

Radio Free Palestine (RFP) is now organizing for the 70th anniversary of the ongoing Palestinian Nakbah and resistance to Israeli Apartheid on Tuesday May 15th, 2018.

We are outreaching to all producers and stations interested in participating in this incarnation of the radio marathon. Our outreach efforts are to be extended globally and will be multilingual.

We encourage participants and interested producers and stations to read this article: <https://www.ritimo.org/Radio-Free-Palestine-A-Model-for-Cross-Border-Solidarity-Broadcasting>

Please send any questions on this proposal to [RadioFreePalestine2018@gmail.com](mailto:RadioFreePalestine2018@gmail.com).

#### **•RFP Previous Archives**

2008: [https://archive.org/details/nakba\\_2008-05-15\\_17h\\_201605](https://archive.org/details/nakba_2008-05-15_17h_201605)

2010: [https://archive.org/details/RFP2010/Hour1\\_pt1.mp3](https://archive.org/details/RFP2010/Hour1_pt1.mp3)

2017: <https://archive.org/details/RFP2017>

#### **•Goals & objectives of the proposed programming**

Radio Free Palestine (RFP) is designed to bring together audio/radio content producers working on the issues of Palestine in Arabic, Spanish, English, and French to produce, air and distribute a 24 hour radio marathon commemorating the Palestinian Nakbah or Catastrophe, internationally remembered on May 15th (running from 12:00am EST or midnight Monday until midnight Tuesday 12:00am EST). The content will prioritize the Palestinian point-of-view, covering many diverse aspects of Palestinian opinion and culture that are underrepresented or misrepresented by mainstream media. This content is proposed in a marathon format to flip the media system that marginalizes Palestinian voices, but also to provide historical context for the Nakbah and the international struggle for a Free Palestine.

#### **•A description of how the programming will engage your listeners**

Your listeners have already experienced RFP three times in 2008, 2010 and 2017 on the 60th, 62nd and 69th commemorations of the Nakbah. Listeners were engaged with award-winning programming that brought forward marginalized voices within the Palestinian community, including local diaspora voices, women and LGBTQ leaders, popular non-violent movements, and the multitude of flourishing liberationist arts and culture initiatives enforcing Palestinian humanity.

CKUT received the 2009 Community Radio Awards for Best Special Programming for the Radio Free Palestine Broadcast held May 15th, 2008.

#### **•A plan for involving programmers whose regular broadcasts may be pre-empted**

RFP proposes your station outreaches to programmers that will be pre-empted and offer the possibility to collaborate on programming that crosses the two issues we may address. For instance it is very easy to produce two hours of content relating to Latin American solidarity with Palestine that includes historic sounds, pre-produced interviews and Latin music relating to Palestine to fill the time for Latin shows. The same is true for Women and LGBTQ shows, issues of Pinkwashing Israeli Apartheid and the realities of Palestinian LGBTQ communities and their arts and music are in desperate need of exposure. Student news or affairs shows can address the history of Palestine on campus and student solidarity organizing globally. World music shows could fill two hours of global music dealing specifically with Palestine. Finally, Spanish, French or other language speaking shows could help produce one hour of content on Palestine in their own language.

**•Date(s), time(s) & length(s) of proposed broadcast(s), including a run-sheet for the proposed programming**

**24 hours of broadcasting (Midnight to Midnight EST)  
on the 70th year since the Nakbah on May 15, 1948  
Monday 15 May, 12am <--> Tuesday 16 May, 12am**

The following runsheet is a general first draft and will be modified depending on the final production delivered by each participant. We expect the runsheet will match previous editions, grouped by hour into themes. We are proposing CKUT host the 24-hour broadcast and we will recruit volunteers from the pre-empted shows and news-culture departments of CKUT to participate in producing and hosting content for RFP 2018.

We are asking stations to do one of the following:

- PRODUCE SLOTS OF PROGRAMMING (for stations that host Palestine-focused programs and producers working on Palestine issues)
- PRE-EMPT YOUR PROGRAMMING AND REBROADCAST LIVE. It will be a historic day, we need you to rebroadcast RFP, either in its entirety or just a few hours!
- Broadcasters can choose to air the RFP archives (in sections or in its entirety) at a later date.

<i>Content by Region</i>	<i>Content by language</i>
From Palestine, Mashreq and Maghreb 6hrs	6hrs Arabic
From Africa and Europe 6hrs	6hrs Spanish
From N. America 6hrs	6hrs English
From S. America 6hrs	6hrs French