



**Position Title:** ASSEMBLY podcast co-host

**Description:** The Political Theology Network (PTN) seeks two co-hosts who are enthusiastic about developing our podcast ASSEMBLY, with the support of the website editorial team. We especially welcome applications from co-hosting pairs that demonstrate in their own work the wide ambit of political theology.

The PTN supports the development of an emerging academic field, cultivating the next generation of scholars and pivoting the field toward meaningful public engagement. The PTN is organized around several nodes—the journal *Political Theology*, the website [politicaltheology.com](http://politicaltheology.com), annual conferences, and more.

The PTN's website, [politicaltheology.com](http://politicaltheology.com), features blogs, a podcast, announcements about the field, and a pedagogy section that allow it to reach a broader audience.

The website has built an active community of followers, indicated by its nearly 4500 Facebook “likes” and approximately 20,000 unique visitors each month. In early 2018, the website design was completely overhauled, giving it a modern look and compatibility with the latest technology. In 2018, The PTN also began experimenting with a podcast, ASSEMBLY, that features dialogues between activists, scholars, and religious leaders. Since 2018, 21 podcast episodes have been released on various cutting-edge themes including economic justice, Black Lives Matter, political theology in film, race and pedagogy, queer theology, prison abolition, and more.

**Compensation and term:** The podcast co-host will receive an annual stipend of \$4,500, will require an average of 5-7 hours per week with periods of greater and lesser intensity for the term of the grant (July 2021 – July 2022), and will have the opportunity to access travel funds for the PTN and other guild conferences.

## **Responsibilities:**

### **Podcast development and recruitment**

- Participating in the transition/training sessions in July and August 2021 with the former podcast co-hosts
- Designing, in consultation with the editorial team, 10 podcast episodes (one episode per month from September 2021 through June 2022) that can catalyze interest across in political theology across and beyond the PTN;
- Soliciting a broad and diverse set of guest voices on topics that demonstrate the religious, disciplinary, and vocational diversity of the network while offering intellectually rigorous analysis of current issues in the field (and on the street).



### **Writing, editing, and publishing**

- Writing and recording intro and outro materials for each episode;
- Recording and editing interviews and episode;
- Publishing podcast episodes on [politicaltheology.com](http://politicaltheology.com) and disseminating it through social media networks, with the support of the website editorial team

### **Organizing**

- Participating in web editorial meetings;
- Participating in the PTN conferences and use these conferences as an opportunity to recruit content creators;
- Promoting the PTN among professional networks.

### **Capacities:**

- Highly organized and self-motivated;
- Excellent technological skills and the willingness to learn new technologies;
- Experience with podcasting software (audacity, garage band, etc.) or willingness to learn these technologies is a must;
- Excellent writing and speaking skills;
- Sensible audio aesthetic;
- Working knowledge of the field of political theology (whether in connection with Christian theology, some other tradition of religious thought, or political theology in secular, critical theory contexts) and willingness to reach in and beyond your professional networks to solicit diverse voices;
- Comfort with initiating conversation with scholars, religious leaders, activists, and others;
- Competent with Microsoft Word and Excel, as well as Google Drive;
- Previous experience with web-based content management systems (like WordPress) and group project management software (like Slack) is a plus.

**Application process:** please send a CV (no more than four pages) and letter of interest (no more than two pages) to [politicaltheologynetwork@gmail.com](mailto:politicaltheologynetwork@gmail.com) by **June 27, 2021**. For a co-hosting pair (two co-hosts), you can send one combined application.