

# Tentative Agenda

*"47 Years Strong, From Surviving to Thriving"*

## Tuesday May 22nd

### Pre-Registered Trainings

12 - 7 p.m.

#### Carol Anderson Leadership Training

Named after AFSCME and CBTU Educator, the Carol Anderson Leadership Training focuses on preparing, arming, and empowering CBTU leadership to further advance their chapters and regions.

**\* These are specialized trainings offered with limited capacity. Participation for these trainings will require a specific registration process and commitment. Attendees will be notified once finalized. \***

## Wednesday May 23rd

9:00 a.m.

Executive Council Meeting

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**"Right-wing Populism in the USA:  
How to understand it, How to fight it"**

*Hosted by Bill Fletcher*

Right-wing populism is not new to the USA. It is a dangerous, irrationalist, racist, sexist and xenophobic movement that represents a threat to democracy and justice. But, where does it come from? Why does it seem to arise in times of crisis? What is its connection with the 45th President? Is it a breeding ground for fascist movements?

These and other issues will be explored in an all-day workshop led by Bill Fletcher, Jr. The workshop will focus on gaining a better understanding of this movement and looking at its direct threat to organized labor and to Black America. The workshop will then turn to how to combat right-wing populism, including what steps need to be taken within our unions to address this movement.

**Pre-Registration Required: Limited Seating**

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration/Exhibits

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Retiree Conference

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

International Committee Meetings

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Committee Mtgs.

Resolutions Election

Constitution Rules

Sergeant-at-Arms

3:30—7:30 p.m.

Scholarship Committee

6:00 p.m.

CARAT Team Conf.

6:30 p.m.

First-Time Attendees

7:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception

9:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

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## Thursday May 24th

### Black and Gold Day

## The Plan

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### Business Session

Call to Order  
Welcoming Remarks

#### President's Report

#### 2018 Civic Engagement

CBTU must be engaged year round and not just during peaks and spikes in activity. There is a plan and frame for the organization to build upon.

#### Our Economy & Workforce Town-Halls

CBTU Chapters are hosting town-halls with a focus on the economy and workers in the tip and hourly paid workforce.

#### North American Environmental Justice

Climate change is real. Hear how activists, organizers, and Labor are trying to make lasting change in both the US and Canada.

2:30 p.m. — 5:00 p.m.

#### Men's Committee Workshop Presentation

Annually the CBTU Men's Committee puts on a workshop and panel that confronts the issues facing Black Men in America.

All are welcome to attend.

6:00 p.m.

#### Town Hall Meeting: Organizing through the Storm

With so much going on it seems impossible to focus on a plan to succeed instead of responding to outside attacks. How to we stay focused all year and in face of distraction and adversity.

## Friday May 25th

## The Challenges

7:30 a.m.

Region Caucuses

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.

#### Business Session

#### International Affairs Panel: Organizing in Hostile Territory

How are other Nations organizing where the rules don't support workers like in the US.

#### Building Bridges with the Trades

There are times when Liberal views and position run into conflict with the jobs and positions of the Building Trades (BT) Industry and Members. It is only during these times of conflict do we hear from the Building Trades. For too long these dialogues on disagreement only take place during moments of conflict instead of a setting where mutual agreement can be reached. This session will provide time to dig into these discrepancies and identify our overlap.

#### School to Prison Pipeline

How is our Education System fueling our Prison Industrial Complex?  
How do we Organize around this?

1:00 p.m.

#### Women's Luncheon & Workshop

Annually the CBTU Women's Committee puts on a workshop and panel that confronts the issues facing Black Women in America.

All are welcome to attend—**Tickets required**

6:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

Movie Screening

[The Spook Who Sat By the Door](#)

7:00 p.m.

Game Night

Scholarship Fun and Fundraising

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## Saturday May 26th

### CBTU T-Shirt Day

## The Organizing

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

#### Business Session

#### Florida Restorative Rights Campaign

The fight to provide millions of Floridians the right to vote and have a say in their. The legislative and social battle to give rights and power back to post-incarcerates.

#### Congressional Black Caucus Panel

CBC Membership will discuss the upcoming 2018 elections and the challenges with this current government. They will also focus on how we can stay active throughout the year and not just on Election Day

#### Colonial Environmentalism in Puerto Rico

The intersection of both colonial conquest and environmental degradation of a US colony.

#### Brazil

Update on the current situation in Brazil. The political and social climate after the arrest of their former President.

#### \* ELECTION NOMINATIONS \*

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

#### 6 Skills Building Workshops

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3:15 - 4:45 p.m.

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7:00 p.m.

1199SEIU Gospel Concert

## Sunday May 27th

## The Soul

8:15 a.m.

Devotion and Testimonials

9:00 a.m.

Worship Service

#### Immediately following Worship Service

#### Business Session

Carat Team Report

Youth Report

Resolutions

Workshops Report

#### \* ELECTION VOTING \*

12:30pm - 3pm

3:00 p.m.

#### Committee Meetings

Women

Men

Under 40

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Raffle Drawings

6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Cash Bar Reception

6:30 p.m.

#### Awards Banquet

Performance: Lee Anderson

Dinner

Awards

Scholarship

9:00

Farewell Party

# Youth Agenda

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## Friday May 25th

9:00 a.m.  
Youth Conference Begins

### Morning

Breakfast  
Introductions  
Conference Overview

### Afternoon

Group Discussion and Workshop

## Saturday May 26th

9:00 a.m.  
Buses Depart  
Youth Field Trip

9:00 p.m.  
Youth Dance Party

*CBTU Youth annually have a chaperoned Pizza Party with a DJ. This is a fun way for them to connect one last time before the end of the conference.*