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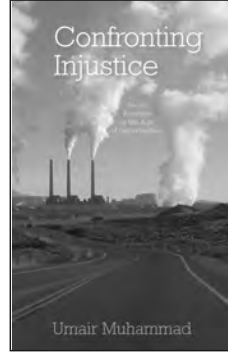
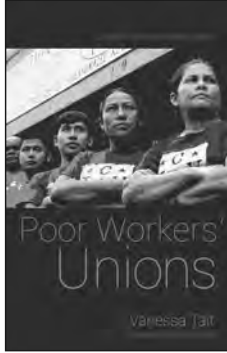
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Thank you for participating in Left Forum 2015. The conference has steadily grown over the years. It has been transformed by a myriad of political perspectives and the influence of thousands of participants from six continents. We are proud of this year's gathering, humbled by the diversity of voices included, and honored that you can join us. The Left Forum Board of Directors would like to express our deep appreciation to John Jay College of Criminal Justice, particularly President Jeremy Travis, Jeff Brown, Cheryl D'Antonio, the Department of Economics, and all those instrumental in bringing this conference to fruition. We are pleased to have our annual conference back at a CUNY institution — as it was also our roots. And we are all the more pleased that we are at an institution that by definition “educates for justice.” We also want to express our abiding appreciation to the hundreds of volunteers who help before, during, and after the event to make this weekend possible.

This program guide includes the full conference schedule, and will help you navigate the more than 400 panels, workshops, and events happening this weekend. Please look through it carefully. The accompanying map should get you there on time, but feel free to ask a staff member or volunteer for assistance. We also heartily invite you to participate in the Left Forum Exhibition, held in the atrium

and lobby areas of the conference center, located near the registration tables.

The Exhibition, which includes book publishers, publications and movement organizers, is one of several meeting and networking spaces for the conference. With so much happening at once, we ask that you help us keep things running smoothly. Please keep your conference bracelet visible. (If you lose your bracelet, you will have to purchase another one.) Additionally, we ask that you not overcrowd rooms; anyone who cannot find a seat to please select another panel to attend. Please note that the plenary sessions and all stand-alone events operate on a first come, first serve basis. The cafeteria, located on the second floor above the book fair, will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Finally, we encourage you to take the opportunity to share and discuss ideas with each other taking advantage of the rare occasion for such rich public debate. We organize the Left Forum to open an arena for dialogue on the most pressing matters of our world, with an ardent belief that this will help to change it. To this end, we once again thank you for your participation, and look forward to seeing you in the future.

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## CONFRONTING THE CRISES OF CAPITALISM AND DEMOCRACY

The 2015 Left Forum will take place in a period of excitement and challenge. In Greece and Spain the Left has either taken power or is on the verge of it. At home, police violence is now being contested by a popular upsurge of protest and resistance. And facing a solid reactionary front, president Obama has finally shown signs that the administration, however hesitantly, is responding to deep mass disaffection. From the recent Syriza victory in the Greek elections and movements against austerity throughout Europe to the spread of horizontal-democratic politics around the world, and from the nationwide activism arising out of Ferguson and the Black Lives Matter movements, to the growing momentum to end the Cuban embargo, recent events and left politics in the current year are shaping up to be pivotal.

The conditions of the rise of these transformative politics are daunting: the twin economic and ecological crises persist with predictable social consequences: deepening inequalities of wealth and income, erosion of civil liberties, and dangerous scapegoating by those not facing the systemic nature of our problems. The promises of the political and corporate elite for democratic rights and freedom ring evermore hollow in the court of public opinion. They are like warped nightmares of a reality in which most democracies are strangling the promise of “we the people” with democratic hierarchies that privilege capitalist ideologies in every public and private institution. Simultaneously, the global economic and political system is inflaming violent conflicts, while pushing populations of many countries into permanent wars of conquest. Within national borders, capitalism now relies increasingly on military and police forces to intervene brutally to maintain the system by subordinating ever more groups. And this

transpires while the surveillance state apparatus pours-over and tears into more and more of everyone’s public and private lives.

In the past decade we have experienced a series of climate-related catastrophes: extreme weather that, among other events, has destroyed crops and precipitated unprecedented hurricanes that have devastated many cities and towns throughout the globe. Meanwhile, the powers that be sanction the depletion of the earth’s non-renewable resources while basically ignoring warnings from environmentalists that the clock is ticking towards a planetary point of no return. Clearly, we need radical solutions that entail a major re-evaluation of capitalism’s viability.

More than ever, we need to assemble and mobilize the fast-growing ranks of those able and willing to face these problems. As the systems that supposedly were built to sustain society fail so many so badly, activists for democracy, sustainability, equality, and the abolition of oppression and exploitation increasingly grasp their shared demand for basic social justice. Yet these are times when the usual liberal democratic remedies have lost their relevance. Pressing questions loom for justice seeking social forces: What is to be done today when a reform brings us one step forward, while leaving other important struggles worse off in the process? What type of movements will it take to overcome such challenges? What type of institutions, systems and societal conditions are possible when transformed conditions of justice no longer take the forms of, “the aggrieved speaking to the grievance alleviators”? How do these issues raise the question of confronting and ending the crises of capitalism and democracy?

Please come analyze, debate, build, ally, and strategize at Left Forum, 2015.

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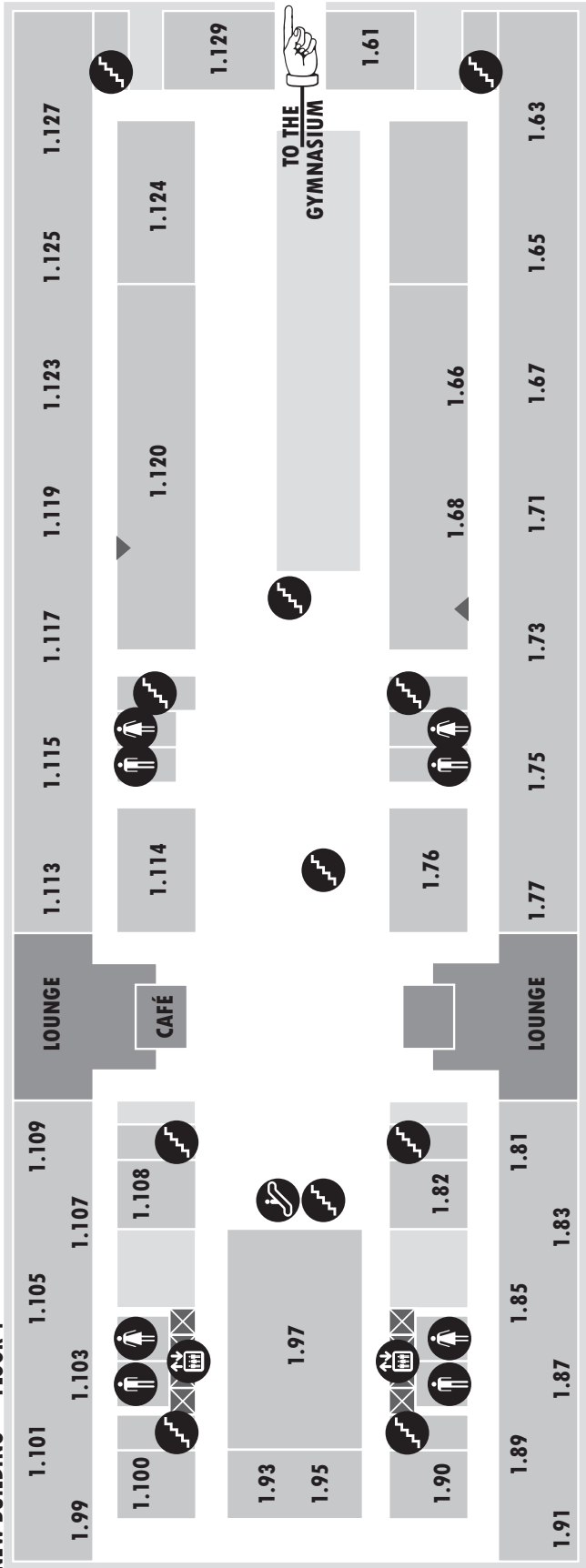
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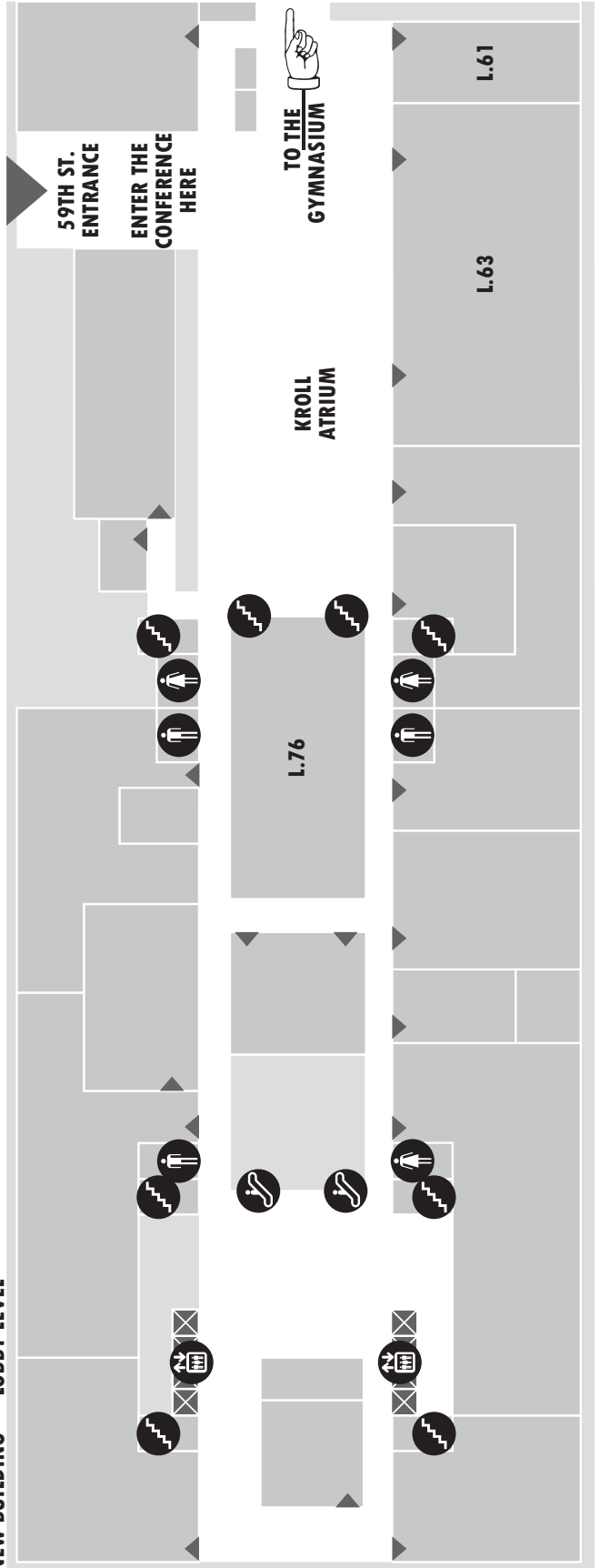
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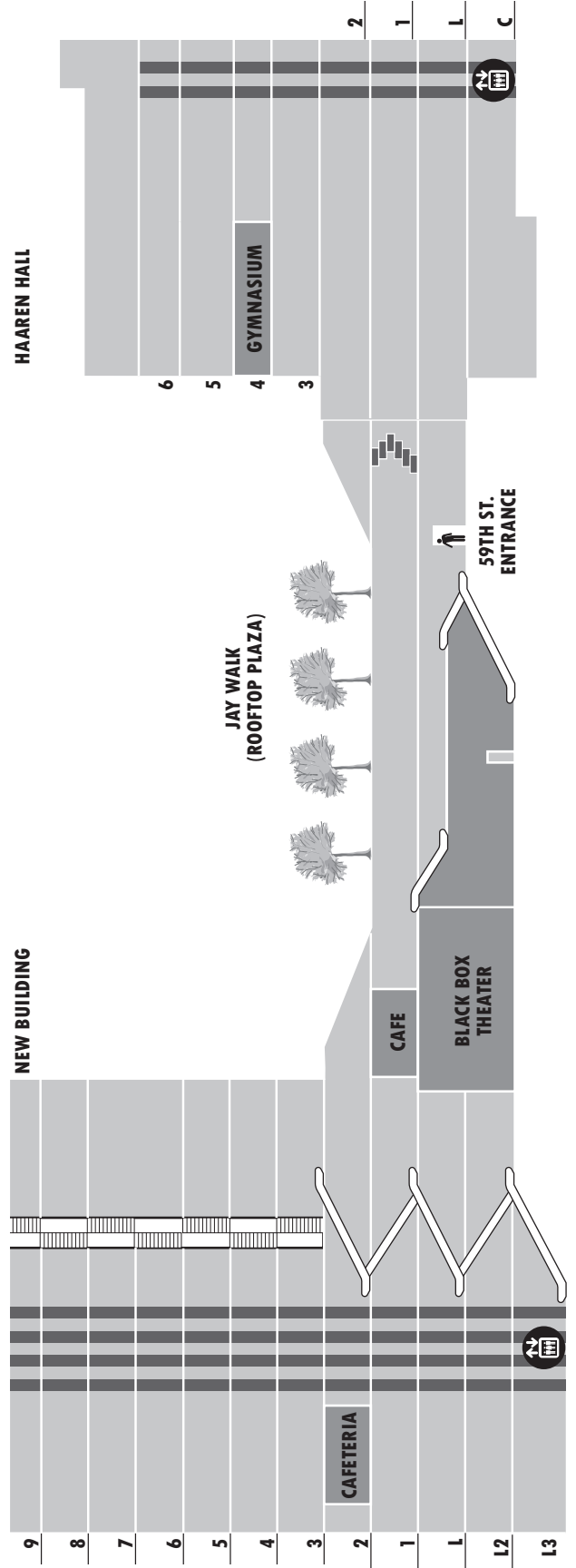
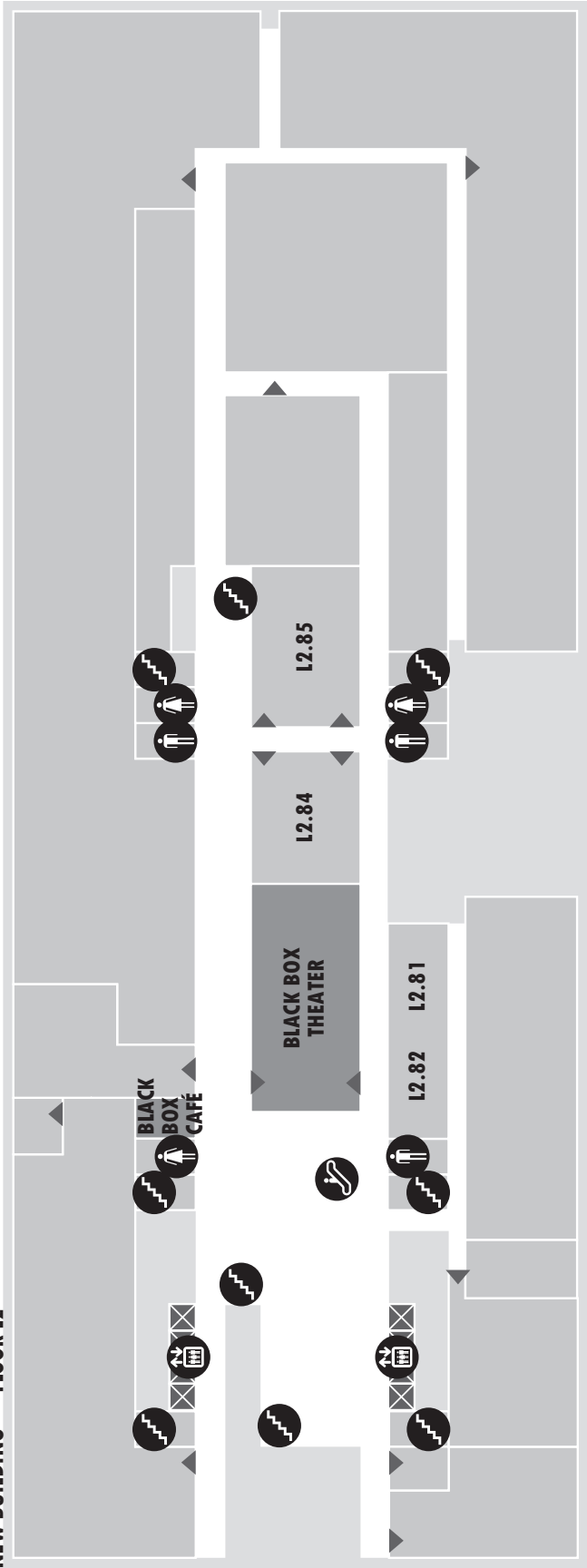
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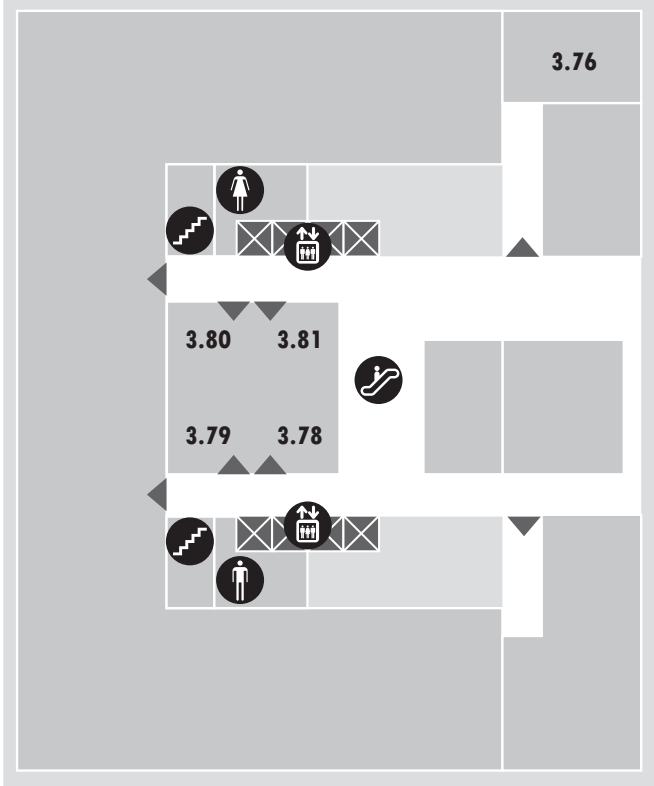
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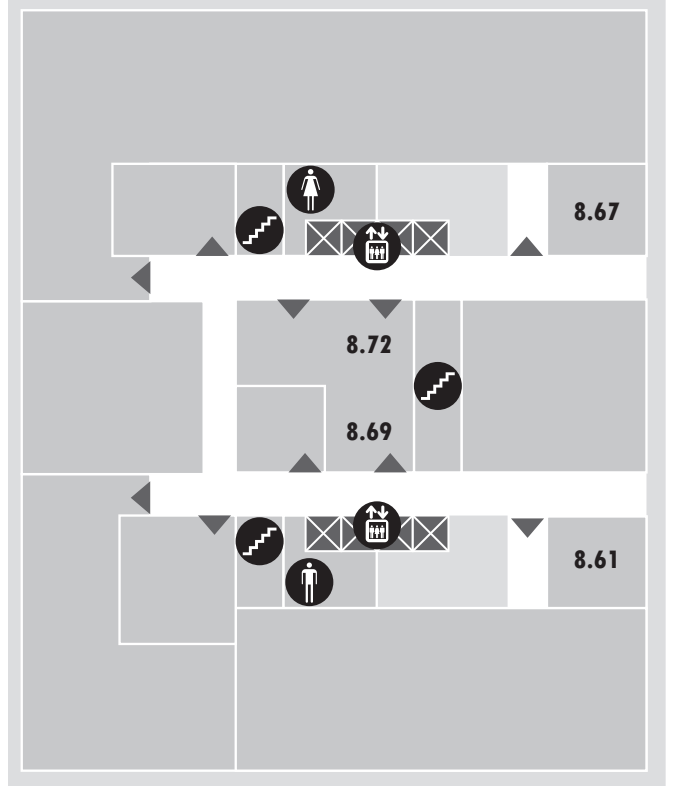


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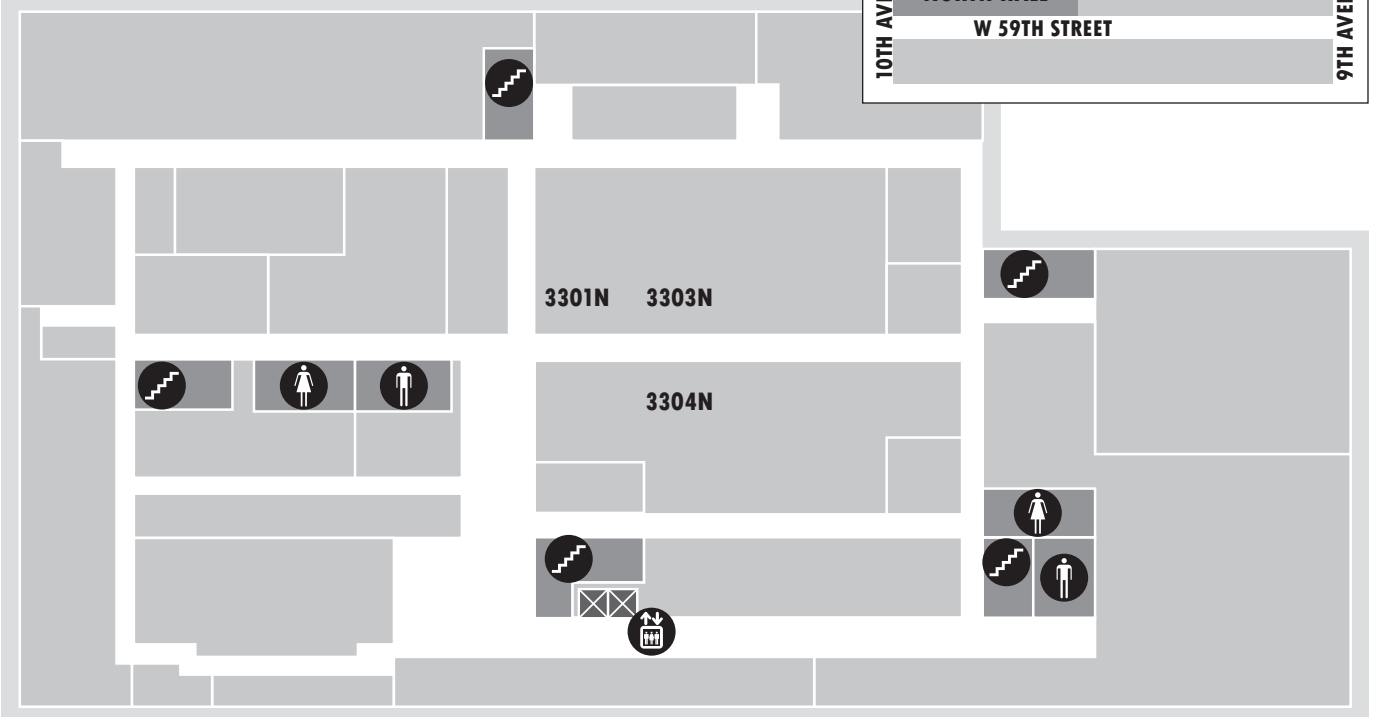
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Malkia Cyril..... Center for Media Justice  
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Cid Nichols ..... Millions March NYC  
Danette Chavis.....Founder, National Action Against Police Brutality  
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Julianna Forlano, Chair..... WBAI / The Progressive Voices Radio Network  
Paul Jay ..... The Real News Network  
Glen Ford ..... Black Agenda Report  
Eddie Conway ..... Former Black Panther, for forty years a political prisoner, now with The Real News Network

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Mary Taylor, Chair..... Assistant Director, Center for Place, Culture, and Politics  
CUNY Graduate Center

David Scheller  
Santi Mas de Xaxàs Faus..... Platform for People Affected by Mortgages (PAH)

Prachi Pantanker ..... South Asian Solidarity Network  
Leocadia Diaz Romero..... University of Murcia

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Dave Zirin, Chair ..... The Nation  
Ariyana Smith ..... Knox College, Allies for Sexual Assault Prevention  
Etan Thomas ..... NBA, Pacifica Radio

**OPENING PLENARY 7:00–9:15PM**

**GYMNASIUM, 4TH FLOOR, HAAREN HALL**

**SYRIZA, PODEMOS, LEFT BLOC, AND THE LEFT:  
A EUROPEAN REVOLUTIONARY POLITICS?**

**EDUARDO MAURA, VICENTE NAVARRO, LEO PANITCH,  
CATARINA PRINCIPE, & KONSTANTINOS TSOUKALAS**

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1.119 *The United Front Against Austerity*

Daniela Walls, Chair ..... Deputy Director  
 Webster Tarpley ..... United Front Against Austerity & Tax Wall Street Party  
 Dylan Shelton ..... Tax Wall Street Party North Carolina Local

**Trotsky: A Revolutionary Life**

1.121 *International Socialist Review*

Ashley Smith, Chair  
 Paul LeBlanc ..... La Roche College  
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**Transforming Community and Labor Organizing into Electoral Victory**

1.123 *Dialogue & Initiative*

Pat Fry, Chair .... Committees of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism  
 Andrea Miller ..... Progressive Democrats of America  
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**The Future of OccupyWallSt.nyc**

1.124 *OccupyWallSt.nyc*

Priscilla Grim, Chair ..... OccupyWallSt.nyc  
 Jack Abbott ..... OccupyWallSt.nyc  
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 Muna Mire ..... Coordinator, OccupyWallSt.nyc

**The U.S. Middle Class in Crisis: A Panel in Honour of Randy Martin: Socialist Register 2015 Transforming Classes**

1.125 *Socialist Register*

Leo Panitch, Chair ..... York University, Toronto  
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 Liza Featherstone ..... Political Science, Brooklyn College

**A Communist Road in the U.S.: How Do We Start?**

1.127 *Kasama Project*

Robina Rai, Chair ..... Kasama Project  
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**15 Now's Strategy for the Low-Wage Worker Movement**

1.129 *Socialist Alternative*

Dan Kroop, Chair ..... 15 Now  
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**How Tribal Traditions To Capitalism To Hip Hop and Culture Met**

1.61 *Ankhlave Mind Media*

David Acala, Chair ..... Facilitator  
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**Art Against Capitalism: Past Experience, Present Practices and Alternative Futures**

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Mat Callahan, Chair  
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**Marxist-Feminist Perspectives On Neoliberalism, Austerity, War And Terror**

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Hester Eisenstein, Chair ..... Department of Sociology, Queens College  
 and the Graduate Center, CUNY  
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**A Trial By Fire: From Moynihan to Today: Black Women Continue Fight for Human Rights in 21st Century**

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Betty Davis, Chair ..... New Abolitionist , Green Party,  
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Lauren Tenney, Chair ..... Talk with Tenney Radio  
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Eva Dech  
People with psychiatric histories

## Faultlines of the Medical Industrial Complex

1.69 *Social Medicine* ([socialmedicine.info](http://socialmedicine.info))

Robb Burlage, Chair  
Matthew Anderson.....Social Medicine ([socialmedicine.info](http://socialmedicine.info));  
Residency Program in Social Medicine, Montefiore  
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Oliver Fein  
Carmelita Blake  
Robert Padgug .....Brooklyn College, CUNY, Health & Nutrition Sciences  
L. Toni Lewis

## Theory vs. Practice, or What is Praxis?

1.71 *Zero Books*

Douglas Lain, Chair ..... Zero Books, author and podcaster  
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Frank Smecker .....Zero Books  
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## A Socialist Rethinking of Youth Gangs

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David Brotherton, Chair..... Prof of Sociology John Jay and Grad Center  
Louis Kontos..... Prof of Sociology, John Jay College  
Antonio Fernandez..... Former Latin Kings Leader and Street Activist

## Imagining Crisis and Maximizing Radical Brand Equity

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**How Should We as Comrades Respond to the Ferguson Rebellion and #BlackLivesMatter?**

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**Racism by Another Name: Mayoral Control of Urban Education, Privatization & the Grassroots Fightback!**

1.77 *Getting Out From Under: A Human Rights Alternative to the Corporate Model of Public Education in NYC (written and published by iCOPE)*

Benita Lovett-Rivera, Chair ..... iCOPE: Independent Commission On Public Education  
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 Victor Gibson..... Keep the Vote, No Take Over!  
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**Palestine/Israel and the 2016 Election**

1.81

Julia Willebrand, Chair ..... Green Party of NY  
 Justine McCabe ..... Green Party of the US  
 Leni Brenner ..... Green Party of Connecticut

**Radical Democracy and Education: Possibilities and Challenges in One School and Beyond**

1.82

Robert Lubetsky, Chair ..... City College of New York, CUNY  
 William Stroud ..... Long Beach High School  
 Jason Warwin.....Brotherhood/Sister Sol

**Palestine, Anti-Racism, and Academic Freedom**

1.83 *Haymarket Books*

Jason Farbman, Chair ..... Haymarket Books  
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**The Great War in Marxist Perspective**

1.85 *Science & Society*

Barbara Foley, Chair..... Science & Society  
 Peter Gardner ..... Temple University, Rome  
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 August Nimitz..... University of Minnesota  
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**The Syrian Tragedy: Failure of the Left and the Need for a Movement of Solidarity**

1.87 *Global Campaign of Solidarity with the Syrian Revolution*

Yasser Munif, Chair ..... Emerson College;  
 Global Campaign of Solidarity with the Syrian Revolution  
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 Joseph Daher..... Revolutionary Left Current (Syria)

**U.S. Wars of Aggression & Islamic Jihad: What is the Bigger Danger and How Should the Antiwar Movement Respond?**

1.89

Debra Sweet, Chair..... World Can't Wait  
 William Blum..... Anti-Empire Report  
 Alan Goodman.....Revolution  
 Roed Jarrar.....American Friends Service Committee  
 David Swanson..... WorldBeyondWar.org



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### “Climate Justice: The U.S. Left & the Problem of the State” Short Film Screening and Discussion on the Current State of Youth-led Climate Movements

1.90 *Responsible Endowments Coalition*

Nina Mariella Macapinlac, Chair ..... Responsible Endowments Coalition  
 Yves Nibungco ..... Anakbayan USA  
 Jess Grady-Benson ..... Fossil Fuel Divestment Student Network/  
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 Sean Estelle ..... Energy Action Coalition  
 Jatna Ramirez ..... Global Kids

### The Climate Mobilization: A Route to Reclaiming Democracy and Preventing Ecological Collapse

1.91

Ashik Siddique, Chair ..... The Climate Mobilization  
 Margaret Klein Salamon ..... The Climate Mobilization  
 Ezra Silk ..... The Climate Mobilization

### Campaign for 100% Green Energy in NYS by 2030

1.92

Mark Dunlea, Chair ..... Green Education and Legal Fund  
 Betta Broad ..... Renewable NY  
 Gloria Mattera ..... Green Party of NYS

### The Anomie of the Earth: Philosophy, Politics, and Autonomy in Europe and the Americas

1.93 *Situations: Project of the Radical Imagination*

Bruno Gulli, Chair ..... CUNY-Kingsborough  
 Federico Luisetti ..... The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
 Sorin Radu Cucu ..... LaGuardia Community College-CUNY

### Sea Changes: China and the World Since 2008

1.99

Gary Hicks, Chair ..... Artworks for the people Berkeley CA  
 Wahd'i Halabi ..... Center for Marxist Education, Cambridge MA  
 Duncan McFarland ..... Center for Marxist Education, Cambridge MA  
 David Ewing ..... U.S.-China Peoples Friendship Association

### Occupy the Commons: Resisting the Feudalistic Kleptocratic Stranglehold on our Economy

L2.80

Yannis Tziligakis, Chair ..... Georgist Economic Taskforce  
 Mike Curtis ..... Henry George School of Social Science,  
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**Commons, Alternative Organizations, and Turkey**

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Eylem Delikanli, Chair ..... RIT | Research Institute on Turkey  
 Ozgur Narin..... Research Institute on Turkey  
 Ali Yalçın Göymen.....YTU Department of Political Science  
 and International Relations

**New Phase of the Struggle in Greece**

L2.82 *Socialist Alternative*

Alan Akrivos, Chair ..... Socialist Alternative  
 Despina Lalaki..... Greek Left Solidarity Movement  
 Andreas Karras.....Syriza NYC

**Marxist-Humanist Philosophy’s Role  
 in Confronting Today’s Global Crises:  
 Greece and Syriza; Bosnia and Syria;  
 Racism vs. Black Lives Matter**

3.76 *News & Letters*

Susan Stellar, Chair ..... Retired teacher  
 Franklin Dmitryev .....News and Letters Committees  
 Fred Mecklenburg.....News and Letters Committees  
 Mohammed Elnaiem .....Student, Bucknell University

**Unfurling Hong Kong’s Umbrella  
 Movement: Intro & Documentary**

3.78

Sean Starrs, Chair..... City University of Hong Kong  
 Shannon Walsh..... City University of Hong Kong  
 Vicky Do ..... City University of Hong Kong

**The 2001 Anthrax Attacks and  
 the Challenge to the Left**

3.79 *911TruthOutreach.org*

Cathleen McGuire, Chair..... Truth Outreach, Inc.  
 Meryl Nass  
 Barry Kissin  
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**FILM: ‘Still We Ride’ 10 Years After...  
 A Recent History of Critical Mass**

3.80 *dedicated-lane.com*

Stephen Arthur, Chair..... NYC

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Chris Bravo, Chair  
 Robert Pluma  
 Devon Brandon

**Live From Academia!: Bringing the Insight of  
 the Ivory Tower to the Energy of the Masses**

8.61

Henry Schwarz, Chair ..... Georgetown University, Professor of English  
 Terrell Taylor.....University of Mary Washington, adjunct instructor  
 Mike Isaacson .....The New School for Social Research,

**Capital, Race and the Reshaping  
 of Adult Basic Education**

8.69

Erik Jacobson, Chair ..... Montclair State University  
 Adam Nathanson .....Virginia Commonwealth University  
 Julie Quinton ..... Make the Road New York

**The Challenges of Building a Revolutionary  
 Organization in the Working Class Today**

8.72 *Speak Out Now*

Marcus Lissey, Chair..... Speak Out Now  
 Joan Berezin .....Speak Out Now  
 Kip Waldo  
 Kimberly Serrano.....Speak Out Now  
 Jean Morand ..... L’Etincelle and New Anti-Capitalist Party (France)  
 PhD Student and associate editor

**Philosophies, Strategies And Resources For Building  
 Local Peace Economies And Leaving The War Economy**

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Jodie Evans, Chair.....co-founder and co-director of CODEPINK  
 Medea Benjamin .....co-founder of CODEPINK  
 Susan Witt ..... Executive Director of the  
 Schumacher Center for a New Economics

**Lefties Are In Their Right Minds!**

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Beth K. Lamont, Chair..... Humanist Chaplain  
 Pamela Timmins  
 Richard Morgan  
 Sara Flounders ..... International Action Center  
 Seyn Laproyen

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**LUNCHTIME EVENT 2:00–3:15PM**

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**DIALOGUE WITH VENEZUELAN LEADERSHIP**

**DELCY RODRIGUEZ, JORGE RODRIGUEZ**

**STEVE ELLNER: INTERLOCUTOR**

**STANLEY ARONOWITZ: MODERATOR/INTERLOCUTOR**

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**JULIANNA FORLANO**

**JOHN MARSHALL**

**AND MORE!**

**SESSION 3 3:15PM – 4:50PM**

**Marx: The System is the Problem**

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Gail Dines..... Wheelock College in Boston

Richard D. Wolff..... Democracy at Work

Chris Hedges

**Ya Gotta Get A Gimmick: How to Stage an Effective Media-Worthy Protest & Get Attention for Your Cause**

L2.84

Marni Halasa, Chair..... Revolution Is Sexy/  
OWS Alternative Banking Group

Elliot Crown..... Performance Artist/Puppeteer

Michael B. Friedman..... Professor of Public Relations,  
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Harry Siegel..... New York Daily News Reporter


Noah Fischer..... Occupy Museums and Global  
Ultra Luxury Faction/Gulf Labor

Jim Costanzo..... Aaron Burr Society/  
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- Howie Hawkins, Chair ..... Green Party
- Bruce Dixon ..... Black Agenda Report
- Jill Stein ..... Green candidate for President
- Brian Jones ..... International Socialist Organization,  
2014 Green candidate for NY Lt. Gov.
- Calvin Priest ..... Socialist Alternative

**Justifiable Homicide, Part 1:  
7 Victims' Families Give Testimony on Police  
Terrorism and Racism in the United States**

L.76 *Operation Ghetto Storm*

- Cephus "Uncle Bobby" Johnson, Chair
- Frank Graham .....Ramarley Graham Foundation
- Ron Davis ..... Jordan Davis Foundation
- Kenneth Chamberlain ..... Kenneth Chamberlain Foundation
- Michael Brown .....Michael Brown Foundation
- Andrew Joseph ..... Andrew Joseph Foundation
- Kenneth Johnson ..... Kendrick Johnson Foundation

**What Is Occupy Up To?**

1.100

- Cathy O'Neil, Chair
- Sumumba Sobukwe .....OccuEvolve (Occupy Wall Street),  
Black Lives Matter
- Neil Taylor ..... Occupy the SEC
- Jan Weinberg .....Show Up! America
- Luke Herrine .....Debt Collective/Strike Debt

**Corporate Dominance: Our Debt-Money System  
and the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP)**

1.101

- Don Butterfield, Chair ..... American Monetary Institute
- Susan Peters ..... American Monetary Institute
- Paula Pace .....Local Futures
- Barbara Simpson ..... Upper West Side Monetary Reform Group

**Radical Themes in Mass Culture**

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- Doug Enaa Greene, Chair
- Alexander Billet
- Joseph Ramsey ..... Univ. Mass. Boston

**Anarchism and Critical Theory  
for Revolt and Revolution**

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- Javier Sethness Castro, Chair
- Gino-Arturo Yarish .....The Base
- Sky Cohen
- William Brown

**Commonizing Collective Memory**

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- Eylem Delikanli, Chair ..... RIT | Research Institute on Turkey
- Ragip Zik ..... Columbia Global Centers | Turkey
- Sami Elvan

**Strengths, Weaknesses, Challenges  
in Online Activism: How Can It  
Advance a Progressive Agenda**

1.108 *RootsAction.org and The Nation*

- David Swanson, Chair ..... RootsAction.org campaign coordinator
- Sarah Arnold ..... The Nation, Activism  
Campaign Manager/Community Coordinator
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1.109 *Critical Sociology*

David Fasenfest, Chair..... Critical Sociology, Dept. Sociology, Wayne State University

Lauren Langman.....Dept Sociology, Loyola University of Chicago

Peter Hudis.....Dept Philosophy, Oakton Community College

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Rose Brewer .....Dept Sociology, University of Minnesota

### Colombia's Peace Talks in Havana, Cuba: An Update by the FARC-EP

1.113 *Toward Freedom*

Juan Carlos Vallejo, Chair.. Director Humanitarian Law Peace and Democracy Member of the Secretariat Peace Commissioner FARC-EP.....

Peace Commissioners at the Peace Talks in Havana, Cuba

Alexandra Nariño Tanja Nijmeijer .....Internationalist guerrillas fighter

### Cuba And The United States Moving Towards Normalization : Realities Of The New Relationship

1.114

Keith Bolender, Chair ..... University of Toronto School of Continuing Studies  
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### Haiti: The People vs the Empire

1.115 *Haiti Liberte*

Ray LaForest, Chair ..... Free Haiti Movement, Union Organizer

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### Leninism Today

1.117 *International Socialist Organization*

Jan Roesch, Chair ..... International Socialist Organization

Paul D'Amato ..... International Socialist Review

August Nimtze ..... University of Minnesota

Paul LeBlanc ..... LaRoche College

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**E.P. Thompson and the Making of the New Left**

1.121 *Monthly Review*

Forrest Hylton, Chair ..... Northwestern  
 Jesse Lemisch ..... John Jay College/CUNY  
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**From the Indignados Movement to Political Organization: Political Changes in Spain**

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Victor Casanova-Abos, Chair ..... Marea Granate NY/Podemos USA  
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**Book Launch: An Alternative Labour History. Worker Control and Workplace Democracy**

1.124 *Zed Books*

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**United Contract Attorneys Organize to Confront Capitalism in Law Firms**

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Valeria Gheorghiu, Chair ..... United Contract Attorneys  
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 and Employment Committee

**Build a Fight For Jobs For All to Confront the Global Capitalist System in Crisis Head On**

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Jay Arena, Chair ..... New Jersey Jobs For All  
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**Low-Wage Worker Movements in South Korea, Germany, & the U.S.**

1.129 *Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung—New York Office*

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 Sarah Jaffe ..... Journalist and Author of  
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**Hey, Activists: Read This! Why Progressives Should Read More Fiction**

1.61 *PM Press*

Kenneth Wishnia, Chair ..... Professor of English,  
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**In the Wake of Capitalism: The Contamination of American Intimacy, Sexuality & Personal Life**

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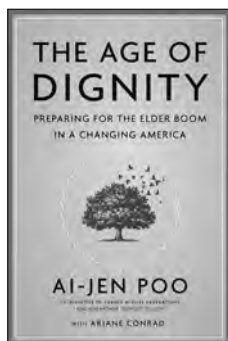
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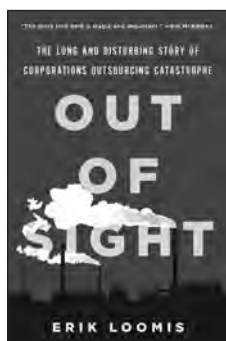
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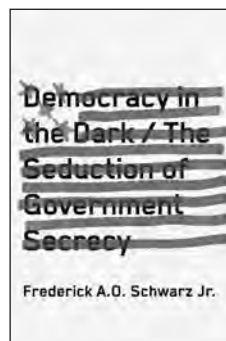
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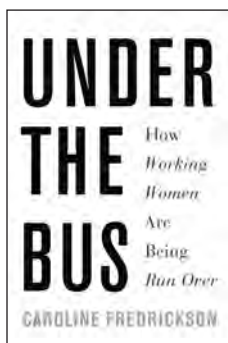
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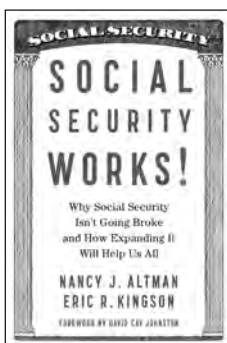
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**As Governments Leave Humanity’s Crises Unaddressed, What Must Be Done?**

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Alison Rose Levy, Chair..... Alternet and EcoWatch  
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**Mumia 911: Health Emergency for Incarcerated Journalist Mumia Abu-Jamal; Briefing and Strategies**

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Leonard Burg, Chair..... Stop the Destruction of the World  
 Richard James.....New York City Department of Education Teacher  
 Susan Berkley.....International Society of Analytical Trilogly

**The End of the World As We Know It? Education and the Student Response to the Crisis**

1.81 *Journal of Social Justice*

Deric Shannon, Chair..... Oxford College of Emory University  
 Marianne LeNabat.....IWW  
 Scott Nappalos..... Recomposition  
 Monica Kostas..... Recomposition

**Building a Narrative on Displacement Nationwide**

1.82

Andrew Padilla, Chair  
 Diana Pérez Ramirez  
 Lynn Roberts

**Foreign Policy for All: Re-Thinking U.S. Foreign Policy for the 21st Century**

1.83 *Massachusetts Peace Action*

Subrata Ghoshroy, Chair..... MIT Program in Science, Technology, and Society  
 Cole Harrison.....Massachusetts Peace Action  
 Hayat Imam.....Dorchester People for Peace

**Imperialist Economics and the New Cold War**

1.85

Bernadette Ellorin, Chair.....Chair, Bayan USA  
 Abayomi Azikiwe..... Pan-African News Wire, Michigan Emergency Committee Against War & Injustice  
 Bill Does.....vice Chair, International League of People’s Struggle, International Action Center  
 Jess Sundin.....Minnesota Antiwar Committee, Committee to Stop FBI Repression

**The Rojava Revolution: From Arab Spring to Democratic Autonomy**

1.87

Elliott Madison, Chair..... Combustion Books – Rojava Solidarity–NYC  
 Jerry Koch.....Rojava Solidarity–NYC  
 Kitty Bryzinski.....Rojava Solidarity–NYC

**Imperialism, Counter-Revolution, and Conflict in the Middle East**

1.89 *International Socialist Review*

Ashley Smith, Chair..... Editorial Board of the International Socialist Review  
 Michael Schwartz.....Professor of Sociology at Stony Brook University  
 Anand Gopal..... Author of No Good War: American, the Taliban, and the War through Afghan Eyes  
 Suzanne Adely.....Al-Awda New York

# Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung 2015 Left Forum Panels



## Greece vs. Germany: The Battle for Europe's Future

Portrayed as a “David vs. Goliath” story in the media, the continued drama between Greece and Germany has swept across the world. How does this narrative impact international left solidarity and SYRIZA’s fight against the Troika?

**Konstantinos Tsoukalas** (Member of Parliament, SYRIZA)  
**Natassa Romanou** (SYRIZA New York)  
**Christina Kaindl** (Head of Strategy Dept., DIE LINKE)  
**Dominic Heilig** (DIE LINKE’s Forum Democratic Socialism)

CHAIR: **Eduardo Maura** (PODEMOS, Political Secretariat)

This panel is co-hosted by *The Nation Magazine*.

## Whose City? Our City! Fighting Gentrification in the United States and Europe

Displacement is currently one of the most insidious forms of accumulation through dispossession—as well as oppression of working class and Black and brown communities. How are different activist groups educating the general population about this trend?

**Florian Kasiske** (Recht auf Stadt, Germany)  
**Santi Mas de Xaxas** (PAH, Spain)  
**Dawn Phillips** (Causa Justa :: Just Cause, Bay Area)

CHAIR: **Rachel LaForest** (Right to the City Alliance, USA)

Check out our table with free publications covering a wide range of left topics.

## Black Cooperatives and the Fight for Economic Democracy

Black communities in the U.S. have long experimented with different forms of mutual aid and cooperative enterprise. How can coops and other tools of economic democracy be used to build community strength in a country founded on slavery?

**Jessica Gordon Nembhard** (CUNY, John Jay College)  
**Kali Akuno** (Cooperation Jackson)  
**Ed Whitfield** (Fund 4 Democratic Communities)

CHAIR: **Ethan Earle** (Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung—New York Office)

## Low-Wage Worker Movements in South Korea, Germany, and the United States

Austerity is being used to curtail workers’ rights and drive an ever increasing low-wage sector. What are the national particularities involved in this process across the advanced industrialized world and what are the similarities?

**Sarah Jaffe** (Labor Journalist)  
**Oliver Nachtwey** (University of Darmstadt, Germany)  
**Sukjong Hong** (Korea Policy Institute)

CHAIR: **Albert Scharenberg** (Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung—New York Office)

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**Animal Rights? The Liberal Limits to Human Emancipation**

1.90 *Situations: Project of the Radical Imagination*

Ilgin Yorukoglu, Chair..... CUNY-BMCC  
 Bruno Gulli.....CUNY and Situations  
 Arun Gupta  
 Babette Babich.....Fordham University  
 Peter Bratsis .....CUNY and Situations

**The Climate Crisis is a Democracy Crisis: Why We Need a Democratic Revolution in the U.S. and Beyond**

1.91 *Liberty Tree Foundation*

Adam Porton, Chair..... Liberty Tree Foundation  
 Cheri Honkala.....Poor People’s Economic Human Rights Campaign  
 Suren Moodliar.....Massachusetts Global Action

**A People’s Climate Strike: Transformative Justice Through Collaborative Strike Action**

1.92

Cheri Honkala, Chair..... Poor People’s Economic Human Rights Campaign/Global Climate Convergence  
 Deeq Abdi.....Poor People’s Economic Human Rights Campaign  
 James Jordan.....Alliance for Global Justice/Global Climate Convergence

**Building Our Future Through Games**

1.93 *OccupyWallSt.nyc*

Priscilla Grim, Chair..... OccupyWallSt.nyc  
 Chris Gotano..... Revolution: The Game  
 Brian Van Slyke..... Toolbox for Education  
 Bertell Ollman..... Creator: Class Struggle

**Vietnam: A Brief Review of History and Today’s Situation at 85th Birthday of Communist Party of Vietnam (1930–2015)**

1.99

Bahram Zandi, Chair..... Green Party  
 Yunes Parsa Benab ..... Iranian Left Alliance of Washington Metropolitan Area  
 Farshid Moghimi..... Iranian Left Alliance of Washington Metropolitan Area.

**Transformative Organizing in the City: From the Right to the City to Radical Democracy?**

L2.80

David Scheller, Chair ..... GCSC, Justus-Liebig-University Giessen  
 Brian McCarthy ..... 16Beaver Group, NYC  
 Robert Robinson ..... Left Forum Board of Directors  
 Kendall Jackman..... Organizing Committee, Co-Founder Bronx Organizers, Right to the City Alliance, NYC  
 Peter Marcuse..... GSAPP, Columbia University, NYC  
 Tashy Endres..... Kotti&CoTenants Collective, Berlin Ballot-Initiative on Rents 2016, Researcher at UdK Berlin

**Getting Serious About the Next System**

L2.81 *The Next System Project*

Keane Bhatt, Chair ..... The Democracy Collaborative  
 Gar Alperovitz ..... The Next System Project  
 Emily Kawano ..... Wellspring Cooperatives & US Solidarity Economy Network  
 Ed Whitfield..... Fund for Democratic Communities  
 Maya Schenwar ..... Truthout

**The Fight Against Austerity in Ireland**

L2.82 *Socialist Alternative*

Tom Crean, Chair ..... Socialist Alternative and the Committee for a Workers’ International  
 Elma Relihan.....Committee for a Workers’ International  
 Eleanor Rodgers..... Socialist Alternative

**Political Correctness And Its Devastating Effect On The Left**

3.76 *Voxnews*

Harry Stuckey, Chair ..... voxnews  
 Webster Tarpley  
 Wayne Madsen..... The Wayne Madsen Report

**Theater of the Oppressed for Self-Organizing and Building Community: A Panel Discussion and Workshop – Part 1**

3.78 *Theater of the Oppressed Laboratory (TOPLAB)*

Marie-Claire Picher, Chair .... Theater of the Oppressed Laboratory (TOPLAB)  
 Janet Gerson ..... Theater of the Oppressed Laboratory (TOPLAB); International Institute on Peace Education (IIPE)  
 Reg Flowers.....Falconworks Artists Group  
 Leonie Ettinger ..... The Living Theatre



## SESSION 3 3:15 – 5:00PM

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### Intellectual Justice: Libraries, Privacy & Access in the Neoliberal Information Economy.

3.79

Kate Adler, Chair ..... Metropolitan College of New York  
Haruko Yamauchi ..... Hostos Community College (CUNY)  
Alison Macrina ..... Library Freedom Project  
Jaime Taylor ..... Center for Jewish History

### FILM: My Brooklyn

3.80

Kelly Anderson, Chair

### Global Imagery of Terrorism and State Terror in Democratic, Historical, and Cinematic Context

3.81

Fabiola Salek, Chair ..... York College–CUNY  
Martin Miller ..... Duke University  
Annabel Martin ..... Dartmouth  
Zohra Saad ..... York College–CUNY

### Reform or Abolition? The Resist Rikers Movement

8.61

Paul Funkhouser, Chair  
Dakem Roberts  
Gabriel Kilpatrick  
Natasha Carter

### Utopia School Report Back and Planning Session

8.67

Dylan Gauthier, Chair  
Stephen Polk  
Scott Rigby

### Laughing at Malfeasance

8.69 *In magazines / Taconic Papers & STREETNEWS: My TV show (since '98) on MNN: What's Ailing/Healing US America? A question we have a right/duty to ask/answer*

Frank Craven, Chair ..... MNN Studio  
Rev. Carole Antun ..... (Granny for HEMP) Course In Miracles  
Peace Arnold ..... Honorary Seneca Elder

### Imperialism and Anti-Imperialism Today

8.72

Peter Hudson ..... UCLA  
Patrick Bond ..... University of Kwa Zulu Natal / South Africa  
Jemima Pierre ..... University of California, Los Angeles  
Horace Campbell ..... Syracuse University

### The Student Movement in NYC

3.303N

Percy Lujan, Chair ..... RSCC  
Angie Hernandez ..... RSCC and SJP  
Sean Kennedy ..... RSCC  
Ateo Bracero ..... RSCC

### SOS: State of the Struggle

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Samantha Desire, Chair ..... Left Forum  
Liz Mestres  
Sasha Alexander ..... Director of Membership, Sylvia Rivera Law Project  
Denise G. Romero ..... Ayotzinapa Caravana43 NYC



SESSION 4 5:10 – 7:00PM

**Justifiable Homicide, Part 2:  
A National Coalition Combating Police Terrorism**

L.76

- Cephus "Uncle Bobby" Johnson, Chair
- Frank Graham ..... Ramarley Graham Foundation
- Ron Davis ..... Jordan Davis Foundation
- Kenneth Chamberlain..... Kenneth Chamberlain Foundation
- Kenneth Johnson ..... Kendrick Johnson Foundation
- Michael Brown ..... Michael Brown Foundation
- Andrew Joseph..... Andrew Joseph Foundation

**Occupy Democracy:  
The Public Square and/or The Ballots!**

L2.84

- Jesse Alexander Myerson, Chair
- Kshama Sawant.....Vote Sawant
- Charles Lenchner..... Ready For Warren & Organizing 2.0
- Winnie Wong ..... Ready For Warren & Occupy Wall St NYC

**Economy Meets Psychology in the U.S.**

L2.85

- Harriet Fraad, Chair
- Richard D. Wolff ..... Democracy at Work
- Roger Salerno..... Pace University

**Beyond Privilege Checking:  
Class, Oppression and Strategies for Solidarity**

1.100 *International Socialist Organization and Socialist Worker*

- Natalia Tylim, Chair ..... International Socialist Organization
- Sarah Jaffe.....In These Times, Dissent
- Sofia Arias ..... Socialist Worker
- Jen Roesch ..... International Socialist Organization

**Patriarchy and Revolution**

1.101 *OldandNewProject.net*

- Deborah Engel-DiMauro, Chair ..... Old and New Project
- Theresa El-Amin.....Southern Anti-Racism Network
- Dequi Kioni-Sadiki ..... Sekou Odinga Defense Committee
- Linda Thompson..... Green Party of Connecticut (Co-Chair)
- Jacqui Patterson ..... NAACP

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**Activism and Academia:  
When Scholars Study Social Movements**

1.103 *The Independent*

John Tarleton, Chair ..... The Independent  
 Michael Gould-Wartofsky ..... NYU  
 Todd Wolfson  
 Khadijah Costley White ..... Rutgers Univeristy, Occupy Philly  
 Marina Sitrin

**Is Nazism Raising Its Ugly Head in Ukraine Today?**

1.105 *Bulletin of U.S. Friends of the Soviet People*

Angelo D'Angelo, Chair ..... U.S. Friends of the Soviet People  
 Caleb Maupin  
 Andrey Lotosky  
 Barry Lituchy ..... Medgar Evers College, CUNY  
 Martin Sawma

**Digitizing Our Radical Past... Affordably**

1.107

Ken Wachsberger, Chair ..... Reveal Digital  
 Jeff Moyer ..... Reveal Digital  
 Thai Jones ..... Columbia University  
 Kathie Sarachild ..... Redstockings

**Tensions In The American Dream:  
Dialogue with Authors Melanie (and Rod) Bush**

1.108

Melanie Bush, Chair ..... Adelphi University  
 Manny Ness ..... Brooklyn College  
 Devin Thornburg ..... Adelphi University  
 Godfrey Vincent ..... Tuskegee University

**The Unfinished Revolution: South Africa Today**

1.109 *Socialist Action books*

Christine Marie, Chair ..... Socialist Action  
 Patrick Bond ..... Senior professor at the University of KwaZulu Natal Centre for Civil Society in Durban, South Africa  
 Marsha Coleman-Adebayo ..... Black Agenda Report  
 Marty Goodman ..... Socialist Action

**Land Grabs, Forced Displacement and Political Violence:  
Cases From Honduras, Venezuela And Colombia**

1.113

Arturo J. Viscarra, Chair ..... School of Americas Watch (SOAW)  
 Lucy Pagoada-Quesada ..... Honduras USA Resistencia  
 Omar Sierra ..... Consulate of Venezuela in Boston  
 Ricardo Prado ..... Marcha Patriótica of Colombia

**The New Stage in Cuban/U.S. Relations: What Has and Has Not Changed**

1.114 *Science & Society*

August Nimitz, Chair ..... University of Minnesota  
Ike Nahem .....Coordinator of Cuba Solidarity New York  
Catherine Murphy ..... Filmmaker

**Transcending Material Scarcity**

1.115 *Synergetics Binary Economics*

Harold Channer, Chair ..... Manhattan Neighborhood Network/  
Conversations With Channer  
Sidney Greenfield .....University of Wisconsin – Anthropology  
Stuart Dambrot..... interdisciplinary synthesist,  
futurist and science communicator

**Empire in Crisis: Uniting the Struggles to Defeat Racist State Terror, Austerity, and Endless War**

1.117 *Workers World Newspaper*

Ramiro Funez, Chair..... FIST and FNRP (Honduran Resistance)  
Abayomi Azikiwe  
Teresa Gutierrez .....Workers World Party  
Sara Flounders ..... International Action Center

**Reviewing Struggles in Seattle and the Next Steps**

1.119 *Socialist Alternative*

Calvin Priest, Chair ..... Socialist Alternative  
Philip Locker ..... Socialist Alternative  
Jess Spear ..... 15 Now

**Publishing the Complete Works of Rosa Luxemburg – In English and Chinese**

1.121 *Verso Books*

Peter Hudis, Chair ..... Oakton Community College  
Deng Rene ..... People’s Publishing House, Beijing, China  
Xiong Min ..... Wuhan University  
Paul LeBlanc .....Department of History, La Roche College  
He Peng ..... Department of Philosophy, Wuhan Unviersity China

**From The Greek Streets: Grassroots Resistance to Austerity**

1.123

Athena Hassiotis, Chair ..... Solidarity For All–Greece, Syriza NY  
Christos Giovanopoulos ..... Solidarity For All–Greece  
Sarah Leonard..... The Nation

**Resist, Reclaim, Restructure: A Call for Transition and Energy Democracy**

1.124

Michael Ware, Chair..... System Change Not Climate Change  
Gloria Mattera.....System Change Not Climate Change,  
Green Party of NY State  
David Holmquist .....System Change Not Climate Change  
Sean Sweeney .....Trade Unions for Energy Democracy

**Left Strategies for the Academic Workers’ Movement – A Year Later**

1.125

Anais Surkin, Chair..... GEO-UAW2322  
Sean Kennedy.....CUNY Adjunct Project  
Anna Waltman ..... GEO-UAW2322  
Lauren Schaeffer .....UAW 2865/UC–Academic  
Workers for a Democratic Union  
Natasha Raheja.....GSOC-UAW/NYU-AWDU

**Symposium: Rethinking the Industrial Revolution by Michael Andrew Žmolek**

1.127 *Haymarket (/Brill) Historical Materialism Series*

Charles Post, Chair ..... Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Michael Andrew Zmolek..... University of Iowa  
Pepijn Brandon ..... History Department, University of Pittsburgh

**Decolonizing Class Struggle: Building Workers Movements that Challenge Imperialism**

1.129

Michelle Flores, Chair..... 99 Pickets  
Suzanne Adely .....Global Workers Solidarity Network  
Jack Mahoney..... Workers United/  
International Union League for Brand Responsibility  
Amin Husain  
Lyonel Perez..... Coalition of Immokalee Workers

**Beauty Concept: Art and Evolution**

1.61 *Sain-City Magazine*

Dario Mohr, Chair ..... AnkhLave Mind Media  
Pricilla Smikle  
Matthew Carter.....Model/Actor/Life Coach  
David Acala.....D’evoluion Productions

**Myths of Non-Violence and Building a True Culture of Resistance**

1.63

Frank Coughlin, Chair  
Jennifer Bilek  
Hetal Sheth

## SESSION 4 5:10 – 6:50PM

### The Extremist Regime Running Saudi Arabia and How to Expose It

1.65 *The Struggle Video News*

Stanley Heller, Chair ..... The Struggle, MECC  
 Ali Al-Ahmed.....Institute for Gulf Affairs  
 Naseer Alomari  
 Medea Benjamin..... Code Pink

### Erich Fromm's Criticality and Creativity in Pedagogy, and His Approach to Labor Unions in Crisis

1.66

Joan Braune, Chair ..... Mount Mary University  
 Robert Lake..... Georgia Southern University  
 Nick Braune..... South Texas College, McAllen, TX.

### Icarus Project NYC: Mad Maps and Forum Theater

1.67

Sascha Altman DuBrul, Chair ..... Icarus Project NYC  
 Rebecca Stabile ..... Icarus Project NYC  
 Erin Lemkey ..... The Icarus Project  
 Jonah Bossewitch..... The Icarus Project

### The Political Economy of State Single Payer Plans

1.69

Walter Tsou, Chair..... Health Care for All Pennsylvania  
 Len Rodberg ..... Queens College/CUNY  
 Anja Rudiger.....National Economic and Social Rights Initiative  
 Traven Leyshon ..... Vermont Workers' Center  
 Steven Toff ..... New York State Nurses Association

### Contemporary Topics on Maoism

1.71

Ateo Bracero, Chair..... Maosoleum Blog  
 Mel Lasalle..... Revolutionary Student Coordinating Committee  
 Kilo Vasquez ..... New Communist Party (Liaison Committee)  
 Louie Henrikuez..... Students Without Borders

### Black Community Control Over the Police

1.73

Robert Robinson, Chair ..... Left Forum Board of Directors  
 M. Adams .....Freedom, Inc. and Young, Gifted, and Black Coalition  
 Max Rameau  
 Julien Terrell.....Brotherhood Sister Sol

### Transformation In Action: Non-Traditional Approaches to Prison Transformation!

1.75 *Traumatology: An International Journal*

Lewis Webb, Chair.....American Friends Service Committee  
 Tina Maschi ..... Be the Evidence International, Fordham University  
 Lawrence White ..... Hope Lives for Lifers Project  
 Jamila Codrington ..... New York Association of Black Psychologists  
 Kimberly Westcott ..... Community Service Society

### From Anthony Baez to Eric Garner: #Blacklivesmatter and the Struggle Against Police Brutality in New York City

1.76

Jullian Guerrero, Chair ..... Millions March NYC and  
 International Socialist Organization  
 Gina Sartori.....Millions March NYC and  
 International Socialist Organization  
 Umaara Elliott..... Millions March NYC

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**The Ferguson Streets to the High Courts: Protest, Policing, and Resistance**

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Abi Hassen, Chair ..... National Lawyers Guild  
 Nicole Lee  
 King Downing.....Human Rights-Racial Justice Center  
 Justin Hansford ..... Saint Louis University School of Law  
 Kris Hermes .....Mass Defense Committee, NLG

**Public Schools vs. Charter Schools: The Legacy of the NYC Community Control Struggle: The True Debate Must Be Education vs. Mis-Education**

1.81

Ralph Poynter, Chair ..... New Abolitionist Movement & Lynne Stewart Org.  
 Lynne Stewart.....New Abolitionist Movement & Lynne Stewart Org.  
 Anthony Gronowicz..... Green Party  
 Pastor Sherri Jackson-Black .....New Abolitionist Movement & Brownsville Matters  
 Betty Davis .....New Abolitionist Movement & Lynne Stewart Org.  
 Howie Hawkins ..... Green Party  
 Marilyn Zuniga ..... Former Orange N.J. Public School Teacher

**For CORAL and an Anarchist International**

1.82

Javier Sethness Castro, Chair  
 Quincy Saul.....Ecosocialist Horizons  
 John Clark  
 Alexander Reid Ross.....Earth First! Newswire  
 Tanzeem Shaneela..... Unity & Struggle  
 William Brown

**“The Predator”  
 A Play Reading and Discussion about Killer Drones**

1.83

Ed Kinane, Chair..... Upstate Drone Action  
 Carol Baum .....Syracuse Peace Council and Upstate Drone Action  
 Barbara Humphrey.....Syracuse Peace Council and Upstate Drone Action  
 Bonny Mahoney..... Upstate Drone Action  
 Simone Richmond ..... Syracuse Peace Council

**The New World Order and Warfare in the 21st Century: Drones, Space and Cyber Weapons**

1.85

Subrata Ghoshroy, Chair..... Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
 Hugh Gusterson..... George Washington University  
 William Hartung.....Center for International Policy

**From Syria and Turkey to Detroit, the Global Crisis and Women’s Struggle for Humanity: A Marxist-Humanist View**

1.87 *News & Letters*

Franklin Dmitryev, Chair..... News and Letters Committees  
 Terry Moon.....News and Letters Committees, FURIE, NOW  
 Susan Stellar .....Retired teacher  
 Fred Mecklenburg.....News and Letters Committees

**The Business of Backlash: The Attack on the Palestinian Movement and Other Movements for Social Justice**

1.89

Lee Gargagliano, Chair ..... International Jewish Anti-Zionist Network  
 Lamis Deek ..... USPCN, NLG  
 Kali Akuno  
 Phan Nguyen  
 Radhika Sainath .....Palestine Solidarity Legal Support

**Integrating City, State and Federal to Reduce Carbon – Obstacles and Successes**

1.90

Catherine Skopic, Chair..... PCM-NY, Strategy Co-Chair; IMAC Steering Committee;  
 WEACT; SDIPN, Education Committee;  
 Joel Kupferman, Esq..... National Lawyers Guild;  
 NY Environmental Law & Justice Project  
 Samara Swanston .....Legislative Counsel to the New York City Council Environmental Committee  
 Mark Dunlea ..... Green Party; People’s Climate Movement-NY; 350.orgnyc  
 Bill Garrett .....Stop the Melt; H2O; People’s Climate Movement-New York

**The Pledge to Mobilize: A Denial-Fighting Tool to Organize Against Climate Change**

1.91

Margaret Klein Salamon, Chair ..... The Climate Mobilization  
 Ashik Siddique.....The Climate Mobilization  
 Ezra Silk .....The Climate Mobilization

**Energy Geopolitics in a Contested World**

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Michael Klare, Chair ..... Hampshire College  
 Daniel Volman ..... Africa Research Project, Washington, D.C.  
 Irene Gendzier ..... Boston University  
 Michael Schwartz..... Stony Brook University



## SESSION 4 5:10 – 6:50PM

### Equality Through Transportation and Infrastructure

1.93 *KentuckyBikes*

Cherokee Schill, Chair ..... KentuckyBikes  
Richard Albores.....Government Attorney  
Thomas DeVito.....Transportation Alternatives

### Inside-Out: A Journey Exploring Justice Via Nepali, Indian, Bangladeshi, Pakistani, U.S. Immigrant Communities – Here/There & Animal Rights Naturally

1.99

Sherry Onna, Chair ..... Dance Theater of Nepal Inc NY  
Ang Gelden Sherpa ..... United Sherpa Assn of USA  
Shailesh Shrestha .....Sampreshan White Himal television  
Pratip Dasgupta..... Ethical-Humanist Society of Queens  
Bill Westerman ..... New Jersey City University

### The End of the World As We Know It? Housing, Occupy, and Transnational Resistance to Green Capitalism

L2.80 *Journal of Social Justice*

Deric Shannon, Chair ..... Oxford College of Emory University  
Davita Silfen Glasberg..... University of Connecticut  
Mark Bray .....Rutgers University  
Yesenia Barragan .....Columbia University

### Strategic Role of the Commons for Movements?

L2.81

Michelle Wenderlich, Chair ..... Clark University  
Eric Rogers  
Amanda Huron

### Greece vs. Germany: The Battle for Europe's Future

L2.82 *The Nation Magazine*  
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Eduardo Maura, Chair ..... PODEMOS, Political Secretariat  
Konstantinos Tsoukalas ..... SYRIZA, Member of Parliament  
Christina Kaindl ..... DIE LINKE, Head of Strategy Department  
Natassa Romanou .....SYRIZA New York  
Dominic Heilig .....DIE LINKE's Forum of Democratic Socialism, Co-Chair

### What Happened to “The State and Revolution”? The Question of Power in Russia, 1917–1921

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Rust Gilbert, Chair ..... MEP Revolutions Study Group  
Branden Rippey.....MEP Revolutions Study Group  
Jim Creegan.....MEP Revolutions Study Group  
Mike Ely .....Kasama Project  
Valentine Eben

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Reg Flowers.....Falconworks Artists Group  
Leonie Ettinger .....The Living Theatre

### Teaching Economics As If Science Mattered (In Honor of Ross Thomson)

3.79

John Summa, Chair ..... University of Vermont, Economics Dept.  
John Sarich.....Adjunct Associate Professor, The Cooper Union, NYC  
Marie Duggan .....Keene State College (New Hampshire)  
Bryan Snyder .....Bentley University  
Ed Nell ..... Retired Professor, Economics Dept.,  
Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research  
Jawied Nawabi.....CUNY Bronx Community College

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**FILM: “Rent Rebels” –  
Resistance Against The Sell-Out Of The City**

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Brian McCarthy ..... 16Beaver Group, NYC

**FILM: “Heist: Who Stole the American Dream?”**

3.81

Donald Goldmacher, Chair  
Joel Kovel ..... Editor-in-Chief, Capitalism, Nature, Socialism  
Lawrence Mitchell ..... author of Stacked Deck:  
A Story of Selfishness in America

**Sins of Omission: Stories the Media Overlook**

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Jenna Orkin, Chair ..... Collapsenet.com  
Robert F.  
Court Dorsey ..... Project Unspeakable

**FPA-Foundation-Child Welfare &  
Community Organizing**

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Dorin Matthews, Chair ..... Executive Director  
Sylvia Hooper ..... Founder  
Kim Kennedy  
John Lance

**The Cradle-to-Prison Pipeline**

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Rolando Bini, Chair ..... Parents in Action for Leadership and Human Rights  
Platina Poreshqj ..... Parents in Action for Leadership and Human Rights  
Lucille Peña ..... Parents Against the System of Forced Adoptions

**Building Anti-Imperialist Front For 2016  
From a Co-opted Anti-War Movement**

8.72

Joseph Calhoun, Chair ..... journalist & filmmaker Colorado  
Don DeBar ..... activist & radio show host NYC  
Tom Kiely ..... activist & radio show host NYC  
Webster Tarpley ..... historian Washington D.C.

**AfroCrowd Call To Action Workshop**

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Alice Backer, Chair ..... AfroCROWD, (afrocrowd.org)  
Nana-Ama Kyerematen ..... afridiasspora.com  
Ololade Siyonbola ..... Yoruba Cultural Institute (yorubaculturalinstitute.org)

**FEATURE EVENT 7:30–9:45PM**

**GYMNASIUM, 4TH FLOOR, HAAREN HALL**

**INDICTING AND TRANSFORMING THE SYSTEMS OF STATE AND  
CAPITALISM: FROM FERGUSON TO BALTIMORE AND BEYOND**

**SPEAKERS:**

**GLEN FORD, ALICIA GARZA, MAKAYLA GILLIAM-PRICE,  
KRISTIN LAWLER, THENJIWE MCHARRIS, & KSHAMA SAWANT  
PAUL JAY: MODERATOR/INTERLOCUTOR**

# SUNDAY 5/31

SESSION 5 10:00 – 11:50AM

## Labor and the Left in the U.S.: Socialist Register 2015 Transforming Classes

L2.84 *Socialist Register*

Leo Panitch, Chair ..... Political Science, York University  
Charles Post..... Sociology, CUNY  
Mark Dudzic..... Labor organizer  
Rishi Awatramani.....Virginia New Majority Student Power Network  
Jane McCauley.....CUNY Graduate Centre

## Dreaming to be Free: Ferguson, Palestine and the Fight for Migration Justice

L2.85 *hamptoninstitution.org*

Eyad Alkurabi, Chair ..... Hampton Institute  
Cristina Jiménez ..... United We Dream Network  
Rachel Gilmer ..... The African American Policy Forum  
Colia L Clark  
Abbas Hamideh .....al-awda.org  
Christopher Magno.....Gannon University  
Susan Massad.....Framingham State University

## Liberation Politics in the Post Obama World

L.76

Nellie Bailey, Chair ..... Black Agenda Report  
Bruce Dixon ..... Black Agenda Report  
Margaret Kimberley ..... Black Agenda Report  
Glen Ford ..... Black Agenda Report  
Marsha Coleman-Adebayo ..... Black Agenda Report  
Ajamu Baraka..... Black Agenda Report  
Raymond Nat Turner ..... Black Agenda Report  
Jemima Pierrer ..... Black Agenda Report

## Organizing for New Directions in U.S./ Cuba Relations: The Cuba Caravans and Cuban Med School Experience

1.100

Jennifer Wager, Chair ..... Essex County College  
Gail Walker..... IFCO/Pastors for Peace  
Ana Maria Cardenas..... IFCO/Pastors for Peace  
Narciso Ortiz .....Escuela Latinoamericana de Medicina

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Please join Dr. Simon and his colleagues for **Computerized  
Vote Theft And The Subversion Of Democracy** (Panel #161).



**Crisis Of Capitalism:  
The Lightning Before The Storm**

1.101 *Critique – Journal of Socialist Theory*

Suzi Weissman, Chair..... Professor of Politics at St Mary’s College California  
 Hillel Ticktin .....Emeritus Professor of Marxist Studies, University of Glasgow  
 Michael Hudson.....Research Professor of Economics,  
 University of Missouri, Kansas City  
 Kostis Karpozilos ..... Research Fellow,  
 Seeger Center for Hellenic Studies, Princeton

**With, Against and Beyond Left Governments?**

1.103

Camilo Azzellini Sitrin, Chair  
 Marina Sitrin .....CUNY Graduate Center–Center for Place, Culture and Politics  
 Dario Azzellini  
 Susana Draper  
 Vicente Rubio

**After Militarism and Capitalism:  
Panel in Honor of Seymour Melman**

1.105

Frank Emspak, Chair..... Worker Independent News  
 Jon Rynn ..... GreenNewDealPlan.com  
 Alice Slater.....Nuclear Age Peace Foundation  
 Patrick Deer ..... NYU  
 Brian D’Agostino.....International Psychohistorical Association  
 Tom Gogan.....U.S. Labor Against the War

**Radical Publishing and the Facebook Left:  
Contradictions in Clickbait**

1.107 *Zero Books*

Douglas Lain, Chair ..... Zero Books, author and podcaster  
 Aaron Leonard .....Zero Books  
 Michael Thomsen.....Zero Books  
 Johan Kugelberg.....Zero Books

**Beyond Crisis:  
Communicating Persuasively For Social Change**

1.108

Diane Rubino, Chair..... NYU  
 Craig Mills..... NYU  
 Jesse Scinto .....Columbia University

**Caribbean Responses to the Cuban Revolution**

1.113

Rhone Fraser, Chair ..... Delaware County Community College  
 Horace Campbell.....Syracuse University  
 Jeffrey Perry  
 Joan Gibbs

**Human Rights In Venezuela And Co-Responsibility  
Between The State And Popular Power**

1.114 *Bolivarian Circle Alberto Lovera*

Daviana Sebastian, Chair  
 Frederick Mills  
 Keane Bhatt  
 Robin Garcia  
 Natasha Lycia Ora Bannan .....President-Elect, National Lawyers Guild

**Anti-Imperialism, A Debate**

1.115 *Workers World Newspaper*

Colleen Davidson, Chair ..... FIST–Fight Imperialism, Stand Together  
 Daniel Pforte.....FIST–Fight Imperialism, Stand Together  
 Ruben Mendez..... Socialist Alternative

**Quechua Realities: A Discussion on Subjectivity  
and Screening of Living Quechua**

1.117

George Ygarza, Chair ..... North Jersey Grassroots Action  
 Claudia Urdanivia .....Passaic Pedal.EA  
 Elva Ambía ..... NY Quechua Initiative  
 Christine Mladic..... NY Quechua Initiative

**Occupy Alternative Banking: A Meeting and Open  
Discussion on the Financial System’s Dysfunction**

1.119

Tamir Rosenblum, Chair..... Occupy Alternative Banking  
 Thessy Mehrain..... Occupy Alternative Banking  
 Natasha Blakely..... Occupy Alternative Banking

**Thomas Paine And Henry George – Two Patriots,  
One Common Adversary Of Monopoly**

1.121 *Thomas Paine Friends & Bulletin*

Marty Rowland, Chair..... Henry George School of Social Science  
 Victor Madeson.....Thomas Paine Friends & Bulletin  
 Thomas Ballou Georgeson

**Sustaining Organizations with Values**

1.123

Michael Skirpan, Chair ..... Collaborative Laboratories  
 Patrick Cooper.....Collaborative Laboratories  
 Kilian Walsh..... NYU  
 Jacqueline Cameron ..... CU–Boulder

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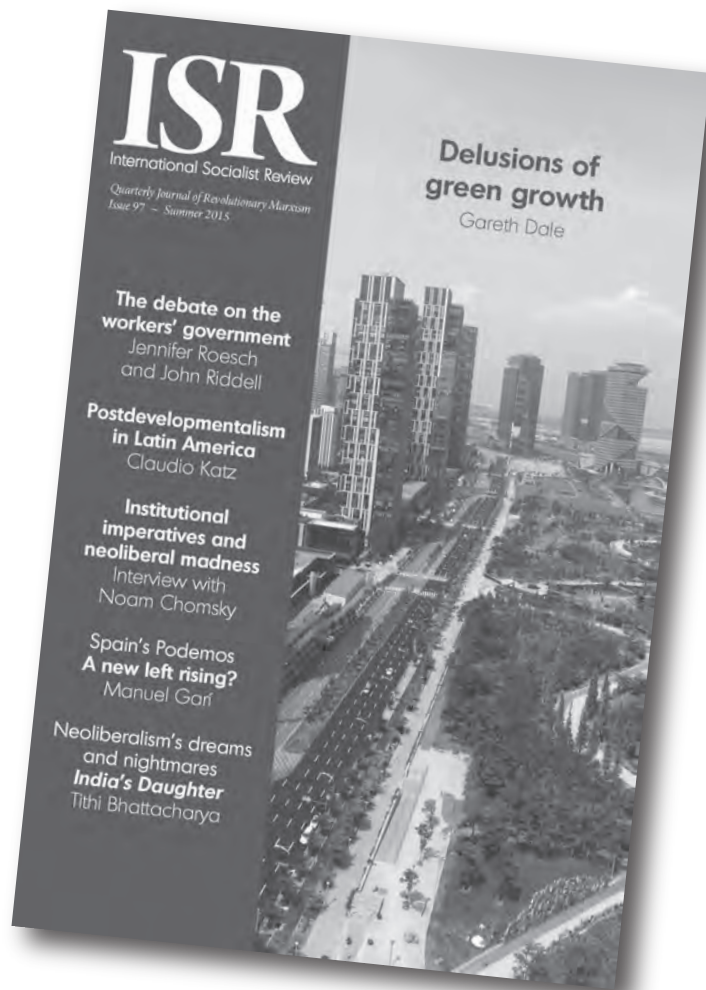
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reviewed by Paul Le Blanc

**Neil Davidson's *Holding Fast to an Image of the Past***  
reviewed by Bill Keach

AND MUCH MORE!

**Connecting the Dots:  
Big Capital, Contingent Labor & Poverty**

1.124

David Van Arsdale, Chair ..... State University of New York  
William DiFazio.....St. John's University  
Clayton Rosati..... Bowling Green State University

**Lines of Work:  
Telling Our Stories of Work and Building Movement**

1.125 *Recomposition*

Scott Nappalos, Chair..... IWW, Recomposition  
Monica Kostas..... IWW, Recomposition  
Luz Sierra .....IWW  
Abbey Volcano

**Confronting the Social and Natural  
Crises of 21st Century Capitalism:  
Water, Oil, and Economic Inequality**

1.127

Fabian Balardini, Chair ..... Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Kenneth Levin.....Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Ross Tippit.....Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Enrique Lanz Oca.....Borough of Manhattan Community College  
Mohammad Soleymani .....Borough of Manhattan Community College

**Labor for Palestine:  
Growing U.S. Trade Unionist Support for  
BDS, From UAW 2865 to Block-the-Boat**

1.129

Suzanne Adely, Chair..... Labor for Palestine  
Michael Letwin.....Labor for Palestine  
Clarence Thomas.....Labor for Palestine  
Lara Kiswani.....Arab Resource and Organizing Center

**Where Do We Go From Here?  
Is Radical Art Relevant To The Left?**

1.61

Gary DiBenedetto, Chair ..... Independent Artist  
Eric Lyon..... School of Performing Arts  
Music, Institute for Creativity, Arts, and Technology, Virginia Tech  
Daniel Quinn ..... Founder, ArtsPRunlimited, Inc.  
Member, Society of Stage Directors Union, NYC.  
Emma Wilcox..... Gallery Aferro, Newark NJ  
Stephen McKenzie ..... The Newark Print Shop  
Evonne Davis..... Gallery Aferro, Newark NJ

**A World on The Verge of Collapse:  
A Guide And Discussion On Taking The Power Back**

1.63

Faith Laugier, Chair ..... The Path of Liberation 4Benefit of All  
The Order of the Highest & Supreme Righteous Duty & Obligation  
Caleb Maupin.....FIST–Fight Imperialism Stand Together  
IAC–International Action Center  
Penny Arcade..... Yippie, UATWMF, Revolution

**And Deliver Us From All Our Saviors:  
Reflections on Coalition Building in  
the Sex-Worker Rights Movement**

1.65

Lindsay Roth, Chair ..... Project SAFE/ Sex Workers Outreach Project  
Kate D'Adamo  
Savannah Sly  
Janet Duran..... NJRUA

**Masculinity and Ideology**

1.66 *Situations Journal: Project of the Radical Imagination*

Dominic Wetzel, Chair ..... CUNY and Situations  
Katia Perea.....CUNY and New School  
Jaime Ortega .....somatic education therapist and educator  
Wade Rosenthal.....Legal Aid Society, Special Litigation Unit

**Eco-Feminist Paths Towards a  
World Beyond Capital**

1.67 *Capitalism Nature Socialism*

Terisa E. Turner, Chair..... International Oil Working Group and CNS  
Leigh Brownhill.....Capitalism Nature Socialism  
Ana Isla..... Brock University  
Terran Giacomini.....University of Toronto  
Eric Pineault.....Universite du Quebec a Montreal

**Progressive Healthcare Unions  
Fighting for Patient Care**

1.69

Cal Winslow, Chair ..... Fellow, Environmental History, UC Berkeley  
Elizabeth White.....National Union of Healthcare Workers  
Clem Papazian .....National Union of Healthcare Workers  
Judy Sheridan-Gonzalez.....New York State Nurses Association  
Dana Simon.....Massachusetts Nurses Association

**Marx's "Critique of the Gotha Program":  
New Direction for Revolutionary Organization**

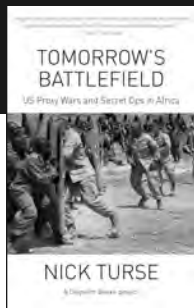
1.71 *Marxist-Humanist Initiative*

Anne Jaclard, Chair..... Marxist-Humanist Initiative  
Bryan Philip ..... Independent scholar  
Mike Dola ..... Marxist-Humanist Initiative



**Tomorrow's Battlefield**

U.S. Proxy Wars and Secret Ops in Africa  
Nick Turse



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—Glenn Greenwald

**On Palestine**

Noam Chomsky and Ilan Pappé



Israel’s most recent assault on Gaza left thousands of Palestinians dead and cleared the way for another Israeli land grab. The need to stand in solidarity with Palestinians has never been greater. Ilan Pappé and Noam Chomsky, two leading voices in the struggle to liberate Palestine, discuss the road ahead for Palestine and how the international community can pressure Israel to end its human rights abuses against Palestinians.

**More Than a Score**

The New Uprising Against High-Stakes Testing  
Edited by Jesse Hagopian



“For anyone who wonders what’s powering the virulent opposition to standardized testing, Common Core standards and so-called education reform, Jesse Hagopian’s new book, *More Than a Score*, will be an illuminating read.”  
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**Ecosocialism**

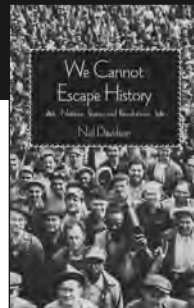
A Radical Alternative to Capitalist Catastrophe  
Michael Löwy



Capitalism is killing the planet. The preservation of a natural environment favorable to human life requires a radical alternative. In this new collection of essays, long time revolutionary and environmental activist Michael Löwy offers a vision of ecosocialist transformation. This vision combines an understanding of the destructive logic of the capitalist system with an appreciation for ongoing struggles, particularly in Latin America.

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Neil Davidson



These essays focus on the themes of nation, state, and revolution. Ranging from the extent to which nationalism can be a component of left-wing politics to the difference between bourgeois and socialist revolutions, the book concludes with an extended discussion of the different meanings history has for conservatives, radicals and Marxists.

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**Quest for Identity: Negro, Colored, Black, Afro, African American: The Role of Religion in Shaping Black Identity in America**

1.73

Tyrone Webb, Chair ..... Hebrew Israelite Nation Times (HINT Magazine)  
Cohane Michael Ben Levi .....The Hebrew Family in Guyana, South America  
Lea Webb .....Webb Consulting

**As the South Goes: Climate Justice and a Just Transition in the Black Belt South**

1.75

Brandon King, Chair ..... Cooperation Jackson  
Kali Akuno .....Cooperation Jackson  
Dara Cooper ..... Friends of Cooperation Jackson NYC

**The Indictment of the American Criminal Justice System and the New Criminology of Hope**

1.76

William Calathes, Chair ..... New Jersey City University  
Jason Williams..... Farleigh Dickinson University  
Whitney Richards-Calathes .....City University Graduate Center  
Sean Wilson.....Texas Southern University

**We Have Still Not Been Moved: Taking Aim at White Supremacy, the War Machine, and Police Brutality**

1.77 *PM Press, War Resisters League, & WESPAC*

Matt Meyer, Chair ..... War Resisters League  
Dequi Kioni-Sadiki ..... Jericho Movement  
Nada Khader .....WESPAC  
Ali Issa .....War Resisters League  
Joel Kovel .....Scholar, Activist

**Dismantling the Intern Economy: Building Student, Intern, and Worker Power**

1.81

James Cersonsky, Chair ..... Intern Worker Alliance  
Queen Arsem-O'Malley.....Intern Worker Alliance  
Anwar Batte .....Intern Worker Alliance

**A People's Congress**

1.82

Paki Wieland, Chair ..... American Friends Service Committee  
Jeff Napolitano.....American Friends Service Committee  
Rose Bookbinder .....Pioneer Valley Worker Center

**More than a Score: The New Uprising Against High-Stakes Testing**

1.83 *Haymarket Books*

Nisha Bosley, Chair ..... Haymarket Books  
Jia Lee.....Movement of Rank and File Educators  
Janine Sopp .....Change the Stakes

**Systematic Violence of the War on Terror and Collective Actions of Dissenters**

1.85

Sharmin Sadequee, Chair ..... National Coalition to Protect Civil Freedoms (NCPCF)  
Inas Shnewer .....National Coalition to Protect Civil Freedoms (NCPCF)  
Tausif Khan..... No Separate Justice

**Iran and the New (Nuclear) Deal**

1.87 *URPE*

Reza Ghorashi, Chair ..... Stockton University  
Hamid Zangeneh.....Widener University  
Evan Siegel..... Independent Scholar

**War, Imperialism & the People's Struggle in the Middle East Today**

1.89

Bill Dores, Chair..... International Action Center  
Lamis Deek .....Al-Awda Ny, the Palestine Right to Return Coalition  
The U.S. Palestinian Community Network, National  
Kazem Azin .....Solidarity Iran  
Manal Gabash .....Syrian American Forum  
Abayomi Azikiwe ..... Pan African News Wire  
Michigan Emergency Committee Against War and Injustice

**Nurses Healing the World: Climate Change and the Fight for Climate Justice**

1.90

Bonnie Castillo, Chair ..... NNU/RNRN  
Jane Sandoval.....RNRN/NNU  
Angeli Medina .....RNRN/NNU

**Private Power vs. Public Rights: Why Do Fracking Corporations Have So Much Power?**

1.91

Susan Peters, Chair ..... American Monetary Institute  
B. Allen Barndt..... Taos Institute/Tilburg University  
Dee Aherne ..... 350nyc

## The Climate Crisis, Nonviolent Direct Action and the Necessity Defense

1.92 *The Independent*

John Tarleton, Chair..... The Independent, Flood Wall Street 10  
Krystle Holmes..... Flood Wall Street 10  
Marty Stolar ..... National Lawyers Guild  
Michael Dineen..... We Are Seneca Lake

## Internal Relations and Practice

1.93 *Science & Society*

Russell Dale, Chair ..... Science & Society  
Bertell Ollman..... Science & Society, New York University  
Xinruo Zhang..... Shanghai Party Institute of CCP,  
Research Center for Marxism  
Mehmet Tabak..... New York University

## Confronting Corporate Rule in India

1.99 *Sanhati*

Deepankar Basu, Chair..... Sanhati  
Partho S Ray ..... Sanhati  
Debarshi Das ..... Sanhati  
Siddhartha Mitra ..... Sanhati  
Sirisha Naidu ..... Sanhati

## The Housing Trust and Affordability in Perpetuity

L2.80

Walter South, Chair..... Urban Policy at Milano–The New School  
Peter Marcuse  
Philip Van Buren ..... Attorney

## Left Alternatives to Neoliberalism in France and the United States: Economic Reforms and Political Strategies

L2.81

Mark Kesselman, Chair..... Professor emeritus of political science  
Columbia University  
Robert Pollin..... Political Economy Research Institute–UMass-Amherst  
Daniel Cirera ..... Fondation Gabriel Peri, Paris  
Mireille Bruyere..... Prof of Economy at the  
University of Toulouse 2, France

## Greece–EU–USA & the BRICS: International Solidarity & Cooperation as a Way to Fight Feudalism, Colonialism and Imperialism

L2.82 *Georgist Economic Taskforce*

Yannis Tziligakis, Chair ..... Georgist Economic Taskforce  
Nikos Alexiou ..... Queens College, SYRIZA-NY  
Marshall Auerback ..... Levy Institute

## Democratic Totalitarianism

3.76

Jalen Matney, Chair  
Matthew Ballinger  
Joshua Headley

## Dance for Social Justice

3.78

Marsha Parrilla, Chair..... Danza Orgánica (danzaorganica.org)  
Mckersin Previlus..... Dancer company member at Danza Orgánica.  
Joya Powell ..... Colleague

## Why Jaurès Matters

3.79 *Democratic Left (Democratic Socialists of America)*

Pluto Press  
Pennsylvania State University Press

Nichole Shippen, Chair ..... LaGuardia Community College, CUNY  
Mitchell Abidor  
Sheri Berman ..... Barnard College  
Geoffrey Kurtz..... Borough of Manhattan Community College, CUNY

## FILM: “The Missile Dick Chicks Take on America”

3.80

Randi Cecchine, Chair ..... Independent Filmmaker

## Disaster Capitalism: A Screening and Discussion of Richard Ledes’ “The Dark Side”

3.81 *Situations: Project of the Radical Imagination*

Despina Lalaki, Chair  
Richard Ledes ..... Independent Filmmaker  
Michael Pelias..... LIU Brooklyn and Situations

## Stop Militarizing Our Children: Organizing for Alternatives to ROTC and Military Recruitment in Schools

8.61

Seth Kershner, Chair ..... American Friends Service Committee  
Scott Harding..... University of Connecticut School of Social Work  
John Lawrence ..... Professional Staff Congress (PSC)  
Antimilitarization Committee  
Glenn Petersen ..... Professional Staff Congress (PSC)  
Antimilitarization Committee  
Santiago Villafane ..... Professional Staff Congress (PSC)  
Antimilitarization Committee

**Textual Communities**

8.67

Ian Dreiblatt, Chair  
Peter Dimock  
Hilary Plum

**We Can't Breathe:  
(The Connection Between Movements)**

8.69

Sumumba Sobukwe, Chair  
Noz Martinez..... Voters Occupy  
Bill Johnsen  
Alejandrina Murphy .....Stop Mass Incarceration Network

**Environmental Collapse and the Need for  
Resistance: Introduction to Deep Green Resistance**

8.72

Frank Coughlin, Chair  
Hetal Sheth  
Francis Coughlin  
Jen Bilek

**The Unnecessary Drugging of Children**


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Rolando Bini, Chair ..... Citizens Commission on Human Rights  
Sharon Garrett..... Citizens Commission on Human Rights  
Platina Poreshqi..... Parents in Action

**The History of Authority;  
Understanding Leadership**

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**Please visit: <http://savecivilianeducation.org> to learn about actions you can take.**

This National Call is endorsed by groups and individuals including Veterans for Peace, Iraq Veterans Against the War, Civilian Soldier Alliance, David Swanson Stop Recruiting Kids Campaign, Tom Hayden, Noam Chomsky, and convened by: **The National Network Opposing the Militarization of Youth - NNOMY.org**



*We come from different backgrounds, but we speak with*  
**“One Voice for Oscar”**



organizations listed for ID purposes only

**NYC Sat. May 30th: March to Free Oscar López Rivera!**  
**Tell President Obama that 34 years is long enough. Join Us!**

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Assemble at 11:00am at 125<sup>th</sup> Street & Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Blvd-march east to Lexington then south to 106<sup>th</sup> St- rally site.

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**Who is Oscar López Rivera?**  
 Now age 72, Oscar López Rivera is the longest-held political prisoner in Puerto Rican history. He was charged with seditious conspiracy - the same charge for which Nelson Mandela was imprisoned - for his participation in Puerto Rico's independence movement. He was never accused of hurting anyone or participating in any violent crime — only of fighting for his country to be free.



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**MASTER OF CEREMONIES: JOHN PIETARO  
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**Black Labor and the Fate of Capitalism**

L2.84 *The Independent*

Nicholas Powers, Chair..... The Independent  
Bill Fletcher..... The Black Commentator  
Matt Birkhold..... Sociology Department in Binghamton University

**Progressive Satirical Activism**

L2.85 ACE

Randy Credico, Chair..... Political Satirist;  
William Kunstler Fund for Racial Justice  
Stephen Brown.....Alliance for Community Elections  
John McDonagh..... WBAI/Pacifica  
Paul Krassner ..... paulkrassner.com  
Irwin Corey..... “World’s Foremost Authority”  
Julianna Forlano..... WBAI  
Lionel Michael..... Lebron Lionel Media  
Barry Crimmins..... Call Me Lucky (biodoc on Crimmins life)

**How to Teach Marxism? Glad You Asked!**

L.76

Liz Mestres, Chair..... Co-Founder, Former Director of  
New York Marxist School / Brecht Forum  
Richard D. Wolff..... Prof. Emer. Economics, University of Amherst  
currently visiting Prof. at New School University, NYC  
Bertell Ollman..... Prof in the Dept. of Politics at New York University  
August Nimtz..... University of Minnesota

**Occupy + 4: Lessons for the Anti-Capitalist Left**

1.100

Priscilla Grim, Chair  
Michael Gould-Wartofsky ..... New York University  
Mark Bray .....Rutgers University  
Mary Clinton ..... Communications Workers of America District 1  
Michelle Esi.....co-founder of the OWS People of Color Working Group

**Extractivisms, North and South and in Between**

1.101 *Review of Radical Political Economics*

Brian Tokar, Chair ..... Institute for Social Ecology  
Patrick Bond ..... University of KwaZulu-Natal  
Don Fitz..... Green Party of St. Louis  
Eric Pineault..... UQAM/sociology and IRIS  
Marcela Olivera .....Red Vida

**Commonizing Public Spaces Against  
Neoliberal Urbanization**

1.103

Emre Cetin Gurer, Chair ..... Research Institute on Turkey  
Esra Akcan.....Cornell University / Research Institute on Turkey  
Metem Pamir

**The Limits of Liberal Police Reforms**

1.105

Alex Vitale, Chair ..... Brooklyn College  
Naomi Murakawa .....Princeton University  
Raven Rakia ..... Journalist  
José Martín

**Resisting Technology Privatization and Surveillance:  
Roles for Scholar-Activists**

1.107

Jackie Smith, Chair ..... International Network of Scholar Activists  
Barry Cohen.....portside  
Seda Gürses ..... INoSA  
Peter Murray-Rust ..... University of Cambridge  
Rebecca Kennison..... KJN Consultants  
Seeta Peña Gangadharan..... Open Technology Institute



**No Working Class Media Voice; No Democracy**

1.108

Frank Emspak, Chair  
Howard Kling  
John Anderson  
Sam Mayfield

**Youth in Revolt:  
The International Role of Youth on the Left**

1.109

Alexi Shalom, Chair..... Students for Justice in Palestine at Hunter College  
Arielle Newton.....Black Millennials  
Irving Perez.....Raza Youth Collective  
Angelica Lara ..... Frente Estudiantil Ayotzinapa  
Chrissi Fabro .....Anakbayan-NY

**Colombian Women’s Struggles:  
Overcoming Violence and Oppression  
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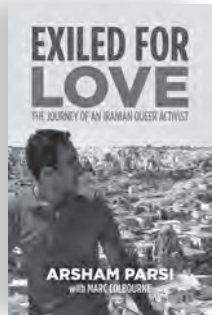
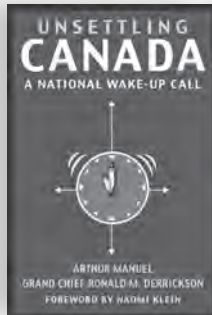
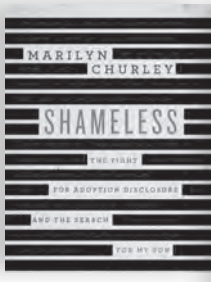
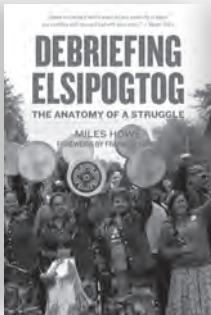
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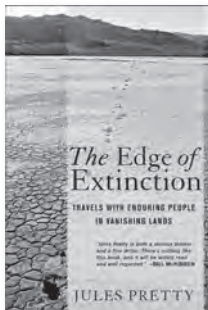
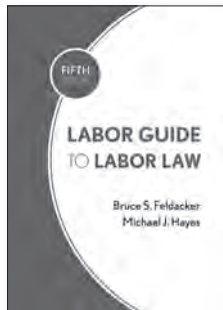
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**US efforts to kill** the last remaining secular leaders in the Middle East (and ostensibly replace them with ISIS) is described by NeoCons and the mainstream media they control as “humanitarian”- but even just a basic understanding of the region indicates that if you take out a secular government, a violent Islamist government quickly fills the void. The chilling truth is that ISIS is no “failure” of US policy - everything is going as planned...that is until as it always does, the plan “goes awry” and the US taxpayor is once again forced to pay the price to the usual suspects, the defense industry, whose grip on our spineless congress can only be described as criminal.

ISIS is the latest proxy terrorist group that the US and its client states Israel, Saudi Arabia & Qatar has unleashed onto the world scene and like most monsters they create, this one might not be so easy to get under control.

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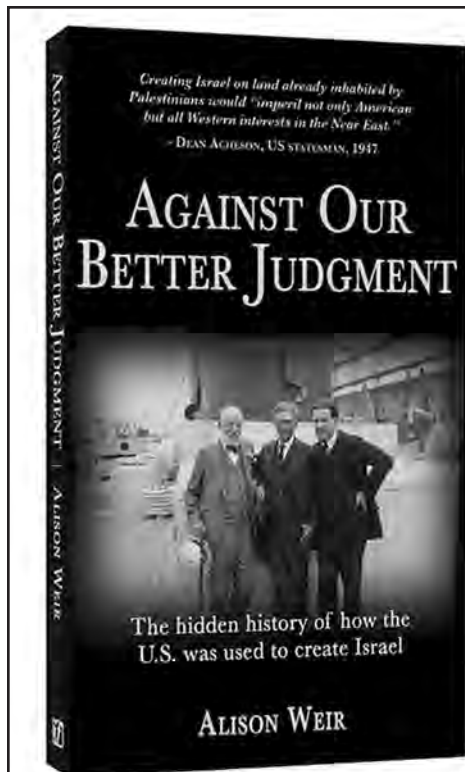
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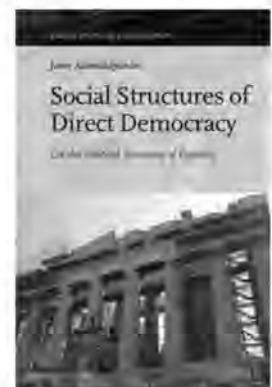
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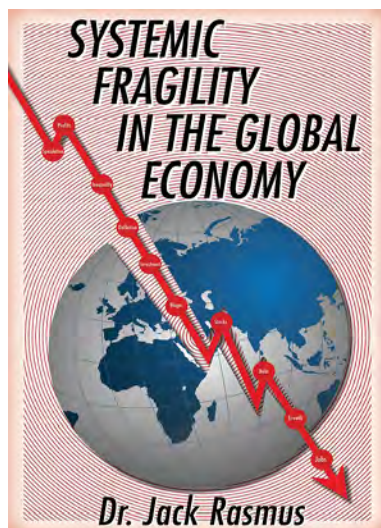
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