

A Call for an Autumn Convergence *for a new national agenda*



With

SEIU state political director Harris Gruman

Peace, GLBT and justice organizer Leslie Cagan

BU professor of political science Neta Crawford

climate activist Ben Thompson

AND YOU!

Sunday, November 24, 1:00 to 5:30 pm

SEIU Local 32BJ District 615, 26 West St, Boston (Park St T)



Many agree that we need to forge a more democratic nation based on social justice, sustainability, employment, and peace. Our groups share many values, aspirations, and goals. We are working to avert climate catastrophe, to raise the minimum wage, to prevent new U.S. wars, to protect vital public programs, and to organize around dozens of other important issues. But to turn things around we need a vision of a new economy, a just society, and a new foreign policy that connects the issues -- a vision that can mobilize a social movement toward a society that works for everyone. We need a message that points more clearly to the future we seek.

This convergence is for people who are concerned about:



Responding to climate change
Closing vast income gaps
Creating a full employment, green economy
Reclaiming Democracy
Protecting vital public services

Preventing war and reducing military spending
Safeguarding worker rights
Ending poverty and hunger
Ridding the world of nuclear weapons
Providing sufficient affordable housing

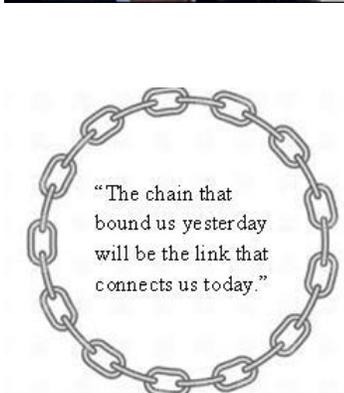
How do we work together? How can we connect with the millions of people who agree with us but are not yet involved?

The format will emphasize discussion—sharing ideas, listening to each other.



Outcomes we hope for:

A clearer vision of the society we are working to achieve
A message that communicates that vision to more people
Stronger connections within the activist community
New ideas for outreach
A commitment to follow-up



The great ballplayer/philosopher Yogi Berra once said: “You’ve got to be careful if you don’t know where you’re going ‘cause you might not get there”. We hope this convergence will lead to a clearer sense of where we’re going and how to get there while there’s still time. Please join us.

Sponsors: Massachusetts Peace Action, Democratic Socialists of America, Progressive Democrats of America, American Friends Service Committee, and 350 Massachusetts.

Endorsers: United for Justice with Peace (list in formation).

Info: www.masspeaceaction.org - 617-354-2169 Register: <http://bit.ly/convergence-2013>