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**MUMIA FREEDOM TOUR! Innocent and Framed**!

**Monday, April 21, 7-9:30 pm**

**San Jose Peace & Justice Center, 48 S.7th Street**

**71st Birthday Fundraiser for Mumia**!

Mumia Abu-Jamal was targeted by the FBI and Philadelphia police as a teenaged Black Panther Party member, renown radio journalist and advocate for the MOVE organization. For over 43 years he has been held captive in Pennsylvania prisons. On December 9, 1981, Mumia was shot by police; critically wounded and then beaten. Mumia was quickly framed for the killing of a police officer and sentenced to death on July 3, 1982. Mumia’s only “crime” was that he survived. Mumia was on death row—solitary confinement—for 30 years; and is now in his15th year on “slow death row”—life imprisonment without parole.

Evidence of Mumia’s innocence and the frame-up was filed in PA state and the federal courts two decades ago– but judges dismissed this evidence without conducting a review or holding an evidentiary hearing. So called “progressive DA” Larry Krasner has given the courts sworn statements opposing re-opening Mumia’s false conviction.

A reinvigorated campaign is needed to fight for Mumia’s freedom and win his unconditional release from prison. Education and action is needed, building on the facts of Mumia’s innocence and the frame-up.

Jamal Ibn Mumia, the oldest son of Mumia, is spearheading this campaign. Jamal will be speaking about the impact his father's beliefs and actions as a Black Panther, a legendary reporter, a prolific author and imprisoned freedom fighter had on his children and grandchildren. Jamal will also discuss the goals of the Mumia Freedom Tour and the Freedom from Frame-up Foundation, which was set up to organize and raise funds for this public campaign and for a new investigation.

Also speaking will be Rachel Wolkenstein, legal advocate for Mumia since 1987, co-counsel from 1995-1999, who oversaw the investigation uncovering concrete evidence of Mumia’s innocence and the frame-up.

Donations requested, but no one turned away for lack of funds.

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