

The background of the cover is a scenic photograph of a snow-capped mountain range. The foreground is filled with dark evergreen trees, and a forest of smaller trees is visible at the base of the mountains. The sky is a mix of blue and white, suggesting a clear day. Overlaid on the image are several diagonal, semi-transparent bands of color in shades of blue, green, and yellow, creating a layered effect.

Aspen PUBLICRADIO

2021
ANNUAL REPORT

From Our Executive Director



Breeze Richardson

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO

Aspen Public Radio Executive Director, Breeze Richardson, started in June 2021.

Photo by veteran Aspen Skiing Company ski instructor, Ann Doody, during Breeze's first day on Buttermilk Mountain.



Dear fellow listeners,

When my family and I arrived in the valley this past June, we were immediately taken with the monumental beauty of the landscape, as well as **the amazing sense of community here.**

I've been overjoyed to hear local recommendations for the best restaurants, hiking trails, community events, and ski gear as my family settles into daily life in what has to be one of the most captivating places in the world. I've been happy to receive insightful feedback and input on our programming, hearing all the varied ways residents and visitors alike weave our daily broadcast into their lives during their commute past the roundabout, while filing paperwork, before getting on the gondola, or after an inspiring visit to the Bells. And, I've loved learning about **the collective history of hard working, can-do, fiercely independent locals--embodied perhaps most perfectly in our station's late, great founder, Sy Coleman.** As we celebrate our fortieth year, I feel strongly that knowing and understanding these daily habits and histories is crucial to leading this organization forward to best serve this valley for the next forty years.

Over the past year, Aspen Public Radio is proud to have provided time-sensitive information in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic and road closures in Glenwood Canyon, alongside in-depth reporting on mental health, climate change, and the impacts of it all to our resort economy.

In August, we hired seasoned journalist Brent Gardner-Smith--a resident of the valley since 1982--to lead our news team. And, we unveiled our "local newscast," available every weekday on-air and online, on-demand, to share topical issues of local importance. Brent has also started convening monthly on the air with Samuel Bernal of Radio LaTricolor, a local Spanish-language radio station, to discuss various issues disproportionately affecting our valley's Latinx community, while our news team increases access to Aspen Public Radio News among LaTricolor's listeners by expanding the number of stories we produce in Spanish for broadcast on 107.1 FM. All of these efforts have helped inform and enrich the lives of everyone who lives, works, and plays in our valley.

We bid farewell this year to four highly-respected Board of Directors members due to term limits, including Katy Frisch, an incredible proponent of education as part of the Aspen School District Board; Dr. Ann Mass, whose local practice has been vital during the pandemic;

Aspen Public Radio is my lifeline.

— Peggy and Tripp, Basalt

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Penney Evans-Carruth, who has graciously liaised with our generous National Council members in addition to her full-time work navigating the valley's busy real estate market; and Kitty Boone, a talented public speaker, innovator, and community mover-and-shaker with the Aspen Institute as Executive Director of the Ideas Festival. I couldn't be more grateful to each of these brilliant women for their support.

Over the course of the summer, we slowly moved back into hosting in-person events, with our meet-and-greet at the Red Brick Center for the Arts (featuring Palisade peaches!) and tabling at the Aspen Saturday Market (where I met so many enthusiastic listeners and happy dogs, and even took home some Hatch chiles and a Louis Swiss baked good...or two). This Fall we also opened an online store full of Aspen Public Radio items, some retro-inspired, to share with our listeners.

As we look ahead in 2022, our goal is to continue to build a **remarkable team of local journalists and public radio professionals to serve this community for another forty years**. And it's your commitment to Aspen Public Radio that makes it all possible. We feel so fortunate to be a part of what makes Aspen, *Aspen*, and to be a source of quality, independent news here in the valley.

Year after year, you help ensure the quality of our trusted broadcast journalism, preserving the important conduit our station is to connecting listeners to pressing national and international news, and growing the station's focus on local journalism and new initiatives, including our goals to deepen environmental coverage; expand our Spanish-language content collaborations; and reimagine how we can play a significant role in keeping you connected to the most pressing lectures, talks, and discussions taking place throughout our community.

Thank you for your support and advocacy, and for the positive impact you've had on Aspen Public Radio just by tuning in. **I'm so thankful for each and every one of you** and for your role in providing this important free news service for Aspen and the valley. I'm looking forward to what we'll accomplish, *together*, this 2022.

Cheers,

Breeze Richardson

Executive Director, Aspen Public Radio

I listen to APR almost every day, just like I use the running water for my shower and gas for my stove. Why then, would I not contribute monthly to a program that engages our ears and our community through many forms of media? Just like a necessary appliance in our home, APR is a necessary tool in our community.

— Sam, Aspen

Aspen Public Radio Listener

I've been a fan and supporter for 30 years...Aspen Public Radio is one of the many organizations that makes Aspen a great community."

— Maureen, Aspen

Aspen Public Radio Listener

I appreciate Aspen Public Radio because, with two small children, it is a convenient way for me to get high quality news about a range of topics that are meaningful to me including the environment, local stories, and national news.

— Amber, Basalt

Aspen Public Radio Listener

Aspen Public Radio hosted a meet-and-greet for our members with our new Executive Director on the Red Brick Lawn in Aspen. Attendees enjoyed refreshments and Palisade peaches on a perfectly warm and sunny day.
Photo by Amber Sananikone



ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR COMMUNITY FOR MAKING OUR WORK POSSIBLE

*Our namesake aspen trees awash in vibrant golds and oranges in Fall 2021 in the Crystal River Valley.
Photo by Eleanor Bennett / Aspen Public Radio*



*Our hardworking full-time staff (left to right): Halle Zander, Brent Gardner-Smith, Kirstin Dobroth, Eleanor Bennett, Lauri Jackson, Daniel Costello, Lisa DeLosso, and Breeze Richardson. We remain grateful to our part-time staff: classic music host Chris Mohr, bookkeeper Kathy Yang, and our business support team, Dyke and Sara Shaw.
Photo courtesy Aspen Chamber Resort Association*

The Team



Our office "paw-leagues" Trudy, Shasta, Yukon, and Dolly have been an integral part of supporting the Aspen Public Radio team in 2021, both during work-from-home and at the station.

The Dogs

Aspen Public Radio is honored to be a **vital service and source of news and emergency updates** for our community.



*Thanks to Coldwell Banker Mason Morse, we tabled at the Aspen Saturday Market to interact with listeners in-person (and furry friends, too!) and raise funds in support of our essential news service. **Photo by Breeze Richardson / Aspen Public Radio***



*In August 2021, we welcomed a group of inquisitive fifth grade students from Access Afterschool summer camp inside our studios--each of them were able to hear and voice their names on the air, and also learn more about the sound of our station. **Photo by Lisa DeLosso / Aspen Public Radio***



LOOKING BACK ON OUR 40TH YEAR — IN 2021 WE ACHIEVED GREAT THINGS

Donated 50 pairs of Aspen Public Radio socks to the Aspen Jewish Congregation's housing stability basket program

Partnered with CORE to participate in "Stories of Climate Change / Historias del Cambio Climático," a crowdsourced mural project featuring photographs and audio stories about how people here in the valley have been personally affected by climate change

Collaborated with Challenge Aspen to host a free, virtual, community-wide event featuring NPR *All Things Considered* Host, Mary Louise Kelly, in a discussion about her work, life, and adapting to hearing loss as an audio journalist

Worked with local organizations Holy Cross Energy and Basalt Bike & Ski to give away an e-bike as part of our Spring 2021 Membership Drive. We also worked with Eagle Crest Nursery to provide messaging about and give away gift cards to their local nursery

Worked with local concert venue Belly Up Aspen to give away pairs of tickets as part of our Summer 2021 Membership Drive

Collaborated with the Aspen Chamber Resort Association to make Aspen Field Notes, featuring the artwork of local artists, available to our listeners

Hosted fifth grade students with the Access Afterschool summer camp program for children in the Aspen School District

Partnered with Aspen Snowmass and Aspen Skiing Company to give away skis and restaurant gift certificates as part of our Fall 2021 Membership Drive. We also shared local books from CCY Architects, photographer and filmmaker Pete McBride, and ACES with our listeners

Worked with more than one-hundred local businesses, organizations, and nonprofits, including Aspen Valley Land Trust, Theatre Aspen, the Buddy Program, ACES, and more to promote their virtual events and services on the air

Reporting and Local News



The hiring of Brent Gardner-Smith, a highly-respected local journalist with decades of experience in audio and print journalism, to lead our reporting efforts as news director



Shared our multi-part environmentally-focused series, "In The Woods: Trees and Climate Change in the Roaring Fork Valley," focusing on climate change by examining its effects on native trees and forests in our region



Our new Outdoor Report, a weekday roundup of summer activities and highlights in the valley, and our beloved Ski Report, sharing the latest updates from local resorts, backcountry destinations, nordic grooming, snow and avalanche data, and more



Aired our local environmental series, "Digging Deep," on the Rocky Mountain Industrials' quarry in Glenwood Springs



Eleanor Bennett's discussion with local students learning about agriculture at Highwater Farms in Silt



Reporting from the Mountain West News Bureau, as well as our Colorado State Capitol reporter, Scott Franz, and reporter Alex Hager's continued contributions to the river network



A local audio postcard series, "A Collage Of Creative Voices," focusing on youth creativity during the pandemic, as reported by Edlis Neeson Arts & Culture reporter Kirsten Dobroth



Coverage of the Aspen Mayoral and City Council spring 2021 elections, as well as the Glenwood Springs City Council spring 2021 election



Our weekday Local Newscast to give listeners more opportunities to tune in to local news on-the-go



Reporter Halle Zander's coverage of the Pandora's expansion on Aspen Mountain



Fact-based COVID-19 resources on our website to answer questions about testing and vaccine availability

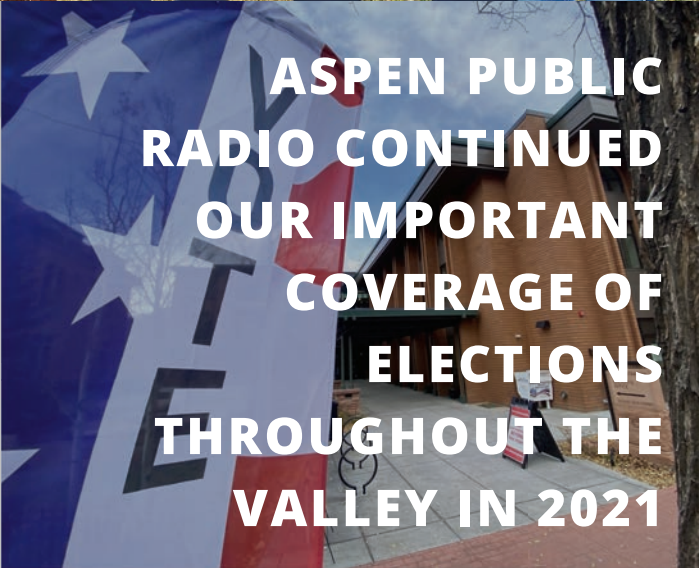


Online Spanish-language translation of stories and collaboration with local Spanish-language radio station, Radio La Tricolor, to serve our valley's Latinx population



Deanne Vitrac-Kessler, left, and Buffalo Child, center, stopped by our station to chat with Aspen Public Radio's Eleanor Bennett about the Aspen Indigenous Foundation and the Shining Mountains Film Festival, featuring films and documentaries celebrating Native American culture and history at the Wheeler Opera House. **Photo by Lisa DeLosso / Aspen Public Radio**

Aspen Public Radio is so happy to have welcomed Halle Zander to our team in 2021. Here she is interviewing individuals in Carbondale. **Photo courtesy Halle Zander**



Aspen Public Radio hired Brent Gardner-Smith, a highly-respected local journalist with decades of experience in audio and print journalism, to lead our reporting efforts as news director. He arrived in the Valley in 1982--his first ski pass photo is seen here. **Photo courtesy Brent Gardner-Smith**



Aspen Public Radio's Eleanor Bennett is a longtime local, sharing, "growing up in the valley listening to KAJX in my parents' car on the way to school, I learned the power and urgency of community storytelling." Her passion for local journalism is evident in her daily reporting as "the voice" of Aspen Public Radio during Morning Edition, weekdays from 6:00 to 9:00 a.m. **Photo courtesy Eleanor Bennett**



Supporting the belief that storytelling can foster cross-cultural understanding and connection within our diverse community, we're proud to have presented "Immigrant Voices 2021," an annual event produced by English in Action which provides the opportunity for local immigrant community members to share a part of their lives with a wider audience. **Photo of Iliana Rentería at this year's Immigrant Voices event, by Klaus Kocher, courtesy English in Action**



Chris Mohr hosted a conversation with soprano Renee Fleming and Houston Grand Opera Director Patrick Summers (pictured with Chris, right). **Photo by Breeze Richardson / Aspen Public Radio**



Samuel Bernal, right, of the valley's local, Spanish language radio station, Radio LaTricolor, talking with news director Brent Gardner-Smith in our studios. They'll be convening monthly to discuss various issues disproportionately affecting our valley's Latinx community on the air. These conversations are in tandem with the current stories we produce in Spanish for broadcast on LaTricolor, as well as on our website, aspenpublicradio.org. **Photo by Lisa DeLosso / Aspen Public Radio**

Programming and Special Events



Broadcasted our mental health series, “High Risk At High Altitude,” to address locals’ concerns about mental health issues that have been exacerbated during the pandemic; we collected local community members’ personal stories for this series



Hosted a National Council virtual event featuring NPR White House Correspondent Tamara Keith, as generously sponsored by Obermeyer Wood Investments



Continued airing *Classical Music From Aspen*, featuring interviews, music, and performances with Chris Mohr and the Aspen Music Festival and School



Hosted a free Members Meet-And-Greet and open house at the station with our new executive director, Breeze Richardson, to introduce her to our community, and vice-versa



Presented a virtual evening in, supporting the power of local journalism and independent film, with a free virtual screening of *Storm Lake: A Newspaper. A Family. A Community.* alongside our friends at Aspen Film



Aired our local environmental series, “Digging Deep,” on the Rocky Mountain Industrials’ quarry in Glenwood Springs



Announced a free virtual summer discussion featuring 1A’s Jenn White and Roaring Fork Show Up founder, Sajari Simmons, to highlight Simmons’ work to grow anti-racism movements in the valley



Served as a media partner for Aspen Words’ Writers in Residence Summer 2021 event series on the Red Brick lawn, and broadcast these discussions with renowned authors as part of our Sunday Specials series



Presented English in Action’s Immigrant Voices event on Thanksgiving Day



Collaborated with Challenge Aspen to host a free, virtual, community-wide event featuring NPR *All Things Considered* Host, Mary Louise Kelly, in a discussion about her work, life, and adapting to hearing loss as an audio journalist

We'd like to thank the **local businesses and organizations** that supported Aspen Public Radio through their generous underwriting in 2021.

ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO | 2021 LOCAL UNDERWRITERS

1st Bank	Aspen Strong	Compass Real Estate - Sam Augustine
A Way Out	Aspen Valley Hospital	Compass Real Estate - Lane Johnson
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Alpine Bank	Aspen Words	Earth-wise Horticultural
Alpine Legal Services	Aspen Youth Center	Engel & Volkers
Anne Grice Interiors	Avalanche Ranch	English in Action
Anne Korologos Gallery	Balcomb & Green, PC	Garfield & Hecht, PC
Aspen Alps	Basalt Chamber of Commerce	Garfield County Public Health
ACES	Basalt Clinic Pharmacy	Green Line Architects
ACRA	Basalt Education Foundation	Habitat For Humanity
Aspen Chapel Gallery	Basalt Regional Library District	Harry Teague Architects
Aspen Community Foundation	Belly Up	High Tone Auto Body
Aspen Community Theatre	Blazing Adventures	Independence Pass Foundation
Aspen Country Day School	Bristlecone Mountain Sports	Independence Run & Hike
Aspen Daily News	Buddy Program	Jennifer M. Smith, ESQ
Aspen Film	Carbondale Arts	Jim Pausa Photography
Aspen Financial & Insurance Services	CCY Architects	JVAM Law
Aspen Fire Protection District	Challenge Aspen	Kahhak Fine Arts & School
Aspen Global Change Institute	Charles Cunniffe Architects	Kalamaya-Goscha
Aspen Institute	City of Aspen	Keith M. Webster Construction
Aspen Music Festival & School	Clark's Market	Lakota Links Golf Club
Aspen Outfitting Company	Classic Pianos Denver	Limelight Hotels
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Aspen Skiing Company	Colorado River District	Michael Fuller Architects
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Aspen Public Radio is a trusted partner and valued news outlet.

— *Eliza, Aspen*
Aspen Historical Society

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Pitkin County Healthy Rivers	Technology Systems Consultants
Pitkin County Human Services	TACAW
Pitkin County Solid Waste Center	The Art Base
Pitkin County Library	Theatre Aspen
Pitkin County Open Space & Trails	Thunder River Theatre Company
Pitkin County Public Health	Town of Basalt
Pitkin County Senior Services	UTE Mountaineer
Premier Medical Center	Vail Health
Red Brick Center For The Arts	Valley View Hospital
Redstone Art Foundation	Voces Unidas de las Montañas
Reese Henry & Company	Western Resource Advocates
Response	Wheeler Opera House
RFTA	Wilderness Workshop
Roaring Fork Conservancy	William H. Baker Construction
Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Assoc.	Woody Creek Distillers
Roaring Fork Oral Surgery	
Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers	
Romp Skis	
Snowmass Christmas Tree Lot	
Snowmass Tourism	

We really value the mechanism that public radio provides to us for getting our information out to as many people as possible.

— *Christina, Basalt*
Roaring Fork Conservancy

We appreciate your reporting on small business loans and the valley's economy.

— *Dave and Ruth, Rifle*
Aspen Public Radio Listeners



New York Pizza's Emily and Tom Van Amburgh show off their Aspen Public Radio retro swag while working a shift. Emily said it's her favorite hat to wear while she's working to keep locals fed and happy. **Photo courtesy Emily and Tom Van Amburgh**

Thank you to our **Board of Directors**, who guide us in our mission to support, nourish, and enrich our community by providing informative, entertaining, and educational radio and digital programming in a reliable and professional manner.

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ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO PROGRAM SCHEDULE

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
5 AM	MORNING EDITION AND ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO NEWS					BBC WORLD SERVICE	
6 AM						WEEKEND EDITION SATURDAY	WEEKEND EDITION SUNDAY
7 AM							
8 AM							
9 AM	1A					WAIT, WAIT... DON'T TELL ME!	HIDDEN BRAIN
10 AM							
11 AM	HERE & NOW				SCIENCE FRIDAY	THIS AMERICAN LIFE	WAIT, WAIT... DON'T TELL ME!
12 PM						RADIOLAB	TED RADIO HOUR
1 PM	FRESH AIR				SCIENCE FRIDAY	IT'S BEEN A MINUTE	REVEAL
2 PM	BBC NEWSHOUR					PLANET MONEY / HOW I BUILT THIS	THROUGHLINE
3 PM	MARKETPLACE					WEEKEND ALL THINGS CONSIDERED	
4 PM	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED AND ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO NEWS					SNAP JUDGMENT	THIS AMERICAN LIFE
5 PM						THE MOTH	CODE SWITCH AND LIFE KIT
6 PM						WEEKEND ALL THINGS CONSIDERED	
7 PM	THE WORLD					LATINO USA	SUNDAY SPECIALS
8 PM	FRESH AIR					ON THE MEDIA	THE COMMONWEALTH CLUB
9 PM	1A					TED RADIO HOUR	RADIOLAB
10 PM	HIDDEN BRAIN	THE MOTH	RADIOLAB	SNAP JUDGMENT	THIS AMERICAN LIFE	FRESH AIR WEEKEND	THE MOTH
11 PM	BBC WORLD SERVICE						
12 AM							
1-4 AM							

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Alpine Sign Shop	Karen Barch	Pace Bolling	Bobbi Carson	Abigail Cunningham
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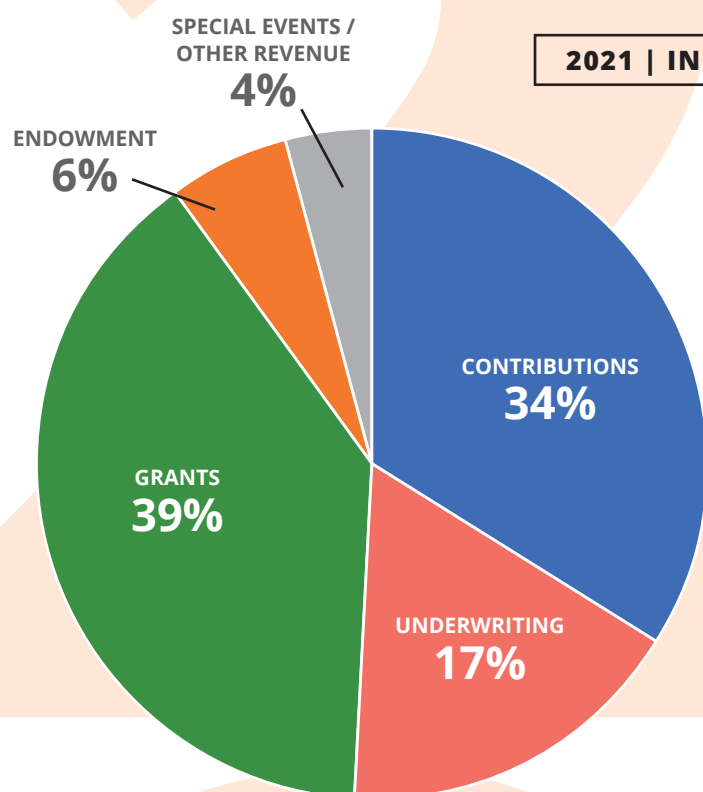
*Our year-end staff potluck featured homemade food and this beautiful cookie cake from Paradise Bakery (who also donated cookies for our Members Meet-And-Greet in Summer 2021)--thanks for being so sweet, Paradise! **Photo by Lisa DeLosso / Aspen Public Radio***



*Aspen Public Radio listener Gordon Nelson wearing his retro-inspired Aspen Public Radio patch on his favorite hat. **Photo courtesy Gordon Nelson***



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TOYOTA	12
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ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF NPR FOR ASPEN AND THE VALLEY



*Our station at the Aspen Airport Business Center. We're now located at the Red Brick Center for the Arts in Aspen's West End. Date unknown.
Photo from Aspen Public Radio archives*

Aspen Public Radio is a rural public radio station that is one of the most relied-upon news institutions in the Roaring Fork Valley of Colorado serving Pitkin, Eagle, and Garfield counties.

We were founded in 1981 by Isaiah "Sy" Coleman after a fateful climb up Watson Divide to see if he could hear anything on the lower dial of his FM radio. Sy vowed to bring NPR and public radio programming to the valley from that day forward.

Now in our fortieth year of service to the valley, we have over 1,500 members who support us annually with a donation, as well as an average of 18,000 weekly listeners, and a weekly newsletter that is distributed to more than 2,500 unique email addresses around the world. Our audience includes individuals of all ages, races, and income levels.

We engage and connect with our listeners on a meaningful level by spurring dialogue and discourse to foster understanding, knowledge, empathy, and respect. Aspen Public Radio is committed to providing everyone who lives, works, and plays in the Roaring Fork Valley with trustworthy coverage that includes local, regional, national, and international news, all rooted in a perspective that highlights the issues and new ideas being explored throughout this community.

Thank you to Sy and to all of the incredible volunteers, hosts, DJs, supporters, music lovers, donors, listeners, and community members who have made our work possible.

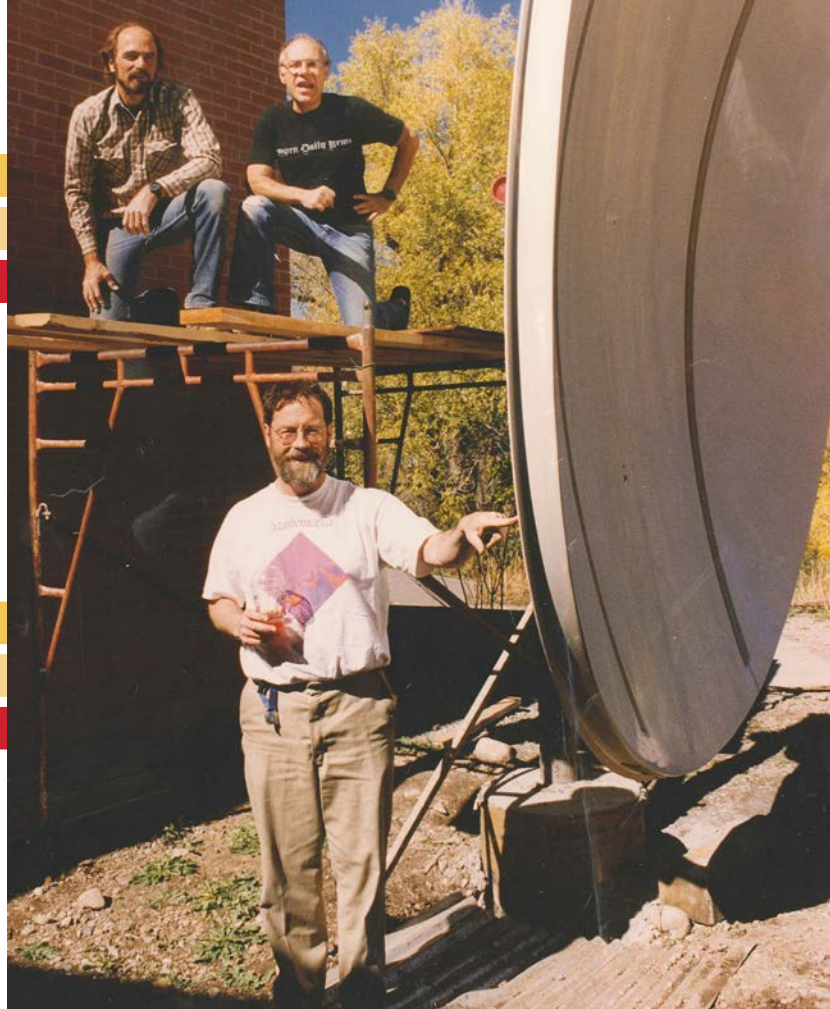
Please enjoy this selection of photos as we reminisce on four decades of service in the valley.

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Michael Stranahan experiences some technical difficulties with our board. Date unknown. Photo from Aspen Public Radio archives



Frank Peters, left, Sy Coleman, and Michael Stranahan work on "the dish" in Oct. 1995. Photo from Aspen Public Radio archives



April 7, 1981: an official letter from KUWR in Laramie, Wyoming grants Sy Coleman access to translate and rebroadcast its programming on the Western Slope of Colorado. Aspen Public Radio is born. Photo from Aspen Public Radio archives



Sy Coleman, center, surrounded by a group of dedicated staff and volunteers. Date unknown. Photo from Aspen Public Radio archives

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FORTY YEARS AGO, ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO - THE FIRST PUBLIC RADIO STATION IN WESTERN COLORADO - STARTED BROADCASTING FROM LOCAL SY COLEMAN'S LIVING ROOM.

In 2021, Aspen Public Radio was featured in Aspen Skiing Company's 75th Anniversary Countdown on social media. SkiCo shared the story of our founder, Sy Coleman, in honor of the 40th anniversary of our origins as Western Colorado's first public radio station. Thank you to SkiCo for celebrating Sy and the locals who built this station!

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*Sun highlighting the slopes of
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