

# FORWARD TOGETHER

COMMUNIST PARTY USA





## WELCOME FROM THE NATIONAL CO-CHAIRS

Greetings delegates, guests and international delegates! Welcome to the 32nd National Convention of the Communist Party USA!

After months of pre-convention discussion in our clubs, online at CPUSA.org, and at state and district conventions, we finally come together here in Chicago—the birthplace of May Day, of our party, and of People’s World, founded 100 years ago as the Daily Worker.

We meet at a pivotal moment in history. The danger from Trump’s MAGA right and fascism looms. A genocidal war rages in Gaza. Racist, misogynistic, and anti-LGBTQ attacks on our working class continue. And the ruling capitalist class continues its offensive, pushing an agenda of tax cuts for the rich and inflation and budget cuts for the rest of us.

But as Communists, we know all too well that the people’s movements everywhere are fighting back. Working-class and small-d democratic forces are uniting to block the extreme right up and down the ballot. The demand for a ceasefire has swept the country, with millions now demanding peace and the right of Palestine to its own state.

Women, Black Americans, Latinos, Asian Americans, immigrants, Native Americans, LGBTQ people, youth, and the other forces for progress are engaged in struggles all along the line. And workers — organized and unorganized — are rising up with a militancy not seen in decades.

As delegates to this convention—the highest decision-making body of the Communist Party—you have important responsibilities. Over the next three days, we will collectively deliberate on the report of the outgoing National Committee, hear from various commissions and bodies, consider resolutions, and elect a new national leadership.

But we will also have a lot of fun along the way, with entertaining cultural performances, comradeship shared over meals and discussions, engaging exhibits from International Publishers and others, and a big birthday party for People’s World.

Finally, we recognize the work of the Convention Organizing Committee and its 18 subcommittees — especially the Agenda, Culture and Décor, and Housing and Registration Sub-committees, which carried the heaviest loads. To all those who volunteered their time and effort, we say thank you. Without your dedication, this convention would not have been possible.

Now comrades, let’s get down to work and move forward together!

*In unity,  
Rossana Cambron and Joe Sims*

# AGENDA

There will be musical performances through our agenda by: Ben, Judy, Lindsey, Luci, Bruce, Daniel, Jarochicanos, Lawara, Laura, and Tim & Jim  
Thank you for your working-class creativity and generosity.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7		
12:30 PM	Call to order: CPUSA Co-Chair Rossana Cambron. Welcome, organize convention	Goodman Center
1:15 PM	Main Report CPUSA Co-Chair Joe Sims	Goodman Center
2:15 PM	Break	Goodman Center
2:30 PM	Discussion on Main Report	Goodman Center
4:00 PM	Break	
4:15 PM - 5:45 PM	PANEL Building the Peace Movement - <i>discussion continues</i>	Goodman Center
6:00 PM	Dinner ( <i>provided</i> )	Goodman Center
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	People's World Celebrates 100th Anniversary	Goodman Center
SATURDAY, JUNE 8		
8:00 AM	Breakfast ( <i>provided</i> )	Wabash Building
9:00 AM	Call to order, Credentials Report	Goodman Center
9:10 AM	Greetings from Angela Davis	Goodman Center
9:15 AM	International Greetings - Partido Comunista de Cuba	Goodman Center
9:40 AM	PANEL 2 - Labor discussion continues	Goodman Center
11:10 AM	Break	
11:25 AM	International Greetings - Communist Party of Vietnam	Goodman Center
11:30 AM	Presentation - Housing - <i>discussion continues</i>	Goodman Center
12:00 PM - 12:05 PM	International Greetings - Communist Party of Canada, Parti communiste de Quebec	Goodman Center
12:05 PM	Presentation - The Environment - <i>discussion continues</i>	Goodman Center
12:40 PM	Lunch ( <i>provided</i> )	Wabash Building
1:55 PM	Call to order, Honoring Veteran Comrades	Goodman Center
2:20 PM	International Greetings - Partido Comunista de Chile, South African Communist Party	Goodman Center
2:35 PM	PANEL 3 - Struggle for Democracy - <i>discussion continues</i>	Goodman Center
4:05 PM	International Greetings - Tudeh, Communist Party of Israel, Palestinian People's Party	Goodman Center
4:30 PM	Tribute: We Stand On the Shoulders of Giants	Goodman Center
4:45 PM	Break	
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Break-out Workshops - 1. First set of break out workshops	Goodman Center
6:15 PM - 7:15 PM	Break-out Workshops - 2. Second set of break-out workshops	Goodman Center
7:30 PM	"Ask Anything!": Party Leaders and Veterans Answer Your Questions	Goodman Center
SUNDAY, JUNE 9		
7:30 AM	Breakfast ( <i>provided</i> )	Wabash Building
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Delegates and alternates only: Election of National Committee ( <i>Delegates</i> )	Goodman Center
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	International Publishers 100 Years! Presentation ( <i>Guests</i> )	Wabash Bldg. Lounge
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break	
10:15 AM	Resolutions, Constitution, Credentials and Program Committee reports ( <i>All</i> )	Goodman Center
11:55 AM	Balloting Committee report on new National Committee	Goodman Center
12:05 PM	NC members only: Meeting of new National Committee members / break for rest	Goodman Center
12:30 PM	National Committee report of election of officers ( <i>All</i> )	Goodman Center
12:50 PM	Summary CPUSA Co-Chair Rossana Cambron + adoption of Main Report	Goodman Center
1:10 PM	Singing <i>The Internationale</i> with all performers	Goodman Center
1:20 PM	Adjourn	Goodman Center



*Thank you to all of the artists who produced the artwork, poems,  
and music for the CPUSA 32nd National Convention.  
Thank you for your working-class creativity and generosity.*

**MUSICIANS**

Ben, Judy, Lindsey, & Luci

Bruce

Daniel

Jarochicanos

Jawara

Laura

Tim & Jim

**POETS**

Baub

D.L.

Jeanne

Molly

**DONATED ART AND PROGRAM BOOK ART/CONTRIBUTIONS**

Arturo

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Brian

Darrias

Frankie

Jahmal

James

Lexi

Nick

Pamela

Prahlad B-C

Robin

Tim

Travis

**PROGRAM BOOK PRODUCERS**

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Molly

*And a sincere thank you to all artists and contributors  
whose works appear in the slideshows and recordings collected  
for and presented at the convention.*

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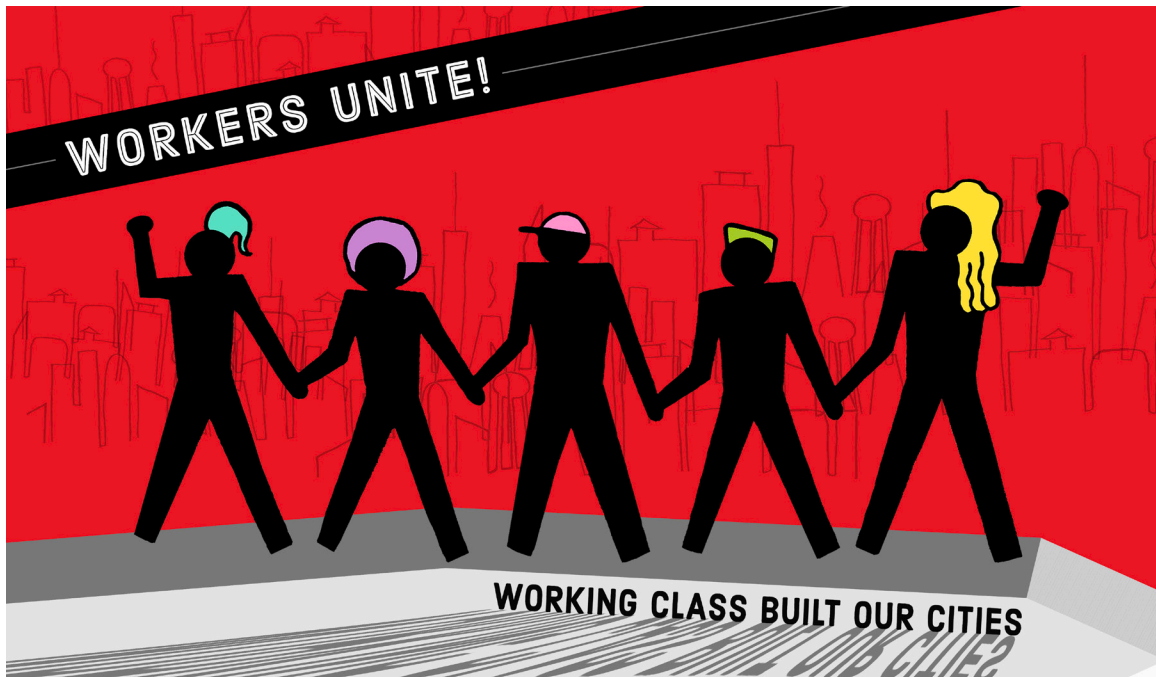


**Bea Lumpkin on Coalition Building:**

*“Coalition building today means far more than coalescing with like-minded people. I believe it means coalescing with anyone who agrees on what may be the single issue of the coalition, even people who are not like us, even people we do not agree with on other issues. That includes people we may not even like. Otherwise, I think that we will fail to build coalitions that are as strong as possible. And we may lose on issues that a broader coalition could have won.”*







**To Fulfill the Workers' Dream**  
by D.L. Lang

From the deepest tunnels to the tallest towers,  
the world stands upon centuries of our collective work  
while the idle rich scrape their profit off the top,  
leaving the masses struggling for all their worth.

From the car factories to the call centers  
without our labor the bosses would flounder.

From the banana orchards of South America  
to the vineyards of California,

we workers have banded together to demand what's ours!

Just open up your history books to see the proof  
etched by those who dared preserve the truth!

From the mines of Appalachia to the sweatshops of New York,  
our path is paved in sweat and blood of the workers of yore!

It is up to us to continue the struggle!

We stand among workers of every nation  
united as one, fighting exploitation,  
pushing the gears of progress forward!

When the working class awakens to its power,  
nothing will hold us back from the world we desire.

We shall build a world that runs on cooperation—  
towards this goal, we pledge our dedication.

Today we join together in solidarity.

Our voices thunder loudly for justice!

Our feet point the way towards freedom!

Stand proud and tall as you answer the call!

Our destiny is sealed as the liberators of all!





Regiment  
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Graphics

Workers United





**This Genocide  
by Molly Nagin**

This genocide,  
They want it all to be simpler now,  
On the backs of the unremembering,  
On the backs of brown children  
Whose dreams are entwined with mine.  
Jewish safety is Palestinian safety.  
This genocide,  
Did you  
Follow  
The line  
Of starvation and thirst,  
Amid bombing, failing,  
Tent city in the downpour,  
Broken grief, coping?  
Did you hear the sound of South Africa  
Harmonizing with your spine?  
Because if not, we've got  
The replay.  
We rock  
Back  
And forth  
Keeping pace with our fears.  
Do you feel the earth's trauma,  
Swirling dizzy, a broken record with a new  
face,  
A child's round eyes,  
Who know nothing of what  
Went down before?  
This genocide,  
Do you recognize, do you organize,  
Or do you cower from controversy?  
Do you require both sides  
As if one photo

Doesn't tell the whole story?  
Do you answer to money  
Or to a better world  
Beyond retribution and suffering spread out?  
It starts with honesty. It stands on love.  
This genocide,  
Will you cry out publicly  
For the world to see  
Or will you wait  
For the next one -- the next world, maybe?  
Maybe you believe yourself so close  
to the white man with property  
To the billionaires with armies  
That you're like some  
Type  
Of God,  
Who can overcome this system in crisis  
And the people you've turned your back on.  
Or maybe you choose to build unity,  
To refuse to sacrifice any of us for some.  
You draw from your stone,  
And pick from your tree,  
To make a new memory,  
One that will end this genocide.  
We must end this genocide!  
The main difference  
Between a dream like this  
And a memory  
Is whether or not  
We  
Woke  
Up.



**ELEGY**  
by Jeanne Ross

**ELEGY**

Southern trees,  
unencumbered by the strange fruit  
they once bore by the  
countless thousands  
Now stretch their limbs upward,  
seeking sustenance from the sun,  
while rooted in ground  
soaked  
with the thick red nectar  
dripped from the rotted fruit  
mixed with the effluvium given up in  
death throes  
seeping deep into the earth  
Evil winds its way through  
crevices and fractures  
northward and westward  
until the entire edifice veils poisoned by  
the hatred it spreads

Slavery and sharecropping in the in the  
south, indentured servants and wage  
slaves in the north,  
vanquished First Nations in the west, mail  
order brides, sex slaves and beasts of  
burden for the male  
settlers we honor, the continued  
objectification and subjugation  
of an entire gender:  
All nourished by the poison  
My country I implore —  
Cleanse yourself  
Transcend this veil of delusion  
Embrace the reality of the sorrow  
And thus, with eyes open,  
can we attain greatness for our people,  
For the world







**Dominique Sé Ras Mo**  
by Baub Bidon

my caribbean brothah,  
jimbe hands,  
palms bang on cowhide, goatskin.  
knotty locs jumping  
on that kinte cloth

number one!  
number one!  
domique sé number one!

what joy!  
that voice danced from his mouth,  
like carnival  
on a fat tuesday  
my rasta mon,  
oh what you say!  
his hands, marched on the edges  
of that drum  
banged on the center of that leather,  
the earth vibrated  
number one!  
number one!

domique sé number one!

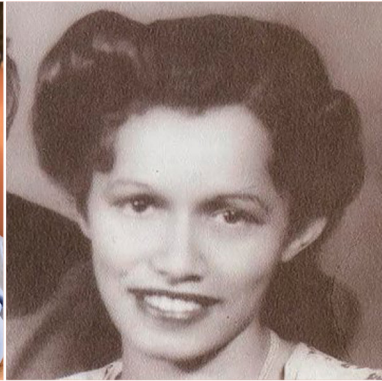
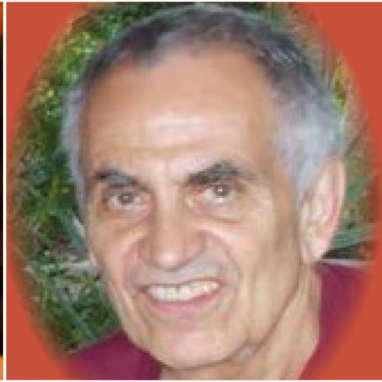
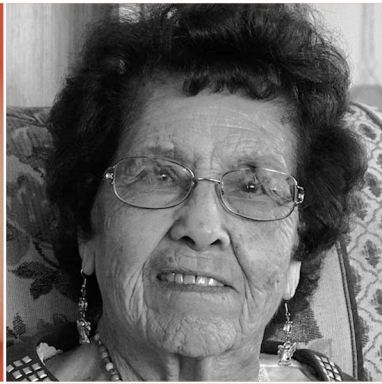
have you ever seen that man smile,  
his laughs were big belly, bountiful.  
where ever he roamed, was a village  
us poets and our ciphers  
flowed like wine, directly  
from the nectars  
of those trees... the wind rallied with us.  
he fished for us, broke bread  
with his tribe  
made us his country  
he moved like a king, a rasta-mon  
ras mo, moses.

number one!  
number one!  
my brothah from dominique  
sé number one!

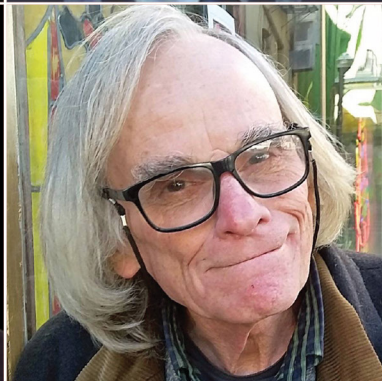
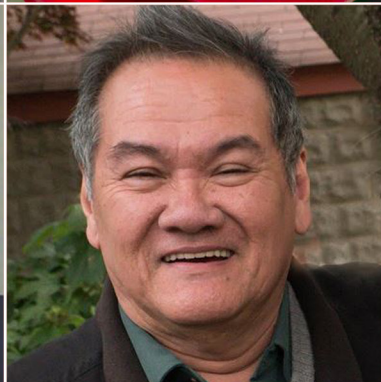
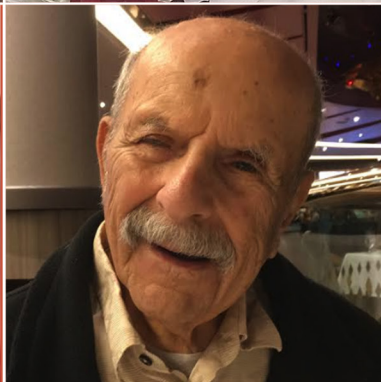
## Remembering Our Comrades

Al Marder	Jon Miles
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Beth Edelman	Nancy Pontius
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Bill Davis	Nelson Urrutia
Carole Marks	Pam Wright
Charlene Mitchell	Pancho Medina
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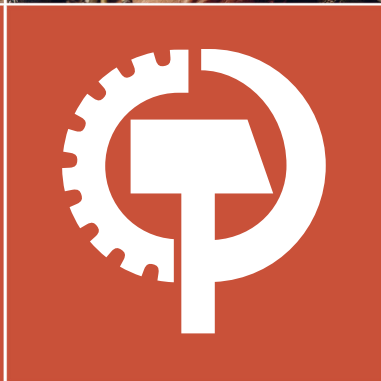








**We Stand On  
The Shoulders  
of Giants**







WE DEMAND  
WORK  
OR  
WAGES

AGAINST  
FASCISM!  
FOR  
SOCIALISM  
AND  
DEMOCRACY!

FIGHT  
OR  
STARVE

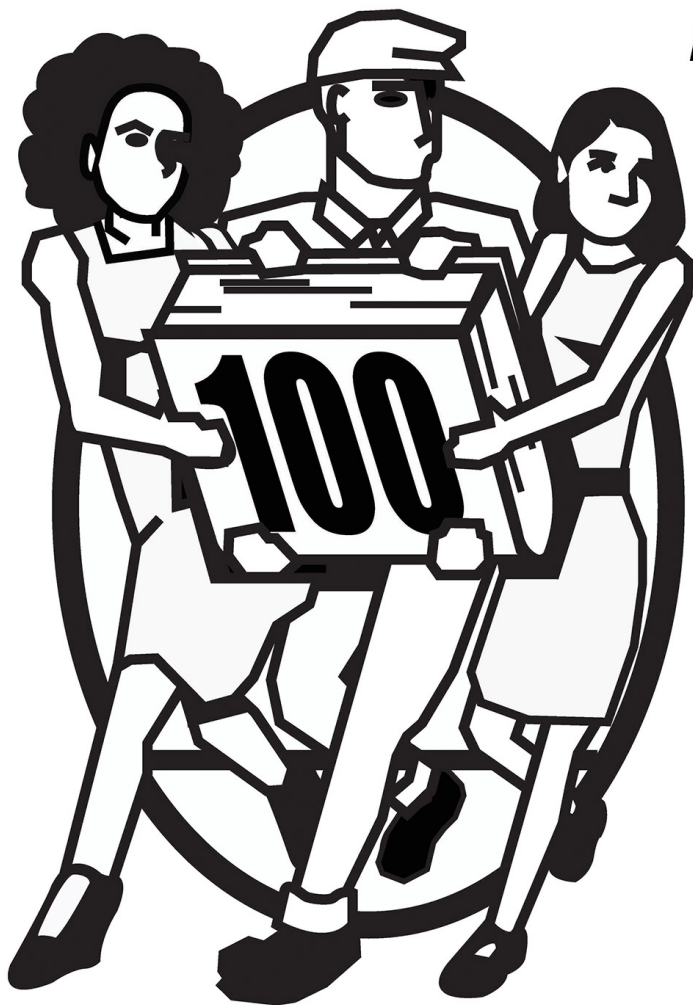
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WHITE AND  
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a Worker's  
Life







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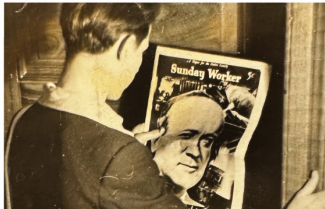
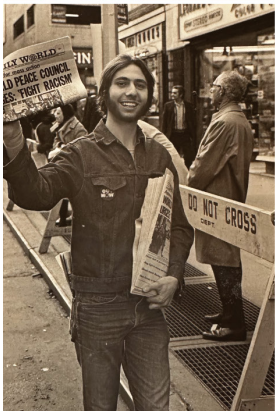
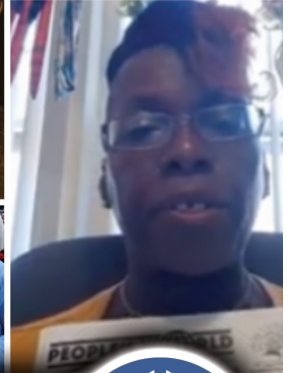
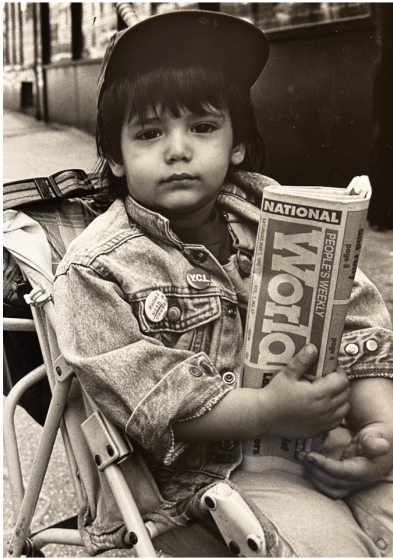
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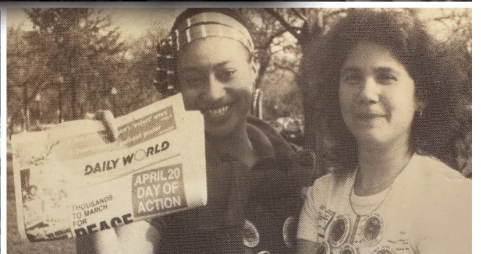
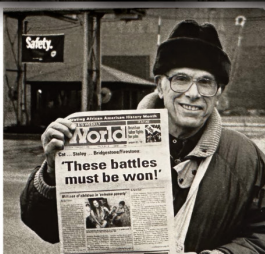
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