2017 #Law4thePeople Convention

celebrating 80 years

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DC NLG INVITES YOU!

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the D.C. chapter of the National Lawyers Guild, I would like to welcome you to the 2017 National Lawyers Guild Convention, our 80th anniversary convention!

John C. Brittain with UDC NLG students who renamed the chapter after their beloved professor and longtime Guild member. (Photo: Jordan Uhl, UDC Law Public Relations)

Our DC-NLG chapter would like to welcome all our members, special guests, award recipients, and invited speakers. In particular, we welcome in solidarity and struggle our keynote speaker Winona LaDuke and our comrades and allies in the Water Protector Legal Collective. We are also honored to welcome Oscar Lopez Rivera, one of the sons and daughters of the undefeated heroic people of Puerto Rico, part of what Che called our "indomitable continent," now continuing the fight outside the empire's prisons.

We believe that our guests, workshops, panels, special events, and trainings reflect our involvement in the current struggles in this country and the broad political work of members and allies of the National Lawyers Guild. We believe they also point to a greater challenge for the Guild today: to build an organization worthy of the fighters of our time. Eighty years after its founding, the Guild must—without losing sight of the goal of replacing the current system with one that puts human rights above property interests—reflect in its nature and composition a new generation of fighters who now reinforce and advance the struggles of previous generations.

We are excited to welcome you to Washington, D.C., and we encourage you to listen to and learn from fellow guest fighters, leaders, and each other. That process put into action is the greatest tribute to our 80 years of history.

In solidarity,

Edmundo Saballos
On behalf of the D.C. Chapter of the NLG

DC-NLG and other Guild members volunteering at the #J20 legal support hub on Inauguration Day, Jan. 20.

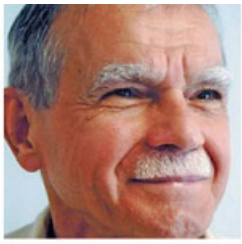
2017 NLG HONOREES

At every NLG #Law4thePeople Convention, we honor members and friends of the Guild whose exemplary work and activism capture the spirit of "law for the people," and speak to the Guild's philosophy of human rights over property interests.

Please join us in congratulating our 2017 honorees!

Read full bios of our honorees at nlg.org/2017honorees

Winona LaDuke
Keynote Speaker



Oscar Lopez Rivera
Arthur Kinoy Award

Water Protector Legal Collective
Law for the People Award

Accepted by Angela Bibens and Brandy Toelupe

Bruce Nestor
Ernie Goodman Award

Jayashri Srikantiah
Carol Weiss King Award

Abdeen Jabara and Jan Susler
Debra Evenson "Venceremos" Award

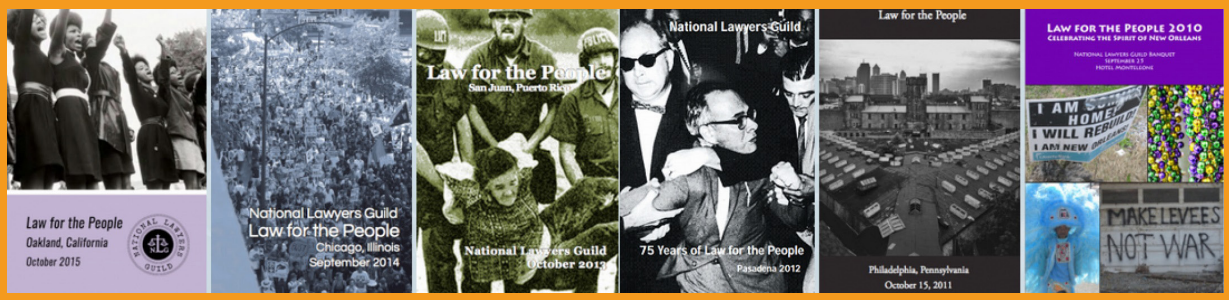
Aneesa Khan
C.B. King Award

Amreet Sandhu
Legal Worker Award

Pay tribute to the awardees with a message in the 2017 #Law4thePeople Dinner Journal!

Each year, the NLG National Office publishes a keepsake booklet in honor of the NLG awardees. The Dinner Journal is distributed at the Annual Awards Dinner and cherished by Guild members for years to come. Placing an ad in the journal is a great way to congratulate our outstanding honorees and keynote speaker, publicize your firm or organization, or just share a message of your own—all while supporting the Guild!

To learn more about the Dinner Journal, see past Journals, or reserve ad space, visit nlg.org/dinnerjournal.



SCHEDULE

NOTE: Schedule is not exhaustive and may be subject to change. Additional meetings will be added.

WEDNESDAY August 2	THURSDAY August 3	FRIDAY August 4	SATURDAY August 5	SUNDAY August 6
8:30 AM - 5 PM National Immigration Project CLE	8 AM - 5 PM National Immigration Project Membership Meeting	9 AM – 10:15 AM Major Panels I	9 AM – 10:15 AM Major Panels II	9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Workshops III
6 PM - 8 PM National Police Accountability Project Board Meeting	2:30 PM - 5 PM National Immigration Project Break Out Sessions	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Plenary I	10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Plenary II	10:45 AM - 12 PM Regional Meetings
6 PM - 10 PM National Immigration Project Board Meeting	9 AM - 5 PM National Police Accountability Project CLE	12:30 PM - 2 PM NLG Union Meeting	12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Lunch Break (Saturday Brunch at Beacon Hotel - ticket req'd)	12 PM - 1 PM Lunch Break
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM Nat'l Executive Committee (NEC) Meeting	12 PM - 4 PM Legal Worker Caucus Meeting	12:30 PM - 2 PM Lunch Break	2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Workshops II	12:15 PM - 2:15 PM NEC Meeting
	1 PM - 4 PM Military Law Task Force Meeting	2 PM - 3 PM Workshops I	3:45 PM - 6:45 PM Anti-Racism Training	1 PM -2 PM Workshops IV
	1 PM - 5 PM International Committee CLE	3:15 PM - 5:30 PM Caucus & Other Meetings	3:45 PM - 6:45 PM TUPOCC (The United People of Color Caucus) Training	Afternoon Offsite Tours
	5 PM - 7 PM Pre-Keynote Reception (National Immigration Project Presentation of Daniel Levy Award)	7 PM - 10 PM Awards Dinner (CB King, Legal Worker, Ernie Goodman, and Law for the People Awards - ticket req'd)	7 PM - 9 PM International/Labor & Employment Cmtes Reception at African American Civil War Museum (presentation of Debra Evenson Award)	
	7 PM – 8:45 PM Keynote Address & Carol Weiss King and Arthur Kinoy Award Presentations			
	9 PM - Midnight Inter-Gen Student Party at Tenley Bar & Grill (free entry, open to all!)			

For the latest schedule updates, visit nlg.org/convention

MAJOR PANELS

FRIDAY: Major Panels I

Immigrants Resist the Deportation Regime in the Age of Trump

NLG Defends Political Prisoners: Lawyers and Clients Tell Their Stories

Syria & US Policy in Southwest Asia / North Africa

SATURDAY: Major Panels II

Protecting Human Rights of Migrants and Refugees in the Trump Era

Ending Incarceration of Women and Girls

Muslim in America: Fighting Back against State Surveillance and Repression

WORKSHOPS

FRIDAY: Workshops I

Building the Guild from Inside Out: NLG Organizing, History, and Structure

In Defense of Organizing: Government Retaliation Against Social Movements

Organizing 101 for Legal Professionals and Law Students

SNCC Freedom Fighters in the Nation's Capital: Civil Rights to DC Rights

Criminal Defense Work as Impact Litigation for Reproductive Justice

SATURDAY: Workshops II

Limits of Executive Power: John Yoo, Torture and President Trump

Doing Your First Protest Case

A Sanctuary Continent: Peoples Tribunals and Migrant Rights in the Americas

Dismantling the Private Prison Industry

Our Storied Past: A Peek into the History of the NLG

SUNDAY: Workshops III

NLG Legal Observer "Train the Trainer" Workshop

From Advocacy to Political Practice: Worker-Centered Solidarity

Redefining Local Resistance to the Mass Deportation State

Ensuring Fairness: Access to Counsel in Parole Revocation Proceedings

Decolonization and Sovereignty Under International Human Rights Law

SUNDAY: Workshops IV

Rethinking the Law School Classroom

Strategic Uses of Criminal Cases to Strengthen Movements

Let Haiti Live: Fraudulent Elections, Imprisonment, Deportations

Hot Topic Workshop 1 (TBA)

Hot Topic Workshop 2 (TBA)

For descriptions of Major Panels and Workshops, visit nlg.org/convention

FULL & HALF-DAY CLES

Fighting Enforcement and Keeping Families Together in the Trump Era *Sponsored by the National Immigration Project*
Learn about how to best defend your clients and resist Trump Administration tactics! Topics include: Defending noncitizens with criminal records • raids and motions to suppress • suing the government for violating your clients' rights - damages/remedies • strategies to challenge your client's ongoing detention • challenging reinstatement of removal • movement lawyering. Register at nipnlg.org/seminars.html

Police Misconduct in the Age of Trump *Sponsored by the National Police Accountability Project*
Topics: First Amendment Rights of protesters • video and digitized evidence in Mass Defense Cases • FTCA and Bivens actions against federal immigration agencies • law enforcement misconduct against diabetics • a primer on appellate litigation.
Speakers: Sarah Fetch Baughman; Paul W. Hughes; Carl Messineo; David Milton, Carol Sobel, Mara Verheyden-Hilliard; Julia Yoo. Moderator: Terry Gilbert. Register at nlg-npap.org or at the door.

The Use of International Law to Confront the Trump Agenda *Sponsored by the NLG International Committee*
In this incisive and informative program, active practitioners will present on the use of international law in domestic courts, as well as recourse to international forums, to defend human rights under attack in the US. From resisting the "Muslim Ban" to defending undocumented people to advancing the rights to work and health care, international law provides tools that can help advance our cases in domestic courts. This CLE will include active examples of the use of international law in relevant contexts to defend human rights in the US. Registration at nlginternational.org or at the door.

Many workshops and major panels also have CLE credit pending. The CLEs above carry fees in addition to general convention registration.

PARTIES & SPECIAL EVENTS

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THURSDAY EVENING RECEPTION & KEYNOTE PROGRAM
Kick off the convention at UDC Law on Thursday evening for a reception with refreshments sponsored by the National Immigration Project, prior to the Keynote Address delivered by economist and author *Winona LaDuke* and presentation of the Arthur Kinoy Award to *Oscar López Rivera* and Carol Weiss King Award to *Jayashri Srikantiah*. Free and open to the public!

ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER*
Join us Friday evening at the Washington Court Hotel to celebrate 80 years of #Law4thePeople! We will be honoring the outstanding work of recipients of the *Law for the People, Ernie Goodman, Legal Worker, and C.B. King Awards*. Show your support for the Guild, meet friends old and new, find inspiration in the remarkable achievements of our members, and renew your commitment to our vision and values. This event sells out every year, so don't miss it!

INTER-GEN STUDENT PARTY!
Celebrate with Guild students for our annual inter-generational party! Guildies of all ages will gather at Tenley Bar & Grill, where there will be a DJ, dancing, and drink specials all night! Loads of fun guaranteed. Entry is FREE and ALL are welcome!

SATURDAY BRUNCH at BEACON HOTEL*
Step away from the busy schedule of convention programming into a world of sublime delight at the Saturday Brunch, an annual event dedicated to celebrating the pivotal work of women activists and lawyers. This year, inspiration will be provided by speaker *April Goggans*, Black Lives Matter-DMV (DC, Maryland, Virginia) organizer.

INTERNATIONAL AND LABOR & EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEES JOINT RECEPTION at the African American Civil war Museum / 1925 Vermont Ave, NW
Enjoy catered food and remarks by Museum Director Dr. Frank Smith, SNCC veteran and former DC City Councilmember and other cultural historians at the AACWM, whose mission is to preserve and tell the stories of the U.S. Colored Troops and African American involvement in the American Civil War. The reception will also feature presentation of the *Debra Evenson "Venceremos" Award* to *Abdeen Jabara and Jan Susler*. Following the reception, attendees may find more entertainment in the U Street corridor of D.C. (Cost TBA)

*Tickets available for purchase upon registration.

Refer to schedule for exact event times.

HOUSING

WASHINGTON COURT HOTEL 525 New Jersey Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001
$139 plus tax/night. To book your room, visit: bit.ly/NLG2017hotel or call 800-321-3010 (Book by July 5 and reference "National Lawyers Guild" to receive this discounted group rate)

ALTERNATIVE HOUSING A limited amount of space will be available in the homes of generous DC-area Guild members at no cost. To request alternative housing or to volunteer extra space in your home, please fill out the online forms at: bit.ly/HousingRequests2017 or bit.ly/HousingOffers2017

NOTE: While we do our best to fulfill all alternative housing requests, we cannot guarantee alternative housing to everyone.

TOURS

SUNDAY AFTERNOON: AUGUST 6*

400 Years of Displacement: A Walking Tour in DC's Adams Morgan Neighborhood
An examination of DC history from the destruction of Native American communities to gentrification. Learn about red-lining and riots, and the conversion of homes to restaurants—with ongoing resistance.

Meet at 18th St. and Columbia Rd., NW at 3 PM. Accessible by Metro and bus. Non-strenuous walk. 15 blocks. Wheelchair accessible. Cost: FREE

National Museum of African-American History and Culture
See the world-famous museum! The NMAAHC is "the only museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture." Explore history through artifact and chronicle: 400 years of bondage, resistance, and the enduring capacity to create beauty and meaning.

1 PM. 75 tickets (5 of them for children) available at DC host chapter table—FREE, first come, first served.

Mapping Segregation: A History of Race Covenants in DC
A walking tour in DC's LeDroit Park and Bloomingdale neighborhoods, discussing the city's history of segregation and race covenants placed on home ownership. Learn about leading case law challenging covenants and view historic homes of African-American intellectual and political leaders of the mid-20th century. Led by Prologue DC's local historians.

1:30 PM .Meet at 6th and T St,NW (arch). Non-strenuous walk, 2 hours. Cost: $20

*Ticket/sign-up for tours will be available at the DC NLG host chapter table.

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