

## Dr. E.J.R. David joins Kathleen McCoy as Host of Local Weekly Radio Program “*Hometown, Alaska*” on Alaska Public Media Radio (KSKA FM 91.1)

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA – March 1, 2021 – Alaska Public Media (AKPM) is pleased to announce that Dr. E.J.R. David will join Kathleen McCoy as a recurring host on AKPM’s local, weekly radio program *Hometown, Alaska*. Dr. David will make his debut show appearance on March 8, 2021 and will return to host one show episode each month.

The weekly show, which broadcasts every Monday at 10 a.m., repeating at 8 p.m., is available for listeners to stream online at [alaskapublic.org](http://alaskapublic.org), on the go using the AKPM or NPR One app, and over the air Alaska Public Media Radio, KSKA FM 91.1. *Hometown, Alaska*, which has been on-air since 2009, features in-depth conversations with leaders and decision-makers in local and statewide government, social service agencies, educational institutions and cultural groups.

“We are thrilled Dr. E.J. David will be joining Kathleen McCoy as host of *Hometown, Alaska*.” said Linda Wei, Chief Content Officer of Alaska Public Media. “His expertise in psychology and ethnic minority issues brings a new and welcomed perspective to the show and Alaska Public Media.”

Dr. David was born in the Philippines, and grew up in Pasay, Las Pinas, Makati, and Utqiagvik, Alaska. He obtained his Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from the University of Alaska Anchorage, and Master of Arts and Doctoral Degrees in Clinical-Community Psychology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Currently, Dr. David resides in Anchorage with his wife and their four children, and serves a tenured Professor of Psychology at the University of Alaska Anchorage, with his primary duties being with the PhD Program in Clinical Community Psychology that has a Rural, Cultural, and Indigenous emphasis.

Well recognized for his contributions to psychological research for minority ethnic populations, Dr. David has received various awards and citations from local, state and nationally based organizations. In 2007, he was recipient of the American Psychological Association (APA) Society Distinguished Student Research Award for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues. In 2012, he was honored by the APA Minority Fellowship Program (MFP) with the Early Career Award in Research for Distinguished Contributions to the Field of Racial and Ethnic Minority Psychology. In 2013, he was chosen to receive the Asian American Psychological Association Early Career Award for Distinguished Contributions to Research. In 2014, he was honored by the Alaska Psychological Association with the Cultural Humanitarian Award for Exemplary Service and Dedication to Diversity, and in 2015 he was inducted as a Fellow by the Asian American Psychological Association for Unusual and Outstanding Contributions to Asian American Psychology. Most recently, in 2020, he was awarded by the Alaska State Legislature with an honorary citation recognizing “his scholarly body of work and contributions to life in Alaska” and was honored by the First Alaskans Institute with the Friends of First Alaskans Ted Stevens Award.



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Dr. David has also traveled to various states as an invited workshop facilitator, speaker, and presenter on Ethnic Minority, Asian American, and Filipino American psychology since 2002. He has published theoretical and empirical works on Internalized Oppression or Colonial Mentality, including *Brown Skin, White Minds: Filipino -/ American Postcolonial Psychology* and *Internalized Oppression: The Psychology of Marginalized Groups*, which is the first book to highlight the universality of internalized oppression, but at the same time acknowledges its unique manifestations and implications for various groups such as African Americans, Latinx Americans, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, Alaska Natives, women, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community, and people with disabilities. Dr. David's most recent books are *The Psychology of Oppression* and *We Have Not Stopped Trembling Yet*. Dr. David is also a contributor to *Psychology Today* and *The Huffington Post*, periodically writing about the psychology of race, ethnicity, and culture.

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