

# Exhibitions

## What Work Looks Like

**Bread and Roses**  
310 West 43rd St., NYC 10036.  
May 1 - May 30.  
Weekdays 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Multi-media exhibition: paintings, photos, sculptures, & other art (& a workers cabaret) done by union members. FREE! Info: Esther Cohen, 212.767.0025

## Votes for Women

**Brooklyn Museum**  
200 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11238  
Through Nov. 30  
Sun.: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Wed. - Fri.: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Sat.: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Susan B. Anthony's contribution to the American suffrage movement, contributions of eight other important American suffragists, & Victoria Woodhull's historic run for the United States presidency (1872). \$8/\$4/free. Info: 718.638.5000. www.brooklynmuseum.org

## Unseenamerica NYS: Photos & Stories by Workers

**New York State United Teachers Headquarters**  
800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY 12110.  
Sun., May 18, 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Mon., May 19, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Unseenamerica NYS gives cameras and lessons to [previously unseen] workers to photograph their own lives. Exhibit takes place at the 2008 Labor-Religion Coalition Conference, featuring trainings on fair trade, health care for all, sweat free purchasing, farm worker & immigration rights. FREE! Info: Erin Shannon, 518-272-3500 x119, eshannon@wdiny.org

## Tools of The Trade

**New York Transit Museum**  
Boerum Place & Schermerhorn St., Brooklyn, NY 11201  
April 22 - December 7, 2008  
Tues. - Fri.: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Sat., Sun.: Noon - 5 p.m.

An oxygen deficiency indicator, an anemometer, a trolley ice scraper, a pneumatic drill, a high-tension potential transformer fuse puller, fire nozzles, rail gauges, riveting tools, signal locks, a lance type high tension switch stick, & a portable shunt - these are some of the tools used to build, operate & maintain New York's subway, bus, & rail systems. \$5/\$3/Srs.free - Wed. Info: 718.694.1600.

## "Play It Again Sam":

### Lost Chords of the Labor Movement

ongoing web exhibit  
**LaborArts.org**

Lyrics and recordings of almost lost songs that inspired social movements in the 1940s, featuring Henry Foner. FREE! Info: Rachel Bernstein, Henry Foner 212.998.2637 info@laborarts.org

## Veronica Session, Carpenter,

Local 926, New York City District Council of Carpenters

Photo by Gary Schoichet from *Sisters in the Brotherhoods: Working Women Organizing for Equality in New York City* by Jane LaTour. Palgrave Macmillan Studies in Oral History.  
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Jane LaTour chaired the committee that produced NYLHA's map of New York state labor history. She is the author of a stunning collection of first-person accounts of blue-collar women pioneers. By challenging the status quo, these trade unionists contributed an important, little known, chapter to women's labor history. Info: www.Amazon.com



# 2008 Events

Fri., **April 25**, 7 p.m.  
**Workers Memorial Day Commemoration**  
Presentation by Professor Irwin Nack (William Paterson College) "Slavery: The Transatlantic Slave Trade." American Labor Museum/Botto House National Landmark, 83 Norwood Street, Haledon, NJ 07508. Info: Angelica M. Santomauro, 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.org

Wed., **April 30**, 8 p.m.  
**VOTE DEBS IN '08**  
A 2008 presidential campaign alternative & ongoing theatrical performance; five-time candidate Eugene V. Debs & the early 20th century labor movement. Hudson Guild Theatre, 441 West 26 St., NYC, 10001. Info: 718.614.4891. www.packofothers.org/votedebs.

Thurs., **May 1**, 7 p.m.  
**May Day Festival**  
Performers Anne Feeney, Chris Chandler, the New Jersey Solidarity Singers and more. \$10. American Labor Museum/Botto House National Landmark, 83 Norwood Street, Haledon, NJ 07508. Info: Angelica M. Santomauro, 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.org.

Thurs., **May 1**, Noon-6 p.m.  
**May Day Special Workers of the World Unite & Speak Out!**  
Radio's "Building Bridges: Your Community & Labor Report," over WBAI, 99.5 FM Produced & hosted by Mimi Rosenberg & Ken Nash, or streaming live at www.wbai.org

Thurs., **May 1**, 8 p.m.  
**VOTE DEBS IN '08**  
See notice April 30  
Venue: Jimmy's No. 43, 43 East 7 St., NYC, 10003. www.packofothers.org/votedebs.

Fri., **May 2**, 1 p.m.  
**Black Women's History Tour: Lower Manhattan**  
Walking tour led by Reclaim the Memories. See St. Phillip's Church, site of the African Free School, the African Dorcas Society & the National Organization of Negro Women. \$12 (children: \$5). Reservations, meeting place: 212.299.7011.

Sat., **May 3**, 8-11 p.m.  
**May Day Jam: A Concert for Labor, Social Change & Healthcare Reform Now!**  
Alternative protest band The Flames of Discontent, radical hip-hop ReadNex Poetry Squad, Zenote Sompantle's Mexican revolutionary songs, guest speakers. \$5 donation. Muddy Cup Coffeehouse, 58 Main St., New Paltz, NY. Info: 917.593.0037. john.pietaro@hepn.org.

Sat., **May 3**, Noon.  
**Peddler's Pack: A Jewish Heritage Tour**  
Walking tour led by a costumed actor through the Lower East Side. Stops include the Jewish Daily Forward building, the Educational Alliance, & the Rabbi Jacob Joseph Yeshiva. Meets at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum, sponsor of the tour, 97 Orchard St. Also May 10, 17, 24, 31, June 7, June 21. \$12/\$10. Info: 212.431.0233

# May is Labor History Month!

Thursday,  
**May 22**,  
6 p.m.

## Splits in the Labor Movement, Then and Now: C.I.O. - Change to Win

### NYLHA's Spring Labor History Conference

Prof. Melvyn Dubofsky (SUNY Binghamton), Prof. Priscilla Murolo (Sarah Lawrence College) **Bob Master** (CWA District 1), with moderator **Steven Greenhouse** (New York Times)

Discussion of the C.I.O.'s 1930s split from the A.F.L. -- and Change to Win's 2005 split from the AFL-CIO.

Robert F. Wagner Labor Archives. 70 Washington Sq. South, 10th Floor. New York, NY 10012  
**FREE! Refreshments served.** Info: 212.998.2630. Cartoon (by Herblock) courtesy of the New York Public Library Picture Collection.



"The Labor Harmony Situation" - Two types of leader.

Sun., **May 4**, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Encounters: The Jewish Ghetto Meets Its Neighbors

Prof. Tony Michels (University of Wisconsin) explores the interaction of Russian Jewish intellectuals, socialists of Little Germany, bohemians of Greenwich Village, & more than 100,000 Jews (by the 1890s) of NYC's Lower East Side. FREE! Museum at Eldridge St., 12 Eldridge St., NYC 10002. Info: 212.219.0888 x 206. www.eldridgestreet.org

Mon., **May 5**, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### Destination: El Barrio

The thriving scene of Latino arts, culture, & cuisine of El Barrio. Meets: SE corner, Fifth Ave. & 104 St., NYC 10029. FREE! 212.831.7272. elbarriotours@elmuseum.org; www.elmuseum.org.

Tues., **May 6**, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

### Unseenamerica NYS: Pictures & Stories By Workers

Reading & Photography Exhibit. Previously unseen workers receive cameras & training -- & make themselves seen. Earl W. Brydges Public Library, 1425 Main Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14305. FREE! Info: Erin Shannon, 518.272.3500 x119. eshannon@wdiny.org

Fri., **May 9**, 7:30 p.m.

### Nowtopia: How Pirate Programmers, Outlaw Bicyclists, & Vacant-Lot Gardeners Are Inventing the Future Today

Forum/book party. Author Chris Carlsson chronicles resistance & rebellion within America's "recomposing" working class. \$6/\$15/\$15 admission. Brecht Forum. 451 West St., NYC 10014. 212.242.4201. www.brechtforum.org

Sun., **May 11**, 1-3 p.m.

### Tour of Downtown Albany Underground Railroad Sites

Walking Tour - underground railroad sites will be visited by Capital District Underground Railroad Workshop. \$7 (under 15: free). Meets at the Albany Area Heritage Visitor's Center at Quackenbush Square, Albany, NY 12207. Info: 518.432.4432. www.ugrworkshop.com

### NYLHA Calendar Committee

George Altomare, Bette Craig, Maurice Goldman, Gail Malmgreen, Arieh Lebowitz, Susan Wilson, chair: Joe Doyle

The New York Labor History Association was founded in 1975 to bring together individuals and institutions interested in the history of working people, their organizations, and their struggles for better life and society in New York State. NYLHA strives to make labor history a vital and ever present part of our culture. Membership in NYLHA is open to anyone interested in labor history. Send \$20 (\$10 Students/Srs.) to: Philoine Fried, 351 West 24 St., New York, NY 10011.

### Officers

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