

SAVE JAZZ.FM91

Audio Script – Ron Davis

Hi, I'm Ron Davis.

Like so many jazz musicians, I greatly appreciate the role JAZZ FM 91 has in introducing my music to a wide range of people. Speaking as someone who, like you, loves the music, I'm grateful that Jazz FM91 is there to present all of the classics from the past. I'm equally grateful for what the station does to keep this art form vibrant; helping to foster the careers of the next generation of jazz artists. Over many years I have happily given my time and money as a musician, donor and fundraiser to the station.

This is why I am so deeply concerned by the decline of JAZZ FM91. It is why I am speaking to you today.

I have volunteered as one of the on air voices for many JAZZ FM91 fundraising campaigns. The most recent was this past fall. It was shocking to witness the dramatic decline of financial support from listeners.

As a listener, it has been shocking to see the departure of so many talented broadcasters from the station such as Heather Bambrick, Mark Wigmore, Jaymz Bee, Dani Elwell, Walter Venafro, David Basskin, Garvia Bailey, and most recently, Terry McElligott. Some left what they found to be a toxic workplace of their own volition but many more were summarily dismissed. I have heard first hand of the callous treatment these people and others received by management. I have seen the cynical disregard that the station's board and management has demonstrated toward the rights of its member donors over the past year.

It's not right. It would not be tolerated at any other workplace or at any other charitable organization. It should not be tolerated at JAZZ FM91.

There has been a complete lack of leadership. That simply must change. What can you do to help? Join me and the hundreds of fellow donors demanding change. Details on all of the proposed board changes can be found attached to this e mail or by visiting [save jazz fm dot com](http://savejazzfm.com).

Please do your part to save the station we all love. Please send your blue proxy vote to savejazzfm@gmail.com.

Thank you.