

Laura Flanders Bio

Laura Flanders interviews forward-thinking people about the key questions of our time on Laura Flanders & Friends (formerly The Laura Flanders Show), a solutions-focused television and radio program airing on close to 300 PBS stations and [YouTube](#), on PRX, the public radio exchange and also available as a [podcast](#). Laura Flanders is an award-winning independent media creator and entrepreneur. 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, or follow [@GRITlaura](#).