



February News from the Open Media Foundation

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February Classes

Click the class title to read descriptions and register online. Click [here](#) to watch videos about some of the classes that we offer.

Final Cut Pro X Workshop
Tuesday, February 3
6 - 9 pm

Livestreaming with YouTube and Google
Wednesday, February 4
3:30 - 5:30 pm
FREE!

Open Media Foundation Tour
Wednesday, February 4
5:30 - 6:30pm

New Member Orientation
Wednesday, February 4
6:45 - 8:15pm

Advanced Studio Production
Thursday, February 5
6 - 9 pm

Intro to Livestream Studio Workshop
Friday, February 6
5 - 8 pm

Adobe Photoshop Workshop
Wednesday, February 11
6 - 9 pm

Google Sites Workshop
Thursday, February 12
3:30 - 5:30 pm
FREE!

Intro to Motion 5 Workshop
Thursday, February 12
6 - 9 pm

Adobe Illustrator Workshop
Tuesday, February 17
3 - 6 pm

Open Media Foundation Tour
Wednesday, February 18
5:30 - 6:30 pm

Open Media Lab
Wednesday, February 18
6:30 - 9 pm

Intro to Steadicam and Edelkrone
Thursday, February 19
6 - 9 pm

Editing with Adobe Premiere Pro
Tuesday, February 24
6 - 9 pm

Intro to Studio Production
Wednesday and Thursday
February 25 and 26
6 - 9 pm

Field Production Workshop
Saturday, February 28
11 am - 6 pm

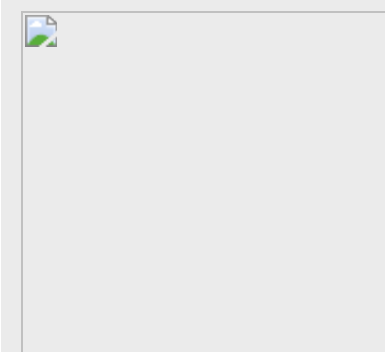
Livestreaming with YouTube and Google

Google and YouTube offer an amazing resource for individuals, organizations and government entities, especially the ability to have free live video streaming via YouTube. Join Open Media Foundation for this [FREE two-hour class](#) and learn how to use YouTube Live or Google Hangouts on Air to live stream your events. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Lion's Bridge Compilation CD Benefits OMF

Producer Rick Pontalio of [Lion's Bridge Recording, LLC](#) is offering a compilation CD for only \$10, the proceeds of which benefit the Open Media Foundation. The CD features Colorado artists, including Bar Fight Betty, James Hamilton, The Reformers, Global Soul Experience and more. Click [here](#) for more information and to order.

Web Client - Gary Community Investments and The Piton Foundation



The Open Media Foundation Web Department has recently completed a website for [Gary Community Investments](#) and [The Piton Foundation](#).

The [website](#) explains the identities and working relationships between the organizations, while providing its users with a compelling and emotional experience. The website also features interactive tools, and can be wholly maintained by the organizations.

Click [here](#) to read more about the project.

New OMF Account Manager

Please join us in welcoming our new addition to the OMF team - **Courtney Steele**. Courtney will serve as Account Manager with the Web Department. Click [here](#) to read more about Courtney and the rest of our staff.

Letter from the Executive Director

The Open Media Foundation started as a collective around 12 years ago (albeit under a different name) with no org chart, no payroll, and no policies and procedures. We had a mission statement and a goal: "to put the power of the media in the hands of the people", and anyone who was drawn to that mission was welcome to join us, share our resources, and pursue the mission in any way they wished.

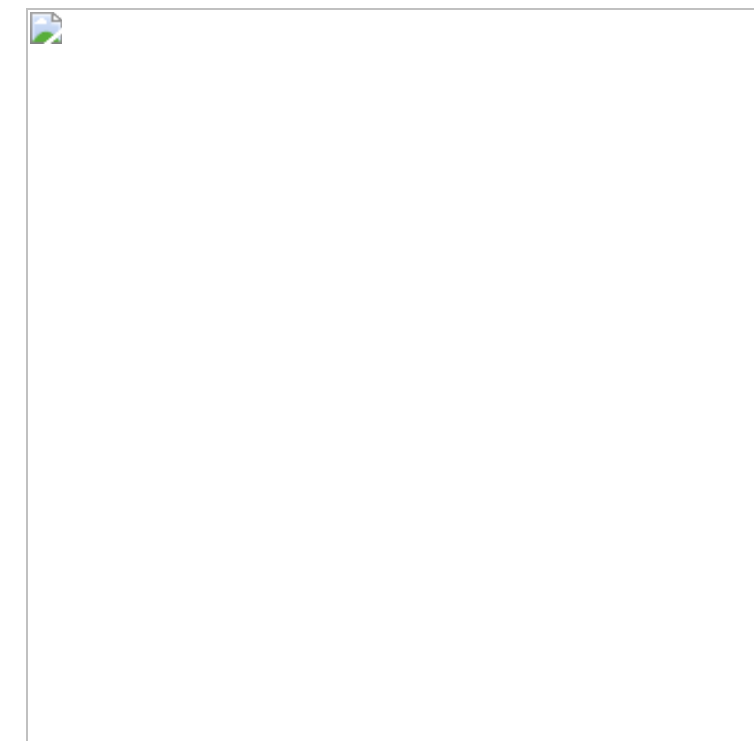
We had no management, and we really didn't need it; just some core values that drove our approach. Twelve years later, we still look to those founding principles for guidance, and yet we've never shared them publicly. Rather than keeping them as an internal tool, I thought I'd share them in this month's newsletter and welcome feedback/reflection from our team and our community.

- Self Actualization:** OMF exists to help our community self-actualize. Our services, training, and tools are all here to help our clients, members, and community have the opportunity to reach their fullest potential and to shape their world into the place they want it to be.
- Direct Communication:** From how we resolve inter-office squabbles, to how we tackle social inequity, direct communication permeates everything we do at OMF. At its core, it's the simple idea that things work best when people speak directly for themselves. We don't aim to be the voice of the voiceless; we aim to eradicate voicelessness. Even our [work with Government](#) is unfiltered and unedited, aiming for [direct access](#) to your representatives.
- Wisdom of the Crowd:** We believe that diversity improves decisions. On a small scale, this means that the decisions we make as a staff ought to include those affected by our decisions. On a larger scale, we feel that societies make the best decisions when everyone is engaged. Widespread engagement and free expression is the goal. Where and how people direct that engagement and expression is up to them.
- Free Speech:** OMF aims to support all forms of free and open communication, without bias for specific views or agendas. This requires support for ALL communication, including that which makes our collective stomachs churn. The only exception is speech that directly incites violence or other forms of imminent, intentional, AND probable illegal activity (also known as the "[Brandenburg Test](#)").
- Honoring Our Word:** When a representative of OMF promises something, the organization stands behind it. Even if it was a mistake, the best way to learn from mistakes is to do everything in our power to honor our word. We expect to be held to our word by our community.
- Relevance Requires Innovation:** If we're not clear how we're doing things better or different, we're better off supporting other orgs instead of replicating efforts.
- Fairness:** We are here to ensure equal access to the resources of OMF/DOM, not to play favorites or perpetuate cycles of privilege.

Open Music Sessions at Denver Open Media, January 2

On the first Friday of each month, DOM hosts a community event with local performance groups, musical acts and nonprofit partners. These events are broadcast live on Comcast Channel 57 in Denver as well as streamed on [DOM's website](#). Events are cablecast and streamed live in Denver Open Media's Studio A.

Join DOM for this month's Open Music Sessions of 2015, on Friday, February 6, featuring a live musical performance by the **Ian Cooke Band**.



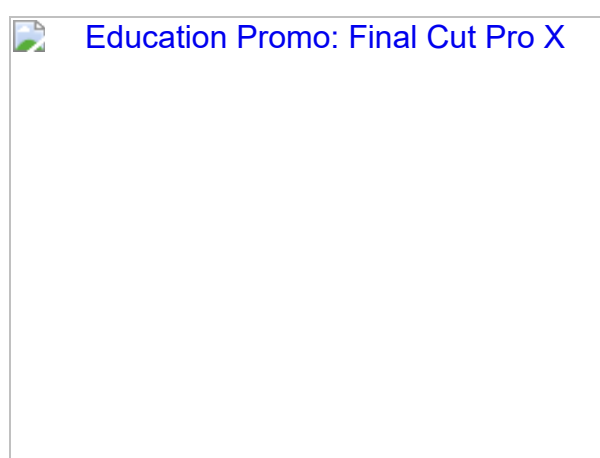
Ian Cooke Band

[Ian Cooke](#) is a Denver singer, songwriter, cellist and pianist who has been voted Best Avant-Pop by Westword magazine. Click [here](#) to listen to his music, including his new album *Cassowary and Fruit Bat*.

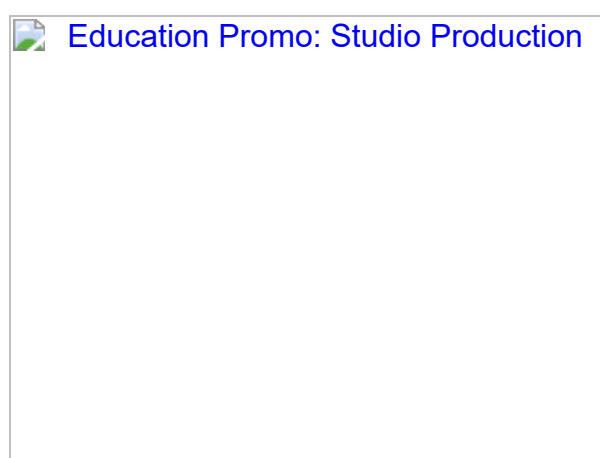
Please join our [Facebook event](#) and share us!

Friday, February 6
Doors at 7 pm
Live Show 8 - 10 pm
Denver Open Media Studios
700 Kalamath Street, Denver, CO
Food by [Illegal Pete's](#)

Learn More About Our Classes - Watch These Videos



Final Cut Pro X Workshop



Intro to Studio Production

Open Media Project for Government

Open Media Foundation staff and interns have been busily producing daily video coverage of the Colorado Assembly. At [ColoradoChannel.net](#), you can view live streaming broadcasts of all the action on the House and Senate floor. Review videos, along with daily calendars and journals, in the archives for each day of legislative activity.

The [Open Media Project for Government](#) allows viewers to click through the video archives to specific debates and consideration of particular bills. Say, for example, you wanted to watch the State Senate commemorate the birthday of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Go to [Legislative Day 14 of the Senate](#), scroll down the agenda on the right-side and click HJR15-1005. This will take you straight to the relevant action on the floor of the Senate.

Account Executive Gavin Dahl is working to bring the OMP for Government to more communities. Soon anyone with an Internet connection will be able to tune in for oral arguments in the State Supreme Court and Court of Appeals. Stay tuned for an announcement about the Judiciary launching their own OMP for Government page.

Click [here](#) for more information about the Open Media Project for Governments.