

Fighting for a Fair Future!



Manitoba Federation of Labour Young Members Assembly

February 8 -10, 2018 // Winnipeg, Manitoba
Union Centre // 275 Broadway

What it's all about:

The 2018 Young Members Assembly is an opportunity for young union members to learn and share their perspectives about issues facing young workers today. Attendees will build leadership skills, network with other young union activists and build connections to help fight for a fair future here in Manitoba.

For more information, contact Greg McFarlane at 204-953-2561 or gmcfarlane@mfl.mb.ca

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Assembly Guide

Young workers face unique experiences in the workplace and the labour movement.

The MFL invites you to participate in the 2018 MFL Young Members Assembly – focusing on political action and leadership from a young worker’s perspective.

By attending the assembly, you will gain insight and tools to become a more effective labour activist from other young labour leaders. Presentations will cover a range of important topics, including engagement and mobilization, political action, and combating oppression in the workplace.

Thursday February 8

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: **Registration**

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM: **Opening Plenary**

Welcome and Greetings

- Opening remarks from MFL President **Kevin Rebeck**
- Keynote address by Manitoba NDP Leader **Wab Kinew**

7:30 PM – 8:30 PM: **Networking Reception**

1:45 PM:

What’s your priority? Bargaining for young workers

2:45 PM:

Panel Discussion: Speaking out against injustice and standing-up for human rights – how to intervene when you see something wrong happening at work, like racism, sexism or homophobia.

3:45 PM:

The dangers of unsafe work

Friday February 9

9:00 AM:

Guest Speaker **Kate Walsh**, Strategic Coordinator for IBEW’s NextGen Initiative

Workshop on young member engagement and mobilization

11:30 AM:

Precarious work and the gig economy

Lunch Break (lunch provided)

1:00 PM:

The Fight for \$15

4:15 PM: **Adjournment**

Saturday February 10

9:00 AM:

Getting young worker issues on the political agenda

11:00 AM:

Running for union office – pathways to leadership for young members

Assembly wrap-up and raffle draw

Noon: **Adjournment**

Registration

(Please complete one Registration form per participant)



Participant Name

Union and Local

Employer/Workplace

Phone

E-mail Address (Must be included to receive important registration information)

Registration

Deadline: January 31, 2018 (No exceptions)

Fee: Winnipeg and Southern region – \$100
North of 53° – \$75

Special needs:

If you require accommodations for disability or dietary needs, please specify in the space below and we will do our best to accommodate you:

Child care:

You may be eligible for reimbursement of child care expenses that are not reimbursed through other sources while attending the conference as follows: \$25.00/day for your first child; \$15.00/day for each additional child. Receipts are required for reimbursement.

More information:

To learn more about the MFL Young Members Assembly, contact MFL Campaigns and Projects Coordinator, Greg McFarlane at 204-953-2561 or by email at gmcfarlane@mfl.mb.ca.

Please mail registration and payment to:

Manitoba Federation of Labour
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To attend the MFL Young Members Assembly, you must be member of a local union affiliated to the Manitoba Federation of Labour.



Wab Kinew | Leader | Manitoba NDP

An award-winning journalist, broadcaster, musician, literary reviewer, and bestselling author, Wab has brought national and international attention to issues like reconciliation with Indigenous people.

As the leader of Manitoba's Official Opposition, Wab is working to make Manitoba a more progressive and forward-looking province while promoting equality and reconciliation here at home. Wab was elected as the MLA for Fort Rouge in 2016, and chosen as the Manitoba NDP's new leader in 2017.



Kate Walsh | Strategic Coordinator | IBEW NextGen Initiative

Kate Walsh is the Strategic Coordinator for the NextGen Initiative, the IBEW's program aimed at engaging and mobilizing the industry's next generation of workers in a labour union. Kate is a marketing communications professional by trade, previously working for communication firms executing campaigns across government, non-profit, business and consumer sectors.

Kate is a 2015 alumni of the Governor General Leadership Conference of Canada, and currently sits on a number of Committees including the Canadian Labour Congress' Young Workers Advisory Committee and Women's Committee, BuildForce Canada's Women's Project, and the IBEW's Young Worker Advisory Committee. Kate works diligently to increase the diversity of the IBEW through her work with Indigenous Communities, Women's Committees, and other under represented groups.