

Maybe you don't sound like Carl Kasell, but you can have his job

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According to the wonderful [Mixed Signals](#), [the Corporation for Public Broadcasting is searching for radio hosts](#). They're calling it "American Idol for public radio".

I recently stumbled across Mixed Signals and was instantly hooked. Some of my recent favorites:

- [Mike Pesca reports from South Dakota](#) on the simple frugality of the state capitol building.
- [An executive order establishing the order of succession](#) in the case the Archivist of the United States and the Deputy Archivist of the United States are both unable to perform the functions and duties of the office of Archivist.
- [Mike Pesca runs afoul of some park rangers at Mount Rushmore](#). For some reason, Mike Pesca has the perfect voice for this type of stuff. He always sounds slightly annoyed and a bit condescending.
- [An insurance company withdraws coverage from an animal charity](#) because their building is too close to a luxury apartment building whose only famous residents are "a couple of lingerie models". (There is even a response from the insurance company that didn't really seem to explain much.)
- [Riding elevators in order to secure press credentials](#) because security regulations prohibit forming a line.
- [Mike Pesca again \(sense a pattern?\) sets the record straight on GMU's surprise performance in the NCAA men's basketball tournament](#).
- One last Mike Pesca story: [This \(somewhat misguided\) essay on Iceland's lack of success at... um... ice sports](#). [Icelandic sits at the bottom of my list of Germanic languages to learn](#) (but at least it's doing better than Danish, which doesn't make the list at all).

The curatorship of Mixed Signals appears to change hands rather frequently. The last few entries I linked above were from [Robert Smith](#), whom I had the pleasure to meet at KUOW studios when he was stationed in Seattle.



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