

Great Labor Arts Exchange Conference on Creative Organizing & Camp Solidary, June 17-19, Washington, D.C.

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The Labor Heritage Foundation is looking for presenters and workshop organizers for the 2011 Great Labor Arts Exchange Conference. See below for more details.

“This year’s events will be held at the National Labor College in Silver Spring, MD just on the edge of Washington, DC June 17-19, 2011. We are the synergy that promotes and fuels the labor and progressive movements. You are building the movement. Your voice, experience, and struggle make us stronger. This is why we invite conference participants and supporters to bring dynamic- interactive workshops/presentations to enhance our collective and our network. Read on for guidelines and procedures for workshop/presentation submissions.

We are also looking for presenters/instructors for Camp Solidarity- for youth ages 7-17. Presenters/Instructors are asked to submit short simple lesson ideas that will help the youth explore union/labor history and culture, social justice, human rights, and civil rights through the creative arts. Unlike other summer experiences, Camp Solidarity also includes unique and powerful explorations of progressive movements. Workshop lessons should be interactive in nature and can be as creative as you are!!

In the spirit of the Labor Heritage Foundation, as a base for collaboration, synergy, and strengthening the labor movement through the use of arts, culture and creative organizing; and particularly as a shared movement process we are very interested in proposals that build on best practices, shared and real life experiences. We also encourage proposals that promote multi-generational, cross-cultural, and cross movement solidarity and in visioning for the future success of artists, cultural workers, and creative organizers. Proposals may be submitted now through May 15th 2011. We encourage you to submit your proposals early.”

For more information, see their website at <http://www.laborheritage.org/>.

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