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## Schedule of Events

OPEN REGISTRATION (All participants MUST be pre-registered) 7:30am—8:30am

**OPENING CEREMONY DEBATE TOPIC ADDRESS** 8:45am-9:15am MORNING WORKSHOP 9:30am—11:00 am LUNCH DEBATE 11:00am—12:00pm AFTERNOON WORKSHOP 12:15PM-1:45PM GENERAL ELECTION 1:45pm—2:00pm CLOSING CEREMONY/ELECTION **RESULTS** 2:00pm

#### **Reasonable Accommodations**

Please notify Emilio DeTorre at (414)272-4032x223 or edetorre@aclu-wi.org of your disability-related accommodation requests by 11-21-12. We will attempt to honor all requests but if it is received after this deadline, we may not be able to provide it.

## **Environmental/Chemical Sensitivities**

For the safety and comfort of those with chemical and environmental sensitivities, we request that persons please refrain from using any perfumed products such as scented soaps, hand lotions, deodorants, perfumes, colognes, or other heavily scented products such as fabric softeners or bug spray.

# YOUTH **SOCIAL** JUSTICE **FORUM** Wednesday, November 28 7:30am - 2:00pm

UW-MILWAUKEE UNION, Wisconsin Room 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard Milwaukee, WI 53211

# Presented By:



#### The American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin Foundation

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# **Workshop Presentation Descriptions**

Mark Your Top 3 Choices By Ranking Them 1, 2, 3. Please note that your selection is not guaranteed

# Know Your Rights - Facilitated by Urban Underground

Want to know what your rights and responsibilities are when law enforcement wants to search your car, backpack or home? Do you really have the right to an attorney? What happens when you're wrongfully identified as a suspect and brought in for questioning? Find out these answers and more in this exciting workshop.

## Censoring the City: Hip Hop, Graffiti and the First Amendment - Facilitated by TRUE Skool

Explore how the elements of graffiti and Hip Hop have been used as art forms to voice social justice. Throughout history graffiti has been used as a communication tool and a voice for the unheard and unseen. Learn how the First Amendment protects these important American traditions. You will also learn some basics of graffiti art.

# \_\_\_ Free Speech and T-shirt Printing - Facilitated by Kari Garon

Clothing as political expression? Participants will learn about their rights and responsibilities concerning free speech and expression through timely examples such as "Bong Hits for Jesus", "Impeach Bush", and "Awesome God" incidents. They will be guided to create their own political or activist t-shirts on the subjects of their own choosing by experienced t-shirt artists.

## Political Cartooning and Art - Facilitated by Devin Trudell and Milwaukee Public Theatre Artists

Editorial cartoons, lampooning, spoofing & social/political commentary have long been a part of our culture. Participants will hear from several political artists and cartoonists, see some of their work, learn about the history of this art in general and create their political/social cartoons (non-animated), some of which will be displayed on our website and other media.

## \_\_\_ Student Privacy - Searches, Consent, and Your Rights

Can your teacher search your bag or cell phone? Can they demand to see your emails or Facebook page? Students' privacy rights don't end at the school's front door, but must be balanced with students' safety. Learn where the line is drawn between authority and youth, so that together we can make school a safe and inspiring place.

## Poetry, Politics and Power - Facilitated by local poets & spoken word artists

Feel the power of rhyme and verse. Explore how poetry has been used to champion civil liberties and civil rights from the beats to Banned Books. Participants will pen their own spoken word creations.

## Out of the Closets and Into the Classroom

Is it legal to start a Gay Straight Alliance at your school? Can your teacher or classmate "out" your friend? Learn how to embrace diversity, increase awareness, and eliminate stereotypes surrounding lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender people and their allies.

## Creating Audio PSAs - Facilitated 88.9 Radio Milwaukee

Participating students will explore a little of the history and use of public service announcements and how radio is used for bringing communities together and promoting social justice. They will then work with radio professionals and community volunteers to create civil liberties PSAs that will be broadcast wherever possible.

## \_\_\_\_ Bullying vs. The First Amendment

Do you know what bullying is? Is there a difference between cyber-bullying, harassment and Freedom of Expression? Is bullying an issue in your school? Learn about the different types of bullying and how to effectively address it in your school and community.

## Artificial Intelligence: Illusions, Oppressions, and "isms" -YWCA & students of Transition HS.

We'll reflect on our identities such as our race, age, class, gender, sexuality then discuss how these terms have guided us to think and behave in a way that supports oppression. We will explore what it means to be labeled a man, woman, person of color, teen, Muslim, or LGBTQ. We'll also examine how the stereotypes associated with these illusions can lead to privilege or oppression.

# Student Bill of Rights - Facilitated by Youth Empowered in the Struggle (YES), League of Young Voters & Others

Do huge class sizes, discrimination, police using excessive force, massive education budget cuts, poor bilingual services and lack of student input bother you? Teens from all over MKE have written a new Student Bill of Rights that affirms students' right to organize and affect decisions concerning our education and future. Come join the movement to elevate student voice in schools.

# Shared Power Shared Voice - The Circle Way - Facilitated By Peer Solutions and MPS students

Engage a circle of friends, family, or peers in playing trust building games, asking thought provoking questions, and participating in meaningful dialogue about topics essential to your life. Move past opinions to real stories, authentic questions, and purposeful shared action. Learn how to foster a fair and inclusive environment in your community.

