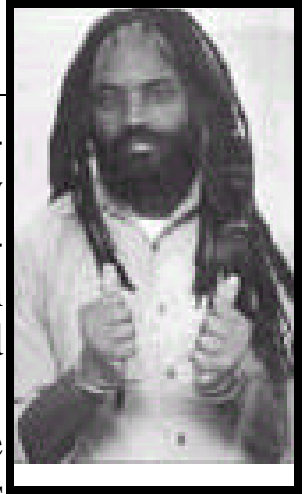


WHO IS MUMIA ABU-JAMAL?



Mumia Abu-Jamal is an award-winning African-American journalist, the author of several books, and a political prisoner currently sitting on Pennsylvania's Death Row. He was convicted and sentenced to death for the alleged murder of a white policeman on December 9, 1981, in a trial defined by prosecutorial, judicial, and even defense attorney misconduct.

Mumia became politically involved in struggles for justice at the age of 14 as a co-founder of the Philadelphia Black Panther Party. As a journalist and radio broadcaster, Mumia used his talents to expose the systemic oppression of ordinary people whose stories would otherwise remain untold; for this he was called the "Voice of the Voiceless." Mumia was elected President of the Association of Black Journalists. For these actions, he gained the loathing of the corrupt Philadelphia "powers" and police. On the evening of December 9, 1981, Mumia came upon the murder scene of a police officer. Upon arrival at the scene Mumia was shot by a police officer and nearly killed.

International and U.S. notables and prestigious organizations, including Amnesty International, the Congressional Black Caucus, the European Parliament, members of the British Parliament, and millions across the world all agree: Mumia never had a fair trial. Eyewitnesses testifying against the police version were coerced to change their accounts; evidence proving Mumia's innocence was hidden from the defense. Judge Albert Sabo openly expressed his hatred of Mumia (court stenographer Terri Maurer-Carter heard the judge say "Yeah, and I'm going to help them fry the n****r") and conspired with the prosecution.

In 1999 a man named Arnold Beverly confessed to the murder that Mumia is on death row for. His confession is backed up by a lie detector test and he is willing to testify at any time. Outrageously, the courts have refused to bring him in. On December 18th, 2001 Federal Court Judge Yohn made a decision which upheld Mumia's unjust conviction but challenged the death sentence. However, Mumia is still on death row. There could be a new sentencing hearing where the only options would be life in prison without parole or the death penalty. This is not just, Mumia is absolutely innocent and must be free. Please join us in the struggle for justice!

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