

The Dual New Deal Legacy: Creating Jobs *and* Building the Nation's Physical, Environ- mental, and Cultural Infra- structure: Can We Do It Again?

The New School, Theresa Lang
Auditorium

55 West 13th Street, Room I-202
Manhattan

October 27, 2017

5:30 – 8:00 PM

Speakers TBA

Light Refreshments will be served—suggested
donation—\$15

Panel I The New Deal Jobs Legacy

- New Dealer and Employment Assurance:
“The First Objective in a Program of Eco-
nomic Security”
- Eleanor Roosevelt: Spirited Advocate of New
Deal Job Programs

Panel II Current Proposals

- Building on New Deal Models, Pending Legis-
lation:
 - **H.R. 1000** Jobs for All Act: A Race and
Gender Inclusive Job Guarantee? Is it Eco-
nomically and Politically Feasible?
 - **H.R. 2206** The 21st Century Civilian Con-
servation Corps Act: Reviving a Model for
Employing Youth and Preserving the Envi-
ronment
- Trillion Dollar Plans for Rebuilding America's
Infrastructure: Evaluation of Trump Admin-
istration and Democratic Senators' Proposals

Panel III Looking Ahead

- Leading the Way: A New York City Job
Guarantee and Other Local and State Initia-
tives
- Financing a Job Guarantee

Strategizing for a New, New Deal New York City

Columbia Law School (Room TBA)

10:00-4:00 PM

October 28, 2017

A working conference for those interested in strate-
gizing about how to build a city-wide movement for
a new, New Deal for the City.

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SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS

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National Jobs for All Coalition
The Living New Deal
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Celebrating New Deal New York City



We Did Great Things And We Can Do Them Again!

Honorary Chair: Franklin D. Roosevelt III

*A Series of Public Events to Bring
the History of the New Deal in New
York City to Life and to Envision a
New, New Deal for the City*

What We're About



The Living New Deal and the National Jobs for all Coalition are working together to celebrate the Launch of a new publication, a *Map and Guide to New Deal New York City*. The map and guide shows how the City's deteriorated physical, cultural, and environmental infrastructure was vastly improved by government job creation programs that employed millions of jobless workers during the Great Depression. They built and rehabilitated such iconic New York City landmarks as the Lincoln Tunnel, the Triborough and Whitestone Bridges, and the Central Park Zoo, to name a few. The launch of this *Map and Guide* is an occasion to call attention to the persistent problem of unemployment and its debilitating effects on our people and communities, particularly in the City's economically-disadvantaged neighborhoods where many people, experience what President Franklin D. Roosevelt called "the despair of idleness." It is also an opportunity to counter pervasive negative attitudes toward government and to provide a shining example of how democratic government is capable of solving serious national problems. More than a history lesson, the series of events we have planned features a plan to combat unemployment and increase the City's physical, cultural, environmental, and human service resources.

Revisiting New York's New Deal Museum of the City of New York May 18

6:30-8:00 PM

Co-sponsored by : New York Library
Association

Speakers: Mason Williams, Williams College
Gray Brechin, Living New Deal Project
Pre-registration required: <http://mcny.org/newdeal>

Fee: \$10 with discount code LND

**Reception at 8 pm after the panel.
Map sale and signing**

When Government Was the Solution: The New Deal's Forgotten Legacy, Then & Now Professional Staff Congress/CUNY Union Hall, 61 Broadway 16th Floor, Manhattan

June 8

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Lunch Fee -\$15 Contact: iyellowitz@aol.com

Co-sponsored by : The New York Labor History Association with the Association of Teachers of Social Studies/UFT With generous support from the Professional Staff Congress/CUNY, AFT and the National Jobs for All Coalition

8:30 - Registration, coffee

Welcome – Irwin Yellowitz, President NY Labor History Association

Greetings- Barbara Bowen, President, PSC/CUNY
Opening Remarks—Franklin D. Roosevelt III, Prof. Emer. of Economics, Sarah Lawrence College

9 :00- 10:30 Panel I : The New Deal as Solution to Economic and Social Crises, Then & Now

- The Historical Context of the New Deal and Its Lasting Legacy, *Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg, Prof. Emer. of Social Work & Social Policy, Adelphi Univ.*
- The Role of Labor: Then & Now, *Irwin Yellowitz, Prof. Emer. of History, City College, CUNY*
- New Deal Job Creation: A Model for Full Employment Today? *Philip Harvey, Prof. of Law & Economics, Rutgers School of Law*
- "The Rightful Heritage of All": The New Deal and the Environment, *Sheila Collins, Prof. Emer. of Political Science, William Paterson Univ.*

10:45-12:15 Panel II: The New Deal: En- hancing Quality of Life for All Americans

- The Democratization of Culture: The New Deal and the Arts, *Sheila Collins*
- Structural Racism in the Building of America's Urban Infrastructure, *Braden Crooks, Landscape Architect, Founder & Partner, Designing the WE*
- A New Deal for Whom? Race & Gender Exclusions, *Joseph Wilson, Former Director, Brooklyn College Graduate Center for Worker Education*
- Right-Wing Reaction to New Deal "Big Government" : Then and Now, *Kimberly Phillips-Fein, Assoc. Prof. of History, NYU*
- Video of FDR announcing the Economic Bill of Rights

12:30-1:15 Lunch, Q & A

1:15 - 2:15 Optional Walking Tour, view WPA murals in NY Custom House OR film showing

2:30 – 3:30 Small Group Workshops What Could a New "New Deal" Do for NYC and the Country?

- Countering Anti-government Ideology, *Kimberly Phillips-Fein, Convener*
- Disruption: Social Movements as Catalysts for Change, *Steve Leberstein, Convener, Prof. of History, City College, CUNY*
- Preserving and Expanding the Social Safety Net, *Dave Kotelchuck, Convener, PSC Social Safety Net Working Group*
- The Environmental Crisis: Can the Environment Be Sustained? *Sheila Collins, Convener*
- The Future of Cities, *Alan Feigenberg, Convener, Prof. of Architecture, City College, CUNY*
The Arts & Our Democratic Future, *Convener, TBA*
- A 21st Century Economic Bill of Rights, *Gertrude Schaffner Goldberg, Convener*

3:30-4:30 Reports from Workshops

In-service teachers can get certificates at 2:30. Teachers can get more information from Joe Zingone, President, Assoc. Teachers of Social Studies/ UFT at josepzingone@yahoo.com