

NORTH TEXAS TROUBLEMAKERS SCHOOL

Registration: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Coffee and light snacks

Opening Plenary: 9:00-10:00 a.m.

- **Karen Reyes** (Education Austin) on the recent campaign raise wages
- **Stephanie Kopnang** (UNITE HERE Local 23) on airport sky chefs voting to strike for a fair contract
- **Bianca Cunningham** (Labor Notes), facilitator

Morning Workshops: 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

1. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Beating Apathy
2. Dealing with Difficult Supervisors
3. Race and Labor: Let's Talk About It
4. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Assembling Your Dream Team

Lunch: 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Afternoon Workshops: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

1. Secrets of a Successful Organizer: Turning an Issue into a Campaign
2. Fighting for Immigrant Justice in the Workplace
3. Enforcing Your UPS Contract

Closing Plenary: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

- **Tevita Uhatafe** (TWU Local 513) on the mechanics' fight against American Airlines
- **Lori Burris** (Oklahoma Education Association) on the statewide teachers strike
- **Samantha Winslow** (Labor Notes), facilitator

Post-event Troublemakers Happy Hour

Dallasite Billiards, 4822 Bryan St., Dallas TX 75204

**Saturday, July 20,
2019**

1408 N Washington Ave # 300,
Dallas, TX 75204

9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



About Labor Notes

Labor Notes is a media and organizing project that has been the voice of union activists who want to put the movement back in the labor movement since 1979.

Through our magazine, website, books, conferences, and workshops, we promote organizing, aggressive strategies to fight concessions, alliances with worker centers, and unions that are run by their members.

Labor Notes is also a network of rank-and-file members, local union leaders, and labor activists who know the labor movement is worth fighting for. We encourage connections between workers in different unions, worker centers, communities, industries, and countries to strengthen the movement—from the bottom up.

(Workshop details on opposite side)

WORKSHOPS

MORNING 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

AFTERNOON 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Beating Apathy

Ryan Pollock, IBEW Local 520
Samantha Winslow, Labor Notes

Are you beating your head up against a wall trying to get other workers involved? This workshop is for you. Hear success stories from those who've turned their workplaces around and turned apathy into action. Learn practical organizing tools for engaging your co-workers, taking action, and getting results.

Dealing with Difficult Supervisors

Gail Buhler, Education Austin

Supervisors have strategies to put you off, trip you up, or get around the contract. Share tactics for dealing with the different types: tough guys and sweet talkers, flamethrowers and procrastinators, and everything in between. Expect to role play.

Race and Labor: Lets Talk About It

Bianca Cunningham, Labor Notes
John Palmer, Teamsters

How does racism show up in our workplaces, and even in our unions? What strategies can we use to confront it in our bargaining, organizing, union culture, and community connections? And what can you say to union brothers and sisters who aren't convinced racial justice has anything to do with union politics?

Assembling Your Dream Team

Beth Breslaw, Teamsters for a Democratic Union
Emmanuel Segura, UNITE HERE Local 23

Your workplace may feel like an unorganized mess, but the truth is you're not starting from zero. There's organization there already – though it might have nothing to do with the union. Learn how to map out the existing networks and knit them together into an organizing committee.

Turning an Issue into a Campaign

Stephanie Kopnang, UNITE HERE Local 23
Emmanuel Vinton, UNITE HERE Local 23

Everybody has complaints and frustrations, but an organizer had the power to turn problems into opportunities. Learn how to sort through the issues you hear from co-workers, bring people together, and make a plan to solve them.

Fighting for Immigrant Justice in the Workplace

Shelby Herrera, OPEIU
Karen Reyes, Education Austin

Employers and politicians are attempting to divide workers and weaken the labor movement by attacking immigrants. Learn how unions and worker centers across Texas are fighting back – and how you can too.

Enforcing your UPS Contract

Matt Maini, Teamsters Local 521

In this workshop, UPS Teamsters will learn how to fight harassment and unfair discipline, get tips and practice dealing with difficult supervisors, and make plans to get organized and take on UPS.



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