



WESTERN STATES CENTER

[Activists Mobilizing for Power](#) Conference Schedule and Session Overview [Spokane Convention Center](#), September 6-8, 2019 in Spokane, WA

Thursday, September 5

3 to 6 p.m. Registration room open

Friday, September 6

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration room open

9 a.m. Breakfast program with welcome from Eric K. Ward, Western States Center Executive Director

10 a.m. Full day workshops start

10:15 to 11:45 a.m. 90-minute sessions

12 to 2 p.m. Lunch program with Greater Spokane Progress Leadership panel until 1 p.m., then break/networking time

2 to 5 p.m. Full day workshops continue

2 to 4:30 p.m. 2.5-hour workshops

2 to 3:30 p.m. 90-minute sessions

3 to 4 p.m. Afternoon break, snacks provided

3:45 to 5:15 p.m. 90-minute sessions

No conference dinner provided

7 to 9 p.m. Time for Ilhan film screening and talk-back with director and producer Norah Shapiro at the Magic Lantern Theater, 25 W. Main Street

Saturday, September 7

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration room open

9 a.m. Breakfast program with panel or keynote

10 a.m. Full day workshops start

10:15 to 11:45 a.m. 90-minute sessions

12 to 2 p.m. Lunch with keynote speaker Maurice Mitchell, national director of the Working Families Party, until 1 p.m., then break/networking time

2 to 5 p.m. Full day workshops continue

2 to 4:30 p.m. 2.5-hour workshops

2 to 3:30 p.m. 90-minute sessions

3 to 4 p.m. Afternoon break, snacks provided

3:45 to 5:15 p.m. 90-minute sessions

6:30 p.m. Evening banquet dinner for all participants

Sunday, September 8

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration room open

9 a.m. Breakfast program with keynote or panel

10 a.m. Full day workshops start

10:15 to 11:45 a.m. 90-minute sessions

12 to 2 p.m. Lunch program with closing remarks until 1 p.m., then break/networking time

2 to 5 p.m. Full day workshops continue

2 to 4:30 p.m. 2.5-hour workshops

2 to 3:30 p.m. 90-minute sessions

3 to 4 p.m. Afternoon break. snacks provided

No conference dinner provided :: WSC staff depart on evening flights

SESSION LIST :: Please note this list is subject to change and additions

Key for Session Tracks

WN: Countering White Nationalism

DD: Defending Democracy

RG: Racial & Gender Justice

SB: Skill Building

AC: Arts & Culture Shift

Full Day Workshops

- WN—*Understanding Antisemitism in Our Efforts to Combat White Nationalism* with Jenna Weinberg, Cambridge Heath and Lecia Brooks, Southern Poverty Law Center
- WN—*Confronting White Nationalism in Schools: Helping Communities Understand and Respond*, with Nora Flanagan and Jessica Acee, toolkit co-authors
- DD—*Militarism & Non-Violence* with Liz Moore, Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane
- DD—*Integrating Deep Canvassing into Your Field Program* with Adrienne Evans, United Vision for Idaho
- DD—*How Right-Wing Populism Build Fascism: An Exploration of Fascism, Right Wing Populism and Christian Right Apocalypticism* with Chip Berlet and Cloee Cooper, Political Research Associates
- RG—*Communicating Our Values: Talking About Abortion and Building Support for Abortion Care through Storytelling* with Jolyn Coleman, Rocio Córdoba and Dilara Yilmaz, COMS Project with Conway Strategic
- RG—*Local Advocacy Strategies in Support of Reproductive Justice* with Jenny Dodson Mistry and Arpita Appannagari, National Institute for Reproductive Health
- SB—*Podcasting 101* with Taylor Weech, Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane and Praxis, and Erin Yanke, KBOO-FM
- SB—*Media Training* with Josh Glasstetter and Alise Murawski, West End Strategy Team
- SB—*Digital Security Best Practices & Planning* with Praveen Sinha, Equality Labs and Romain Bonilla, Western States Center
- SB—*Skills for Effective Adult and Popular Education & Workshop Facilitation* with Bill Aal, Tools for Change

2.5-Hour Workshops

- WN—*Opposition Research 101* with Kate Bitz and Stephen Piggott, Western States Center
- WN—*Countering White Nationalism in Communities: Case Studies* with Lindsay Schubiner, Western States Center; Rachel Carrol Rivas, Montana Human Rights Network; and Joel Iboa, Causa
- WN—*A History & Modern Look at the Patriot and Paramilitary Movements in the West* with Travis McAdam, Montana Human Rights Network
- WN—*Understanding Islamophobia* with Zakir Khan, Western States Center and the Council on American-Islamic Relations
- DD—*You Can't Play The Game if You Don't Know The Rules* with George Cheung, More Equitable Democracy
- SB—*Creating and Using Your Fundraising Plan* with Andy Robinson (please note this is a virtual session)
- AC—*Tools for Decolonizing Social Justice Spaces & Organizing Practice* with Tai Simpson, Nez Perce, Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
- AC—*Culture Shift in Art + Story* with Wendy Levy, Alliance for Media, Arts and Culture, and Tai Simpson, Nez Perce, Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence

90-Minute Workshops & Panels

- WN—*A History of White Supremacy, White Nationalism & Bigoted Extremism in the West* with Scot Nakagawa, ChangeLab and Eric K. Ward, Western States Center
- WN—*Mapping the Anti-Immigrant Movement* with Stephen Piggott and Marley Pierce, Western States Center
- DD—*State of Organized Labor Post Janus Decision* with Lisa Hubbard, SEIU 503
- DD—*Mass Incarceration & Prison Abolition* with panelists Duaa-Rahemaah Williams, PJALS; Pastor Walter Kendricks; Kurtis Robinson, President Spokane NAACP; and, Cam Zorroza, Center for Justice
- DD—*Frontlines of Resistance: Strategies and Case Studies for Engaging Local Government in Resisting White Nationalism and Authoritarianism*, trainers TBD
- RG—*Indigenizing Love: Introducing the New Two-Spirit Youth Advocacy Toolkit* with co-authors Josie Raphaelito, Diné (Navajo Nation), and Ryan Young, Lac du Flambeau Ojibwe
- RG—*Misogyny, Homophobia and Transphobia in Authoritarianism* with panelists Alex DiBranco, Scot Nakagawa, and Chip Berlet
- AC—*How Coos Bay, Oregon Took on Equal Justice Initiative's Community Remembrance Project and Lynching in America Report* with Taylor Nathaniel Stewart (co-trainer TBD)