



OPSEU International Youth Day
Toronto Membership Centre
31 Wellesley Street East, Toronto
August 9 & 10, 2012

April 2012

Dear Young Workers:

The Provincial Young Workers Committee invites you to submit your application for the 2012 International Youth Day (IYD). In addition to welcoming previous IYD participants, we would like to extend a special invitation to those who have not attended in the past. We welcome all members who identify as young workers and look forward to meeting you!

This year's event, "Economic Equality: Our Voice, Our Future," aims to empower young workers to make informed choices about their futures in OPSEU, their workplace and the broader labour movement. We hope participants will leave the event with solid ideas that they can take back to their communities to make a difference.

Event participants will be selected by the Provincial Young Workers Committee with assistance from the Equity Unit. The selection process will try to achieve a diverse group of attendees, representative of the young workers within our membership. Confirmations will be issued to the selected participants in late June.

Do not miss this opportunity to network, learn, share experiences *and* have some fun. Please submit your completed application by e-mail or fax to the Equity Unit **no later than midnight, June 15, 2012**. Please note that we will be using an anonymous selection process and will be applying the criteria as set out on pages 4 and 5 of this application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

In solidarity,

Provincial Young Workers Committee

Distributed with permission:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Warren Thomas".

Warren (Smokey) Thomas - President

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Tentative Conference Outline

Thursday, August 9, 2012

- Up to 6:30 p.m.** Dinner (on your own)
- 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.** Registration
- 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Conference Opening & Conversation Café
- 9:00 p.m. onwards** Social (details TBA)

Friday August 10, 2012

- 9:00 to 10:00 am** Breakfast (On your own)
- 10:00 to 12:00pm** Opening and Panel with Q&A (Speakers TBA)
- 12:00 to 1:00 pm** Lunch (provided)
- 1:00 to 4:30pm** Workshop and Closing Exercise

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REGISTRATION FORM – continued

Applicant Number (to be assigned by the Equity Unit): _____

Spaces available for members attending the Conference will be divided among OPSEU's 7 regions. The selection committee will try to ensure that participants represent the diversity of identities and experience in OPSEU, based on the following considerations:

1. Please indicate which of the following groups you identify with (please select all boxes that apply):

- A racialized person** (a person who may experience differential treatment on the basis of race, ethnicity, language, religion or culture, e.g. a person whose heritage is Asian, African or Caribbean)
- A non-racialized person** (a person who does not experience differential treatment on the basis of race, ethnicity, language, religion or culture, e.g. a person who considers themselves to be white and/or European descended)
- Francophone** (a person whose first language is French, and who still speaks French)
- A person of aboriginal ancestry** (Métis, Inuit and First Nations)
- A person with a disability** (a person with a disability based on a long term or recurring physical, mental, sensory, mental health/emotional disability or learning impairment)
- An able-bodied person** (a person without a physical/sensory, mental/emotional, or learning disability)
- Gay** (males with an orientation exclusively to males)
- Bisexual** (persons who have an orientation to more than one sex)
- Lesbian** (females with an orientation exclusively to females)
- Questioning** (persons who are unsure of their sexual orientation)
- Two Spirited** (a term specific to Aboriginal people)
- Gender Variant** (persons who are transgender and transsexual)
- Intersexed** (persons who are not easily classified as either biologically male or female)
- Heterosexual** (persons who have an orientation to the opposite sex)
- Male**
- Female**

2. What is your age group?

- 18-24 25-30 31-35 over 35

3. Have you attended the International Youth Day event in the past?

- No Yes If yes, please indicate what year(s) _____

4. Are you active in OPSEU (e.g. elected to union position)?

- No Yes

5. Are you active in the community (e.g. Volunteer at a community agency or religious organization?)

- No Yes

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6. If you are active in OPSEU and/or the community, please tell us what you do.

7. How do you help young workers get involved in the labour movement?

8. In a few words, please tell us why you would like to attend this event.

(You may want to consider addressing how the conference relates to your union or community work.)
