

**KTDE THE TIDE 100.5 FM TO PRESENT SERIES OF RADIO PLAYS
BY THE SAN FRANCISCO MIME TROUPE**

On Saturday, July 4, at 7 p.m., KTDE The Tide Community Radio, 100.5 FM in Gualala, will present the first episode of the San Francisco Mime Troupe's nine-part series of radio plays, "Tales of the Resistance." The Tony-Award Winning San Francisco Mime Troupe (SFMT) thought that the presidential election would be THE main event of 2020, but COVID-19 became an unprecedented global pandemic. For the health and safety of both the audiences and SFMT members, a decision was made to cancel their traditional summer musical tour in Bay Area parks and at other Northern California venues, including the Arena Theater in Point Arena. Rather than going silent, however, the SFMT is enthused to share their unique style of theatrical performance in a different way, producing their first ever serialized radio play, "Tales of the Resistance."

Can the revolution be social distanced? Find out this summer with the San Francisco Mime Troupe as they present four series of original political comedy audio plays, broadcast bi-weekly, each written and performed by Mime Troupe veterans and newcomers, and each in a different style and genre, including Noir, Sci Fi, Horror, and Adventure. Each episode will be about 29 minutes long, and presented as podcasts and as radio shows on stations across the country – including KTDE The Tide 100.5 FM in Gualala.

The first four episodes of "Tales of the Resistance" are scheduled as below on KTDE:
July 4 at 7PM & July 8 at 7PM: JADE, FOR HIRE! – "The Mystery of the Missing Worker"
July 18 at 7PM & July 22 at 7PM: NOVICE NURSE: SUSIE TERSE – "The Price of Infection"
August 1 at 7PM & August 5 at 7PM: FEAR OF THE DARK – "The Good Cop"
August 15 at 7PM & August 19 at 7PM: DIMENSION 2020! – "It Came...From R&D!"

Each of the four series will have two episodes, cycling through summer and autumn, culminating in the ninth episode where all four storylines converge for the astounding finale in October. "Tales of the Resistance" will be best appreciated by audiences over the age of 12. With parental guidance, younger audience members will enjoy the creative characters, original music, and sound effects.

SFMT's "Tales of the Resistance" radio plays have been written by Michael Gene Sullivan, Ellen Callas, and Marie Cartier, with music and lyrics by Daniel Savio, and with additional lyrics by Marie Cartier. Velina Brown is the director, and Dred Scott is the music producer, with sound design and engineering by Taylor Gonzalez and stage management by Karen Runk.

Featured performers include Andre Amarotico, Velina Brown, Lizzie Calogero, Keiko Shimosato Carreiro, Marie Cartier, Marissa Ellison, Amos Glick, Lisa Hori-Garcia, Ed Holmes, Brian Rivera, Michael Gene Sullivan, and many more! The SFMT Band includes Dylan Jennings on wind instruments; Dred Scott on keyboards, guitar, bass, percussion; and Daniel Savio on keyboard.

Most of the lyrics for "Tales of the Resistance" are written by Daniel Savio, the son of famed 60s activist Mario Savio -- a leader of the Free Speech Movement at Berkeley in the 1960s.

Additional information, including the history of SFMT, photographs, and SFMT bios, can be found on the San Francisco Mime Troupe's website: www.sfmt.org Arena Theater will also post the schedule for "Tales of the Resistance" on its website: www.arenatheater.org

KTDE The Tide Community Radio would like to thank Marissa Ellison and the astonishing San Francisco Mime Troupe for presenting "Tales of the Resistance" on The Tide. A special thank you goes out to Blake More, our local talented and enthusiastic liaison with The San Francisco Mime Troupe.

Please join us for an exciting summer with SFMT's "Tales of the Resistance," beginning with episode one JADE, FOR HIRE! – "The Mystery of the Missing Worker" on July 4 at 7PM -- with an encore presentation on July 8 at 7PM -- on KTDE The Tide 100.5 FM in Gualala.