



POSITION: Host, Tuesday 8 O'Clock Buzz

REPORTS TO: News and Talk Director

HOURS: Tuesdays, 7:45 am – 9pm

An additional six hours a week

DESCRIPTION: You are the lively, entertaining, and informative host of the station's morning drivetime program, the 8 O'Clock Buzz.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: The 8 O'Clock Buzz is an upbeat, morning program on WORT 89.9 FM. It airs Monday through Friday from 8-9am, with different hosts each day. It features approximately three, 10-15 minute interviews per show, with an emphasis on community and local guests. The show combines music, culture, and news to create a compelling, informative and entertaining program.

BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Research and book three timely and responsive interview segments for the program each week (about two hours/week).
- Research and prepare for each interview segment (about three hours per week).
- Prepare script, including appropriate introductions for each host (about one hour per week).
- Reasonably communicate logistics with support staff including engineer, producer, and receptionist prior to air.
- Respond to listener comments and suggestions as appropriate.
- Participate in 3-4 pledge drives per year. Book an effective pledge rapper to assist you in on-air fundraising, and attend trainings as needed to improve fundraising skills.
- Cultivate a list of trained, approved substitute hosts who can fill in for you as needed.
- Follow all station and FCC rules.

OUR EXPECTATIONS:

- You're able to reliably host the show from our studios each week.
- You're able to meet the basic responsibilities, as described above.
- You're responsive. You can respond and act on constructive feedback.
- You value accuracy in broadcasting and basic journalism ethics.
- You're able to make a weekly commitment for a minimum of one year.

WE PROVIDE:

- Training on hosting, interviewing, and writing for broadcast.
- A high-profile platform to have your voice on the air, week in and week out.
- Technical support, including an engineer, receptionist, and producer if needed.
- A relaxed atmosphere where the coffee is always flowing.

TO APPLY:

Please fill out our online application to get started. Those who are underrepresented in traditional media are especially encouraged to apply.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact News and Talk Director Chali Pittman at chali@wortfm.org or (608) 321-9586.