

## **Convention Schedule And Agenda**

**Democratic Socialists of America  
National Convention  
Los Angeles November 11-13, 2005  
Radisson Wilshire Plaza Hotel  
3515 Wilshire Blvd. (Wilshire/Normandie)**

Nearly all convention sessions are located in the Hotel Conference Center located in a separate building directly across the lobby exit. The Conference Center is one flight of stairs down. There is not a passenger elevator, however access through a freight elevator can be arranged for those who require it.

### **Thursday, November 10 6:00-10:00 pm Hotel Lobby Registration**

#### **Friday, November 11**

8:00am – Orientation to the Convention Plaza Ballroom  
space available for Commission, committee, caucus meetings

Registration Foyer of Plaza Ballroom

#### **8:30am Coffee, Tea and Assorted Pastries Foyer of Plaza Ballroom**

9:00am Plaza Ballroom

Convention called to order, Approve Credentials, Approve Rules, Approve Agenda  
Elect Committees, Committee Chairs, Session Chairs

9:45am Secretary Treasurer's Report

10:00am Political Reports and organizational reports

NPC Report (10) YDS Co-chair (5) YDS Organizer(5)

National Director's Report (10) Local Reports (20)

10:50am – noon Discussion of Reports

noon - 1:30pm lunch (on your own)

space available for Commission, committee, caucus meetings

1:30pm - 3:30pm Plenary Mission Discussion – Why Build a Socialist Org in US in 21<sup>st</sup> Century and what should/could its role be in US politics?

3:30pm -3:45pm Break

3:45pm -5:30pm Introduction of Priorities Resolution, preliminary discussion, consideration of amendments.

5:30-7:30 PM dinner on your own

7:00 Cash Bar Foyer of Plaza Ball Room

7:30 PM Public Meeting Plaza Ballroom **Kent Wong**, UCLA Labor Center **Wade Rathke**, Chief Organizer ACORN, Roxana Tynan, Los Angeles Alliance for A New Economy. Representative of Brave New Films.

## **Saturday, November 12**

8am space available for Commission, committee, caucus meetings  
8:45 Coffee, tea and Assorted Pastries  
9:00am DSA's Low Wage Justice Project  
10:45 – break  
11am Resolutions Session: Preliminary discussion of submitted resolutions that are not part of the priorities resolution  
12:30pm Lunch on your own  
space available for Commission, committee, caucus meetings  
2:00pm deadline for NPC nominations, candidate statements and nominations for vice chairs and honorary chairs  
2:00pm -3:15pm Politics, Progressives and DSA.  
3:15 Break  
3:30pm – 4:30pm Mini-Plenaries  
    1. DSA and the Anti-War Movement  
    2. The labor movement  
  
4:30pm -5:30pm – Priorities Resolution discussion and vote  
5:30 NPC Candidates Forum  
6:15pm NPC Ballot Box opens  
space available for Commission, committee, caucus meetings  
  
6:30 PM Reception Begins  
7:30 deadline for NPC ballots  
  
7:30PM Convention Dinner recognizing: Peter Dreier, Harold Meyerson and Hon. Hilda L. Solis

## **Sunday, November 13**

8:00 am Commissions, committees, caucuses, working groups, etc  
8:45 AM Coffee, teas and pastries  
9:00am Convention resumes Plaza Ballroom  
    NPC election results announced  
9:15 am Election of vice chairs and honorary chairs  
9:30am-10:30am Policy resolutions/other resolutions plenary  
10:45am - break  
11:00am Implementation discussion  
1:00 pm Closing  
1:45pm – 2:15pm new NPC has organizational meeting  
    Meeting of DSA Fund Board  
  
4:00pm - 5:45 pm Screening and discussion of the DVD of Greenwald's *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price*, discussion led by Elliott Petty of the Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy