

Exhibitions:

The New Deal in NYC, 1933-1943

Roosevelt House at Hunter College

47 E. 65 St., NYC

Mon - Sat 10 am - 4 pm

Through mid-August

Posters, murals, & photos show how New Deal projects reshaped NYC, employed its citizens, improved their health & welfare, & created social safety net programs. Free! 212.650.3174.

www.roosevelthouse.hunter.cuny.edu/tours/

Walking the Steel: From Girder to Ground Zero

Iroquois Indian Museum

324 Caverns Road

Howes Cave, NY 12092

Thurs - Sun 10 am - 4 pm

April 1 - November 30

Artwork, artifacts, photographs, & audio recollections interpret the long-standing cultural & occupational tradition of ironworking & its prominent role in Iroquois communities. \$8; \$6.50 Srs./Students (12-17); \$5 (5-12); under 5 free. 518.296.8949. iroquoismuseum.org

In the Fields of the North/En los Campos del Norte

American Labor Museum

Botto House National Landmark

83 Norwood St., Haledon, NJ 07508

Wed - Sat 1 - 4 pm or by appt.

May 20 through August 26

David Bacon's black & white photos explore the lives of today's California farm workers. Among California's poorest residents, migrants sleep in shacks, or tents under trees, or crowded tent to a room in trailer parks. \$5. 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.net

Until Everyone Has It Made:

Jackie Robinson's Legacy

Brooklyn Historical Society

128 Pierpont St., Brooklyn, NY

Wed - Sun 12 - 5 pm

Opening April 6

In 1947 Jackie Robinson broke the professional baseball color line when the Brooklyn Dodgers started him at first base. \$10; \$6 Srs./Teachers; Students with ID/under 12 free. 718.222.4111. brooklynhistory.org

Deconstruction of the Third Avenue El

Grand Central Gallery Annex (NYC)

(adjacent to the Station Masters' Office)

M - F 8 am - 8 pm, Sat & Sun 10 am - 6 pm

Through July 9

Sid Kaplan's 1955 photos capture the hard-working people who dismantled NYC's 3rd Av. Elevated line. Plus selected artifacts from the Transit Museum's collections. Free.

Next Stop: Second Avenue Subway

The Transit Museum

Boerum Pl. & Schermerhorn St., Brooklyn, NY

Tu - Fri 10 am - 4 pm; Sat & Sun 11 am - 5 pm

Through September

Traces nearly 100 years of subway history, exploring how the 2nd Av. line fits into NY's past, present, & future transportation landscapes. \$10; \$5 Srs./Children (2-17). Free on Wed. 917.633.0736. nytransitmuseum.org

Heavy Lifting

Slate Valley Museum

17 Water St., Granville, NY 12832

Tu - Fri 1 - 5 pm; Sat 10 am - 4 pm

A human and technological history of moving slate from quarry to market, 1850 to present. Also, Neil Rappaport's documentary photos of slate company workers in the 1970s, 1980s, & 1990s. \$5; under 12: Free. 518.642.1417. slatevalleymuseum.org

HERSTORY: Chinese-American Women,

165 Years of Struggle and Success

Chatham Square Public Library

33 East Broadway, NYC

Tu - Thurs 10 am - 8 pm; Fri, Sat until 5 pm

Through June 1

Told through legal cases fought in state courts throughout the U.S. 212.964.6598.

New York Labor History Association, Inc.

NYLHA was founded in 1975. To join NYLHA send \$20 (\$10 Srs./Students) to: Peter Fillardo, 340 W. 28 St., #18, NYC 10001-4765.

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2017 Events:

Thurs April 27, 2:15 pm

Donald Trump's Unfriendly FIRE: Bob Fitch On Target

The Bob Fitch Memorial Lecture

Lecture by Prof. Peter Marcuse, Columbia Univ. Urban Planning Dept. Free! LaGuardia Community College, CUNY, 30-10 Thomson Av., Room E-242, Long Island City, NY. 718.482.7200.

Sat April 29, 1 - 4 pm

Workers Memorial Day Observance

Candlelight vigil & a talk by Wm. Paterson College Emeritus Prof. Irwin Nack on Ireland's struggle for freedom. American Labor Museum/Botto House National Monument, 83 Norwood St., Haledon, NJ 07508. 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.net

Sun April 30, 1:30 - 4:30 pm

May Day Rally for the 26

The Solidarity Committee in the Capital District will celebrate May Day this year with a video on Haymarket Square & the origins of May Day, entertainment, free food, & a few speakers. This year's event honors the Honeywell workers (locked out for eight months), the Momentive workers (on strike for 2 months), & the 26 Momentive workers not allowed to return to work. Chrome Restaurant, Routes 4 & 32, Waterford, NY 12188.

Mon May 1, 11:30 am

March and Rally for Immigrant Workers

Starting at Our Lady of the Americas Church, 272 Central Av., Albany 12206.

Mon May 1, 1 pm

May Day Festival

This year's theme: "The IWW Was a Singing Union." Performers Charlie King, Magpie (Greg Artzner & Terry Leonino), George Mann, the NJ Industrial Union Council (IUC) Solidarity Singers & the Harmonic Insurgency Choir, led by Eugene Glickman. Refreshments served. Tours of the Museum. \$10. American Labor Museum/Botto House National Monument, 83 Norwood St., Haledon, NJ 07508. 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.net

Mon May 1, 6:30 pm

Clara Lemlich Awards

Honoring women who've devoted their lives to the greater good, in the spirit of those who sparked so many reforms in the aftermath of the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire in 1911. The NYC Labor Chorus (celebrating their 25th anniversary) will sing. Free! RSVP: info@LaborArts.org Video of previous honorees at LaborArts.org/lemlichawards. Museum of the City of NY, 5th Av. & 103 St., NYC



Wed May 3, 8 am to May 5, 8:30 pm

Radical Film Network NYC: A Global Gathering

3 days: 100+ international filmmakers & academics discuss using film to organize & mobilize workers & union members. Nightly entertainments. \$25. \$60 Academics. Murphy Institute for Worker Education & Labor Studies, 25 W. 43 St., 18th Fl., NYC. https://radicalfilm_globalgathering.eventbrite.com

Wed May 3, 3:30 & 5:30 pm

Every Fold Matters

Live performance brings a neighborhood laundromat to life with original dialogue, music & choreography -- based on interviews with NYC laundry workers. Free! 1st-come, 1st-seated. Michaelson Theater, 721 Broadway, 6th Fl., NYC.

Fri May 5, 6 pm

Opening Night: Workers Unite Film Festival (WUFF)

2 short films: *Trouble - Killing The Black Snake* from SubMedia (https://sub.media/trouble/). *Generation Revolution* (Black Lives Matter movement in the UK). In *Dubious Battle* (2017) Feature length dramatization of the Great Depression-era Steinbeck novel. Organizers help strikers in the apple orchards of the Pacific NW. *August Lucey* (2017) Satire of a poet turned ad man turned whistleblower (to expose unethical drug testing) who flees to live in the woods with radicals living off the grid. Ticket prices: \$10/program; \$8 Students/Retirees; \$16 two-program pass; \$25 full evening (4 films); \$80: Show times for the WUFF are tentative, check online for the latest schedule: workersunitefilmfestival.org/WUFF

Sat May 6, 1 - 4 pm

Walking the Steel: From Girder to Ground Zero

Opening Reception: Reagan Tarbell from Kahnawake will screen & discuss her film *To Brooklyn and Back: A Mohawk Journey* examining the experience of Mohawk women in Little Caughnawaga, a Brooklyn community of 700 Mohawks that grew out of the ironworking boom of the 1950s. Opportunity to meet artists & ironworkers featured in the exhibition. 8/\$6.50/\$5. Iroquois Indian Museum, 324 Caverns Road, Howes Cave, NY 12092. 518.296.8949.

Sat May 6, 2 pm

Building Bridges

Geoffrey Cobb (*Greenpoint: Brooklyn's Forgotten Past*) will speak on Fr. Sylvester Malone (1821-1899) founder (& pastor for 51 years!) of the parish of Sts. Peter & Paul in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. Fr. Malone overcame fierce nativist anti-Catholicism to win the admiration of Protestant clergy through his fervent ecumenism & passionate devotion to the Union cause in the Civil War. Reception to follow. \$5. St. Mary's Church, 440 Grand St., NYC. irishnyhistory.org/events/

Sat May 6, 5 pm

Musical Artists Are Workers, Too!

Mike Morningstar: *Here's to the Working Man!* (2016) Bluegrass singer tries to pass down his trade to the next generation. *They Will Have to Kill Us First: Mali Musicians in Exile* (2016) ISIS declared a death sentence on anyone playing music. *Thirsty* (2017) Musical. Where does a Drag Queen come from? *Free CeCe* (2016) CeCe McDonald was sentenced to life in prison for defending herself from sexual assault. Freed by international protests, she became a spokeswoman for the right of women to defend themselves. At Cinema Village. WUFF

Sun May 7, 3 pm

LGBT & Trans Rights Are Workers Rights Are Civil & Human Rights

Anchovies (2016) Haunted by his mother's drowning, a genderqueer teen contends with unwanted advice. *The Lavender Scare* (2016) Gay men & women were targeted during the McCarthy Era as "national security threats." *Out Run* (2016) Energized by hairdressers, the first trans political party forms in the Philippines. *Denial* (2017) Climate change awareness intertwined with identity issues. *Women on Fire* (2017) FDNY's first trans woman firefighter. At Cinema Village. WUFF

Mon May 8, noon

Ties That Bound: Founding First Ladies and Slaves

Book signing/talk by Univ. of Rhode Island Prof. Marie Jenkins Schwartz. First ladies & slaves in the households of Virginia's Founding Fathers. \$25. 92nd St. Y, Lexington Av. at 92 St., NYC. www.92y.org

Mon May 8, 6 pm

New York Labor History Assoc. Night at WUFF

The Plow That Broke That Plains (1936). *The River* (1938). Iconic films by a founder of the documentary film movement, Pare Lorentz. *Ludlow: Greek Americans in the Colorado Coal War* (2016), a new look at the Ludlow coal strike & massacre. *American Socialist: The Life and Times of Eugene V. Debs* (2017) Turn-of-the-century labor leader Eugene Debs led the Pullman Strike, ran five times for President as a socialist, jailed for anti-WWI activity. At Cinema Village. WUFF

May is Labor History Month!



Workers laying cable on the Triborough Bridge -- built as a New Deal project. NYLHA's Spring Labor History Conference, When Government Was the Solution: The New Deal's Forgotten Legacy -- June 8. (Boxed entry below.) 1935 photo courtesy of The New York Public Library Picture Collection.

Mon May 8, 6:30 - 8 pm

NYC's Fiscal Crisis and the Rise of Austerity Politics

Book signing/talk by NYU Prof. Kimberly Phillips-Fein. Her book, *Fear City*, challenges the orthodox view that the 1975-76 fiscal crisis was the result of wasteful, profligate spending under Mayor Lindsay, & NYC was kept alive when labor, business, citizens, & financial interests joined in common sacrifice. The Graduate Center's Joshua B. Freeman & Frances Fox Piven reflect on what drove the crisis, & how its resolution permanently changed life & politics in NYC. Free! Skylight Room, CUNY Grad Center, 365 Fifth Av., 9th Fl., NYC. 212.817.8460. gotham@gc.cuny.edu

Tu May 9, 6 - 8 pm

Eleanor Roosevelt: The War Years and After, 1939-1962

Book launch. Blanche Wiesen Cook, Distinguished Prof. of History, John Jay College of Criminal Justice & the Graduate Center, discusses Vol. III of her biography of Eleanor Roosevelt & the labor movement of the era. Free! Tamiment Library, Bobst Library, NYU, 70 Washington Sq. So., 10th Fl., NYC

Tu May 9, 6 pm

67th Annual Hillman Prizes in Journalism

Program & reception honoring journalists who pursue investigative reporting & deep storytelling in service of the common good. Free! Must RSVP: 212.556.4300. NY Times Center, 242 W. 41 St., NYC

Tu May 9, 6 pm

CARE (2016) The hard-working folks who sacrifice to care for America's elderly & infirm. I. *Daniel Blake* (2016) directed by Ken Loach. A heart attack causes a middle-aged carpenter in the UK to lose his job -- & a young single mother in similar circumstances. *Love and Solidarity: The Rev. James Lawson and Nonviolence in the Search for Workers' Rights* (2016) The life & teachings about nonviolence of civil rights icon Rev. James Lawson. *Oiltowns* (2017) Boom & bust in North Dakota. America's oil & gas industry rides a roller coaster of changing global conditions. At Cinema Village. WUFF

Wed May 10, 6:30 - 8 pm

Immigrants Back Then & Now

Panel discussion: Tyler Anbinder (*City of Dreams: The 400-Year Epic History of Immigrant New York*); Ali Noorani (*There Goes the Neighborhood*); Mostafa Bayoumi (*How Does It Feel to Be a Problem? Being Young and Arab in America*); Nancy Foner, (*From Ellis Island to JFK*); Phil Kasnitz (*Inheriting the City: The Children of Immigrants Come of Age*). FREE. Must RSVP: LLee@tenement.org Lower East Side Tenement Museum, 103 Orchard St., NYC.

Wed May 10, 6 pm

Immigrant Rights/No Travel Ban

The Long Ride (2016) the historic 2003 Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride. *Stones In The Sand* (2016) Haitian immigrants, tangled family webs, & the suffering of workers at the hands of elites. *Cabuwazi Beyond Borders* [Circus Beyond Borders] (2016). Refugee children empowered by participating in a circus/talent show. *On The Bride's Side* (2016) 5 refugees from Syria's Civil War are held in Milan -- trying to reach Sweden for residency. *Nobody Dies Here* (2016) Workers in a gold mine in South Africa. At Cinema Village. WUFF

Thurs May 11, 6 pm

New Deal New York: A Living Legacy

Panel discussion. William Leuchtenberg (*The FDR Years*); Hilary Ballon, NYU; curator Ira Katznelson, Columbia Univ.; Owen Guffeund, Hunter College (*Twentieth Century Sprawl*); UC Berkeley Prof. Richard Walker, Director, the Living New Deal exhibit; Free. Must RSVP: billgoldstein@gmail.com Roosevelt House at Hunter College, 47 E. 65 St., NYC.

Thurs May 11, 6 pm

Global Labor Solidarity and Women at Work

Marx Is Back (2017). Argentinians explain & update the story of the Communist Manifesto for the Millennial Generation. *Reykjavik Rising: Iceland's Untold Uprising* (2016) In 2008, Iceland suffered a financial catastrophe. In response, citizens took to the streets. Their "Pots and Pans Revolution" forced their government to resign. *The Coal Minority* (2016) After years of digging coal to provide for their families, 3 single mothers in Utah struggle to maintain financial independence as mines shut down nationwide. *Sunflowers of Nicaragua* (2017) Nicaragua's Supreme Court named 16 female sex workers "judicial aides" to facilitate the resolution of conflicts in their trade. At Cinema Village. WUFF

Fri May 12, 6:30 pm

Hypernormalization (2016) BBC documentary spanning 40 years -- how we got to where we are now -- the Assad dynasty, Donald Trump, Henry Kissinger, Patti Smith, Vladimir Putin, Japanese gangsters, suicide bombers, Muammar Gaddafi & the Internet. Empire State College/The Van Arsdale Institute for Labor Studies - 325 Hudson St., 3rd Fl., NYC. WUFF

Mon May 15, 7:30 pm

Workers Voices

Sramik Awaaz (2017) Women working in the Bangladeshi garment industry organize, fight for their rights, & speak directly to workers here in the U.S. about the need for global labor solidarity. Headquarters of the NY Taxi Workers Alliance, 31-10 37 Av., L.I.C., NY. 718.706.9892. WUFF

Thurs May 18, 6:30 pm

Revisiting New York's New Deal

Panel discussion/reception/map signing. Williams College Prof. Mason Williams (*City of Ambition: FDR, La Guardia & the Making of Modern NY*); UC Berkeley Prof. Gray Brechin (*Imperial San Francisco: Urban Power, Earthly Ruin*); Sarah Seidman, moderator. \$20: \$15 Srs./Teachers/Students; \$10 Museum members. Museum of the City of NY, 1220 5th Av., NYC. 347.441.9181

Thurs May 18, 7 pm

Upstarts and Rabblers: Stories of Suffrage and the Women Who Claimed It

Lecture. Mary Otis Ga Willcox & the Staten Island suffragists, featuring Willcox's granddaughter, Otis Kidwell Burger. \$8; \$5: Srs./Students; 12 & under free. Bldg. A, Staten Island Museum at Snug Harbor, 1000 Richmond Terrace, S.I. 718.727.1135. statenislandmuseum.org

Fri May 19, noon

From Boats to Votes: Suffragettes & the Erie Canal

Lecture/Q&A. Pamela Vittorio, editor, *Boatyard*, Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum. \$5; Museum members free! Erie Canal Museum, 318 Erie Blvd. East, Syracuse, NY 13202 315.471.0593, ext. 15.

Sat May 20, 2 pm - 6 pm

Third Annual Activist Filmmakers Boot Camp

Bootcamp for brand new/recently started filmmakers from the activist networks. Deirdre Fishel (Director of CARE & Professor of Film, Hunter College) will lead the filmmaking segment. John Trigonis, principal at IndieGoGo, will lead the crowd-funding & marketing segment. Five established documentary filmmakers will discuss & mentor our new filmmakers. Lunch & refreshments to be served. Party after! \$40. Conference Center of the National Writers Union/UAW Region 9, 256 W. 38th St., NYC WUFF andrew@workersunitefilmfestival.org

Sat May 20, 2 - 4 pm

Silk Stockings and Socialism: Philadelphia's Radical Hosiery Workers from the Jazz Age to the New Deal

Dr. Sharon McConnell-Sidorick will discuss her new book on how working-class youth created a radical labor movement in the 1920's & 1930's. Light refreshments. American Labor Museum/Botto House National Monument, 83 Norwood St., Haledon, NJ. 07508. 973.595.7953. www.labormuseum.net

Mon May 22, noon

Mary Church Terrell: A Black Woman's Perspective on Suffrage and Civil Rights

Dr. Alison Parker, Prof. of History, the College at Brockport. \$25 (includes lunch). National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House, 17 Madison St., Rochester, NY 14608. 585.279.7490 x 10.

When Government Was the Solution: The New Deal's Forgotten Legacy

NYLHA's Spring Labor History Conference

Thurs June 8, 8:30 - 4:30 pm \$15

At: The Professional Staff Congress/CUNY Union Hall,

61 Broadway, 16th Fl., NYC

Co-Sponsors: The Assoc. of Teachers of Social Studies/UFT, the Professional Staff Congress, AFT Local 2334, & the Living New Deal Project NY

8:30 - Registration, coffee

9 - 10:30 Panel I : The New Deal as Solution to Economic & Social Crises, Then & Now

The Historical Context of the New Deal & Its Lasting Legacy Labor Militancy & Social Movements as Catalysts for Change Right Wing Reaction to New Deal "Big Government" Spanning the Decades

10:45-12:15 Panel II: The New Deal's Influence on Quality of Life for All Americans

An Infrastructure Program for the Decades "The Rightful Heritage of All": The New Deal & the Environment The Democratization of Culture: The New Deal & the Arts Short video clip of FDR announcing his Economic Bill of Rights

12:30 lunch break

1:15 - 2:15 walking tour, view WPA murals in NY Custom House

1:15 - 2:45 Small Group Workshops Applying lessons from the New Deal for Today: What Could a new "New Deal" Do for NYC and the Country?

- Countering anti-government ideology
- The role of labor & social movements
- The social safety net
- The environment
- Infrastructure
- The arts & culture
- An economic bill of rights for today

3:00 - 4:00 - Reports from Workshops