Scales of Struggle
Communities, Movements, and Global Connections

Labor and Working Class History Association

Seattle — University of Washington — June 22-25, 2017
Welcome

We gather at a critical time, in an instructive place, with a theme — **Scales of Struggle** — that captures the urgency of this moment. Six months into the regime of Donald J. Trump, the world waits, breathing shallowly, as the craziness unfolds. One thing is clear — resistance matters. The rightwing agenda has been slowed because of the determined resistance of the millions who have taken to the streets, because of brave journalists who are determined to expose the truth, because some judges and state and city officials have said no, and all of that is because Labor and social movements devoted to immigrant rights, women’s rights, and Black Lives Matter have stood strong, fighting back even as the risks escalate.

Seattle is the right place for this gathering. It offers recent and historic examples of smart and effective struggles that have won victories for working people. This is a city where unions remain strong and where movements for social justice exert influence both in policy and public imagination. And it is a city that embraces its labor history.

The Scales of Struggle conference features nearly **100 panels**, workshops, films, and performances, along with five plenary sessions. We scale geography, from local to global. We scale time, across three centuries. And we scale struggles, ranging from work-based organization to social movements, from direct action to educational campaigns, from local alliances to transnational coalitions. The program also tracks four sub-themes: **War and Empire** (on this centennial of WWI); **Borders and Coalitions** (as the struggle for immigrant rights takes new urgency); **Struggling for Justice** (as every expectation of justice is threatened); **Public Work of Labor History** (uncovering the work of teachers, labor educators and public historians)

If you have not managed a conference of this scope, you can’t appreciate the contribution of the two people who have done the most to make it possible. Co-chairs **Nikki Mandell** and **Shel Stromquist** wove together this complicated program, helped by committee members **Keona Ervin, Eric Fure-Slocum, Julie Green, Sonia Hernandez, Toby Higbie, Jennifer Klein, Nancy MacLean, Emily Twarog**, and **Naomi Williams**. The Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies hosts the conference, led by Director **Michael McCann** and Associate Director **Andrew Hedden**. We are also very grateful for financial support provided by the UW History Department and the UW Social Sciences Division. At a critical moment, History Librarian **Theresa Mudrock** volunteered to design and produce this printed program. My deepest thanks to all.

—*James Gregory, President, Labor and Working Class History Association*

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Stefan Berger and Holger Nehring. The History of Social Movements in Global Perspective: A Survey. (Palgrave MacMillan)


Dennis Deslippe, Eric Fure-Slocum, and John W. McKerley. Civic Labors: Scholar Activism and Working-Class Studies. (University of Illinois Press)


Elizabeth Faue. Rethinking the American Labor Movement. (Routledge)

Rosemary Feurer and Chad Pearson. Against Labor: How U.S. Employers Organized to Defeat Union Activism. (University of Illinois Press)

Lori Flores. Grounds for Dreaming: Mexican Americans, Mexican Immigrants, and the California Farmworker Movement. (Yale University Press)

Jerry Garcia. We Are Aztlán! Chicano Histories in the Northern Borderlands. (Washington State University Press)


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Michael Kazin. War Against War: The American Fight for Peace, 1914-1918. (Simon and Schuster)


Erik Loomis. Empire of Timber: Labor Unions and the Pacific Northwest Forests. (Cambridge University Press)


James Naylor. The Fate of Labour Socialism: The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation and the Dream of a Working-Class Future. (University of Toronto Press)

JoAnna Poblete. Islanders in the Empire: Filipino and Puerto Rican Laborers in Hawai‘i. (University of Illinois Press)


Peter Shapiro. Song of the Stubborn One Thousand: the Watsonville Canning Strike, 1985-87. (Haymarket Books)


Matthew E. Stanley. The Loyal West: Civil War and Reunion in Middle America. (University of Illinois Press)


Fernando Teixeira da Silva. Trabalhadores no tribunal: conflitos e Justiça do Trabalho em São Paulo no contexto do Golpe de 1964 (Editora Alameda) -if available

Welcome to Seattle and the University of Washington. Except for the opening reception and plenary Thursday evening, all but one session will be held in the architecturally innovative Mary Gates Hall in the center of the campus. Featuring session rooms on the second floor and a spectacular Commons for plenaries, book exhibits, informal meetings, and conversation, the facility gives us the spatial conditions for an intense and free-flowing conference. Box lunches will be served at noon Friday and Saturday in the MGH Commons to registrants who have enrolled for the full conference. We have ordered a variety of sandwiches including vegetarian and gluten free salads.

MGH rooms are equipped with a built-in PC, WiFi, speakers, and projector. There are also VGA and HDMI cables for laptops. MAC users will need to bring an appropriate adapter or a flashdrive that has been tested for PC compatibility.

The conference website provides detailed information about the local area, including:

- Transportation
- Restaurants nearby and downtown
- Ideas for Seattle sight-seeing
- Guide to Seattle labor history
- Google map that will help you get from place to place

**WiFi Access**

Registrants have free WiFi access on campus

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Password: `[redacted]`
Local Information

Nearby Restaurants

Seattle is a great eating town; however, the University District isn’t known for its culinary highlights. Here are a few recommended places to try within walking distance. Many are located along University Way (aka the Ave).

- **Agua Verde** (1303 NE Boat Street) Enjoy your margarita and Mexican food with a water view
- **Chili’s South Indian** (4220 University Way NE) Known for spicy southern Indian cuisine, dosas and inexpensive lunch buffet.
- **Ivar’s Salmon House** (401 NE Northlake Way) A Seattle classic where you can eat your seafood in a longhouse replica along with spectacular water views.
- **Shalimar** (4214 University Way) Another South Asian restaurant conveniently located near Chili’s.
- **Spring Kitchen** (4002 University Way NE) Mostly Vietnamese with a bit of teriyaki thrown in.
- **Xi’an Noodles** (5259 University Way NE) Known for its handmade noodles (biang biang), perhaps worth the long trek up the Ave.

Happy Hour Pubs:

- **Big Time Brewery** (4133 University Way NE) Ten beers on tap and standard pub grub.
- **College Inn Pub** (4006 University Way NE) Quintessential basement dive bar.
- **Shultzy’s Bar and Grill** (4114 University Way NE) Have your beer and a bratwurst too. Full bar.

Free Time? Things to Do Nearby

- Rent a canoe and see Seattle by water. The Waterfront Activities Center is located behind Husky Stadium. Or rent a kayak from the Aqua Verde Paddle Club (1307 NE Boat St.).
- Traverse all 18 miles of the Burke-Gilman Trail or perhaps just stroll the short stretch from the UW to Gas Works Park. Bike rentals available at Recycled Cycles (1007 NE Boat St.).
- Visit the UW’s two museums: Burke Museum of Natural History & Culture and the Henry Art Gallery.
- Wander through the beautiful campus. Stop by Suzzallo Library and admire its magnificent Reading Room.

Seattle’s Labor History

Few cities make use of labor history the way Seattle does. The city proudly recognizes struggles like the Seattle General Strike of 1919 and the 1999 WTO Battle of Seattle as part of what makes the region famous and important. News media, city officials, and educators join in commemorating key anniversaries.

This is no accident. It reflects the continued political importance of unions and the ongoing cultural work of labor activists and labor educators.

Highlights of the history of working people in Washington State are depicted in a stunning new mural at the Washington State Labor Council headquarters on Jackson at 16th pictured above. Below is a scene from the Pablo O’Higgins mural “The Struggle Against Racial Discrimination.” Painted for the Shipsalers Union Hall in 1945, it now hangs in Kane Hall of the UW campus.

Visit the conference website ([lawcha.org](http://lawcha.org)) to read a short essay about the past and present of labor and social movement activism in Seattle and to see examples of labor art at UW.
Join LAWCHA Today

The Labor and Working-Class History Association is an organization of scholars, teachers, students, labor educators, and activists who seek to promote public and scholarly awareness of labor and working-class history through research, writing, and organizing.

Benefits of Membership

- One-year subscription to *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History* (four issues)
- LAWCHA also publishes *LaborOnline*, our exciting current/historical issues blog.
- Eligibility to receive prizes and travel grants for graduate students
- Participation in a vibrant organization that joins scholarship, teaching and activism, promoting public awareness of labor’s role in history and current struggles

Dues:
- Continuing: $85
- Regular: $50
- Reduced: $25 (Students, K-12 and contingent faculty)
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CALL FOR CONTRIBUTORS TO “TEACHING LABOR’S STORY”
NEW CROWD-SOURCED TEACHING RESOURCE PROJECT

Teacher/Public Sector Initiative
lawcha.org/wordpress/teaching-resources/

Teaching Labor’s Story takes on the neglect and distortions of labor’s history in standard textbooks and mainstream narratives. Our goal is to redress these problems by developing and disseminating resources that enable educators to re-infuse labor’s story into the historical narrative. Teaching Labor’s Story is designed to meet educators where they are by providing resources that can be readily incorporated by experts and non-experts alike into existing curriculum [high school, college, university, workers’ school].

Teaching Labor’s Story will provide teachers, faculty and labor educators with on-line access to:

- Primary source documents: selected [and edited to teachable length] to reveal workers’ voices, experiences and actions during commonly taught historical eras and events
- Teaching guide for each document: a custom-written annotation that unpacks and contextualizes the document; connects the document to established history curriculum and standards; and provides a brief glossary of terms, additional resources, and discussion/writing prompts.

Teaching Labor’s Story documents and guides will be peer-reviewed and published on-line at LAWCHA Teaching Resources.

Learn more about the “Teaching Labor’s Story” Project

- LAWCHA 2017, Saturday, June 24:
  - Panel: E.8 Teaching Labor’s Story: Using Curated Documents to Infuse Labor and Working-Class History into US History Classrooms [10:15-11:45am]
  - Business Meeting [12:00-1:45pm]
- LAWCHA website: Teaching Resources lawcha.org/wordpress/teaching-resources/
- Teaching Labor’s Story: Call for Contributions

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- Contribute to changing the narrative and building an informed citizenry.
- Build your CV with a peer-reviewed publication.
- Engage your undergraduate or graduate students in history beyond-the-classroom.
The Labor Archives of Washington
www.laborarchives.org

Saving Solidarity.
Honoring a Legacy
The Harry Bridges Endowed Chair and Center for Labor Studies honor the legacy and democratic politics of the late Harry Bridges, founder and leader of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU).
As a tribute to Bridges' memory, over one thousand contributors, spearheaded by current and retired members of the ILWU, raised funds to endow a faculty chair and launch the Center in 1992.

Engaging Students
Hundreds of University of Washington students enroll each year in Labor Studies courses, some choosing to earn a Minor in Labor Studies and many working in internships with labor and social justice organizations.
Annual scholarships support students passionate about the study of labor. When they graduate, many go on to be part of the labor movement.

Supporting Labor Research
Labor research is an essential part of the Bridges Center’s mission.
More than sixty faculty members affiliated with the Center conduct research on subjects from occupational safety to civil rights and union democracy.
The Center’s grants and prizes have led to more than 100 publications that advance knowledge and pave the way for social change.

Building Community
The Center brings people together from the academic world, the labor movement, and the community to exchange ideas and insights.
We sponsor activities in the community bringing issues of concern to the widest possible audience.
Our faculty are often consulted by policy makers and journalists seeking information about labor issues.

Recent Activities
- SeaTac/Seattle Minimum Wage History Project
  content.lib.washington.edu/projects/sea15/index.html
- Working Democracy Conference
  Major conference on the politics of labor and inequality
- Pac NW Labor & Civil Rights History Projects
  depts.washington.edu/labhist/

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## Schedule at a Glance

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<td>Public session: “Past Forward: The Legacy of Left Coast Militant Unionism and Lessons for Today's Struggles” with Catherine Powell, Robin Walker, Conor Casey, Rich Austin Jr., Terri Mast, Dean McGrath, George Lovell, and Michael McCann</td>
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Thursday 5:30 - 8:00 Reception & Plenary

Mass Incarceration and the Working Class  (5:30 Reception; 6:30 Plenary; Alder Commons)

- Heather Ann Thompson, University of Michigan
- Donna Murch, Rutgers University
- Kelly Lytle Hernandez, University of California-Los Angeles
- Chelsea Nelson, Development Director, IBEW 46

Moderator: Julie Greene, University of Maryland

Friday 8:30 - 10:00 Session A

A.1 Unions, the Environment, and Social Policy  (MGH 251)

- Environmentalism and Unemployment Policy: Timber Unions and Redwood National Park
  Erik Loomis, University of Rhode Island
- The 100-Year Sustained Steal: The IWA and the Fracturing of Environmentalism in Shelton, Washington, 1946-1979
  Steven C. Beda, University of Oregon
- Bridging the Class Divide?: How Class Dynamics Shape Labor-Environmental Coalitions in Rural Areas
  Daisy Rooks, University of Montana

Chair: Marcus Widenor, University of Oregon
Commentator: Denny Scott, United Brotherhood of Carpenters (retired)


- War Against War: The American Fight for Peace, 1914-1918
  Michael Kazin, Georgetown University
- The Second Line of Defense: American Women and World War I
  Lynn Dumenil, Occidental College

Critics: Nancy Bristow, University of Puget Sound
Critics: David Brundage, University of California, Santa Cruz
Chair: Jim Gregory, University of Washington

A.3 Gender Politics and Labor Activism in Mexican American History  (MGH 228)

- Las Chicanas: The Impact of the Chicana Political Caucus
  Tiffany J. González, Texas A&M University
- Women’s Transnational Response to the North American Free Trade Agreement
  Joel Zapata, Southern Methodist University
- La Mujer Obrera: A Legacy of Women Workers on the Border
  Cynthia T. Renteria, University of Texas-El Paso
- A Gender Analysis of el Vaquero in South Texas
  Alejandra Garza, University of Texas-Austin
- The Imperial-Mexicali Borderlands
  Michael Aguirre, University of Washington
- Elvira Portugal: The Emergence of Mexican American Business Owners in Dallas
  Katherine E. Bynum, Texas Christian University

Moderator: Cassandra Rincones, Lone Star College

A.4 Neoliberalism and Its Discontents: Defending Public Institutions  (MGH 238)

- Not a Labor Town: Transforming Labor and Gender Politics in a Deindustrialized City?
  Jillian Crocker, SUNY Old Westbury
- “Hard Times at the Cooker:” The Struggle to Save Chicago’s Public Hospital
  Amy Zanoni, Rutgers University
- This is NOT a Local Campaign: Protest Movements in the Post-Liberal Era
  Dawson Barrett, Del Mar College

Chair & Commentator: Joe McCartin, Georgetown University
A.5 Political Struggles Over Worker’s Well-Being in Industrial America (MGH 242)

- Anatomy of Pennsylvania’s Ten-Hour Laws  
  Dave Obringer, Edinboro University
- The Right to Know versus the Perpetuation of Ignorance, New York versus Connecticut: Policy Conflict over Workers’ Access to Information from the Progressive Era to the New Deal  
  Alan Derickson, Pennsylvania State University

Chair and Commentator: Elaine Bernard, Harvard Law School

A.6 Janitors on Stage - Using Workers’ Oral Histories in a Union Contract Campaign (MGH 271)

- Workshop Facilitator: Bill Shields, City College of San Francisco
- Workshop Facilitator: Olga Miranda, President, SEIU Janitors’ Local 87

A.7 Digital Tools for Labor Organizing & Labor History (MGH 254)

- Labor and Digital Media: Organizing the “Creative City”  
  Richard Wells, Empire State College/SUNY
- Unions & Social Media  
  Véronique Émond-Sioufi, Simon Fraser University

Chair & Commentator: Toby Higbie, University of California-Los Angeles

A.8 To Defuse a “Powder Keg”: Historicizing the 2016 Milwaukee Uprising (MGH 248)

- William Tchakirides, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Joseph Walzer, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- Wesley Sutermeister, Marquette University
- John Terry, South Texas College
- Robert S. Smith, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Moderator: Robert S. Smith, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

A.9 Contributors to Reviving Southern Labor History: The Twentieth-Century South (MGH 288)

- Pens, Planes, and Politics: How Race and Labor Practices Shaped Postwar Atlanta  
  Joseph M. Thompson, University of Virginia
- From ‘the Chosen’ Few to the Global Precariat: Southern Workers in Foreign-Owned Factories since the 1980s  
  David M. Anderson, Louisiana Tech University & Andrew C. McKevitt, Louisiana Tech University

Chair & Commentator: Michael Pierce, University of Arkansas

A.10 Organizing Among Professionals and Service Sector Workers in Canada & the United States: Past and Present (MGH 287)

- Relationship-Based Organizing: AFSCME’s Clerical Unionization Campaigns at the University of Minnesota  
  Amanda Walter, Wayne State University
- Jurisdictional Conflicts and the Battle for Canadian Bank Workers in the 1970s  
  Julia Smith, Rutgers University
- From Stewardess to Flight Attendant: Popular Culture, Workplace Relations and Women’s Quest for Workplace Dignity in the Canadian Airline Industry  
  Joan Sangster, Trent University & Julia Smith, Rutgers University

Chair: Liesl Orenic, Dominican University

A.11 Labor and Working-Class History in the North American West: The State of the Field (MGH 234)

- Stacey L. Smith, Oregon State University
- Ryan Dearing, Eastern Oregon University
- Laurie Mercier, Washington State University Vancouver
- James Naylor, Brandon University, Manitoba
- Matthew Basso, University of Utah

Moderator: Matthew Basso, University of Utah

A.12 Religious Leaders, Grassroots Responses, and Political Change (MGH 284)

- Radical Religion: The Catholic Church and the War on Poverty in Brooklyn  
  Cassie Miller, Southern Poverty Law Center
- The Ambiguities of Catholic Inter-racialism in 1950s Chicago: Friendship House and the Catholic Interracial Council  
  Ian Rocksborough-Smith, Corpus Christi College - University of British Columbia
  Susan Breitzer, Independent Scholar

Chair & Commentator: Susan Glenn, University of Washington
B.1 “The Quiet Revolution”: The Transformation of Home Health Care in Oregon [documentary film] (MGH 251)
- Sonia De La Cruz, Documentary Filmmaker & University of Oregon
- Bob Bussel, University of Oregon

B.2 Giant Factories and Dreams of Modernity (MGH 234)
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  Joshua B. Freeman, Queens College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York

Comments: Alice Kessler-Harris, Columbia University
Comments: Nelson Lichtenstein, University of California, Santa Barbara
Chair: Shelton Stromquist, University of Iowa

B.3 Traveling the World: Workers’ Transnationalism (MGH 238)
- Blue-Collar Cosmopolitans: Sailors, Pullman Porters, and Working-Class Sophistication in the Industrial Era
  James Barrett, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- A Great Vision: An Activist Family’s History in the Fight for Social Justice
  Richard March, Independent Folklorist
- Chilean Exile Activists in Seattle: Solidarity Across Borders
  Gigi Peterson, State University of New York at Cortland

Chair & Commentator: Dana Frank, University of California-Santa Cruz

B.4 Forgetting Fascism in the 1940s: Class, Political Visions, and South Slavic Americans (MGH 228)
- ‘Reaction Rides High in Our Land’: Catholic Anti-Communism and the Croatian American Left in the 1940s
  Rachel Batch, Widener University
- “The Doors of America Are Flung Open to Some of the Worst Fascist Scum”: The Fight for Social Democracy at Home and Abroad in the Early Cold War
  Robert Zecker, Saint Francis Xavier University
- An Antifascist in an Anticommunist World: Louis Adamic, the Catholic Church, and the Wallace Campaign, 1945-1948
  John Enyeart, Bucknell University

Chair & Commentator: Fraser Ottanelli, University of South Florida

B.5 Illustrious Storytelling: Labor Cartooning, Comics and Graphic Novels (MGH 231)
- Morris Pass: the Forgotten Cartoonist of the Seattle General Strike of 1919
  Leonard Riffas, Seattle Central College
- Silent Agitation: The Art of Labor Cartooning
  Mike Konopacki, Huck-Konopacki Cartoons
- Drawn to Change: Working-Class Comics as Activist Story-Telling
  Sean Carleton, Mount Royal University/Graphic History Collective and Julia Smith, Rutgers University/Graphic History Collective

Chair & Commentator: Steve Blakeslee, Evergreen State College

B.6 The Strange Career of Industrial Relations: Labor Research and Social Change in Postwar America (MGH 287)
- Workers’ Education and the Origin of Industrial Relations in California
  Tobias Higbie, University of California, Los Angeles
- “How Can We Avoid a Columbia?” When Industrial Relations Professors Confronted Student Radicals
  Ronald Schatz, Wesleyan University
- Up the Chain: SEIU’s Justice for Janitors Campaign and Union Corporate Research in the 1980s
  Grace Davie, Queens College, CUNY

Chair & Commentator: Ruth Milkman, Graduate Center, CUNY

B.7 “A strike and an uprising [in Texas]”: an experimental telling of the pecan shellers strike of 1938 led by Emma Tenayuca and the 1987 Jobs with Justice march of 3,000 in Nacogdoches. — fine cut screening (MGH 254)
- Anne Lewis, University of Texas at Austin

Chair & Commentator: John Weber, Old Dominion University

B.8 WalMart University: A Precarious Faculty and a Precarious Education Framing the Conversation, Organizing the Struggle (MGH 271)
- Claire Goldstene, New Faculty Majority
- Maria Maisto, Cuyahoga Community College and New Faculty Majority
- Ricardo Lopez, Western Washington University

Moderator: Clair Goldstene, New Faculty Majority
B.9 Evolution of Labor-Community Coalitions: The Institutionalization of the AFL-CIO’s Role in Social Movement (MGH 242)
- Pablo Alvarado, National Day Laborer Organizing Network
- Ana Avendaño, United Way Worldwide
- Jonathan Hiatt, AFL-CIO
Moderator: Nik Theodore, University of Illinois at Chicago

B.10 World War I and Shifting Currents of Gender, Class and Ethnic Anti-Colonialism (MGH 284)
- Female Wobblies in Wartime
  Heather Mayer, Portland Community College
- “Finnishing” the History of the 1910s Pacific Northwest Lumber Wars
  Aaron Goings, Saint Martin’s University
  David Brundage, University of California-Santa Cruz
Chair & Commentator: Cecelia Bucki, Fairfield University

B.11 A View from the Top: International Capital and Organized Labor (MGH 288)
- “Badly Need[ed]…Capital”: Organized Labor, Trade Policy, and Visions of Globalization at the End of Bretton Woods
  Andrew Elrod, University of California, Santa Barbara
- U.S. Labor’s Modernizing Mission: Exporting Industrial Pluralism in the “Development Decade”
  Jeff Schuhcke, University of Illinois at Chicago
Chair & Commentator: Leon Fink, University of Illinois at Chicago

The New Global Working Class and the Fight for Labor Rights [Lunch provided with registration, MGH Commons]
- Annelise Orleck. Professor of history at Dartmouth College and a prolific author, whose works include Rethinking American Women’s Activism; her latest work-in-progress is Poverty Wages, Not Lovin’ It: The Rising of New Global Labor Movements.
- Marcel van der Linden. Senior Fellow at the International Institute of Social History and Professor of Social Movement History at the University of Amsterdam. He is author of numerous books including World of the Worker: Essays Toward a Global History of Labor.
Chair: Shelton Stromquist, University of Iowa
Friday 2:00 - 3:30 Session C

C.1 Tales from the Boeing Workplace: Gender, Economic Crisis, and Corporate Restructuring at the World's Largest Aerospace Company (MGH 228)

- Capitalist Family Values: Gender, Work, and Corporate Culture at Boeing
  Polly Reed Myers, University of Washington

- Politics As Usual: IAM District Lodge 751 Responds to Seattle's Boeing Bust, 1968-1972
  Andrew Hedden, University of Washington

- Emerging from Turbulence: Boeing and Stories of the American Workplace Today
  Leon Grunberg, University of Puget Sound and Sarah Moore, University of Puget Sound

Chair: Tom Lux, Pacific Northwest Labor History Association
Commentator: Larry Brown, IAM District Lodge 751
Commentator: Stan Sorscher, SPEEA-IFPTE Local 2001


- Michael Honey, University of Washington, Tacoma

- Darryl Holter, University of Southern California

Chair: Richard March, Independent Folklorist

C.3 The Unbalanced Scales of Borderlands Struggles: Human Traffickers, Organizers, and Farmworkers in South Texas (MGH 251)

- Cynicism, Social History, and the Starr County Strike, 1966-67
  Timothy Bowman, West Texas A&M University

- The Idar Brothers: Organizing Mexican Workers on Both Sides of the Border
  Andrew Hazelton, Texas A&M International University

- Immigration Control and the Numbers Game: Selective Enforcement and Human Smuggling at the Texas-Mexico Border
  John Weber, Old Dominion University

Chair and Commentator: Sonia Hernandez, Texas A&M University

C.4 Labor Internationalism: Insiders and Outsiders (MGH 234)

- 'The case of the colonial proletariat has long become the concern of the workers of our own countries' - Trade Union Internationalism and Colonial India in the late 1920s
  Anna Sailer, Georg August University, Goettingen

  B.K. Williams, University of California, Berkeley

  Jill Jensen, University of Redlands

Chair & Commentator: Eileen Boris, University of California, Santa Barbara

C.5 New Perspectives on the Auto Industry, 1920-1960 (MGH 284)

- Illegal People, Legal Goods: Workers, the Auto Industry and Commuting at the Local Scale in the 1920s Detroit-Windsor Borderland
  Ashley Johnson Bavery, Northwestern University

- The Elusive Postwar Boom: Metro-Detroit Autoworkers, 1945-1960
  Daniel Clark, Oakland University

Chair & Commentator: Tom Klug, Marygrove College

C.6 Creative Uses of a Changing State: Unions Engage in the Postwar Political Arena (MGH 287)

- Class Action: Putting Civil Rights to Work
  Lindsey Dayton, Columbia University

- Organizing Teachers in the UAW's Detroit
  Kelly Goodman, Yale University

- A New Activist Coalition: The American Federation of Teachers, the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and the Effort to Organize a New Class of Workers
  Nick Juravich, Columbia University

Chair & Commentator: Emily Lieb, Seattle University
C.7 Localizing Labor History: Case Studies of Commemoration and Sites of Memory (MGH 271)

- Active Memory at the Site of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire
  Mary Anne Trasciatti, Hofstra University

- Labor History and the National Park Service: How the Government Does and Does Not Remember Our Working Past
  Erik Loomis, University of Rhode Island

Chair: Fraser Ottanelli, University of South Florida
Commentator: James R. Barrett, University of Illinois

C.8 Summer Schools for Working Women: Historical Foundations and Global Possibilities (MGH 288)

- “My mind seems like a day after a night of rain.”: Tracing the Impact of Worker Education at Bryn Mawr Summer School for Women Workers
  Sylvia Marques, Michigan State University

- UALE Summer Schools: Leadership Development and Global Exchanges from Past to Present
  Kate Shaughnessy, AFL-CIO

- Case Study: 2016 Western Region Summer Institute on Union Women
  Liz Espinoza, University of California, Los Angeles-Labor Center

Moderator: Lynn Feekin, University of Oregon

C.9 Grand Armies of Workingmen: Civil War Veterans and the Labor Movement (MGH 238)

- “The Present Slavery—The Coming Freedom”: Organized Labor and the Civil War Metaphor in the Gilded Age
  Matthew E. Stanley, Albany State University

- Joined in Struggle: Civil War Veterans and the Search for Stability in America’s West, 1865-1930
  Ryan W. Keating, California State University, San Bernardino

- The Grand Army of the Social Republic: Civil War Veterans and the Making of American Socialism
  Mark Lause, University of Cincinnati

Chair & Commentator: Rashauna Johnson, Dartmouth College

C.10 Social Democracy, Labor, and Public Policy (MGH 254)

- Socialism Before Sanders: Channeling “A Mighty River”
  Jake Altman, Huron Valley Area Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

- Organising Community: Hotel and Restaurant Unionisation and Community-based Radicalism in 1930s Minneapolis
  Emmet Gillespie, University of Sydney

- Labor’s Role in a ‘Tax the Rich’ Ballot Measure Campaign: The Lessons of California’s Success Story
  Fred Glass, California Federation of Teachers

Chair & Commentator: Lane Windham, Georgetown University

C.11 Race, Class and Power: Labor-Civil Rights Struggles (MGH 242)

- Black Railroad Shopmen, the 1922 Strike, and Civil Rights Struggles in Texas
  Theresa A. Case, University of Houston-Downtown

- Mapping The Crisis: Du Bois and the Small Scale
  Tyler Babbie, University of Washington

- Police Power as Political Power: The New York City Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association and the 1966 Civilian Review Board Referendum
  Christopher Hayes, Rutgers University

Chair & Commentator: Keona Ervin, University of Missouri
Friday 3:45 - 5:30 Session D

D.1 Jim Green’s Legacy: Doing Labor History in Public Spaces (MGH 234)
- Jim Green’s Work with LAWCHA
  Shelton Stromquist, University of Iowa
- The Public Work of the Massachusetts History Workshop
  Susan Reverby, Wellesley College
- Engaging Workers, Teaching Trade Unionists
  Elaine Bernard, Harvard Law School
- Researching ‘The Devil is Here in These Hills’ and Writing Accessible Labor History
  Lou Martin, Chatham College
- Jim Green and the Clerical Workers’ History Project: A Provocative Patience
  Gerrie Casey, Indiana University-South Bend
Moderator: Shelton Stromquist, University of Iowa

D.2 Spaces of Work and Struggle in the Southwest: From the New Deal to the Neoliberal State (MGH 254)
- King Cotton and its Laborers: A Migratory Labor Camp in the Coastal Bend Region of South Texas
  Jonathan Cortez, Brown University
- “If there ever was a Racket, this is it”: Life and Labor in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands After the Bracero Program
  Alina R. Mendez, University of California, San Diego
- Community Coalitions and Corporate Altruism: Technology, Flexibility, and Place-Based Labor Movements in the Post-War Silicon Valley
  Jeannette Estruth, New York University
Chair & Commentator: Lori Flores, Stony Brook University

D.3 Labor, Politics, and Social Movements: Chicana Histories in the Northern Borderlands (MGH 238)
- El Movimiento in Washington State: Activism in the Yakima Valley and Puget Sound Regions
  Oscar Castañeda, University of Washington
- An Oral History of a Chicana Activist in Oregon during the Chicano Movement
  Norma Cárdenas, Eastern Washington University
- Democratizing Washington State’s Yakima County: A History of Latino/a Voter Suppression since 1967
  Josué Q. Estrada, University of Washington
- A Faustian Pact With The Devil: The UFW and Teamsters Alliance in Washington State Apple Industry
  Jerry Garcia, Northern Arizona University
Chair & Commentator: Erasmo Gamboa, University of Washington

D.4 Intersecting Empires: Accumulation, Labor, and Possibilities of Solidarity in the Pacific World (MGH 284)
- Proletarian Literature as a Transpacific Labor History: Migrant Workers and Intersecting Race and Gender in Maedakō Hiroichirō’s Writings in the 1920s
  Hiroaki Matsusaka, University of Michigan
- Primitive Accumulation, Colonial Difference, and the (Im)possibility of Labor Solidarity: The Case of Indigenous Aborigines and Chinese Workers on the Taiwan Frontier, 1895-1915
  Toulouse-Antonin Roy, University of California, Los Angeles
- Fists of Fury or Fists of Labor: Unearthing How the US Empire’s Usage of Black and Asian Labor Facilitated Martial Arts Practice during the Black Power Era
  Maryam Aziz, University of Michigan
Chair: Hiroaki Matsusaka, University of Michigan
Commentator: Joanna Poblete, Claremont Graduate University

D.5 Rethinking Carceral Labor Struggles: Unions, Job Training, and Parole for Incarcerated Workers in the Twentieth Century United States (MGH 251)
- “We had the Right to Remain Silent, but We Ain’t Gonna Stay that Way”: The Inmate Unionization Movement in North Carolina and the Nation
  Amanda Hughett, American Bar Foundation
- “It’s a crime not to get involved”: Worker Retraining and Misdemeanant Incarceration in Cook County Jail during the 1970s
  Melanie Newport, University of Connecticut-Hartford
- Making Good: Prisoners, Parole, and Industry in Early 20th Century Illinois
  Morgan Shahan, Johns Hopkins University
Chair & Commentator: Dan Berger, University of Washington, Bothell
D.6 Industrial Nostalgia and Heritage Preservation (MGH 228)

- Industrial Heritage without Class? The Ruhr Region of Germany
  Stefan Berger, Ruhr University Bochum
- Steel and its Heritage in the US
  Thomas Welskopp, University of Bielefeld
- Under Construction? Reconsidering the Rust Belt’s Industrial Heritage
  Jana Golombek, Ruhr University Bochum
- The Heritage of Heavy Industry in Northern France
  Marion Fontaine, University of Lille
- The Memory of Youth: The Industrial Past as a Factor of Identity Among Asturian Coalfield Youngsters
  Ruben Vega Garcia, University of Oviedo

Chair & Commentator: Erik Eklund, Federation University, Australia

D.7 “Union Time: Fighting for Workers’ Rights” [documentary film] (MGH 287)

- Matthew Barr, Director/Producer & University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Chair: Michael Honey, University of Washington, Tacoma

D.8 Organizing Strategies: Lessons from the Past (MGH 288)

- Strikes, Comprehensive Campaigns and the Revival of the Labor Movement
  Tom Juravich, University of Massachusetts Amherst
- Creating a City to Resist the State: The Seattle General Strike of 1919
  Kathy Ferguson, University of Hawai’i
- Imagining the Commonweal: Coxey’s Army, Cox’s March, and Working Class Political Conceptions of the Public Sphere, 1896-1932
  Wesley Bishop, Purdue University
- The Fraternal Tradition and the Global History of the Knights of Labor
  Steven Parfitt, University of Nottingham

Chair & Commentator: Randi Storch, SUNY Cortland

D.9 Speaking for Ourselves, To Each Other: LELO’s Worker to Worker Organizing from the 1970s to the Present (MGH 242)

- Organizing Black Construction Workers: The United Construction Workers Association
  Harley Bird, LELO (Legacy of Equality, Leadership and Organizing)
- Sharing Organizing Strategies: Black Construction Workers and Filipino Cannery Workers in Seattle
  Michael Woo, LELO & Got Green?
- Internationalism and Worker Organizing: From Seattle to Cuba and the Philippines
  Cindy Domingo, LELO
- If Workers Made the Law: The Tyree Scott International Worker to Worker Project
  Ricardo Ortega, LELO

Chair & Commentator: Trevor Griffey, co-founder of the Seattle Civil Rights and Labor History Project

D.10 Scales and Circuits of Waterfront Struggle: Home, Docks, City, Nation, and Beyond (MGH 271)

- Settler Masculinity and the Labor Question: The Pacific Waterfront Strikes of 1890 and 1913
  Matt Basso, University of Utah
- Becoming Harry Bridges: From Melbourne Rent Collector to Labor Militant, 1901-1917
  Dolores Janiewski, Victoria University of Wellington
- Five Months Without Wages: The 1951 Waterfront Dispute at Home
  Grace Millar, Independent Scholar

Chair & Commentator: Colin Davis, University of Alabama, Birmingham

D.11 Organizing the Academy: Strategies and Structures (MGH 231)

- Part-time Faculty and Collective Bargaining Outcomes
  Dan Jacoby, University of Washington
- The Winds of Changes Shift: An Analysis of Recent Growth in Bargaining Units and Representation Efforts in Higher Education
  William A. Herbert, Executive Director, National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions, Hunter College
- Building Union Power: Contract Fights, Budget Battles, and the Future of the University
  Lillian Taiz, past-President, California Faculty Association
- University Faculty Unions in an Age of Conservatism, Holding the Line in Pennsylvania
  Ken Mash, East Stroudsburg University

Chair & Commentator: Naomi R. Williams, The College at Brockport-SUNY
The 9 to 5 Project: A sneak peek at Julia Reichert’s in-progress documentary film about the 9 to 5 movement followed by discussion with the award-winning filmmaker and Local 925 activists (MGH 389, third floor)

- **Julia Reichert**, Film maker
- **Karen Hart**, President SEIU Local 925
- **Kim Cook**, Founding Member & First President, SEIU Local 925
- **Shawn Harris**, SEIU Local 925

Chair: Lane Windham, Georgetown University

Thinking Globally, Resisting Locally: What Can Labor Learn From Seattle and Washington State? (MGH Commons)

- **Jeff Johnson**, President of the Washington State Labor Council
- **Nicole Grant**, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the M.L. King County Labor Council
- **Rebecca Saldana**, Washington State Senator 37th Legislative District

Moderator: Nancy MacLean, Duke University

Saturday 10:15 - 11:45 Session E

**E.1 The $15 Minimum Wage Movement in SeaTac and Seattle: Origins and Impact** (MGH 251)

- **Conor Casey**, University of Washington
- **Jonathan Rosenblum**, Labor Activist, Community Organizer, Author
- **Sejal Parikh**, Working Washington

Moderator: Michael McCann, University of Washington

**E.2 Historical Perspectives on the 2016 Election: Working-Class Political Culture in the U.S.** (MGH 231)

- Immigration, Welfare and the 1994 and 1996 Elections
  - **Sarah Coleman**, Southern Methodist University
- Racism and the ‘Working Class’ in Media Coverage of U.S. Politics
  - **Robyn Muncy**, University of Maryland
- Rude Awakenings: Cesar Chavez, Latinos, and U.S. Elections
  - **Matthew Garcia**, Arizona State University

**E.3 Uncovering Tejana Labor and Activism: New Research and Interpretations** (MGH 242)

- Mothers and Community Laborers: Grassroots Activism and the Creation of La Fe Clinic in South El Paso, Texas
  - **Sandra I. Enríquez**, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- Tejanas in Béxar: The Creation of a Public and Legal Space for Women in Texas
  - **Cassandra Rincones**, Lone Star College-Kingwood
- Laboring for Racial and Gender Liberation: Tejana Cultural Activism in the Protest Era
  - **Samantha M. Rodriguez**, University of Houston

Chair & Commentator: Tula Connell, Independent Historian

Chair & Commentator: Sonia Hernandez, Texas A & M University
E.4 From National to Transnational: An Exploration of Changing Configurations of Labor Solidarities during the Cold War (MGH 284)
- Yevette Richards, George Mason University
- Lara Vapnek, St. John’s University
- Quenby Hughes, Rhode Island College
- John Stoner, University of Pittsburgh
Moderator: Will Jones, University of Minnesota

E.5 Who Built the Empire: Rethinking the History of Labor and the U.S. Empire (MGH 234)
- Reena Goldthree, Dartmouth College
- Kornel Chang, Rutgers-Newark, State University of New Jersey
- Colleen Woods, University of Maryland at College Park
- Moon-Ho Jung, University of Washington
Moderator: Julie Greene, University of Maryland

E.6 Perspectives on the Issue of Union Corruption in the Era of the McClellan Committee, 1956-1959 (MGH 288)
- Teamster Boss: Dave Beck
  Robert Donnelly, Gonzaga University
- Corruption or Rationalization? Organizing Chicago in the 1950s
  Liesl Orenic, Dominican University
- An Anti-Racketeering Purge: The AFL-CIO’s Response to the McClellan Committee, 1956-1959
  Catherine Rios and David Witwer, Penn State Harrisburg
Chair & Commentator: Eric Arnesen, George Washington University

E.7 The Art of Photographing Work in the Twentieth Century (MGH 254)
- Lewis Hine: The First Social Documentary Photographer
  Kate Sampell-Willmann, Tacoma Community College
- The Documentary is Dead; Long Live the Documentary: Arthur Leipzig’s Representations of Work
  Carole Quirke, SUNY, Old Westbury
- The Labor of Unemployment: William Gedney’s Form and Content
  Ed Slavishak, Susquehanna University
Chair & Commentator: Fred Lonidier, UCSD Visual Arts & AFT

E.8 Teaching Labor’s Story: Using Curated Documents to Infuse Labor and Working-Class History into US History Classrooms (MGH 238)
- Learning from the Textbooks: The Development of Teaching Labor’s Story
  Nikki Mandell, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- Lessons in Class: Selecting Documents for Teaching Labor’s Story
  Randi Storch, SUNY Cortland
- Report Cards from the Field: Educators Evaluate Teaching Labor’s Story
  Adam Mertz, University of Illinois at Chicago
Chair: Bob Bussel, University of Oregon
Commentator: Rachel Reinhard, University of California, Berkeley

E.9 Organising Precarious Academic Workers: International Comparisons and Connections (MGH 228)
- Organising Precarious Academic Workers in the UK Today
  Steven Parfitt, University of Nottingham
- The Context of Casualisation in UK Higher Education
  Lorenzo Costaguta, University of Nottingham
- Contingent Faculty and Prospects for Change: A U.S. Perspective
  Eric Fure-Slocum, St. Olaf College
- The Role of the Precariat Sociologist in Transforming Academia
  Sarah Grunberg, Ithaca College
Moderators: Steven Parfitt and Lorenzo Costaguta

E.10 Power Struggles: Workers, Business, and the Political Economy of Natural Resource Extraction (MGH 287)
- Drilling Practice, Ecological Knowledge, and Social Prestige in Texas Oil Communities
  Sarah Stanford-McIntyre, College of William and Mary
- Coal Power, Worker Power, and the Energy Crisis
  Jonathon Mark Free, Duke University
- “Energy Workers Must Organize!”: Mining Democracy in an Age of Energy Crisis
  Trish Kahle, University of Chicago
Chair & Commentator: Jacob Remes, New York University-Gallatin
**Saturday 10:15 - 11:45 Session E**

**E.11 Comparing Cities at War: Contradictory Patterns of Urban Working-Class Opposition to World War I (MGH 271)**

- A Movement Divided: The Labour Movement and the Great War
  **Keith Laybourn**, University of Huddersfield

- The Isolated Mass and a Global War: Anti-war Sentiment in Broken Hill, Australia
  **Erik Eklund**, Federation University

- Crisis, Adaptation, and Repression: The Contradictory Paths of Municipal Socialists During WWI in Germany and the United States
  **Shelton Stromquist**, University of Iowa

Chair & Commentator: Rosemary Feurer, Northern Illinois University

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**Saturday Noon - 1:45 Lunch and Meeting**

LAWCHA Lunch, Awards, and Business Meeting [Lunch provided with registration, MGH Commons]

- Awards, quick reports, followed by open discussion of issues facing LAWCHA—all welcome

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**Saturday 2:00 - 3:30 Session F**

**F.1 Public Sector Unions and Conservative Politics Since the 1970s (MGH 231)**

- “Every Candidate . . . is Running Against Our Union”: AFSCME’s Response to Tax Cut Fever in the Late 1970s
  **Joseph E. Hower**, Southwestern University

  **Elizabeth Faue**, Wayne State University

- Depositing the ‘Modern-Day Cincinnatus’?: Public Sector Union Responses to Emergency Manager Laws in Michigan, 2000-2015
  **Josiah Rector**, Wayne State University

Chair & Commentator: Joseph E. Slater, University of Toledo

**F.2 Chicanos and the Left in the Long Sixties (MGH 287)**

- Chicana/o Transnationalism and the Enduring Legacy of Arizona’s Farm Worker Movement
  **Marco Antonio Rosales**, University of California, Davis

- “The Favorite Daughter of the Strike”: Anne Draper and the United Farm Workers
  **Andrew Higgins**, University of California, Davis

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**F.3 The Rural Working Class Confronts New Capitalisms (MGH 271)**

  **Diana Johnson**, University of California, Davis

Chair & Commentator: Matthew Garcia, Arizona State University

- The Dilemma of the Industrial Working Class in Rural America, 1945-1965
  **Keith D. Orejel**, University of Missouri

- Paper Steaks: Western American Cattle Ranchers Confront Futures Trading, 1964-1980
  **Tim Paulson**, University of California, Santa Barbara

  **William D. Goldsmith**, Duke University

Chair: Joshua B. Freeman, Queens College and the Graduate Center, City University of New York

Commentator: Nelson Lichtenstein, University of California, Santa Barbara
F.4 Radicals and the Democratic Party: Independent Political Action or Bore From Within, 1876-2016 (MGH 251)
- Radicals and Democrats: The Early Years of a Stalking Experience
  Mark Lause, University of Cincinnati
- Eugene V. Debs Has a Bernie Sanders Problem: Independent Working-Class Political Action and the Electoral Tactics of Debs, La Follette and Sanders
  Tom Alter, Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne
- Radicals in the Democratic Party: 80 years of Rocky Marriage
  James Gregory, University of Washington

Chair & Commentator: Randi Storch, SUNY Cortland

F.5 Building Social Awareness Through Public Event Organizing: The Annual Labor, Social and Environmental Justice Fair (MGH 254)
- Workshop Facilitator: Vivian Price, CSU Dominguez Hills
- Workshop Facilitator: Andi Pla, CSU Dominguez Hills

F.6 Civic Labors: A Roundtable on Scholar Activism and Working-Class Studies (MGH 228)
- John W. McKerley, University of Iowa Labor Center
- Michael W. McCann, University of Washington
- Jennifer Sherer, University of Iowa Labor Center
- Daniel Atkinson, Independent Scholar
- Emily E. LB. Tworog, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Moderator: Eric Fure-Slocum, St. Olaf College

F.7 Black Workers Matter, a roundtable (MGH 234)
- Public Employee Unions and the Black Middle Class
  Will Jones, University of Minnesota
- The Crisis of the Black Working Class: The Continuing Search for Racial-Economic Equality in Memphis and the South
  Michael Honey, University of Washington, Tacoma
- The Workers and the Organizers: Toward a History of Black Women and the Labor Movement
  Keona Ervin, University of Missouri-Columbia

Moderator: Luther Adams, University of Washington, Tacoma

- Lefty Labor Activism from a Participant Historian
  Lois Rita Helmbold, Women’s Studies, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, retired
- With Boycotts and Ballot Boxes: Labor/Queer Campaigns and Coalitions in California, Oregon and Washington
  Miriam Frank, New York University
- From Liberation to Survival: The Shifting Meanings of Lesbian and Gay Solidarity in the Radical 1970s and 1980s
  Emily K. Hobson, University of Nevada, Reno

Chair & Commentator: Carole Quirke, SUNY Old Westbury

F.9 Labor’s Revitalization in the 1990s (MGH 288)
- Organizing to Block the Low-Wage Path in the Telecommunications Industry
  Debbie Goldman, University of Maryland
- Workers of the Word Unitel: Unionizing Bookstores in the 1990s
  Ryan Wisnor, Portland State University

Chair & Commentator: Marisa Chapell, Oregon State University

F.10 Labor Rights and Social Welfare in the Postwar Global South (MGH 238)
  Ravi Ahuja, University of Göttingen
- Labor Legislation and Rural Workers’ Rights in Brazil
  Fernando Teixeira da Silva, State University of Campinas, Brazil

Chair & Commentator: Leon Fink, University of Illinois at Chicago

F.11 Teaching Labor History: What’s Happening in the States? Roundtable (MGH 284)
- Labor, Labor Everywhere, But Is There a Standard to Teach?
  Nikki Mandell, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
- Getting the State Involved: Labor and Working-Class History in the Social Studies Curriculum—The Connecticut Example
  Cecelia Bucki, Fairfield University
- K-12 Labor Education: The California Experience
  Fred Glass, California Federation of Teachers

Chair & Commentator: Nancy Quam-Wickham, Washington State University
Saturday 2:00 - 3:30 Session F

F.12 Rural Resistance: An Immersive Archive (Henry Art Gallery)
- Facilitator: Kate Boyd, Co-founder of If You Don’t They Will & Shoreline Community College
- Facilitator: Molly Mac, Curator, The Alice Gallery
- Facilitator: Cristien Storm, Co-Founder of If You Don’t They Will

Saturday 3:45 - 5:30 Session G

G.1 Labor History On-Line and On-Screen: Exploring the Possibilities of MOOCs and More (MGH 231)
- American Labor: A History
  Peter B. Kaufman, Intelligent Television and MIT
- Thavolia Glymph, Duke University
- Toby Higbie, University of California, Los Angeles
- Emily E. LB. Twarog, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Moderator: Alice Kessler-Harris, Columbia University

G.2 Borderlands of Labor: Activism and Conflicting Ideologies Across the U.S.-Mexico Border (MGH 251)
- “The Question of ‘Self-Determination’“: HUAC Investigates the Specter of Cross-Border Communism in Texas, 1938-39
  Adam J. Hodges, University of Houston - Clear Lake
- “Our sweat and our blood have fallen on this land to make other men rich”: Narrative, Context and the Articulation of Workers’ Dreams in El Plan de Delano
  Naomi Calnitsky, Independent Scholar, Carleton University
- Turn of the Century Technê: Anarchist Newspapers as Social Media in Los Angeles, Borderlands, and Mexico in the Early Twentieth Century
  David M. Struthers, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
- Silence Sets the Agenda: LULAC’s Inactivity during the 1946 Copper Strike and the Coalescence of a National Civil Rights Agenda
  Laura Cannon, University of the Incarnate Word
Chair: Lilia Fernandez, Rutgers University

G.3 Global Labor Migration: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (MGH 234)
- Nelson Lichtenstein, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Nafisa Tanjeem, Rutgers University
- Eileen Boris, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Annelise Orleck, Dartmouth College
Moderator: Cindy Hahamovitch, University of Georgia

G.4 Migrant Workers and Webs of Resistance (MGH 228)
- Guest Workers, the Cold War, and Dreams of Development in Mexico and Spain
  Michael David Snodgrass, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis
- The Construction of the Social Collectives and Social Roles: The Silent Majority in China’s Urbanization
  Ruisheng Zhang, Purdue University
- Forging an Immigrant Workers’ Movement in the Shadows of Border Militarization, State Anti-Unionism, and the Neoliberal Non-Profit Industrial Complex
  Jose Villagran, University of Texas at Austin and Hector Guzman Lopez, Fuerza del Valle Workers Center
Chair & Commentator: Andrew J. Hazelton, Texas A&M International University

G.5 Negotiating Neoliberalism: Working-Class Activism and Race in the Late Twentieth Century (MGH 271)
- The ‘Women’ and ‘Immigrant’ Questions: The August 29th Movement’s Utilization of Chicano Marxism for Labor Organizing during the 1970s
  Eddie Bonilla, Michigan State University
- ‘This is Mine’: ACORN, Ownership, and Urban Revitalization
  Marisa Chappell, Oregon State University
- Racial Capitalism in the 1975 New York City Fiscal Crisis
  Michael Reagan, University of Washington
Chair & Commentator: Nancy MacLean, Duke University
Saturday 3:45 - 5:30 Session G

G.6 Organizing and Representing Contingent Faculty (MGH 254)
- Representing Faculty Across Rank
  Lori Blewett, The Evergreen State College
- Organizing Faculty at Catholic Universities
  Larry Cushnie, Seattle University
- Non-Profit Advocates for Adjunct Faculty
  Miranda Merklein, Academic Labor Organizer
- Organizing and Representing English Language Learner and Extension Faculty
  Richard P. Moore, University of Washington

Moderator: Trevor Griffey, Independent Researcher

G.7 Great Lakes by Northwest: New Perspectives on Labor Organizing and Social Movements (MGH 248)
- Mapping the Chicano/a Movements: A History and its Geography
  Josué Q. Estrada, University of Washington
- Blessed Settlement: Migrant Mexican-Descent Workers and Religious Outreach in Mid-Twentieth Century Wisconsin
  Sergio M. González, University of Wisconsin
- Managing Mobility: Worker Transience and Employer Control in the Fox River Valley, Wisconsin
  Jillian M. Jacklin, University of Wisconsin
- Of Forests and Fields: Mexican Labor in the Pacific Northwest
  Mario Sífuentez, University of California-Merced
- Building a Stronger Community: Work, Welfare, and Politics in Racine, Wisconsin
  Naomi R. Williams, SUNY Brockport

Moderator: Marc Rodriguez, Portland State University

G.8 Labor Coalitions and Anti-Globalism (MGH 288)
- Labour in the Global Carnival Against Capital
  Verity Burgmann, Monash University
- The Frontlines of “Global” Movements: Re-considering Working-Class Struggle in the “Anti-Globalization” Movement
  Eric Larson, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
- “Made in the USA?”: Resisting Sweatshops in the 1990s
  Beth Robinson, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
- N.A.F.T.A. (Not A Fair Trade for All)
  Fred Lonidier, University of California, San Diego & AFT

Chair & Commentator: Joan Sangster, Trent University, Canada

G.9 Working Towards a Global History of Social Movements (MGH 238)
- Stefan Berger, Ruhr University Bochum
- Michael McCann, University of Washington
- Marc Steinberg, Smith College
- Holger Nehring, University of Stirling

Moderator: Leon Fink, University of Illinois at Chicago

G.10 Ludlow, Greek Americans in the Colorado Coal War [documentary film] (MGH 287)
- Frosso Tsouka, Apostolis Berdebes Non Profit

Chair: Rosemary Feurer, Northern Illinois University

G.11 Race, “Free Labor,” and Working-Class Politics in the Nineteenth Century (MGH 284)
- “Regardless of Color”: The American Socialist Movement and African Americans between 1876 and 1890
  Lorenzo Costaguta, University of Nottingham
- “Driven to Desperation”: Race, Navassa Island, and the Problem of Free Labor in the Nineteenth Century
  Dennis P. Halpin, Virginia Tech
  Charles Williams, University of Washington, Tacoma

Chair & Commentator: Scott Kurashige, University of Washington, Bothell

G.12 Cultural Work: Performance and Working Class Consciousness (MGH 242)
- “There’s Gotta Be Something Better Than This”: Representation and Consciousness of Labor and the Working Class in American Musical Theater, 1945-1975
  Eric Kaufman, Ohio State University
- Workers’ Struggles on Stage: Australian Radical Theatre
  Lisa Milner, Southern Cross University, Australia and Cathy Brigden, RMIT University, Australia
- Representing Teachers: Labor and Liberalism in Bel Kaufman’s Up the Down Staircase
  Daniel Gilbert, University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign

Chair & Commentator: Lisa Phillips, Indiana State University
Saturday 5:30 - 7:30 Reception & Plenary

Past Forward: The Legacy of Left Coast Militant Unionism and Lessons For Today's Struggles (5:30pm Reception; 6:00pm Plenary; MGH Commons)

- Catherine Powell, San Francisco Labor Archives and Research Center
- Robin Walker, ILWU Archives
- Conor Casey, Labor Archives of Washington
- Rich Austin, Jr., President, ILWU Local 19
- Dean McGrath, President, ILWU Local 23
- Terri Mast, Secretary Treasurer, Inlandboatmen’s Union of the Pacific
- George Lovell, University of Washington
- Michael McCann, Director, Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, University of Washington

Sunday 8:30 - 10:00 Session H

H.1 Migrant Labor: Global Intellectual Histories (MGH 234)

- ‘Managed’ Migration and its Discontents: Postwar Labor and Resistance across the Atlantic
  Julie M. Weise, University of Oregon
- The Abolitionist Empire and the Rise of Mass Incarceration
  Cindy Hahamovitch, University of Georgia
- Migrating Concepts: The Production of Knowledge in Migration Regimes and the Introduction of Bilateral Labor Agreements to America During the Interwar Years
  Christoph Rass, University of Osnabrück, Germany

Chair & Commentator: Elliott Young, Lewis and Clark College

H.2 Mujeres Trabajadoras: Labor, Power, and Gender in Latino History (MGH 238)

- Making Whole Lives: Latinas, Labor, and Mobility in Urban and Rural West Michigan
  Delia Fernandez, Michigan State University
  Mauricio Castro, Purdue University
- “Stop the Ripoff!”: Labor Insurgency amid Deindustrialization in Philadelphia
  Alyssa Ribeiro, Allegheny College

Chair & Commentator: Lilia Fernandez, Rutgers University

H.3 Challenging the Culture of Empire: The Legacy of Dr. Dionicio Valdés in Labor and Chicana/o Historical Scholarship (MGH 228)

- Luis H. Moreno, Bowling Green State University
- Nora Salas, Grand Valley State University
- Jerry Garcia, Northern Arizona University
- Dinoicio Valdes, Michigan State University

Moderator: Jose G. Moreno, Northern Arizona University

H.4 Struggling with the State: Farmworker Activism and the Promises and Perils of Government Policy (MGH 284)

- The Families Who Came Anyway: Gendered and Familial Resistance to the Bracero Program
  Larisa L. Veloz, University of Texas El Paso
- Bahamian Worker Experience and Activism, 1942-1966
  Erin L. Conlin, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Before the Boycott: Farmworkers, Unions, and Labor Law
  Andrew J. Hazelton, Texas A&M International University

Chair & Commentator: John Weber, Old Dominion University
H.5 Art and Work in the 1930s: Archives and Public Histories (MGH 254)
- Dick Correll: Prints for Social Justice
  Conor M. Casey, Labor Archives of Washington, University of Washington
- New Deal Murals in the Pacific Northwest
  Patricia Raynor, National Postal Museum, Smithsonian Institution
- The Subjective Necessity of Public Art: Ben Shahn’s Conscience
  Kate Sampsell-Willmann, Tacoma Community College
Chair & Commentator: Gregg Narber, Independent Scholar

H.6 Reclaiming Working Class Studies (MGH 242)
- Keri Leigh Merritt, Independent Researcher
- Bob Hutton, University of Tennessee
- Dana M. Caldemeyer, South Georgia State College
Moderator: Theresa A. Case, University of Houston-Downtown

H.7 New Configurations of Working Class Activism (MGH 287)
- Interwoven Identities: Gender, Caste and Community in Mill Work in Colonial Madras
  M. V. Shobhana Warrier, Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi, India
- The Watsonville Canning Strike, 1985-87
  Peter Shapiro, Jobs with Justice
- Rethinking Precarious Work and Care through Janitorial Workers’ Struggle in South Korea
  Jiwoon Yulee, University of Washington
Chair & Commentator: Jennifer Sherer, University of Iowa

H.8 Defining Class and Race in the 1920s Coal Mines: Transnational Perspectives (MGH 284)
- A Worker Writes History?
  Bob Rossi, Retired Union Organizer
- Combating the Klan: Constructing Radical Identity in Southern Illinois
  Ben Schmack, University of Kansas
Chair & Commentator: Caroline Merithew, University of Dayton

I.1 Sparks Fly at Seattle City Light: Forging Links Between Workers to Combat Discrimination (MGH 254)
- Pioneering Electrical Tradeswoman at Seattle City Light
  Megan Cornish, Lifelong Feminist and Radical Activist
- Discrimination and Solidarity at City Light
  Jerry Lawson, Tradesman and Crew Chief at City Light
- The City Light Struggle
  Ellie Belew, Community Historian
Chair & Commentator: Kathleen Merrigan, Retired Seattle City Light electrical tradeswoman

I.2 Labor Solidarities Across Borders (MGH 238)
- Mirroring the Empire: Cigarmakers’ International Union and Anti-Cuban Sentiment, 1898-1901
  Andrew Gomez, University of Puget Sound
- Bridging Mexico and Seattle: History of Seattle’s Ship Scalers Union Mural
  Gigi Peterson, State University of New York at Cortland
Chair & Commentator: Michael D. Innis-Jimenez, University of Alabama
Sunday 10:15 - 11:45 Session I

I.3 Activism and Social Movements in Québec: A Transnational Perspective (MGH 228)
- "Anarchy was their cry, the red flag was their emblem": Transnational Perspectives on the 1906 May Day Demonstration in Montreal
  Mathieu Houle-Courcelles, Université Laval
- Discourse and Activism of Quebec’s Feminists on Housework: International links and breaking points (1969-1985)
  Camille Robert, Université du Québec à Montréal
- From Local Protests to Global Perspectives: Transnational Dimensions of Montreal’s Unemployed Movement in the Great Depression Era
  Benoit Marsan, Université du Québec en Outaouais et Université du Québec à Montréal
Chair: Victor Silverman, Pomona College

I.4 Navigating the Mazes of Modernization in Puerto Rico: Organized Labor, Techno-Politics, and Welfare Activism (MGH 242)
- Strike Against Labor: The 1933 Student Strike at the University of Puerto Rico
  Jorell Meléndez-Badillo, University of Connecticut
- Territorial Social Security: Labor, Welfare, and Activism in Puerto Rican Communities
  Emma Amador, Brown University
- Working the Exemptions: Puerto Rican Needleworkers, Pliable Citizenship, and a Scaffolding for Neoliberalism
  Aimee Loiselle, University of Connecticut
Chair & Commentator: Ileana M. Rodriguez-Silva, University of Washington

- Performing Servility: Black Unionism and Slavery Fantasy in Minneapolis Hotels
  Luke Mielke, Macalester College
- “We fight anything that fights the circus”: Labor and Performance Under the Big Top
  Andrea Ringer, University of Memphis
- Delivering a ‘Magical Day’: Performance Labor at Disney
  Lisa Phillips, Indiana State University
Chair & Commentator: David Witwer, Pennsylvania State University - Harrisburg

I.6 Writing History Using F.B.I. Files: From Document Acquisition to Interpretation (MGH 284)
- Workshop Facilitator: Trevor Griffey, Independent Researcher
- Workshop Facilitator: Daniel S. Chard, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

I.7 The Significance of the September 2012 and April 1, 2016 Chicago Teachers Union Strikes (MGH 288)
- Robert Bruno, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- Steven Ashby, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Chair & Commentator: Daniel Jacoby, University of Washington, Bothell

I.8 A Century of Pacific Labor for the United States (MGH 234)
- Colonizing the Pacific: Sugar, Race, and U.S. Empire
  Roneva Keel, University of Washington
- War Workers: Pacific Islanders and the U.S. Military in World War Two
  Holger Droessler, Bard College
- Pacific Wage War: Divergent Labor Standards and Minimum Wage issues in American Sāmoa
  JoAnna Poblete, Claremont Graduate University
Chair & Commentator: Kornel Chang, Rutgers University
Labor History Bus Tour

Sunday 8:30-11:30

If you pre-purchased a ticket for the Labor History tour, please meet Andrew Hedden (Associate Director, Harry Bridges Center) at the flag poll turn-around north of Red Square. See map on back cover or online map at conference website. Please do not be late.

Lunch options

Box lunches have been ordered for all who have registered for the full conference (including guests). They will be served in Mary Gates Commons at noon, Friday and Saturday. Feel free to take your lunch outside the building or upstairs. A plenary session will require quiet in the Commons starting at 12:20.

We have ordered a variety of sandwiches and two gluten-free salads from Bay Laurel Catering, a unionized service of UW. Look for the table sign associated with one of these choices:

- Roasted Turkey and Havarti
- Smoked Ham and Swiss
- Fresh Veggie
- Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken (GF)
- Quinoa Salad (VG) (GF)

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