



## Resource List: Journalism & Democracy

Suggestions to recharge your curiosity!

Based on California Humanities' staff, speakers and partner input

### Selections by Speakers

#### Mark Arax

[West of the West: Dreamers, Believers, Builders, And Killers In The Golden State](#)

“[Dry](#)” The California Sunday Magazine – what one family in the San Joaquin Valley are willing to give up as their home is drying up

#### Frances Dinkelspiel

[Tangled Vines: Greed, Murder, Obsession, and an Arsonist in the Vineyards of California](#)

“[New incubator signals growth in city’s tech ecosystem](#)” Berkeleyside, April 26, 2016

#### Rob Kuznia

“[An unprecedented experiment in mass forgiveness](#)” The Washington Post, February 8, 2016

“[There is no Centinela Valley](#)” September 27, 2015 - a presentation at the 2015 Excellence in Journalism Conference on how a routine story on the education beat mushroomed into a major investigation

#### Héctor Tobar

[Deep Down Dark](#): The Untold Stories of 33 Men Buried in a Chilean Mine and the Miracle That Set Them Free

“[Latinos’ Slow Burn Anger](#)” New York Times’ Opinion, March 9, 2016

### To Read: Explore relevant reports, articles, and websites

“[A Century of Pulitzer Journalism Speaking Truth to Power](#)” by June Keller, Nieman Foundation at Harvard, June 7, 2016 - For 100 years, Pulitzer Prize-winning work has teased out power’s hidden workings and held the powerful to account

[The Experiment: 14 Students, 10 Weeks, One Search for Media’s Cutting](#) Columbia Journalism Review –website highlighting experiments in the new media landscape worth following

“[How an investigative journalist helped prove a city was being poisoned with its own water](#)” by Anna Clark, Columbia Journalism Review, November 3, 2015

“[Is There Hope for Local News?](#)” by Alana Semuels, The Atlantic, November 10, 2014 - the Atlantic ponders the future of local news

[The Local News Lab](#) by Molly de Aguiar and Josh Stearns, The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation – Web-based source for Experiments in Journalism Sustainability including [The Local Fix](#) - A weekly newsletter full of big ideas for local news; a resource for local journalists

[Media, Journalism and Technology Predictions 2016](#) report by Nic Newman, University of Oxford Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism

[Mosaic High School Journalism Workshop](#)- The Mercury’s 2015 publication of the work of high school students who are interested in a media professional in print, television, radio, digital media and communications and completed a week-long summer workshop

“[Newspapers and Thinking the Unthinkable](#)” by Clay Shirky, Edge.com, March 16, 2008 - uncertainty over what model will replace 20th century journalism might last for a very long time

[The Spartan Daily](#) - the San Jose State student newspaper distributed three days a week covering news, sports, arts and entertainment, tech and opinion relating to the campus and its students

“[This May be the Best Analogy in the History of Journalism](#)” by Roy Peter Clark, Poynter, April 22, 2016

“[Washington Post’s ‘Bandito’ Tool Optimizes Content For Clicks](#)” by Jack Marshall, The Wall Street Journal, February 8, 2016 - system promotes version of a story with most popular headline, image; innovations happening in the old media landscape

## To Listen: Learn on the go with radio and podcasts

[“Farewell Daily Oakland Tribune as Six Bay Area Newspapers Consolidate into Two”](#) KQED Forum with Michael Krasny, March 3, 2016

[It’s All Journalism](#): Journalism is not dying. It’s Changing – website of journalism-focused podcasts and blogs

[Nellie Bly & Stunt Journalism](#) podcast, Stuff You Missed in History Class, March 24, 2010

## To Watch: Engage in important California stories through documentary film

🍷 [Inventing LA: The Chandlers and Their Times](#) - tells the story of the Los Angeles Times and four generations of its founding family

🍷 [Ruben Salazar: Man in the Middle](#) - documentary examines the life and mysterious death of pioneering Mexican-American journalist Ruben Salazar

🍷 [Searching for Democracy](#) - recorded forums as part of an initiative that provides various ways to explore how the humanities provide insight and conversations that matter about the nature, state, and needs of our democracy

🍷 [Tell the Truth and Run: George Seldes and the American Press](#) - documentary about George Seldes and his career as an investigative journalist and media critic

## To Do: Activate your curiosity

**Attend** [Politifest](#) San Diego State University School of Journalism and Media Studies to produce an all-day public affairs conference full of workshops and sessions that will break down some of the complex issues on the November ballot - September 24, 2016

**Participate** in the [Big Talk @ USC](#) Annenberg Innovation Lab conversation on the future of media - July 1, 2016

**Subscribe** to local newspapers, news magazines, and online news sites

**Support** journalistic excellence as a member of your local public radio and television stations

**Join** the [Pulitzer Prizes Reading Challenge](#) - read a Pulitzer winner from each of the seven categories or read seven Pulitzer winners from one of the categories in 2016

**Share** what you learned with your neighbor, your co-worker, with us! Please send Erin Menne your takeaway ideas and feedback at [emenne@calhum.org](mailto:emenne@calhum.org) or   CalHumanities  @Cal\_Humanities #calhum40 #Pulitzer100

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