

Chicago Media Action, Multikulti, & Metro Chicago Progressive Media Network co-present a forum:

# Myths, Democracy, & Tools for Media Literacy Education



**Saturday June 2, 2012**

**10:00am to 5:00pm**

**Multikulti**

**1000 North Milwaukee Avenue**

**Wicker Park / Bucktown - Chicago**

10:00am - coffee and mingle

10:30am - **keynote: "Why does democracy require media education?"**

11:45am - attendee introductions: **Mike Kalas** cofounder, Multikulti

12:00pm - a buffet lunch will be available for \$5

12:30pm - **workshop I: "The nuts and bolts of media literacy education"**

2:00pm - **workshop II: "The compromised education coverage of WBEZ & WTTW and elite control of knowledge"**

3-5:00pm - (time approx.) optional networking, videos on media literacy

**Free and open to the public.** Donations suggested but not required. Take the blue line to Milwaukee and Division or take the Ashland #9 or Milwaukee #56 bus.

This forum is aimed at teachers, parents and all who recognize the importance of media education in maintaining a viable, democratic future.

**keynote: Gordon Quinn**, founder of Kartemquin Films (exec. prod. *Hoop Dreams*, *The Interrupters*, dir. *A Good Man* - American Masters/PBS), will discuss how important student and consumer education about media is to the maintenance of democracy.

**workshop I: Steve Macek**, communications professor at North Central College, and **Jeanette Foreman** of the Prometheus Radio Project, will discuss how to access, create, analyze, and evaluate media and media literacy curriculum.

**workshop II: Scott Sanders**, cofounder of a number of media activist organizations, will discuss the pro-1% tilt of Chicago public tv and public radio coverage of public education issues. This workshop seeks to identify common problems facing media justice activists and true education reform activists, and common solutions to the democratic deficits resulting from elite control of knowledge.