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Holiday and Davis these are some of the milestones along the dynamic continuum of African American classical music, otherwise known as jazz. Join me Myles Willis as we touch upon these and other stops along the way. We'll also keep up with new markers being set by the new standard bearers of jazzy straight ahead, tradition. Dr. Joshua Redman and James Carter. Students who milestones every Saturday evening from six to 9pm and let the music take you away on KPFT 90.1 FM.



Jimmy Carper 02:08

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Hello, Houston, and welcome to the December 12 edition of after hours bringing you three hours of courier life. Right here on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station, I'm Jimmy Carper. And with me tonight is Sarah

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Sarah DePalma 03:50

De Palma along with mad woman carpet and if you could have seen her I'm telling you ladies and gentlemen she's looking for the opening card for the show. And for is still flying in the studio.



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Yeah, well things kind of got a little live. Yeah, you know, yeah, I'd love it.

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Sarah DePalma 04:09

You know if this there's something about live radio, if it doesn't get your adrenaline flowing, then you're clinically dead. I know. You know, the pressure. Suspense that oh my god, we're never needed. Oh, well. Hey, you know, it's



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pretty much that it

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Sarah DePalma 04:25

comes with the territory. Well, I have to say this is my out of all the shows that we do every year. Jimmy, this one's my favorite. How come? Well, for one thing, I'm one of those people. I really like the queer Christmas music. Oh, thank you. I really do. I've been out looking for Christmas cards for Laurie. And I wasn't aware of this but did you know that Christmas is only for heterosexual?



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Oh yes, I do. You know if you want cards with big heart Ensenada Well there's that's that's it.

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Sarah DePalma 05:02

There's from husband to wife from wife to husband. Five from daddy to kids, kids, Daddy, you get the general idea. Yeah, I challenge you. You want to have fun. Go into WalMart, Walgreens and say to them, I'm looking for the gay Christmas cards. Do you have any?



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Actually there is a little section in the Montrose Walgreens. Oh,



Sarah DePalma 05:22

that's the I live in the suburbs. And they think all the gay people live in much surprise. I mean, it has been a fun experience. I went to Lobo and I went to crossroads. Crossroads had a bad selection of cards and Lobo had even worse really, here's my here's my suggestion. If you're out there from Crossroads or Lobo, this is a hint. Next year. Please, please, please bring in a nice selection of Christmas cards. I'd much rather spend my money with you than it was Walgreens. I mean, just exactly. You know, just thought I'd mentioned it. I'm standing here across rows and looking at all these things. None of them said anything like, you know, to the love of my life or to my lover, or to the one I love and I was like no, what are you? Even personal Christmas cards?



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Were all very specific. The heck with that said it doesn't mean us. No,



Sarah DePalma 06:14

it does. You're right. No, it's not right. So anyway, I just thought I'd pass that along. Because I wasn't aware that the Christmas was only for heterosexual. And I have to say Happy Hanukkah, happy Kwanzaa. That's right. What am I missing here? Oh, of course. Merry Christmas. And it must be the other holiday missing somewhere and



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then a silly Solstice. No, no, no, no. I have pagans who listen and and celebrate the solstice.



Sarah DePalma 06:39

I really enjoyed this time of the year. I like the lights. I like the atmosphere, the lights, I don't like traffic run Memorial City Mall. We were at Memorial City Mall today. It took all but an hour to get from. You know, so this is what Christmas is about. I think it was invented by retailers. This is the time of year I avoid malls like the plague. But unfortunately, if you're looking for specific Christmas presents, there's really nowhere else to go. So I know. So I felt kind of funny about that. Anyway, let me tell you about the show that we've got tonight, please. Since we are coming up on Christmas, I thought we would sort of take it easy, we would enjoy the music. And just sort of have a laid back kind of show. Typically when I'm here we have interviews or we have guests in studio. And sometimes the program is kind of intense. But tonight we're going to take it easy. We're going to do a holiday show. And I promised myself that in this show. I was going to try and stick to doing some good news. It's the end of the year. Well, that would be



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nice. It's refreshing.



Sarah DePalma 07:40

Yes. Refreshing. And actually, there's a lot of good news to talk about. So if you're used to Mike coming on the air and hearing me complain about this group or that group or not the show, not the show on contrary, you're gonna hear me say a lot of nice things a lot a lot about a lot of people in a lot of organizations, so are Yes. I'm even gonna say nice things about Clarence Bagby. Oh, come on. Clarence is a nice guy. Clarence is a nice guy. I like Clarence. And I'm gonna even say things nice things about the Lesbian Gay rights lobby. And believe it or not, I have positive things to say about the Human Rights Campaign. Whoa, that's more than I can say. Yeah. Now, if you're a regular listen to the show, you'd have spent the last four years listening to me rip the HRC a new one, as they say, Not tonight. I've got nice things to say about them. So I thought I would mention that. And also, I received an email from somebody who said, you're always talking about the resources on the internet. But you never tell us how to find them. Exactly. Which resources are you talking about? And I thought, boy, good boy. Yeah, I thought I'm glad somebody pointed this out to me, because I missed it. So tonight, we're going to go through some of the web pages, and I'll give the addresses out. And we're going to talk about what resources are on the web, which are good resources, which are resources that you probably ought to just trash set and which resources perhaps you should avoid. Katrina Rose was kind enough to contact AOL, or I guess one specific person, she'll tell us later in the show. Okay. And we'll be talking about AOL because apparently they have some very transgender specific forms that are they're very well done. And overall, this is going to be a very easygoing show tonight, we're going to take it easy. We want you to kick back once you listen to the nice guy quit music and just stick with this have fun tonight. You know, I the holidays. I'm one of those people. I'm a non believer, and by that I mean I am not Christian, but I'm not exactly agnostic. I'm just kind of know we're on it. I mean, it's and but I enjoy the Christmas, the lights. I think these the idea behind Christmas is nice. If we don't do it the other 364 days a year and And, you know, so we're just going to try and get into that kind of spirit will be a little bit mellow and kick back. Okay. Okay, and Jimmy is over here digging through the quick Christmas music as we speak. You keep saying Christmas Christmas Christmas. Oh, that's right. It could be Kwanzaa. It could be Hanukkah. No, not only that, but I've already had a request for music that is non



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Christmas. That's



Sarah DePalma 10:20

right. I forget we do non Christmas music.



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Yes, yes.

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Sarah DePalma 10:26

Okay, what do you guys? What do you got out there?

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My friend JD, who is a musical genius. As far as gay music is concerned. He's always saying, Hey, do you have this one buy such and such. And it's always an artist I've never heard of. And I read you know, I read all of the gay press. It's

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Sarah DePalma 10:45

right. You're on the you're on the on the net. And he

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never fails to come up with some group. I've never heard of figures. So he is the real expert here in Houston. And he has he made a request of a song that's not even new. It's very, very old. As a matter of fact,

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Sarah DePalma 11:05

we can do genotropin No, no.

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It's back from 1981. Okay, openly gay artists. David

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Sarah DePalma 11:15

Sarita. Oh, okay. No data Sarita I'm familiar with Yes.

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Because I have a CD by Yes. Right. Now I have this album. He does a song that I like a lot. Yes, yes. Yes. Yes. Yes. And look how young he was then. We

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Sarah DePalma 11:30

all were young ones. I swear my youth kind of lesson. But I was young ones. Yes. Yes. God. Yes.

He looks a little bit like Bob Dylan.



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A little bit. Yeah. So this is for JD and I hope I don't mess it up here. Hit the right button and everything else



Sarah DePalma 11:51

if you suddenly hear a station break you'll know we hit the wrong button.



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This is for for JD it's called mark by David Sarita and you're listening to it on after hours career radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station. We are the queer sound of Texas.



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You're right there's no sound no sound. But it doesn't mean this time. Okay, let's try that one more time. talker.



Sarah DePalma 12:55

We did say this was live radio. And as we predicted, nothing's happened. Oh, you know, hey, listen, this live what can we say? We're playing something on vinyl. You do remember vinyl right? Do?



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Do I Do I have? I still have a lot of it. So we're gonna




Sarah DePalma 13:13


take another crack at this now. If we, if we hear no sound again. We'll give it up. Okay. See, you





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know, here. Here's, you know, this guy calls in who's like this expert on music and here I go to play a song for him and just screwed up. Right. Okay,


 Sarah DePalma 13:28
we'll get another shot. Okay,


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okay. JD Here we go. One more time mark by David Sarita.


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Yeah, I think that deserves applause.


 Sarah DePalma 13:44
That's very nice stuff. He's got a really a very nice voice and good presentation. I enjoy his music long. Although you can tell that's his early stuff. Yeah,

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we were talking about Yeah. I kind of think of that as his teenage angst

 Sarah DePalma 13:57
period. Yeah. He's trying a little too hard. Maybe. No, I

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don't know. You know, it's everything is is the the end of the world when you're a teenager.

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Yeah, and it's funny because I was gonna start out tonight talking about Christmas and going home and, and I was particularly want to talk to some teenagers because I got some email from several transgender teenagers that I want to talk about too. So in fact, I guess now's a good time to talk about first of all, before we get started, I want to say hello to Paul. And Paul is in the Luthor unit at Navasota, Texas. Hey, Paul. And Paul, thank you very much for the very very nice letter.

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A letter Hey, you got a Christmas present Christmas present. We got the card.

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Sarah DePalma 14:41

That's it. When I tell you as you can tell Jimmy did give me the letter in the article. Thank you very much. It's that's one of the nice things about what we do Jimmy is that you know, we go through prison walls. People get to hear us and and sometimes we can make a difference and that's kind of nice. I Got a couple of emails last couple of days that I want to talk about. One of the things about being as open in this public as I am, is that a lot of people either hear about me through the radio show or perhaps through the through apps through the, the internet, or from political sources or whatever. And there's



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many avenues people could hear about you, Sarah. Not

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Sarah DePalma 15:24

all of them complimentary. That's true. But it is true that I'm pretty far out there at this stage of my life. And actually, I enjoy that. But one of the byproducts of that is in some ways, I guess I've become a role model. Not as good at role model as Jimmy apparently, but at role.



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Why thank you.

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Sarah DePalma 15:45

And there were several questions that I received from teenagers, I have Christmas is coming. And they're dreading it, and they're sure they're going to get the usual boy gifts, and what they really would like as a new dress.



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And you know, the same thing for gay teams, you know, it may be just the other way around. There's a lot of little boys that wish they could get dolls and the little girls that sure would love to have that baseball myth.



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Yeah. Yeah. It's funny, Laurie was telling me that her parents never thought in those terms. And it didn't matter what the kids wanted. If the girls wanted dump trucks, they gotta really Yeah, it was just a non issue. Wow, in you know, she



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must have been really, really nice. Her parents,

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Sarah DePalma 16:30

I gotta say her parents were pretty swift. And in one on one, one of them is a doctor. One of them is a Luke, Colonel in the army. And it's, her family was always like that. But that isn't universally true. No, it is not. And so I thought this is probably a good time to talk about the holidays, and how to cope with them, particularly if you're transgendered. I also received a couple of letters from folks who were planning to go home and come out to their parents. Well, in my advice to them is if you had not already sent pictures, and if you have not done the groundwork, don't and don't do it. No, not even,



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you know, that's, I don't, I know, a lot of people have done this. But even coming out as gay or lesbian, I don't think is really, to Swift and idea. At the holidays, the whole whole idea is if you're off to college, or you're, you're off on your own, you can just stop in, drop the bomb and leave. However, that's gonna really cloud everybody's holidays, and not not saying that it's a bad thing to tell them that and that is a bad thing to be, but in their minds, right, then that's, that's kind of tough.

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Sarah DePalma 17:45

Well, Christmas is kind of an emotional time. And yes, and everybody's nerves are on edge here. My concern for at least for one of the people in particular, was they were going to be staying at the parents house for a week. So they planned to get this over with early. And my question to them was, won't you be trapped there? Yeah. What if it just goes horribly? What if you're, you know, I mean, what if things just true, truly go haywire? Then what? You're trapped there for another four days? That doesn't seem like a smart way to go about it? No. So I wanted to talk about that. And first of all, let me start by talking to this, the couple of teenagers that contacted me. Listen, I remember that feeling very well. And I've said on the year before, that my mother had to put a padlock on her closet to keep me out of her clothes. So my mother had to know what was going on.



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My mother had to put a padlock on her jewelry, to keep me I believe

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Sarah DePalma 18:47

it and so consequently, it was my parents sort of overcompensated, you know, they knew that what I wanted was addressed and made sure I got a chemistry set, or rifle or some, you know, some ridiculously male thing. And it i It may be there if your parents already if they have some

inkling of what's going on. Maybe they'll do that. Maybe they'll just ignore it. I would say this to you. However, if you are still living at home, and you are dependent upon your parents, for your income, and your groceries, I think I'd wait. I do I think I would wait. And I know how hard it is at Christmas time when you're getting, you know, these these presents that you feel is not doesn't match the gender. But if I were you, I think I would be gracious and smile, no matter how hard that is. And I think I will just ride this out until the time comes that you are not dependent upon your parents, and then do as you please, because



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then you you're coming from a position of your own power and your own own ground



Sarah DePalma 19:58

turf. Yeah, it's good. Only go better if you can at least have some control over the terms and the time in which he's going and he's going to occur if you have to do it on their turf, and they are the people with the control. It is not a not one of the best ideas in the world to aggravate that situation, especially if you are attained. And especially at Christmas when when things are very emotional anyway. And you know, there's lots of families who dysfunctional So Christmas is not the I wouldn't make up this idea of the Norman Rockwell Christmas, it was probably true for three or four families out there. But not for very many. Now.



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We all have the Chris the holiday jitters? Yeah, I think so. Everybody's nerves around it in



Sarah DePalma 20:38

I really debated a lot about the answer to this, because I very clearly remember getting presents that I didn't want in presents that I thought didn't match my gender in any way, shape, or form. And as hard as it was, I tried to remember that my parents meant well, and they did. And they did mean well. And they thought they were



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doing the best.



Sarah DePalma 21:02

Yes. And as hard as it is. grin and bear it. You know, I realized that's really crummy advice. And I can almost hear you out there now saying, Oh, that's easy for her to say. She's made her transition. She's gotten what she's wanted. Yeah, yeah, yeah. But I didn't start my transition till I was 35. There you



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go. And so it's, we're coming from a place of experience. We've been there we know it. Yeah. And but we know what for us, we don't know what for you. Right. And the reason that we say, please don't do that right now is because we have we have enough kids on the streets here. And it's, it's still not uncommon for parents to kick their kids out. Because they have found out that their kids are gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual, even



Sarah DePalma 21:51

Yes, in shelters are full of these people. Yes. So that's



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not it's not a fun place to spend the holiday No.



Sarah DePalma 21:59

So for the teenagers out there, I would say is my heart is it is trying to be cool about this. Now for the other phone, the other couple of folks who contacted me and said they were going home for the holidays, and they plan to break it with the parents, let's walk through this a minute. Let's first of all, I sincerely hope that you have been sending pictures home, and that you do not plan to show up at the door and say, surprise, Oh, please don't do that. Please don't do that. That's not fair to your parents, it is not the correct way to go about it, it isn't smart for you, in the short term, or in the long term, don't do that. Hopefully, what you have been doing is that you have been sending home notes and letters, with occasional pictures. And that this has been an ongoing process for a period of time, I would say a minimum of a year. And you have given your family an opportunity to cope with this at least on the psychological level. Now my experience is coping with you on a psychological level and seeing you in person for the first time are two very, very different issues.



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Sure is,



Sarah DePalma 23:11

you know, you have to understand your parents have a certain image of you and a certain memory about you. And they they see you as this child that they knew that graduated from grade school and graduated from high school, and that they packed off to college. Now you're telling them well, you know, you know you used to have a son, but now you have a daughter? Or yeah, I used to be a daughter, but now I'm coming home is your son. Take it easy on him.

Take it easy on am I telling you not to come out? Of course not. Coming out to your parents is one of the most important things that anybody can conceivably do. At the same time, don't drop the nuclear weapon on them. Okay. Yeah. Katrina, you want to jump in here? Yeah,

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Katrina Rose 23:56

I'm having, you know, come out to my mom this year. This, this will be the first big holiday season where, where she knows. One thing I've noticed, since I've come out to her and it might be a little piece of advice to pass along to someone who is going home even under good circumstances where you they have followed what you've said no and let them know and things are going as good as they probably can what you just brought up they have memories of you. Even under the best of circumstances, there's probably going to be some slip up edge where some where they refer to you as the old gender. Absolutely. And although I'm, I'm someone who I, I do jump on people out away from say my old friends, family, etc. When they do that, because a lot of people who do that I think are being jerks, but cut particularly if if your parents are trying or doing doing a good job dealing with it. You know, me, I was 33 When I told my mom, she has 33 years of memories of me being the old person. Yeah, I was gonna tell my parents and although she's my mom's doing real good about, about getting things, right. But she's gonna slip up, you know?

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Well, no, like, like Sarah says, if you tell your parents, if you're gay or lesbian, it's one thing they still have their son or daughter, it's right. But when you tell them that your, that your child has, their child is transgender, that's like, killing off the old it's

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Sarah DePalma 25:38

like the old child died in a new one has taken their place. And it's a new person they don't know. And that's, that's just too scary. So, so cut, you're in Katrina, you're right, because my parents still, my mother still does that. After all these years. I mean, she will Kate and she's not being an idiot about it. It's just, it's all habit. And she will occasionally slip up and call me by my old name. And you're right. It's important not to fly off the handle, and just be a butthole about it, because you got to cut them some slack here. This is not an easy process for them either. Yeah,

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Katrina Rose 26:10

cuz I mean, one of the one of the nicest things that happened me is when my mom sent me a card for some holiday, I forget what it was. It was before my birthday was for some occasion, sometime back at the spring of the summer, she sent me a card and addressed it to Katrina. That was nice. Occasionally, Hazel, she's she's sent me one address to the old name, but she at this point in her life, and she can, I can let her mix and match a little bit. Just because it doesn't affect things too much. I'm real careful. Tell her if we are in a situation where I really need her

to get it right. I just whispered to your mom. I really need you to get it right this time and and she understands that and but if we're just around her house, with with my sister's kids around, it's not that big a deal. It

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Sarah DePalma 27:09

is hard at the same at the same time, I understand how important it is for the person that's going home. I told my father five years ago and it was only this year that he started addressing letters in my female name that it took him five years to get to that he would just put DePalma exact no first name so it's I think it's unrealistic for for somebody to go home and expect for your ex for their parents or their relatives to instantly just adapt. It just isn't reality.

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That's right and it was not reality for you either. How long did it take you to come to grips with your own transgenderism? gayness lesbianism? Oh, I

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Sarah DePalma 27:50

started out I started cross dressing when I was 14. Jimmy and I finally came to terms with it at age 40. Okay.

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So cut them some slack. Yeah,

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Sarah DePalma 28:01

exactly. Right. Now, let's take the other side of the coin here. I have a very good friend who went home. And the parents were fine about it. Her brother had converted to be a fundamentalist Christian oops. And and the brother decided that not only was he not going to go along with the program, but he was going to make a special point of calling her by her male name. Oh, boy, you do not have to take that. I'm sorry. Yeah. I mean, you don't want to declare a world war three over it. But you are within your rights to stand up and say my name is this. Learn to say it?

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Katrina Rose 28:37

Yes, yes. Because in reality, that's no different than say if you you've you've gotten married, and now have a different last name. And the person is for some reason, deliberately ignoring your spouse and and continuing to call you by the old last name

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or if for some reason, I went and changed my name from Jimmy to Billy.



Sarah DePalma 28:58

Yeah. Now,



Katrina Rose 29:01

let's say it would still be Carter, right?



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That wasn't even planned.



Katrina Rose 29:12

Let's see, see how many how much caffeine I've had. I'm sharp right now.



Sarah DePalma 29:18

Let's suppose you go home and things really go wrong. Yeah. You know, my advice to you is this. If you're going home for the first time, i suggest you also make a reservation at a hotel you bet so that you are not trapped. If things really go wrong. You have somewhere to go and you are not trapped in that house for three, four or five days. And don't forget to rent car. Yeah. In other words, if you're going to go home and you're going to tell them for the first time, I don't care whether you get home and tell them that you're gay or lesbian or transgender. My advice to you would be give yourself an out Don't allow yourself to be trapped in a potentially horrible situation or a potentially



Katrina Rose 29:57

dangerous one. You may in fact have have miscalculated it very badly.



Sarah DePalma 30:04

No, you never can tell you don't allow yourself to relatives are



Katrina Rose 30:07

in Mississippi, beware. Think twice. Yeah, yeah.

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Sarah DePalma 30:10

Now the reason I bring this up I get again, because I've received some emails about this. And one of them has one of the letters said, Well, I've sent them three or four notes. And now I'm going home. Three or four notes. What does that mean? Yeah, three or four notes. And what does that

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Katrina Rose 30:28

yeah, that's yeah, thank you. Yeah, that's, that's what I was about that. Yeah. What have you gotten back? Have you gotten bombs? In return? I wrote

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Sarah DePalma 30:34

back to this person and said, you know, if you haven't been sending pictures, and this hasn't been going on going for at least a year, my advice is don't do it. That's right. I don't think it's fair to them. And it isn't fair to the person that's going home. It's almost guarantee they're walking into a tornado, why set yourself up.

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Katrina Rose 30:52

And also even though me I am about the most anti Walton ish, you know, holiday get together type thing you'll you'll ever want to, you don't want to make. It's the whole the whole Hallmark, Norman Rockwell thing. It's fake. It's a lie. It never happened. But thing is, if you no matter what type of family you are, odds are there are other people there. And if you walk in with a bomb like this, there's going to be some feelings from the other people saying, you know, you're hogging the whole thing.



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And that's a good reason to send pictures lot. Yeah.

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Katrina Rose 31:30

And now granted, you the relatives, may all the relatives



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can see and have the time to think and look and get the whole idea of what's going on here.

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Sarah DePalma 31:40

Let me tell you about a dilemma that I've got going on in my own life. My father, for reasons, they're still not very clear to me, has chosen not to tell his wife that that I am transgendered. Now how he's exactly has kept all of this quiet. I'm not sure. Obviously, he's not married to my mother, my mother, my father separated years ago. Okay, so now it's coming for Christmas. His wife is a very wonderful lady. My father has been in ill health this past year, he had two heart attacks. And she has really taken very, very fine care of him. And why doesn't he want to tell her? I don't know. Now, I want to send her a Christmas card. And let her know how much I appreciate what she has done. And let her know that I really have very, very warm feelings and high regard for her. How do you do it? I don't know. I gotta be honest, Laurie and I have been making that exact discussion today. In fact, I went out to buy cars. And I thought now how do I sign this? And s De Palma? Not on your life? es en de pomme that that's the problem. I say, I'm not willing to the that old name died years ago. Okay. So there's got to be a compromise. So there's got to do here, but I don't know what the compromise is. And Laurie suggested, you know, just sign it and say, Well, you know, your, your friend in Texas, and I thought, well, but I'm sending home this card saying these nice things. In the end, I mean, not sending anything at all. That's



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not right, though. Because you not to, you want to let this woman know how you feel. And that you appreciate

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Sarah DePalma 33:17

not only my dad's in very poor health, I mean, God forbid, let's say something happens, and he passes away. Well, then she's gonna find out and now I'm going home and doing exactly what I just told these people not to do. Yeah. And that's not fair to her. No, it is not I so I don't know what the answer is here. So I think you know, to people, you ought to say, Well, gee, she's really good at giving advice. Does she have problems in her own life? Do



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we all Oh,

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Sarah DePalma 33:46

whoever invented Christmas, I swear it was invented with the idea. Let's see if we can really hang you out with your relatives, boys and girls. Let's see how many problems that we can cause for dysfunctional families.

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Katrina Rose 33:59

Oh, and just just to let everybody know, out there that you know, that what you just described, you know, isn't really something that's just transgender oriented. A good friend of mine had a similar situation with, I believe it was her grandmother. She had told her grandmother that she

that she's that she's lesbian, and her grandmother accepted it, as between them as between them. But her grandmother had, had had a friend, they lived in the same neighborhood, who this friend of mine knew had a gay grandson. But this, my friend's grandmother asked her not to say anything to anybody in that area, about her being gay, even. Yeah, it's like, okay, everyone can accept this other person's grandson, but she this woman still didn't want anybody to know that she had a gay relative.



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It's okay for them, but not for my



Sarah DePalma 34:59

For me, right? Yeah, yeah. Yeah. God just gave me that look, and I agree with him. This is like an impossible situation. Sure is, you know, it is kind of it is different for transgenders going home. And I think they need to remember that. If, if a person goes home and says, Look, I'm gay, they still have their son, person go home and says, I used to be your son, and now your daughter that son died. Yeah, that's it. That's, that's a different problem. So I really encourage you to be to be patient, and to give your give your folks break in at the same time, be careful, don't let yourself be trapped. You deserve better than that as well. What are you doing? Jimmy?



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I'm just putting some more music underneath.



Sarah DePalma 35:51

I suppose he says, God, God, that's good. What is that? Okay, well, something



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that Katrina could tell us about?




Katrina Rose 35:58

Yeah, this is for those of you caught my Arctic article in the triangle this week. This is one of the artists who I mentioned in there. Now, of course, if you've heard Dana international stuff on the show, you'll know that this isn't her. This is an artist, I believe she is based out of Philadelphia, but I understand her bio information correctly. She records under the name 187.



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And that's one point 8.7. Yeah.

 Katrina Rose 36:30

Her name originally was Joe le sensei. And this, this was the name that she used when recording this album, which was called, which were when worlds collide, worlds collide. Yeah. However, between the recording of this album and her second album, which is called quality roles, she transitioned from male to female. Yeah. And she's fairly open about it. You can find a little bit of bio information about her on her record company's webpage, which is www dot liquid sky music.com.

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Liquid sky music. Yes. I got to meet those folks.

 Sarah DePalma 37:11

Yeah. And I remember liquid sky thing. I smoked a few. That's no,

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that was my all time favorite sci fi movie.

 Katrina Rose 37:18

Yeah. In fact, this may I do listen to the show that precedes ours. This is the type of music you'd probably hear on that show. And they may have played this person from that. I've seen it listed in various categories in record stores, sometimes acid jazz, sometimes electronics, sometimes hip hop. But bottom line is it's in one of those categories. She has to get two albums out. And on the second one, the post transition. She's She's She acknowledges the transition. And gives gives thanks to all the people including her record company who backed her on it. Well, which

 Sarah DePalma 37:59

reminds me I got your information that you sent me about Wendy Carlos. Yes. I tried to get Wendy Carlos for the show. Yes, she does not acknowledge she's an extra. She's

 Katrina Rose 38:09

an ex transsexual.

 Sarah DePalma 38:10

— She's a former transsexual apparently. I actually I corresponded with her agent. And her agent stated flatly that she would not do the show if discussion was going to be about her having been a transsexual, period. Period. And I thought, no, here's a woman who could be such a role model. She wants no, that's



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hard, right? That's right. And it's not like nobody knows. Hello. You go into the nose go into sound waves. And that says, When Walter or when the or Carlos



Katrina Rose 38:44

Yeah, because that half of her half of her music catalog is still only available under the name Walter column, right? Yeah. Although that's about to change. Once again, something else I mentioned in the article is she's finally gotten a new record deal where they're going to start releasing all



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this stuff. For so she's gonna erase her past. Well,



Sarah DePalma 39:03

probably. Yeah.



Katrina Rose 39:05

I mean,



Sarah DePalma 39:06

sounds like Yeah, yeah. Or try. Yeah, it sounds like it's Don't worry, we'll be here to remind folks. Yeah, it's really a shame because I talked to the agent. And the agent just essentially said, Look, if it's gonna have anything to do with your transition, we're not sure you're not going to do it. She doesn't want to acknowledge it. doesn't want to admit to it. And the thought it's not. The world knows you did it and



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like it has stopped or hurt her career. Let's face it.

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Sarah DePalma 39:31

No one cares. You know, that's right. I mean, truly



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Kansa talented. performer and composer. Yeah.



Sarah DePalma 39:39

Well, you know, I mean, it's her life she can do what she wants. That's true, but it may it just sort of made me nuts to be honest. Yeah.



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Cuz you know, when when you've gone through something that's that's tough to go through, and you can make it a little bit easier for someone else. Why not do it?



Sarah DePalma 39:56

On the flip side of that, I want to talk a little bit about a show that we're going to be Doing in February, because it's going to be a very special program. As we've talked about on the show, and before New Orleans passed a very, very transgender inclusive rights protective ordinance. In a good friend of mine in New Orleans, Nancy sharp said, you know, instead of doing the show just with me, because I was going to interview her and talk about it, she said, why don't you do this show? In interview several of the people who were into who were involved with this criminal, straight community, the gay community, the transgender community, and let's talk about how you get an ordinance passed in a city. Yeah. And I thought, Damn, why didn't I think of that? And so I wrote, I wrote Nancy back and said, If you will arrange, if you will make the arrangements for me to do this, we'll do it. One of the people that I started that I already interviewed, I don't remember Larry binaries. Yes, do I.



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I met him in the late 60s, right. Larry



Sarah DePalma 41:03

binaries, was very instrumental in getting this done. And he's one of the interviews. And so instead of having a show where we're going to have one interview of 20 minutes, we're going to have five or six different interviews of five or six minutes each, ah, all of with individuals who are responsible for passing this bill, which abroad transgenders under the civil rights protection in the city of New Orleans, it'd be a very, it'd be a very different kind of show. It's taking a little time.



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So I, you know, I just can't imagine this in Louisiana.



Sarah DePalma 41:38

Well, but you know, New York, but you know, New Orleans is no more Louisiana than New York City is the state of New York. Well, yeah.



Katrina Rose 41:45

The rest of Louisiana really doesn't like to acknowledge New Orleans existence, except when it comes to raking in all that tourists. Still,



Sarah DePalma 41:52

having said that, they have very strong Catholic church there. And how they got the Catholic Church to take a walk on this one of the more interesting stories. Yeah, I'll bet it it really is. And so I realized this is kind of a large, long advance notice here. But typically, Jimmy goes to Hawaii in January and gets sunburned.



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Jimmy is leaving on January 5, and he will be returning on January the 15th.



Sarah DePalma 42:17

Right, so Beth and I will probably be doing that show, which is fine. And then in February, we're going to be doing this which will be a very unique show. For us. This will be another first of doing a program with this type. So not everybody runs and hides into their closet. Right? Some people decide to stay in, in in and make a stand. In fact, you want to do a piece of music now.



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I know let's talk for another couple of minutes. But they don't know I'm enjoying this, this music that's playing in the background. Now



Sarah DePalma 42:48

we'd like to talk about the transgender Lobby Day coming up. Okay, go ahead. As if you've been a longtime listener to the show, then you know, I am the director of an organization called the Texas gender advocacy Information Network Take T day gain That's right Well T gain is

the Texas gender advocacy information network. Take a gay gain. That's right. Well, I gain is the direct descendant of it's time, Texas, right, which was a transgender political organization. On January the 27th. We are going to stage for the first