

THE
**Final
Straw**
A WEEKLY ANARCHIST SHOW



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AUG 2016

Keep Hoods Yours

A conversation with a member of Keep Hoods Yours. Keep Hoods Yours, or KHY, is a radical graffiti crew based in the SF Bay Area that organizes against gentrification, against sexual predators in the scene, against racism and more. During the conversation, we'll hear about the rebel cultural car events called Sideshows, the police killing of Richard Perkins during one of these Sideshows, KHY participation in uprisings against the Ferguson verdict, resistance to Fast Agent and poning of Kenny Truong and the shutdown of racist, gentrifying business "Locals Corner" in the Mission District.

DEC 2016

Grand Jury Resistance at Standing Rock

An anarchist legal worker who has been participating in resistance at Standing Rock in so called North Dakota. This interview is specifically about the grand jury summons which was recently served to someone who was struggling at Standing Rock, we speak about what a grand jury is and how people might resist them, also a bit about what it means for this movement to have a grand jury subpoena occur at this moment.

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MAR 2017

Anarchist Thoughts on Tactics at Standing Rock

In the second segment William speaks with Noah, who is a well established movement medic, anarchist, and participant in #NoDAPL at Standing Rock, about his experiences there and analyses of how this resistance was organized and how it developed. This interview was recorded days before media saw the images of the Sacred Stone Camp burning and having been disbanded, so many of the modes and tenses that we employ are not what we might give given the current position of the camps. We talk about a wide ranging set of topics, from what worked in the camps to what the failings were, and how resistance to extraction industries could look moving forward.

DEC 2017

Walidah Imarisha on Angels With Dirty Faces, Accountability Processes, and more

William and Disembodied Voice had the chance to interview Walidah Imarisha, who is an Oregon based writer, educator, public scholar and spoken word artist about her book *Angels With Dirty Faces: Three Stories of Crime, Prison, and Redemption*, her 2016 book out from AK Press and IAS, which highlights three distinct experiences that are all in different degrees tangential to the realities inherent to the prison industrial complex.

FEB 2018

Keep Loxicha Free!: A conversation with Bruno Renero-Hannan about Political Imprisonment and Indigenous Resistance in Oaxaca

This week William got the chance to speak to Bruno Renero-Hannan, who is an anarchist historical anthropologist from Mexico City, about their solidarity work around two of the original 250 Loxicha Prisoners in the state of Oaxaca. This rebellion and imprisonment occurred almost simultaneously to the Zapatista rebellion in Chiapas in the mid-late 90s with very different results. We talk about the long and complex history of this case, the similarities and differences between this uprising and that of the Zapatistas, the ongoing political repression of Alvaro Ramirez and Abraham Ramirez, and the economic solidarity push being organized by our guest.

SEPT 2018

Kevin Rashid Johnson on the Prison Strike

An interview we conducted with Kevin "Rashid" Johnson. Rashid is a co-founder of the New Afrikan Black Panther Party and is the Minister of Defense from within it's Prison Chapter. He is the author of two books available from Kersplebedeb, *Defying the Tomb & Panther Vision*, both collections of Rashid's art and essays on capitalism, racism, imperialism and his view of a road towards liberation. Rashid is a Maoist and presents some interesting arguments in his writings.

Coming Soon: The Perils of Prison Mail Digitization

Leigh from prison books collective in Durham, North Carolina, tells us about recent privatization of prison mail in NC by TextBehind to scan all mail, track their contents, surveil the outside supporters, the work of sending literature, to incarcerated folks privatization and digitization of other services, and what literature gets rejected.

Ecological Uprising, Antifascism & Anarchist Organizing in Serbia

For the hour, we speak with Marko about those Ecological Uprising protests of December 2021 in Serbia, the western NGO influences, labor and solidarity organizing with the Anarcho-Syndicalist Initiative of IWA-AIT, challenges faced by leftist anti-authoritarian organizers in former Yugoslavia. He also speaks about his experience of the covid pandemic, anti-vaxers and the far right in general around Serbia and more.

Housing Struggles in Asheville

A conversation with three folks involved in the Aston Park Build, a daily event to hold space in downtown Asheville, and a wider part of organizing here to demand safer space & redistribution of wealth to care for houseless folks and relieve the incredible strains on housing affordability in Asheville. We talk about the park actions, the housing crisis and service industry wage woes, local government coddling of business owners and police repression of folks on the margins.

FEB 2019***Anarchists In Conflict: Rojava + Yellow Vest Movement***

This week on The Final Straw, the episode's theme is anarchist interventions in struggles around the world. We'll be sharing audios from comrades in the A-Radio Network, which just had it's 5th Annual Gathering in Zurich, Switzerland.

MARCH 2019***Ni Frontiers Ni Prison***

Today we have a two part show! In the first part we are presenting a conversation with someone from Ni Frontiers Ni Prison, which is a group in so called Canada that is resisting the proposed construction of a new migrant prison in Laval, a town just outside of Montreal. This is a transcript of the original audio, read for the show by Grier, shout out to him! In this interview we talk about the prison and what it would mean for people who'd be most affected by it, the general rise of far right sentiment in so called Canada, and many more topics.

JUNE 2019***Kuwasi Balagoon: A Soldier's Story***

This week Bursts spoke with Matt Meyer about a new edition of Kuwasi Balagoon: A Soldier's Story (PM Press), which details the life of Black Panther and anarchist Kuwasi Balagoon, They talk about Kuwasi's life, his approaches to anarchism, and his queerness among many other topics.

July 2019***Resisting Tyranny in Hong Kong***

We spoke with Ahkok who identifies as a humanitarian, antifascist and musician who grew up in Hong Kong and has participated in protests over the years including the Umbrella Movement and current protests today. We talk about the mindset of the Hong Kong protests, the situation in China, decolonization, racism and more.

JAN 2020***Perspectives from Iranian Anarchists***

This week on The Final Straw we feature a chat with a translator of the Anarchist Union of Afghanistan and Iran to share perspectives from membership in Iran and abroad about resistance to the regime from within, solidarity from abroad, the impact of US Sabre-rattling.

An Anarcha-Feminist View on GANA Govt in El Salvador

A conversation with Elisa, an anarchafeminist in San Salvador, El Salvador, talking about the new neo-liberal government of Nayib Bukele's GANA party, repression, immigration, relation to the US and anarchist organizing there.

El Salvador: Una Perspectiva Anarcha-Feminista

Nos complace presentar una conversación con una compañera feminista anarcha, Elisa, en San Salvador, El Salvador. Elisa comparte sus puntos de vista sobre el régimen neoliberal del partido GANA de Nayib Bukele que asumió la presidencia en febrero pasado, la relación de El Salvador con los Estados Unidos, el gobierno anterior del FMLN, la inmigración y la organización anarquista.

FEB 2020

Social Justice and Struggle in Lebanon and Syria: Joey Ayoub and Leila Al-Shami

A chat with Joey Ayoub and Leila Al-Shami. In this conversation, Joey tells us of some of the history of Lebanon, since the civil war that ended in 1990 and up to the current demonstrations against the clientelist warlords in power in that country. Intertwined with this, Leila speaks about the sparking of the resistance to Bashar Al-Assad in Syria, the tumult of the civil war, and the state of anti-authoritarian and social justice organizing and media work in that country.

APRIL 2020

Incarcerated Journalist and Organizer, Jason Renard Walker

Jason Renard Walker, Minister of Labor of the New Arikian Black Panther Party (Prison Chapter) and author of “Reports from Within The Belly Of The Beast: Torture and Injustice Inside Texas Department of Criminal Justice” talks about his journalism, activism and troubles in the Texas prison system.

Anarchist Resistance In Prison: Jennifer A. Rose

A correspondence with anarchist prisoner & contributor to Fire Ant Journal, Jennifer Rose about her life, activism & being a trans woman in the CA prison system.

Anarchist Resistance In Prison: Comrade Z

An interview with Julio A Zuniga, aka Comrade Z, incarcerated anarchist, artist & IWOC organizer in the Texas prison system about conditions in Dirty Darrington.

JUNE 2020

Hotel Sanctuary in MPLS

We got to connect with Rosemary, who is an organizer in Minneapolis, about the liberation of a former Sheraton Hotel in that city and its slow but steady transformation into something that is becoming so much more than a housing cooperative.

A View on the Capitol Hill Autonomous Zone

A conversation with D, a Black Anarchist who grew up in and around Capitol Hill district in Seattle about that neighborhood and adjacent Central District’s rebelliousness and conflictual history with the Eastern Precinct that the Seattle Police abandoned, about his knowledge of the protests of past weeks and the retreat of cops from their pen.

Asheville Survival Program

Asheville Survival Program is an autonomous mutual aid network formed in early 2020 at the start of the Covid-19 pandemic in so-called Asheville, NC. They are building mutual aid with oppressed communities, promoting solidarity and sharing outside the bounds of State structure through their streetside camping gear, food and solidarity distro and their “Until We’re All Free” Store, holding a distribution space open a few days a week walk-up visits and delivering groceries through a network of drivers.

NOV 2021

The Russian Political Landscape and Anarchist Prisoners

First up, author and journalist Dmitry Okrest spoke about the state of anarchist and antifascist movements in Russia, the politics of Putin’s United Russia party, nazis and the far right in Russia and successes of the Communist Party in electoral politics. Then, Moscow Anarchist Black Cross member-in-exile, Antii Rautiainen, adds some more detail on repression of anarchists and antifascists in Russian prisons.

Mèo Mun, Anarchist Views from Vietnam

Mèo Mun is an anarchist collective working to make anarchist materials and ideas more accessible to a Vietnamese audience, together with providing an analysis of social struggles from a Vietnamese anarchist lens.

Eric Stanley on Structuring Antagonism & the Trans/Queer Ungovernable

This week, Scott spoke with Eric A Stanley about their new book, *Atmospheres of Violence: Structuring Antagonism and the Trans/Queer Ungovernable*. Eric A. Stanley is an associate professor in the Department of Gender and Women’s Studies at the University of California, Berkeley.

Grief, Storytelling & Ritual in Liberation Struggle with adrienne maree brown

A conversation with adrienne maree brown about their recent novella, *Grievers*, the first of a trilogy published by AK Press’ new Black Dawn imprint of speculative fiction. In this conversation, we dig into the book which is set in Detroit where a new illness that seems to only effect Black people. We talk also about the role of speculative fiction in liberation movements, spirituality, ritual and grief in our organizing and holding space for inter-generational struggle.

DEC 2021

The Case of Daniel Baker: Online Speech and Community Defense

We speak with Jack and Eric, supporters of the US Army veteran, leftist activist and former YPG volunteer medic Daniel Alan Baker. Daniel Baker is serving 44 months in Federal prison for social media calls for community defense against an advertised armed right wing incursion in Tallahassee on January 20th, 2021.

Firearm Safety and Education with Comrade Center

This week on the show, we spoke with folks involved with Comrade Center, a leftist project focused on accessible education around armed self-defense in so-called New Hampshire. For the hour we talk about mainstream, reactionary gun culture in the US, the impact of the NRA, the importance and empowerment of education around fire arms and their work to purchase and maintaining a space for armed self-defense education outside of the right wing milieu in their area.

Stop The Mountain Valley Pipeline

This week, we'll speak with Toby and Emily, two longtime activists resisting the MVP's construction about the pipeline, some of the resistance history, MVP's attempt in federal court to intimidate and identify folks who run the social media accounts called "Appalachians Against Pipelines" and how to get involved in the struggle to fight climate change.

OCT 2021

Belarusian Uprising Revisited

This week we spoke with Vasili and Maria, two Belarusian anarchists living abroad about the aftermath of the 2020 Uprising in their country of birth, lessons learned, the current political prisoners and the Lukashenko regime's attempts to attack dissidents abroad.

"For Trans Liberation, Capitalism Must Be Abolished"

This week we're sharing a chat that Scott Branson had about *Transgender Marxism* (2021, Pluto Press) with Jules Gleeson (co-Editor, Contributor) and M.E. O'Brien (contributor). In this interview we talk about the: collective, material process of transition; trans visibility, assimilation and liberation; the history of Gay Liberation and Trans movements; being Trans in the workplace; care work and family abolition; and Trans solidarities against Capitalism and the State.

Fat Liberation for Revolutionary Leftists with Autumn

An interview with Autumn (she/her/hers), an anarchist and scholar-activist, on Fat Liberation in all its many nuances, the pervasive, classist, racist, and colonial nature of fatphobia both in mainstream society and in far left spaces and thought, and the roots of Fat Liberation as a structure which originates and lives with Black, Indigenous, and brown, trans and disabled people.

Support Ryan Roberts and #KillTheBill Bristol defendants!

Tom and Nicole of Bristol Anarchist Black Cross talk about the #KillTheBill, police violence in the UK, the radical scene in Bristol, anti-repression work of Bristol ABC & Bristol Defendant Solidarity, the legacy of former Bristol resident Anna Campbell, the cases of the Colston 4 as well as that of Toby Shone, prison expansion in the UK and more.

Maxida Mäarak and Gabriel Khun on Liberating Sápmi

An interview on the 2019 PM Press release *Liberating Sápmi: Indigenous Resistance in Europe's Far North*. This book details a political history of the Sámi people whose traditional lands extend along the north most regions of so called Sweden, Norway, Finland, and parts of Russia.

Pan-African Social Ecology: A conversation with Dr Modibo Kadalie

This week, we're happy to air a conversation I had with the author and activist, Modibo Kadalie, author of *Pan-African Social Ecology* as well as *Internationalism, Pan-Africanism* and the *Struggle of Social Classes*. In this hour, Modibo talks about autonomous community organizing, the contradictions between the survival of the species and capitalism, CLR James, his read on Pan-Africanism and Social Ecology, the pandemic, and direct democracy, Geechee history in south so-called Georgia, the weaknesses of nationalism, hierarchy and revering individual historical figures and the strength of spontaneity and community action.

SEPT 2020

The Intertwined Histories of Queerness and Anarchism

Author, Kristian Williams about his new book *Resist Everything Except Temptation: The Anarchist Philosophy of Oscar Wilde* which was released in June 2020 from AK Press.

NOV 2020

Cora Borradaile on Phone Extraction, Cloning and Keyword Warrants

Speaking with Cora Borradaile, who sits on the advisory board of the Civil Liberties Defense Center and works around issues of tech security in movements and is an associate professor at OSU.

JAN 2021

An Anarchist View from Havana: Isbel Diaz Torres

This week on the Final Straw, we're sharing another audio gift from comrades. Isbel Diaz Torres is a participant in the Taller Libertario Alfredo López / ABRA in Havana, Cuba, recorded in late 2018.

Organizing To End Prison Slavery with Bennu Hannibal Ra Sun

A conversation with Bennu Hannibal Ra Sun, co-founder of the Free Alabama Movement and the National Freedom Movement, which is helping coordinate prisoner-led organizing across the so-called US.

ShineWhite on Turning Razor Wire Plantations Into Schools of Liberation

The following is a conversation with ShineWhite. ShineWhite is the former spokesperson for the National White Panther Organization, a part of the United Panther Movement. There was quite recently a split in the UPM and ShineWhite is now affiliated with the Revolutionary Intercommunal Black Panther Party.

The Security State, Far Right

Spencer Sunshine on the far right and the government's reaction following the riot on January 6th in DC.

Media Post Jan 6th

Perspectives on political content removal and social media from anarchist media platforms ItsGoingDown and crimethInc.

FEB 2021**Building Working Class History**

The new book, *Working Class History: Everyday Acts of Resistance*, that WCH has published through PM Press, their archives, methodology, the project of popularizing working class, movement and human-sized history and a bunch more.

adrienne maree brown on Cancellation, Abolition and Healing

For the hour, Scott and adrienne speak about "We Will Not Cancel Us and Other Dreams of Transformative Justice", her latest booklet available through AK Press, as well as sci-fi, abolition, harm, accountability and healing.

Chronicling Prisoner Uprisings During Pandemic

We spoke with a member of the Perilous Chronicle about their report "First 90 Days of Prisoner Resistance to COVID-19" concerning the spike in measured prisoner resistance in the forms of work and hunger strikes, fights with guards, riots and escapes from facilities ranging from county jails, state prisons, ICE detention facilities and federal prisons across the so-called US and so-called Canada.

In Defense of Looting with Vicky Osterweil

A conversation that I had with writer, anarchist, and agitator Vicky Osterweil about her recently published book *In Defense of Looting, a Riotous History of Uncivil Action* (Bold Type Press in August of 2020).

MARCH 2021**Aric McBay on "Full Spectrum Resistance"**

This week we are re-airing a conversation that Bursts had last year with Aric McBay, who is an anarchist, organizer, farmer, and author about his most recent book called *Full Spectrum Resistance* published by Seven Stories Press in May 2019.

An Ethiopian Anarchist Perspective on the War in Tigray

Anner is an Ethiopian member of Horn Anarchists, an anarchist group based in east Africa, particularly in Ethiopia and the Ethiopian diaspora. The group hopes to organize and spread anarchist ideas in the horn of Africa. Anner talks about the group, the history of post-Junta Ethiopia, the context of the armed conflict in Tigray, the fighting factions and the displacement and violence suffered by residents as well as the ethnic hatred against Tigrayans by the government of Abi Ahmed.

Combating Movement Misogyny

This week on the show, William and Scott are presenting an interview with Alice and Doll Parts, two people working toward Disability Justice and Mad Activism (among other things), about the prevalence of movement misogyny in antifascist currents, world building as antifascist and as community defense, ways to rethink harmful patterns in movements, and some things we can do to make each other safer.

Unity And Struggle Through The Bars with Mwalimu Shakur

This week on the show, you'll hear our conversation with Mwalimu Shakur, a politicized, New Afrikan revolutionary prison organizer incarcerated at Corcoran prison in California. Mwalimu has been involved in organizing, including the cessations of hostilities among gangs and participation in hunger strikes against unending solitary confinement when he was at Pelican Bay Prison in 2013, helping to found the Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee (IWOC), Liberation Schools of self-education and continues mentoring younger prisoners. He was in solitary confinement, including in the SHU, for 13 of the last 16 years.

Sonja on NSU-Watch and Autonomous Anti-Fascist Research

This week on the show, we share an interview with Sonja, an antifascist activist and researcher based in the state of Hessen, Germany, and involved in the network known as NSU-Watch. We talk about the NSU complex case, autonomous antifascist organizing and research, centering the needs of victims of fascist violence, international fascist ties, the Day X conspiracy and the case of Franco A.

"Representing Radicals" Lawyers' Guide from Tilted Scales

This week, you'll hear Jay from the Tilted Scales Collective talk about this book out from AK Press and the Institute for Anarchist Studies, about anti-repression work, and about this book's attempt to shift the culture of legal representation by intervening with arguments by radical lawyers.

SEPT 2021**"Interpreting Realities: Aligning Fragments Within the Prisoners Resistance Movement"**

This is a segment of a series of political discussions focused on building support for Jalihouse Lawyers Speak 2021 National call to action #ShutEmDown2021 along with support for the 2022 National Prisoner' Strike & Boycott.

Stop The Legal Lynching of Ernest Johnson

This week, we spoke with Elyse Max, State Director of Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty about the life of Ernest Johnson, the media and court situation he faced, his twice overturned death penalty, the links between the lynching of Black people in the US and the current death penalty, intersections of race and class in who are the victims of capital cases and who sit on death rows, the mishandling of Ernest's intellectual disability in the case and other topics.

tarian resistance to the capitalist economy through struggles against circulation of commodities and to fix their prices (riots) and struggles against exploitation and to set the price of wages in the workplace (strikes), how these methods are not as indistinguishable as we are told and the future of struggle against capitalism and extraction, for a new communist world.

Federation of Anarchism Era on Iran and Afghanistan

This week, Aryanam, a member of the Federation of Anarchism Era, shares collective answers to some of our questions and a few personal insights to ongoing events in Iran and Afghanistan. He talks about the recent election of Ebrahim Raisi to the Iranian presidency, a man who helped to oversee the death committees that executed thousands of political prisoners, as well what the election of Biden in the US and the two governments agreements on nuclear development and the sanctions the international community is imposing on Iran. You'll hear about covid in Iran, the recent release of prisoners, outcomes of the 2019/2020 uprisings against the government as well as viewpoints of members of the FAE in Afghanistan on the Taliban expansion as the US withdraws troops.

Aishah Shahidah Simmons on Love WITH Accountability

Aishah Shahidah Simmons is a writer, community organizer, prison abolitionist, and cultural worker who has done just an immense amount of work over the years to disrupt and end the patterns of sexual abuse and assault within marginalized communities. In this interview we talk about a lot of things, her background, how better to think about concepts like accountability, what doing this work has been like for her as an out lesbian woman, and about her book *Love WITH Accountability, Digging Up the Roots of Childhood Sexual Abuse*.

content notice: we will be talking about some difficult topics in this interview

Dixie Be Damned

This week, we're excited to (re-)present a 2015 conversation with Saralee Stafford and Neal Shirley, editors and authors of their book out from AK Press entitled "*Dixie Be Damned: 300 years of Insurrection in the American South*". The book is a study of Maroon, Indigenous, White, Black, worker, farmer, slave, indentured, women and men wrestling against institutions of power for autonomy and self-determination. All of this in a region stereotyped to be backwards, slow, lazy, victimized and brutal.

AUG 2021

Asheville's Policing Crisis with Ursula Wren of Asheville Free Press

This week, we spoke with local journalist, activist, abolitionist and anarchist, Ursula Wren of the AvlFree.Press about Asheville's "crisis in policing", a brief blooper roll of Asheville police foibles over the last decade, homeless camp evictions, prior and current efforts to restructure public safety, the reactionary business effort to bolster the police with blue ribbons of support, housing issues and other fare.

Steve Martinez Still Resists Grand Jury Related To Dakota Access Pipeline Struggle

For the hour, we hear from Chava Shapiro with the Tucson Anti-Repression Committee and James Clark, a lawyer who works with the National Lawyers Guild, talk about Steve's case, the dangers of Grand Juries, and why it's imperative for movements to support their incarcerated comrades. He has been released since this episode aired.

Shut Em Down 2021: Jailhouse Lawyers Speak

An interview with Comrade Chux, a member of Jailhouse Lawyers Speak (an autonomous network of incarcerated activists from across the so-called US). They have been engaged in organizing and calling for the 2016, 2018 and 2022 Nationwide Prison Strike activities. Chux speaks about the call for folks on the outside to engage for Abolition, we talk about Abolition, Black August and other topics.

April 2021

Queer Activist Perspectives from Southern Appalachia

This week on the show, we bring you the audio of an activist panel from the recent Queer Conference held online by University of North Carolina, Asheville, in March of 2021.

Alive With Resistance: Diasporic Reflections on the Revolt in Myanmar

This is a conversation with Geoff Aung, a Burmese American Marxist anthropology Phd candidate living abroad, about the current uprising, repression and revolutionary potentials in Myanmar. We discuss the evolution of tactics on the ground as revolutionaries adapt to the murders of protesters by the state. Geoff also talks about the ways in which this movement is different from similar current movements in Asia and some of the historical context of struggle in Myanmar.

Veronza Bowers, Jr: 47 Years of Justice Denied

Former Black Panther Party member Veronza describes his upbringing, his experiences of racism, his time in prison, his case, his views on the burgeoning War on Terror, and the situation of political prisoners in the US. Veronza was convicted of the death of a US Park Ranger on the word of two prison informants who were paid and received reduced sentences. Veronza continues to claim his innocence and he has since been illegally held beyond his mandatory release date of June 21, 2005, based on political pressure by GW Bush appointed Attorney General Alberto Gonzales.

An Indian Anarchist on Anti Caste Organizing and More!

An interview with Pranav Jeevan P, who is a student, a writer, an anti-caste activist, and an Indian anarchist living in the state of Kerala. You will read Pranav explaining how he got into anarchism, how anarchistic praxis unfolds in India, some about the origins of and worldwide implications of the caste system, anti-caste organizing and how anarchism feeds it, and about how the BJP and Hindutva have real influence on people's lives and destinies.

May 2021

Max Fox on Chitty's "Sexual Hegemony"

This week, you'll hear Scott's chat with Max Fox, editor of the late Christopher Chitty's book, *"Sexual Hegemony: Statecraft, Sodomy and Capital in the Rise of the World System"*, published by Duke University Press in 2020. For the hour they spoke on the failures of Gay Liberation, connections between sexual identity, class and the state and how sexuality ties into current liberation movements.

Shane Burley on "Why We Fight"

This week, we present a conversation with Shane Burley, author of the new AK Press book, *"Why We Fight: Essays on Fascism, Resistance, and Surviving the Apocalypse"*. For the hour, we speak about the contents of the book, anti-fascism, toxic masculinity, pushing racists and fascists out of cultural space, antisemitism (including in the left), conspiricism, right wing publishing and other topics.

Palestine and Challenging Settler Colonial Imaginaries

This week on the show, we're airing a portion of our 2018 interview with filmmaker and activist Yousef Natsha about his film about his hometown, Hebron, and the Israeli occupation of Palestine. Then, we'll be sharing a panel from the 2021 UNC Queer Studies Conference called "No Blank Slates: A Discussion of Utopia, Queer Identity, and Settler Colonialism" featuring occasional Final Straw host, Scott Bransen alongside E. Ornelas and Kai Rajala.

Colectivo Subversión on Protest in Colombia and Global Battles for Dignity

An interview with María Kamila, who is a teacher and a popular journalist who works with the anarchist Colombian journalism and counter-information collective in Bogotá called Subversión. This interview covers many topics, ranging from a historical contextualization of the current moment of protests and riots in Colombia, who are on the front lines of the protests, Indigenous solidarity with anarchist accomplices via the Minga – which is a pre-colonial term for collaboration, meeting or communal action – , and many more topics.

IDOC Watch, Leon Benson and Abolitionist Organizing in Indiana

First, you'll hear from Koby Bluit talking about her father, Leon Benson and his struggle for release after 23 years in prison, 10 of which was in solitary confinement, for a murder charge in 1998 that he has consistently claimed to have not committed. More on Leon at freeleonbenson.org or [leonbenson-freeleonbenson](https://www.facebook.com/leonbenson-freeleonbenson) on facebook. The Mass Release & Clemency for Leon rally in Indianapolis is July 25th at Tarkington Park. Then, you'll hear from Landis Reynolds, a founder of IDOC Watch currently held in Westville Correctional Institution and who's been in since he was a juvenile, and Ray, an outside organizer with the South Bend, Indiana chapter of IDOC Watch. They talk about their work to start study groups in prison, promote Prison Lives Matter, support jailhouse lawyers and recruit outside lawyers through the Prison Legal Support Network alongside the NLG and more.

JUNE 2021

Making Links: June 11th, Long-term Prisoners, Anti-Repression Work

June 11th is the international day of solidarity with Marius Mason and all long-term anarchist prisoners. This year we want to explore the connections between long-term prisoner support and anti-repression efforts around recent uprisings, a sharp reminder to us that the difference between a status of imprisoned or not is often tenuous and temporary. With thousands of arrests for protesting, rioting, and property destruction from last summer's George Floyd uprising, we must be preparing for the possibility that more of our friends and other rebels may end up in prison.

Eric Laursen on Anarchist Conceptions of The State

One thing that sets anarchism aside from other radical, egalitarian critiques of Power developed in the modern West is the conception of the State as an enemy. But what is the State, how does it work, why and how do we as anti-authoritarians and anarchists oppose it? These questions and more are the focus of the recent book, *The Operating System: An Anarchist Theory of the Modern State* (AK Press, 2021). This week, we air Scott's conversation with Eric on the book, theorizing the State as computer operating system, the necessity of social revolution prior to a political revolution and other heady topics.

Cindy Milstein On Mending The World As Jewish Anarchists

This week, we air a conversation between Scott and anarchist, author and organizer Cindy Milstein. The conversation is framed around the most recent compilation that Milstein has edited and contributed to, *"There Is Nothing So Whole As A Broken Heart: Mending The World As Jewish Anarchists"* (AK Press, 2021). During the conversation, they speak about walking through the world as queer, non-binary Jewish anarchists, Palestine and Israel, Milstein finding increasing healing and ritual among diasporic Jewish anarchist and other communities, antisemitism from the right and the left, argumentation and Cindy's relationship with Murray Bookchin and more.

Free Xinachtli! and Updates from Greece

This week, we're featuring two main portions of the show. You'll hear updates from Greek comrades at 1431 AM free social radio in Thessaloniki and Radiozones Of Subversive Expression, 93.8 FM pirate radio in Athens. Both of these were featured on the latest episode of Bad News: Angry Voices from Around The World, available the middle of each month at A-Radio-Network.org. Prior to that, you'll hear anarchist prisoner Xinachtli talk about his life and his case.)

JULY 2021

Joshua Clover on Riots and Strikes

Joshua Clover is the author of seven books including *Riot.Strike.Riot* (Verso, 2016), which has been translated into six languages. Scott and Joshua talk about prole-