

# CONVENTION SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 3 - 7, 2014

CROWNE PLAZA CHICAGO METRO

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## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014

7:30 AM	8:00 AM	Int'l, Enviro Justice, Animal Rts Committees - Enviro Human Rights CLE Registration
8:00 AM	5:00 PM	Int'l, Enviro Justice, Animal Rts Committees - Enviro Human Rights CLE
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	National Immigration Project (NIP) CLE Registration
8:30 AM	5:00 PM	National Immigration Project (NIP) CLE
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	National Police Accountability Project Board (NPAP) Meeting
6:00 PM	10:00 PM	National Immigration Project (NIP) Board Meeting
7:30 PM	8:30 PM	National Executive Committee (NEC) Meeting
8:30 PM	9:30 PM	Chicago Convention Planning Committee Meeting

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2014

8:00 AM	5:00 PM	National Immigration Project (NIP) Membership Meeting
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	National Police Accountability Project (NPAP) CLE Registration
8:30 AM	5:00 PM	National Police Accountability Project (NPAP) Immigration Detention CLE
8:00 PM	8:30 PM	Military Law Task Force (MLTF) CLE Registration
8:30 PM	12:30 PM	Military Law Task Force (MLTF) - Military Discharge Upgrading CLE
8:30 AM	12:00 PM	International Committee Meeting
12:00 PM	4:00 PM	*NEW* Legal Worker Retreat
12:30 PM	2:30 PM	Labor & Employment (L&E) Committee Meeting
1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Task Force on the Americas Meeting
1:30 PM	4:00 PM	Military Law Task Force (MLTF) Meeting (social hour to follow) CLE
3:00 PM	5:00 PM	50 Years After Freedom Summer CLE
3:30 PM	5:30 PM	Using Human Rights to Defend Promote Income Security CLE
5:00 PM	6:45 PM	Chicago Chapter Cocktail Reception
5:00 PM	6:45 PM	National Immigration Project (NIP) Cocktail Reception
5:00 PM	6:45 PM	Labor & Employment (L&E) Committee Cocktail Reception
7:00 PM	8:45 PM	Keynote Address - Speaker: Karen Lewis

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2014**

7:30 AM 8:30 AM Past Presidents' Meeting

8:30 AM 9:45 AM **WORKSHOPS I**

- Hot Topic: US vs the Bolivarian Project: The US role in Destabilizing the Venezuelan Government, the Argentinian Economy and other Progressive Forces in the Hemisphere & What We Can Do About It
- From Second Class to Second Chance: Criminal Records Relief & Dismantling the "New Jim Crow"
- Fighting for Chicago: Combating Economic Restructuring, Gentrification, and other Policies that Exclude the Poor and People of Color
- Hot Topic: Federal Criminal Defense: Raising Creative Defenses in Phony Stash House Ripoff Cases and Analyzing Ways to Reduce Federal Drug Prison Sentences
- How the NLG Can Use Litigation to Work with Progressive Community Activists
- Should an Intersectional Analysis of Oppression include Exploitation of Non-Human Animals?

10:00 AM 11:15 AM

**WORKSHOPS II**

- Challenging the Police Narrative: Fighting Police Repression through Cop Watching, Organizing, Journalism & Litigation
- Trends in Repression of the Palestinian Rights Movement: Counteracting Legal Attacks on Human Rights Activists
- **Organizing in the New Economy and Worker Centers: Laboratories of Worker Democracy**
- U.S. Imperialism in the Philippines/Military Pivot & Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA)
- Immigration Detainers
- Organizing for Human Rights Accountability in the US: Using the UN & New International Human Rights Laws to Promote Justice

11:00 AM 1:00 PM National Immigration Project (NIP) Litigation Meeting

11:30 AM 12:15 PM Puerto Rico Subcommittee Meeting

12:30 PM 2:00 PM **Friday Luncheon: A Jazz Celebration with Maggie Brown (ticket required)**

2:00 PM 3:00 PM Animal Rights Activism Committee (ARAC) Meeting

2:00 PM 3:00 PM Indigenous People's Human Rights Committee Meeting

2:00 PM 3:00 PM *NLG Review Meeting*

2:00 PM 3:00 PM TUPOCC Business Meeting

3:00 PM 5:00 PM **PLENARY I (Award Presentation)**

5:30 PM 6:30 PM Puerto Rican Community Tour

5:30 PM 6:45 PM Student Caucus

5:30 PM	6:45 PM	Legal Worker Caucus
5:30 PM	6:45 PM	Next Generation Caucus
5:30 PM	7:00 PM	International Committee Reception & Debra Evenson Award Presentation
7:00 PM	8:15 PM	Queer Caucus
7:00 PM	8:15 PM	Solo Caucus
7:00 PM	8:15 PM	Marxism & the Law Caucus
7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Palestine Solidarity Legal Support: Organizing & Strategy Meeting
7:00 PM	8:30 PM	Legal Services Workers Union Meeting
9:00 PM	(Late)	Student Sponsored Party

## **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2014**

8:00 AM	9:00 PM	NLG Foundation Board Meeting
8:45 AM	10:15 AM	<b>MAJOR PANELS I</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fighting Wage Disparity &amp; Income Inequality</li> <li>• Sex Work and the Failure of Anti-Trafficking Policies</li> <li>• Pursuing Accountability &amp; Reparations for Torture</li> </ul>
10:30 AM	12:00 PM	<b>MAJOR PANELS II</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Furthering the Movement to Stop Mass Incarceration</li> <li>• Deportation is Death: Issues Facing Queer/Trans Immigrants</li> <li>• Guilty Until Proven Innocent: How Federal Law Enforcement Circumvents Constitutional Rights</li> </ul>
12:00 PM	12:30 PM	Labor Action Part I: Standing w/ Farmworker Women (Bandana Project)
12:30 PM	2:30 PM	<b>PLENARY II</b> (National Elections, Resolutions, Amendments)
2:30 PM	3:00 PM	Labor Action Part II: Standing w/ Farmworker Women (Bandana Project)
3:00 PM	6:00 PM	Anti-Racism & TUPOCC Programming
6:30 PM	7:30 PM	*NEW* Pre-Celebration Reception (no cost, open to all)
7:30 PM	10:00 PM	<b>Saturday Night Celebration: Fundraiser/Award Presentation (ticket req'd)</b>

## **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2014**

8:00 AM	9:00 PM	Joint Environmental Committee Meeting (EJ & EHRC Committees)
9:00 AM	10:30 AM	Regional Meetings
10:45 AM	12:00 PM	<b>WORKSHOPS III</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FOIA – How to Successfully Bring Sunshine to Records the Government Doesn't Want You to See</li> <li>• Dead or in Prison: Indigenous Resistance to Resource Extraction</li> </ul>

- Political Prisoners & the Prison Industrial Complex: Connections between U.S. and Palestine
- Military Sexual Assault: Advocacy in Reporting Assaults & Countering Retaliation
- Our Homes Divided: 45 Years after the Fair Housing Act, How Far Have We Come?

12:30 PM      1:45 PM

#### WORKSHOPS IV

- Stopping the School-to-Prison Pipeline: Using Restorative Justice to Stop the Criminalization of Black and Latino Youth in Chicago Public Schools
- Surveillance Self Defense for Legal Workers and Lawyers
- US Empire through Revolution and Counter-Revolution: Understanding the U.S. Neoliberal Project in the MENA Region to Build Analysis, Transparency & Accountability
- Lessons in Resistance & Continued Struggle for Autonomy in Indigenous Communities
- Immigration Status for Victims of Workplace Crimes

2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Mass Incarceration Committee (MIC) Meeting
2:00 PM	5:00 PM	Labor History Tour (\$25, registration information at <a href="http://nlg.org/convention">nlg.org/convention</a> )
2:30 PM	4:00 PM	National Executive Committee (NEC) Meeting
3:00 PM	5:00 PM	CLE: Mass Defense Committee - Political Criminal Defense (no cost)
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Mass Defense Committee Meeting

- This schedule is subject to change -

## TOURS & OUTINGS

**Puerto Rican Community Tour (\$10, Friday 5:30-6:30 PM)** Explore the community institutions built by the Puerto Rican Cultural Center, including an alternative high school; community garden; childcare center; Vida/Sida AIDS program; the first homeless shelter in Chicago for LGBT youth; a park honoring Puerto Rican political prisoners and a youth cultural center. We'll end with an authentic Puerto Rican meal (included). Contact: [melindapower@comcast.net](mailto:melindapower@comcast.net).

**Westside Tour (\$10):** A neighborhood exemplifying Chicago's segregated past and gentrifying future, this tour will be led by lifelong activist, educator and African scholar Prexy Nesbitt. Contact: [susan.ruthkaplan@gmail.com](mailto:susan.ruthkaplan@gmail.com).

**Murals Tour (no cost):** A tour of some of Chicago's famous public art, which reflects the cultural diversity of Chicago's many different ethnic communities. Contact: [don.goldhamer@pobox.com](mailto:don.goldhamer@pobox.com).

**Labor History Tour (\$25, Sunday 2-5 PM):** This

three-hour tour will be led by a representative of the Illinois Labor History Society ([illinoislaborhistory.org](http://illinoislaborhistory.org)). The tour includes several historic labor sites around Chicago including the Haymarket Monument, the Union Stockyard Gate and the Haymarket Martyrs' Monument. Contact: [choiniere.randy@gmail.com](mailto:choiniere.randy@gmail.com)

**Lunchtime Labor Action (no cost, Saturday 12-12:30PM and 2:30-3:30 PM):** We'll support farmworker women in action with the Bandana Project to end workplace sexual violence against farmworker women. We'll decorate white bandanas with words of encouragement, motivating statements, inspirational pictures and art to raise awareness about this important issue. Contact: [choiniere.randy@gmail.com](mailto:choiniere.randy@gmail.com)

**Self-Guided Neighborhood Tours (no cost):** We'll offer resources for Convention attendees to go on self-guided walking tours, including suggested sites and highlights from various Chicago neighborhoods. Attendees will be able to conduct their own self-guided tours at any time, at their leisure.