

## **Laura Flanders Bio:**

Laura Flanders is an award-winning independent media creator. A contributing writer to *The Nation* magazine and a media fellow at The Democracy Collaborative, Flanders is also the author of six books, including *The New York Times* best-seller, *BUSHWOMEN: Tales of a Cynical Species* (Verso, 2004) and *BLUE GRIT: True Democrats Take Back Politics from the Politicians* (Penguin Press, 2007) as well as *Real Majority/Media Minority*, *The High Cost of Sidelining Women in Reporting* (Common Courage, 1996).

The *Laura Flanders Show* aired on Air America Radio from 2004-2008 prior to which Flanders was the founding host of *Your Call* on public radio in San Francisco, and founding co-host of the long-running media watch program, *CounterSpin* (1990-1998). In 2019, she was awarded an Izzy Award for excellence in independent media as well as the Pat Mitchell Lifetime Achievement Award from the Women's Media Center for advancing women's and girls' visibility and power in media. In 2020, she received a Lannan Cultural Freedom Fellowship in recognition of her work in independent journalism and as an advocate for public media. For more, visit her website, [lauraflanders.org](http://lauraflanders.org), or follow @GRITlaura.