

Terry Phillips of Quality of Life Visits Center of the World

On the spring solstice, KVPR radio host Terry Phillips pulled his chair forward to settle comfortably into a circle of friendly faces. He slipped on his earphones, started his recorder and smoothly purred into the microphone, "Today we are visiting the center of the world, in the shadow of Mount Pinos, revered by the ancient Chumash Indians." Then he asked an aspiring playwright, a festival producer, a Chumash story teller and a classic Greek literature scholar to tell him about the Second Annual Center of the World Festival, to be held August 20-22, 2010 in the community of Pine Mountain. The program aired March 30 on Phillips' Quality of Life program, 9-11 a.m.

The countdown has begun to the deadline of April 30 for aspiring writers to submit their 10-minute plays about our relationship to the earth.

Festival founder Shelia Clark calls this "Eco-Drama" and the Center of the World festival produces community readers' theater performances of the winning selections. The top audience favorite (an American Idol-style vote is taken) wins \$500.

You can hear the program at www.kvpr.org/shows.php?id=551 and learn more about the rules and the event at www.centeroftheworldfestival.org.

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Center of the World Festival founder Shelia Clark, Louis Medina and Katherine King are interviewed by KVPR's Terry Phillips.