

Women In Leadership Development

We are pleased to announce that the 15th Annual Women In Leadership Development Conference will be held at the Hilton East Brunswick, March 2-3, 2018.

This year's conference will feature a recap and celebration of WILD's 15 years and welcome distinguished speakers to discuss timely issues related to our health and wellbeing and women's workplace safety. Of course, WILD wouldn't be complete without providing the latest insights into building leadership skills and applying those strategies and tools to strengthen our collective voice.

There will be no shortage of issues and opportunities to discuss, and we look forward to the unique perspective you will lend to a conversation that will continue year-round. In addition, we will expand on the economic lessons from past conferences through WILD's proven power-building curriculum.

While we will address the challenges we face as working women, trade unionists, and a national movement head-on, we will also recognize the success that New Jersey achieved in 2017 thanks to the efforts of organized labor. With a new administration and one of the state's strongest ever working family majorities, unions have an extraordinary opportunity to advance a justice-driven agenda for all working people, and we will make sure that our union sisters continue to lead the way.

This conference builds on WILD's tradition of empowering ourselves, our unions, and communities. We thank you for your continued support.

For further information or any questions, please call New Jersey State AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Laurel Brennan, at (609) 989-8730.



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15th Annual (WILD)
Women in Leadership
Development



Bridging the Divide
for
**Workplace
Safety**

March 2-3, 2018

Conference Schedule

Friday, March 2, 2018

5:00 p.m. Registration

5:30 p.m. Reception

WELCOME

Charles Wowkanech
President

Laurel Brennan
Secretary-Treasurer

6:30 p.m. Plenary Session

A New Era in Women's Leadership

Dr. Mary Gatta
Sociology Prof., CUNY-Guttman

Dr. Gil Kirton
Prof. of Employment Relations, Queen Mary's College

Accomplished educators and researchers in the fields of women, work, leadership, and public policy, both Dr. Mary Gatta and Dr. Gil Kirton will share reflections on women's labor leadership in a post-Trump; post-Brexit world. They will reflect on our experiences in the 2009 US-UK women's labor leaders exchange; and also survey WILD women on their leadership.

Understanding the influential role that an environment has on leadership, and recognizing how to effectively navigate those challenges is a key tool for leaders to possess. Our speakers will provide the insights to raise up women leaders in any political climate.

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**WILD - Women In
Leadership Development**



Saturday, March 3, 2018

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Plenary Session

Bridging the Divide: Safe Jobs Equal Safe Lives

Ruth Anne Koenick, MA
Rutgers School of Social Work

SCREAM Theater™ Student Troupe

The labor movement is a leader in promoting workplace rights, and we know that this includes everyone's right to a safe workspace. We will advance our understanding of this critical and timely issue with a live performance and interactive discussion with those who have lived and continue to lead in the fight for workplace safety.

Ruth Anne Koenick graduated from the University of Maryland and George Washington University. She is a part-time lecturer at the Rutgers School of Social Work, teaching on subjects including, Violence and Abuse in Childhood, Violence Against Women and Children, and Women's Issues. She also teaches an Internship Seminar and a Field Experience Seminar for the Rutgers Graduate School of Education in the Ed.M College Student Affairs program. Ruth Anne has worked in the field of anti-violence against women and children for over 45 years. She is founder and past Director of the Rutgers Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance. Prior to Rutgers, she was Coordinator of the Middlesex County Rape Crisis Center. She is an expert on the prevention and intervention of sexual and relationship violence with a focus on college age students.

The "SCREAM" in SCREAM Theater™ stands for Students Challenging Realities and Educating Against Myths. This group consists of mostly undergraduate students at Rutgers. SCREAM Theater™ is the peer education improvisational theater group associated with the Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance at Rutgers University. The troupe uses interactive, educational skits to educate audiences on issues of interpersonal violence, sexual assault, domestic and dating violence, stalking, sexual harassment, and bullying.

12:00 p.m. Lunch and Wrap-up

Registration

Conference Fee: \$150

Includes: Meals, Program, and Materials

Please fill out the information below and mail it, along with a check payable to the "New Jersey State AFL-CIO," to:

WILD Conference
New Jersey State AFL-CIO
106 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08608

Name

Organization

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Reservations

The Hilton East Brunswick
3 Tower Center Boulevard
East Brunswick, NJ 08816

All participants are responsible for their own room reservations. To book, please call **(800) 445-8667** and mention "NJ AFL-CIO WILD" to receive the discounted room rate of **\$109** (tax not included).

Overnight self-parking is included in the room rate – valet parking is an additional charge.

To guarantee room availability, the deadline is **Friday, February 9, 2018.**