

# PRESS RELEASE

## KVJZ 88.5FM Vail and Eagle

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**[Denver/December 17, 2009]**, Vail and Eagle County residents enjoy new signal and music presentation. On November 10, 2009 at 10pm KUVU Denver turned on KVJZ 88.5FM. TURN ON YOUR RADIO VAIL/EAGLE.

**jazz89 KUVO/KVJZ** is a full service jazz station, with a global reputation for playing the entire spectrum of recorded jazz, from its inception in the 1920s through the swing era, from be-bop to post-bop, from the 1960s soul jazz movement through 1980s fusion jazz, and onward to the latest recordings. Moreover, we take pride in spotlighting the music and musicians of Denver, the Front Range and Colorado.

Throughout the year KUVU broadcasts performances by Colorado musicians as well as nationally and internationally known, artists playing in the station's **Phyllis A. Greer Performance Studio**. Musicians' inquiries are taken by **Carlos Lando**, COO and Program Director.

By the same token, KUVU ensures the future of jazz with monthly broadcast performances of local middle school, high school and college ensembles. Schools interested in participating in the station's monthly series should contact **Susan Gatschet Reese**, Assistant to the Program Director.

**Saturday afternoons we detour from playing jazz;** We begin with our blues show which is followed by classic R'n'B from the 1940s and 1950s. Saturday nights are funk, classic and contemporary; next up is our neo-soul/hip-hop program.

**Sunday is specialty day**, with Native American music and news, then Latin American folklore and news followed by gospel music. Moving on, the popular program Cancion Mexicana features the music of Southern Colorado, Northern New Mexico and Texas, followed by La Raza Rocks features Latin rock and Latin soul.

**Sundays move forward with the music** of the African Diaspora with *Orgins: Orgy in Rhythm*. Then we feature salsa, Latin jazz, and Brazilian music before returning to our jazz format on Sunday night. All of these shows feature roots, classics and modern styles.

**jazz89 KUVO is an independent public radio station dedicated to providing distinctive music, news, and information programming that reflects the values and cultural diversity of its listener community.**

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**TUNE IN MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2010**  
KUVU/KVJZ ANNOUNCES NEW MORNING PROGRAM

## The TAKEAWAY

Public radio station KUVU announces plans to air "The Takeaway" a new national morning news show that delivers the news and analysis you need to catch up, start your day, and prepare for what's ahead. Each morning, **John Hockenberry** and **Celeste Headlee** convene with a virtual "watercooler," of sparking critical conversations about the day's top news, taking live reports from the field, and fielding commentary and analysis from a cast of contributors around the table and around the globe that embody our multicultural nation and world. The vast newsgathering resources of editorial collaborators the BBC World Service, the "New York Times" and WGBH Boston allow for deep access to local intelligence and a range of perspectives, while the show's interactivity on-air and online allows for unsurpassed use of authentic voices in an American news program. **"The Takeaway" will begin airing live weekdays beginning January 4, 2010 from 5am until 8am on KUVO 89.3FM in Denver, 89.7FM in Summit County and in Vail on the new station KVJZ 88.5FM.**

### JOIN NATIONAL & LOCAL HOST MORNINGS ON 88.5FM

#### **John Hockenberry - National Host**

"The Takeaway" marks John Hockenberry's return to his roots in public radio- where he was one of the medium's original innovators - after 15 years in network and cable television. During his time at ABC and NBC, he earned four Emmy Awards, three Peabody Awards, an Edward R. Murrow Award and a Casey Medal. Hockenberry has also been recognized for his pioneering online content, hosts the award-winning public radio series "The DNA Files," is a weekly commentator for the series "The Infinite Mind" and currently sits as a Distinguished Fellow at the prestigious MIT Media Lab.

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Celeste Headlee brings to her role as co-host of "The Takeaway" experience both on and off the air in local and national public radio productions. Most recently, she was the Midwest correspondent for NPR's "Day to Day," covering everything from the auto industry to art, from the 2008 presidential election to toilet smuggling. From 2001 to 2006, Headlee was a reporter at public radio station WDET Detroit.

Previously, she was the local "Morning Edition" anchor at public radio station KNAU in Flagstaff, Ariz. Her news reports have aired on NPR, the Pacifica Network, National Native News and Public Radio International. She has also reported for the "Detroit News."

### Local Host

KVJZ/KUVU **Carlos Lando** COO/Program Director and **Tamara Banks** will anchor all aspects of the local news, community, and cultural information during the stations new morning show THE TAKEAWAY!

"I am really pleased that "The Takeaway" will become part of our morning programming lineup," says COO/Program Director Carlos Lando. "It delivers the news of the day in a dynamic, conversational style that is broadening and diversifying the public radio news audience. Throughout each hour we will have

local news updates and public affairs information that will help us to better connect people and resources in our community. This is a very exciting addition to our program schedule."

For Emmy Award winning journalist, **Tamara Banks**, the statement, "One Person Can Make A Difference," is more than just words. Ms. Banks is currently combining 20 years of journalism and her work as a Mayoral Appointee to evoke positive social change in our community and globally through excellence in journalism and civic engagement.

The Takeaway is a unique partnership of global news leaders. It is a co-production of PRI (Public Radio International) and WNYC Radio in collaboration with the BBC World Service, The New York Times and WGBH Boston.

KUVO has enjoyed a 14 year partnership with the **Vail Jazz Foundation** and are pleased to be working with the **Vilar Performing Arts Center**.

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