



“The goal is for our client to be free. Nevertheless, he remains in great danger. If all is lost, he will be executed. Your interest in this struggle for human rights and against the death penalty is appreciated.”

— Robert R. Bryan *Lead counsel for Mumia Abu-Jamal*

All Out for Mumia Abu-Jamal Thurs • MAY 17

Philadelphia 9:00 am in front
of U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit,
6th and Market Streets

Support

**the
Right
to a
New
Trial!**

NYC Free Mumia Abu-Jamal Coalition, The Int'l Action Center & FIST-Fight Imperialism, Stand Together, youth group will be organizing for Phila. on Thurs., May 17.

Buses will be leaving from 33rd St. & 8th Ave. and 55 W. 17th St., with a pick-up in Jersey City, NJ starting at 6 am.

For more information and bus tickets, call 212-633-6646.

Here are some facts:

The oral argument in the case of death row, political prisoner, Mumia Abu-Jamal, is scheduled on May 17, 9:30 am, in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Ceremonial Courtroom, 1st Floor, U.S. Courthouse, 6th and Market Streets. The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc., and the National Lawyers Guild, which have filed amicus curiae (friend of the court) briefs, are also participating.

This case concerns Mr. Abu-Jamal's right to a fair trial, the struggle against the death penalty, and the political repression of an outspoken journalist. Racism and politics are threads that have run through this case since his 1981 arrest. The complex issues under consideration, which are of great constitutional significance, include:

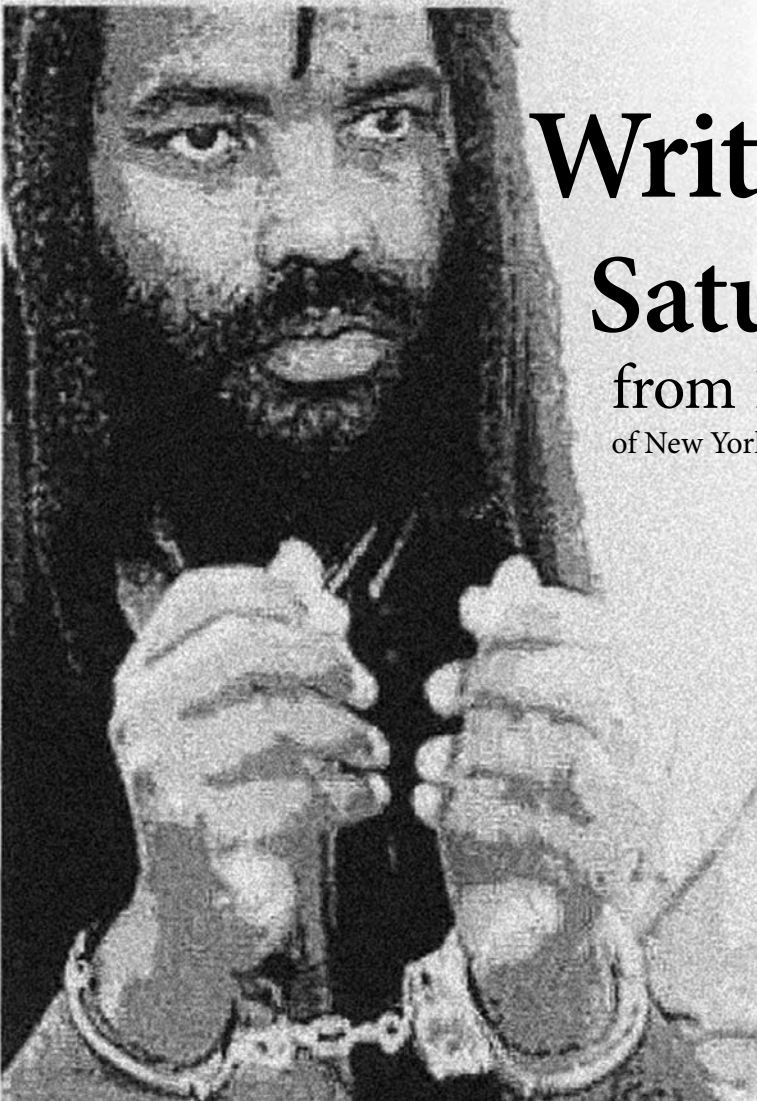
- Whether the prosecution's use of peremptory challenges to exclude African Americans from sitting on the jury violated Mr. Abu-Jamal's rights to due process and equal protection of the law under the Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments, and contravened *Batson v. Kentucky*, 476 U.S. 79 (1986).
- Whether the jury instructions and verdict form that resulted in the death penalty deprived Mr. Abu-Jamal of rights guaranteed by the Eight and Fourteenth Amendments to due process of law, equal protection of the law, and not to be subjected to cruel and unusual punishment, and violated *Mills v. Maryland*, 486 U.S. 367 (1988), since the judge precluded the jurors from considering any mitigating evidence unless they all agreed on the existence of a particular circumstance.
- Whether Mr. Abu-Jamal was denied the right to due process of law and a fair trial under the Fifth, Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments because of the prosecutor's "appeal-after- appeal" argument which encouraged the jury to disregard the presumption of innocence and reasonable doubt, and err on the side of guilt.
- Whether Mr. Abu-Jamal was denied due process and equal protection of the law under the Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments during post-conviction hearings as the result of the bias and racism of Judge Albert F. Sabo, which included the comment that he was "going to help 'em fry the ni - - er".

Mumia has always fought for people's rights!

A united, broad movement can save Mumia from a legal lynching!

Free Mumia, Leonard Peltier, the Cuban 5, the MOVE 9 & all political prisoners!

Go to www.Millions4Mumia.org for more background information on this significant case that epitomizes the struggle against racism, repression and injustice inside the U.S.



Writers for Mumia

Saturday, MAY 12

from 1 to 5 pm Community Church
of New York, 40 East 35th Street (near Park)

Join writers, poets, journalists & activists who
will read from their work and/or discuss the
latest developments in Mumia's case

Pam Africa • E.J. Antonio • Carolyn Baxter

Elombe Brath • Cliff Conner

Susan Elizabeth Davis • Sandra Maria Esteves

Leslie Feinberg • Jose Angel Figueroa

Frances Goldin • Y.G. Hilton • Layding Kaliba

Atiba Kwabena • Dave Lindorff • Sister Lupe

Rosemari Mealy • Jesus Papoieto Melendez

Tony Mitchelson • Monica Moorehead

Louis Reyes Rivera • Suzanne Ross • Yusef Salaam

Susan Sherman • Israel Tacoma • Ed Toney

Iowan Tribal • Ted L. Wilson

Julia Wright (daughter of Richard Wright)

Suggested donation \$10 (no one turned away)

Location: Community Church is between Madison
and Park, closer to Park. Closest train is the 6 at 33rd St.
or the B, D, F, or V at 34th St. Crosstown bus is #34.

For more information, contact:

Writers for Mumia at 212-633-6646.

Sponsors: Writers for Mumia, New York Chapter of
the National Writers Union, Free Mumia Abu-Jamal
Coalition of NYC, and Millions for Mumia/
International Action Center. Writers for Mumia
was founded by Susan Elizabeth Davis in the spring
of 1999 as part of Millions for Mumia.

The highly respected broadcast journalist and critic Mumia Abu-Jamal was wrongly sent to death row in Pennsylvania nearly 25 years ago. Since then, he's written five books and continues to make weekly broadcasts about a vast array of topics—from exposing the vicious prison-industrial complex to the disastrous U.S. war in Iraq and the relentless struggle of African Americans from New Orleans to Harlem for social and economic justice. No wonder Mumia is known as "*the voice of the voiceless.*"

Now, after countless legal battles, street demonstrations, and worldwide protests, an appeal of Mumia's case will be heard for the first time in Federal Appeals Court in Philadelphia on May 17. The court will rule on the following: a new trial, life in prison without parole, or execution. Because this is Mumia's last chance for a new trial, the movement to free Mumia is calling for everyone to be in Philadelphia on May 17 when oral arguments will be heard. (For bus information call 212-330-8029 or 212-633-6646.)

Writers want to pay tribute to Mumia's prowess as a writer and to add their voices to all those demanding he receive a new trial. **FREE MUMIA ABU-JAMAL!**



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Denis, France where a street, near Nelson Mandel
Stadium, has been named Rue Mumia Abu-Jamal.
Mumia has been named the first honorary citizen
of Paris since Pablo Picasso