

CKUT Board of Directors Bios – Sept 2009

1) Community Representative - Fortner Anderson, January 1995 - present

Fortner Anderson has been a member of CKUT for over 20 years. He is a Montreal poet, a founding member of the Canadian "spoken word" movement, and host of the Thursday night shows 'Grey Matters' and 'Dromotexte'. He has published several solo cds and performed his work in Canada, the United States and Europe. His first solo CD, sometimes I think, appeared in 2000, his second solo disc, six silk purses, came out in 2005 and his cd single, he sings, in 2006. (see www.fortneranderson.com) Fortner believes CKUT has an important and necessary role in the Montreal community. In his other life, he runs an union.

2) McGill Faculty Representative - Darin Barney, October 2005 - present

Darin Barney is the Canada Research Chair in Technology & Citizenship, and Associate Professor of Communication Studies at McGill University. His research and teaching focus upon issues of democratic politics, technology and media. Darin considers Radio CKUT the most vital democratic media outlet in Montreal, and among the most important alternative media organizations in Canada. His specific role as a McGill faculty member on the CKUT Board is to advise the Board and membership on their relationship with the university, and to advocate for CKUT's continuing status as a unique and indispensable part of the McGill community. Darin does not represent McGill, rather, his role is to be one of several people who champion CKUT in the face of an institution that does not always adequately recognize its contribution to political and cultural life at the university and in this city.

3) Staff Representative - Louise Burns, August 1999 – present

Louise Burns, Sales Manager has been a full time member of the staff of CKUT since 1991. Prior to this she produced the Canadian Cult film "Mother's Meat & Freud's Flesh", was in the "shambolic" art-punk band The American Devices and worked at PolyGram Records. Louise has been responsible for the selling of advertisements, and negotiating sponsorships and partnerships with other organizations at CKUT. Louise is a member of Collective Management, the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee. In collaboration with the treasurer of the BOD, CKUT's accountant and funding coordinator she oversees the financial, contractual and administrative duties of the station. As a senior staff person she also provides history and helps orient and train new staff members. In addition she contributes her creative and production skills to the station, through the creation of audio spots, innovative radio docs, and spoken word pieces.

4) PGSS Representative – Swan Kennedy, January 2009 – present

Swan Kennedy is a graduate student in McGill's Faculty of Education. She has been a volunteer at CKUT since 1997. Swan has hosted an overnight program called "Insomniacs and Early Risers," and has been a contributor to such programs as "World skip the Beat", and "The Wednesday Morning After". Since 2006, she has co-hosted a music program called "Freekick", featuring a wide variety of different styles of music. Swan also currently holds a work-study position as an assistant music librarian in CKUT's Music Department.

5) McGill Faculty Representative –Becky Lentz April 2009 - > Becky Lentz is an Assistant Professor in Media and Communications in the Department of Art History and Communication Studies, specializing in the area of media and public policy. She is also affiliated with Media@McGill > <<http://media.mcgill.ca>> - a hub of research, scholarship and public outreach on issues and controversies in media, technology and culture.

6) CKUT Volunteer Representative – Chair – Board of Directors Anna Leventhal, March 2009 – present
Anna Leventhal has been a CKUT volunteer since 2000. She programs and hosts the show Venus as part of the women's music collective. She has also served on the Programming Committee and, with

her co-hosts, dj'd everything from dance parties to conferences to a benefit show for an injured cat. She has an MA in Communication Studies from McGill University, where she focused on grassroots and community media.

**7) SSMU Appointed Representative Sebastien Ronderos- Morgan – June 2009 present
Student's Society of McGill University (SSMU) Representative**

Sebastian Ronderos-Morgan, June 2009-present

Sebastian Ronderos-Morgan is the Vice-President External of the undergraduate Student's Society of McGill University, or SSMU. The External portfolio is responsible for the Student's Society's relationship with the greater Montreal and Quebec community and the various levels of government. It is also a portfolio that addresses the many salient political issues of the moment. The role of CKUT in campus and community affairs is therefore relevant to the portfolio of the VP External.

Sebastian grew up listening to Co-op Radio, the alternative community radio station based out of Vancouver, BC. At McGill he has involved himself with political and social issues clubs and has pursued representation in campus politics. He believes in the intrinsic value of alternative media to the diversity of society and the representation of under-privileged perspectives. Sebastian will work to ensure that the links between CKUT and the SSMU and the McGill undergraduate community remain strong and vital and grow, in order to strengthen the CKUT organization and deepen its roots

8) Community Representative/Treasurer - Don Wilkie, March 2004 - present

Don Wilkie joined the CKUT Board of Directors at the beginning of 2004 and fills one of the two Community seats. He is also the Treasurer. Prior to joining the Board, he co-hosted music shows 'New Dawn Fades' & 'New Era Building' for seven years. These weekly two-hour radio shows surveyed and broadcasted new music from across many genres. They were primarily concerned with experimental rock, electronica, jazz, and musique actuelle, and particularly with where these musics intersected. In his other life, Don co-runs the Constellation record label, an imprint conceived in 1995 as a platform and conduit for fiercely independent, artistically-driven Canadian musicians. Don believes CKUT is one of the most crucial cultural and political institutions operating in Montreal.

9) SSMU Appointed Representative

Lauren Liu – McGill student and CKUT volunteer

Niko Block – McGill student and member of McGill Daily

10) CKUT Steering Committee Representative - rotating member of the Steering Committee this individual sits on the committee for a period of 3 months.

11) McGill Administrative/Support Staff Representative – Danielle Hay - just recently joined our board.