists, working as a taxi driver and upholding his reputation as a voice for the voiceless.

In the time since, his voice has never weakened or wavered, whether on Prison Radio, or in his award-winning books, now translated into nine languages. Each of Mumia’s books speaks to the core values of the NLG—especially his latest, *Jailhouse Lawyers: Prisoners Defending Prisoners v. the U.S.A.*, a chronicle of strength and ingenuity in the face of incredible hardship.

In addition to being an honorary citizen of 25 cities around the world, Mumia is the NLG’s Jailhouse Lawyer Vice President, and his contributions to our *Jailhouse Lawyer’s Handbook* (co-published with the Center for Constitutional Rights) are ongoing.

So is our fight for his freedom.

*The Arthur Kinoy Award was established in 2008 as an occasional award given in the spirit of beloved Guild member Arthur Kinoy. The inaugural recipient was former Jailhouse Lawyer VP Paul Wright. While there are no formal guidelines for the award, on special occasions it may be given to those individuals whose work and passion would have especially appealed to Arthur.*
The International Committee is proud to present the first annual Debra Evenson Venceremos International Award to the late Leonard Weinglass. Both Debra and Len were Guild giants who passed away this year, but whose legacies will stand tall for generations to come.

Weinglass graduated from Yale Law School in 1958 and went on to defend some of the most significant political cases of the century. He represented Tom Hayden of Students for a Democratic Society when Hayden was indicted in the Newark riots. During the Vietnam War, he provided counsel to Anthony Russo in the Pentagon Papers case, and in 1969 he co-chaired the Chicago Seven case, ultimately helping to overturn all the guilty verdicts. He also represented Puerto Rican independence fighters Los Macheteros, eight Palestinian organizers facing deportation known as the L.A. 8, and Jane Fonda in her suit against Richard Nixon. And for many years Weinglass served as lead attorney for Mumia Abu-Jamal.

In 2002, he joined the appeals team of the political prisoners known as the Cuban Five.

Because of the U.S. government’s politically-motivated persecution of the Five, Weinglass firmly believed—even as he worked night and day on their legal case—that victory is not possible without political solidarity and public pressure.

In addition to full-time legal work for the Five, Weinglass spoke on their behalf at many anti-war protests, public forums, and press conferences, at home and abroad. He had an outstanding ability to explain the complexities of the case in a popular way, and to inspire others to take up their fight. Weinglass was especially loved by the Cuban Five, their families and the Cuban people.

In one moving incident in March 2003, he rushed to take the last flight from New York to Denver before a blinding blizzard shut down the Colorado airport. He had to see Five member Antonio Guerrero, who had been locked up in an isolation cell for two weeks. After two hours of driving in the snowstorm to the federal prison in Florence, Len was with his client, where he was meant to be.

True justice was his driving passion and his life.

Former Guild President Debra Evenson was one of the visionary architects of Cuba’s legal system, and a staunch defender of the country at home. This year marks the inaugural presentation of the award named in her honor, which will henceforth be given annually by the International Committee in recognition of brave work to extend justice beyond borders.
To All of Our Friends in the Guild and the Philadelphia Chapter, With a Shout Out to Judith Chomsky!

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Honoring NLG Attorney Debra Evenson. We will miss you.
Congratulations to
David Kairys and David Rudovsky,
recipients of the
2011 Law for the People Award.

Temple Law joins the
National Lawyers Guild
in congratulating our
colleague, David Kairys,
for his commitment to
our shared traditions of
service and professional
excellence.

JoAnne A. Epps
Dean, Temple Law
Viva David & David!

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Bravo for this year’s NLG Honorees –
David Kairys and David Rudovsky

Pioneers, heroes, mentors – you have taught more than one generation how to practice progressive law and survive. You made §1983 litigation a specialty, which has not only enabled many lefty lawyers economically, but also checks governmental abuse in everyday practice, one of the crucial necessities for social change. Our firm would not exist as it is but for your work and writings. We intend to be like you – still crazy after all these years.

Hugh “Buck” Davis, Cynthia Heenan, John & Sharon Philo, Jillian Rosati, Issa Haddad, Scott Mackela and Shaun Godwin

From all of us here at the UC Davis Clinical Programs:

KRYSIAL JAME AMAGDA PEREZ
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Thank for your devotion to advocating for the human rights of immigrant detainees, and for your commitment to teaching and guiding so many others in doing the same. You have touched all of our lives and helped so many to find freedom.
CONGRATULATIONS TO
OUR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES

DAVID RUDOVSKY & DAVID KAIRYS

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Congratulates

Holly Cooper

Winner of 2011 Carol Weiss King Award

Thank you Holly for your many years dedicated to protecting the rights of immigrants!!!
Mumia

2011 Recipient of the Arthur Kinoy Award

Congratulations

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COMMITTEE TO SAVE MUMIA ABU-JAMAL
We honor two great civil libertarians, David Kairys and David Rudovsky, Hays Fellow 1966-1967

Norman Dorsen
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Congratulations David, David, Karen, Brad, Andrew, and Mumia.

We’re proud to have you in the Guild.

In solidarity,
Marjorie Cohn and Jerry Wallingford
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FRIENDS
DAVE RUDOVSKY, DAVE KAIRYS AND
KAREN DETAMORE

GAIL LOPEZ-HENRIQUEZ AND TED LIEVERMAN

“POWER CONCEDES NOTHING WITHOUT A DEMAND;
IT NEVER HAS AND IT NEVER WILL.”

FREDERICK DOUGLASS

WE WISH TO EXTEND
CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE 2011 HONOREES

David Kairys
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The Human Rights Defense Center and Prison Legal News congratulate long time PLN Columnist Mumia Abu Jamal for being the recipient of the well deserved Arthur Kinoy Award. His tireless commitment to journalism and people’s lawyering under the most adverse of circumstances serve as an example and inspiration for human rights advocates around the world.

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Andrew and Brad,

How do we express our admiration for you both? Perhaps Assata Shakur put it best when she said,

It is impossible to express how much you mean to so many people. It is not enough to speak of your kindness. It is not enough to speak of your gentle strength. You have given so much to our struggle... You have taught many people, and touched many more.

Thank you Andrew and Brad. Your passion continues to inspire our hearts and renew our spirits.

The Chicago Chapter Executive Board
Molly Armour, Jeff Frank, Sarah Gelsomino, Janine Hoft, Rob Ludemann, Emily Meehan, Ryann Moran and Kevin Vodak
From all those you serve,  
Congratulations!  
Holly S. Cooper  
National Immigration Project’s  
Carol Weiss King Award  
Recipient 2011  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Heather, Clarke, Joel, Oscar, Sam,  
Stephanie, Susan, and Maury

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Andrew,

On a daily basis you stand up for your ideals in order to improve the lives of others. Your life dedicated to social justice gives us hope for a more compassionate world. We are so proud to call you our son and brother and will always support you throughout your journey.

Love Always,

Mom, Dad, Nessman, Chen
Congratulations, Holly Cooper!

You are a tireless and brilliant advocate for social justice. Only Holly can run an amazing clinic nurturing new legal minds to join the fight, save countless immigrants from deportation, commute to Haiti to take on more humanitarian cases, and raise two beautiful boys (with the help of your wonderful husband, Joel). All the while sharing your brilliance with others across the country and cracking us up with your increasingly edgy sense of humor. We are so grateful to have you.

Your Friends, the Immigrant Legal Resource Center

BRAVO to the National Immigration Project!

“When a cause comes along and you know in your bones that it is just, yet refuse to defend it—at that moment you begin to die.

And I have never seen so many corpses walking around talking about justice.”

-Mumia Abu Jamal

With appreciation for Mumia’s courage and clarity, the Guild’s support for his case, and the access to his analyses provided by Prison Radio.

Ward Churchill, Kathleen Cleaver, Natsu Taylor Saito

--Holly Cooper--

You are an inspiration, mentor, and wonderful friend. Congratulations!

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Congratulations from your friends at AALDEF!
Congratulations to Holly Cooper
2011 Carol Weiss King Award

“Be the change you wish to see in the world.”
~ Mahatma Gandhi

In solidarity, the NIPNLG Staff & Board of Directors


Law for the People Award: David Kairys & David Rudovsky
Ernie Goodman Award: Karen Detamore
Legal Worker Award: Brad Thomson
Arthur Kinoy Award: Mumia Abu-Jamal
C.B. King Award: Andrew Bashi
We Mourn Their Passing.

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We are Grateful for Their Lives.

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Always bear in mind that the people are not fighting for ideas, for the things in anyone's head. They are fighting to win material benefits, to live better and in peace, to see their lives go forward, to guarantee the

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Congratulations to the National Lawyers Guild on another year of outstanding work and consistently radical struggle

Congratulations to our longtime friends and allies

David Kairys and David Rudovsky

for decades of commitment to justice

Love, honor and respect to our brother

Mumia Abu-Jamal, a true warrior

Kudos and warm wishes to our own Ella Baker Fellow

Andrew Bashi for epitomizing the future of peoples’ lawyers

Congratulations to all of this year’s truly deserving honorees

The Board and Staff of the Center for Constitutional Rights
The National Lawyers Guild
San Francisco Bay Area
Chapter Congratulates the
2011 Convention Honorees!
David Kairys
David Rudovsky
Karen Detamore
Mumia Abu-Jamal
Andrew Bashi
Holly Cooper
Brad Thomson
Len Weinglass

“We obviously fight for more
than the political guarantee to
be free of government
interference. [ We fight] to be
able to live an open and
generous and contributing life
toward the betterment of
people on the entire planet.”
~Lynne Stewart

In solidarity
Ward Churchill
Kathleen Cleaver
Natsu Saito

The Rosenberg Fund for Children
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Our congratulations and all of our love to David & David

Marty Stolar and Elsie Chandler

Congratulations to the Davids on this well deserved honor
Your efforts continue to inspire

Joseph Lipofsky

Congratulations to the chapter and its dedicated honorees.

Sandra Pettit
Congratulations

To David, David, Karen, Brad, Andrew & Mumia

All truly representative of the ideals of the NLG

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To our dear friend

Karen Detamore
always fighting for social justice

A Special Congratulations to you
(And Harold too.)

Jim Klimaski & Katharyn Marks

Having just finished reading the Ernie Goodman biography
Karen clearly deserves this award.
Congratulations to David Kairys, David Rudovsky
Karen Detamore, Andrew Bashi
Mumia Muma Abu-Jamal, Holly Cooper, Jeff Thompson!

We Salute this Year’s Extraordinary
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When a cause comes along and you know in your bones that it is just, yet refuse to defend it—at that moment you begin to die. And I have never seen so many corpses walking around talking about justice.”

-Mumia Abu Jamal

With appreciation for Mumia’s courage and clarity, the Guild’s support for his case, and the access to his analyses provided by Prison Radio.

Ward Churchill, Kathleen Cleaver, Natsu Taylor Saito

Congratulations to all our great honorees, especially to my friend Brad Thomson!

Jim Fennerty
Congratulations…

to David Kairys, David Rudovsky, Karen Detamore, Andrew Bashi, Brad Thomson and Holly Cooper on their extraordinary accomplishments and commitment to justice.

And to our own National Jailhouse Lawyer V.P. Mumia Abu-Jamal, political prisoner, voice of the voiceless, and revolutionary.

Free Mumia!

—New York City Chapter

The Lawyers Guild Show, the Los Angeles Chapter’s weekly public affairs show on Pacifica Radio, proudly salutes and congratulates MUMIA ABU-JAMAL, a most worthy winner of the 2011 Arthur Kinoy Award.

We have hosted many shows over the years on Mumia’s case and on his highly acclaimed work from Death Row for peace and social justice around the world.

We will continue to report on his case until there is justice for Mumia.

FREE MUMIA!

Jim Lafferty, host; Alison Cooper & Laurie Traktman, producers

Karen - your brilliance, your determination and your laughter have lit up 1427, then 1425, then 1200, and now so many places.

Thank you.

Holly and Abdeen

Congratulations to Dave Rudovsky for a Great Career of Brilliance and Commitment

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Rudy, DK - 40 years, and your eyes twinkle as you vanquish evil. We are in awe.

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The DC Chapter of the NLG

Remembers the loss of life of Troy Anthony Davis at the hands of the State of Georgia,

And recognizes not only the work of legal workers and lawyers in fighting the criminal injustice system,

But the strength, leadership, and inspiration that political prisoners such as Mumia, Troy, Leonard Peltier, and Maryland life sentence holder Marshall “Eddie” Conway give to movements,

As well as the power of the people to create movements that make the world stand up and demand justice.

We implore our members to use legal means to aid these movements and are proud that the newly founded non-profit DC NLG Litigation Fund can support these efforts.

Congratulations especially to Philadelphia’s progressive advocates Karen Detamore, David Kairys and David Rudovsky.

Judi and Karl

New from Clarity Press

Islamophobia

The Ideological Campaign Against Muslims

Stephen Sheehi
Preface by Mumia Abu Jamal
Foreword by Ward Churchill

Examining the rise of anti-Muslim and anti-Arab sentiments in the West from the end of the Cold War to the Age of Obama, Sheehi locates explicitly Islamophobic legislation, increased police and federal surveillance, witch-trials, academic repression and discriminatory policies within the context of mainstream American culture and US foreign policy.

Mumia Abu Jamal’s compelling Preface addresses the racial context of Islamophobia. Ward Churchill’s Foreword provides context for Sheehi’s assertion that Islamophobia is an outgrowth of America’s racial history and the rise of its global hegemony.

Congratulations to all awardees!

David, David, Karen,

You are the best of the Guild.

Paul Harris
Defenseless under the night
Our world in stupor lies;
Yet, dotted everywhere,
Ironic points of light
Flash out wherever the Just
Exchange their messages:
May I, composed like them
Of Eros and of dust,
Beleaguered by the same
Negation and despair,
Show an affirming flame.

W.H. Auden,
September 1, 1939

In loving memory of Debra Evenson
Who always showed an affirming flame—and always will.

To David and David,

Your lives exemplify lawyering for the people.

Congratulations.

Dick Soble and Barbara Kessler
CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL THE 2011 NLG HONOREES

With respect and admiration for our brother Mumia Abu-Jamal -- he is the voice of the voiceless... on death row and everywhere. A steadfast leader who has refused to be silenced.

“If a million people were on the march, maybe, maybe, he would be alive. Maybe.”
- Mumia Abu-Jamal on the legal lynching of Troy Davis.

Free Mumia, Leonard Peltier and all of America’s political prisoners!

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Congratulations to two of the country’s finest civil rights lawyers and scholars. We miss you in sunny Florida DK!

Ira and Magda

Karen, Dave and David
Truly Philadelphia’s Finest!

With admiration and affection,
Peter Schneider and Susan DeJarnatt

Congratulations, Andrew Bashi!

Loyola University Chicago School of Law is proud to congratulate the 2011 recipient of the National Lawyers Guild’s C.B. King Award for student leadership. - LUC.edu/law
Anthony Pelino, Miguel A. Garruna, Rachael Keast, Raha Jorjani, Lindsay Marshall, Kara Hartzler, Katie Ruhl, Tally Kingsnorth, Michele Dando, Jessica Zweng and Victoria Lopez congratulate Holly on a much deserved honor! We admire and appreciate all the work you have done and continue to do for those detained in Arizona and elsewhere. Love and Kudos from the Desert, Florence Project colleagues, and friends.

Congratulations, David & David!

As long as you pursue civil rights violations, and lying, corrupt, brutal cops, may the defense never rest!

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City Lights Books joins the Guild to celebrate Mumia Abu-Jamal being honored with the Prestigious Arthur Kinoy Award

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MUMIA MUST LIVE!

Free Mumia Abu-Jamal.
Free All Political Prisoners.
The struggle for justice continues.

Danny Meyers, Joan Max Reinmuth

On behalf of all NLG Prison Law Project volunteers and jailhouse lawyers: We send our unwavering gratitude for your support of the Jailhouse Lawyer’s Handbook and congratulate you for your all work on behalf of prisoners seeking justice.

Ian Head and Alissa Hull

The NLG Northeast Region

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David & David

and all the honorees!

By your work,
you do honor to the Guild.

Conratulations Holly Cooper on your richly-deserved recognition with the 2011 Carol Weiss King award!
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Congratulations to David Kairys, David Rudovsky, Karen Detamore, Holly Cooper and other honorees

We admire and honor your decades of work fighting to defend and protect the civil rights of everyone

From all of us at

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We also congratulate 2011 C.B. King Award recipient

**ANDREW BASHI,**

our former PLO law clerk. It was great to work with you and thank you for forever influencing our understanding of the political act of washing dishes.

With Love,

Alberto, Ben, Flint, Jan, Jani, Joey, John, Lourdes,

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Congratulations, Holly!
May your light continue to shine bright and guide us all!

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Debra and Lenny Presente!
Rudi, David, Karren and Mumia, thanks for inspiring us to empower all peoples to demand
JUSTICE and Respect for HUMAN RIGHTS
Congratulations also to Holly, Brad and Andrew and the Phili chapter

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David Rudovsky and David Kairys
Brilliant Lawyers
Insightful Scholars
Wonderful teachers
Champions of the Oppressed

It is a joy to be your friend.

Michael Avery
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Thank you for many years of inspiration, assistance and support.

Judith Brown Chomsky

We salute the National Lawyers Guild and congratulate this year’s award winners:

- David Kairys
- David Rudovsky
- Mumia Abu-Jamal
- Karen Detamore
- Andrew Bashi
- Brad Thomson
- Holly Cooper
- and Leonard Weinglass, in memoriam

On behalf of so many who have done legal, political and simply humanistic work to normalize relations between the peoples of Cuba and the U.S. – and to free the Cuban 5 – we honor Len and Debra. Surely for their own signal contributions, but also because they shared knowledge, and inspired so many others whose contributions will continue long into the future.

VENCEREMOS!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE Awardees FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK PROMOTING JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS
We salute brother NLG Member

MUMIA ABU-JAMAL,

Winner of the 2011 Arthur Kinoy Award

As an innocent man, fighting not simply for his own life but for the lives of all who suffer injustice and repression, he has been embraced by the whole world as a true champion of the people!

The Los Angeles Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild
David Kairys
Lawyer for the People

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our good friends who have relentlessly hammered down barriers to justice with splendid lawyering

and

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