

Eighth Annual Statewide Conference for Women in the Trades

WOMEN BUILDING CALIFORNIA

May 2-3, 2009

Los Angeles Marriott



Sponsored by: *State Building and Construction Trades Council of California*
in collaboration with *tradeswomen across California*



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Our goal

The **Women Building California** conference is a statewide conference for women who work in construction or are interested in exploring a construction career. We hope to bring more women into the trades and offer them skills, resources, and support to thrive in these careers through retirement.

While today's economy may be in crisis, policy makers are clear that rebuilding the infrastructure and developing new green technologies are the best solutions to provide jobs and economic growth. Women need to be a part of the proposed economic stimulus and have access to these high-wage, high-skilled jobs of the future.

Sponsored by the **State Building and Construction Trades Council**, this conference invites tradeswomen to network and to develop skills and strategies to recruit, retain, and promote leadership of women on the jobsite and in their unions. Politicians,



union leaders, apprenticeship coordinators, contractors and tradeswomen facilitate more than 20 workshops and plenary sessions.

The conference is being planned in collaboration with a committee of women from unions, apprenticeship programs and support organizations throughout Southern and Northern California.

Saturday—May 2

- 7:00 a.m. Registration Opens
Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome Plenary
- 10:00 a.m. Workshop Session I
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch Plenary
- 1:45 p.m. Workshop Session II
- 3:30 p.m. Workshop Session III
- 5:30 p.m. Conference Reception
Dinner (on your own)

Sunday—May 3

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Caucuses by Trade
- 10:30 a.m. Workshop Session IV
- 12:15 p.m. Closing Plenary
- 2:00 p.m. Conference close



For more information: 916-443-3302



Hotel Accommodations

Los Angeles Marriott

333 S. Figueroa St., L.A.

Rate: \$129/single \$139/double (plus tax)

To Reserve: 1-800-228-9290 or at
www.losangelesmarriottdowntown.com

Rates based on single or double occupancy.
Reserve by **April 6** for the group rate: "Women Building California."

Potential workshops *(2009 list under construction!)*

Just coming in...

- ⊙ Surviving & thriving in apprenticeship
- ⊙ Applying for Apprenticeship 101
- ⊙ Tools to recruit young women in our schools and communities

Staying in...

- ⊙ How mentoring programs benefit unions and union sisters
- ⊙ Snappy comebacks: Dealing with harassment
- ⊙ Wellness and fitness
- ⊙ Blueprint reading
- ⊙ Talk to a lawyer
- ⊙ Safety & health on the job
- ⊙ Unions 101: How do they work?

Growing leaders...

- ⊙ Leadership skills: Moving up in your union
- ⊙ Mobilizing for Tradeswomen Day in CA
- ⊙ Building a "green" future

Beyond the tools...

- ⊙ Tools to become a union contractor
- ⊙ Career ladders after the tools
- ⊙ Higher education options for tradeswomen
- ⊙ Investing and preparing for retirement

Nourishing extras...

- ⊙ Blue jean pocket writers
- ⊙ Visual storytelling: Video and multi-media
- ⊙ Build a toolbox
- ⊙ Behind-the-scenes tour of the Disney Concert Hall

Also, caucuses by trade, entertainment, networking and much more. . .

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Getting there

Public transportation: Rail services via Amtrak, Metrolink commuter rail, Metrorail subway and light rail are available at Union Station, one mile away. 7th Street Metro Center is nearest Red Line subway station.

Directions: Take the 5, 10, 101 or 105 to the 110/Harbor Freeway. From 110 North: Take Wilshire Blvd. exit. Turn left onto Wilshire Blvd. Turn left onto Figueroa Street. From 110 South: Exit onto 9th Street. Turn left onto Figueroa Street.

Parking: Valet parking at the hotel is \$30/day. Other lots are available nearby.

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2009 Registration Form

Registration Fee:

\$60 per person* (if received before March 27)

\$70 per person* (if received by May 1)

\$85 per person* (paid at the door)

includes two continental breakfasts, lunch, reception and snacks

** \$10 discount (per person) for members of SBCTC-affiliated unions.*

A limited number of vendor tables are available for \$300/table, plus registration fees for each person staffing the table. Before sending your check, contact dchaplan@sbctc.org to be sure tables are available.

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

If sending one check for multiple people, please indicate amount paid per person.

Make registration check payable to **State Building Trades Council** and return with this form to the address below.

Please print neatly!

Complete one form for each attendee (make copies as needed)

Name _____

Union/Organization _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Women's Conference
1225 8th Street, Suite 375
Sacramento, CA 95814

More ways to participate!

Video: Are you an established or aspiring video maker or performance artist? Here's your chance to showcase your stuff. We're soliciting 1-minute (or so) videos about working in the trades to show during the conference. All videos must be received on CD or DVD by April 27 at the Building Trades' Sacramento office.

Art: Are you an artist with tradeswomen-related art to display? We'd love to see it!

Spoken Word: We're looking for poets and spoken word artists to perform at the conference.

Union Banners: If you have a stand, you can display your banner in the conference hall. For banners that are not self-standing, we'll have a "banner parade."

For more info about submitting videos, art or being a spoken word artist at the conference, e-mail dchaplan@sbctc.org.

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