



TORONTO REGIONAL OFFICE

STREET THEATRE DEMOCRACY WORKSHOP

OCT 5-6, 2010

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

Theatre techniques learned and developed in this workshop can be used to discuss social issues of community importance. These techniques can be used in different contexts for membership mobilization, conflict resolution, public awareness and education, expanding social roles, rehearsing new behaviours, community building and preparing for direct action. Participants are expected to attend and participate at future PSAC Street Theatre events which will utilize these workshop techniques.

Registration Deadline: September 10, 2010

AGENDA

Day 1 - Street Theatre Workshop: Introduction to Techniques

- 1- Learn to use popular theatre techniques to explore issues of social importance.
- 2- Learn to use theatre of the oppressed techniques (popular theatre) to create public awareness around a particular issue.
- 3- Learn to use theatre of the oppressed techniques (popular theatre) to engage people in dialogue about issues that affect them.

Day 2 - Street Theatre Workshop: Learning to Facilitate Techniques

Focus on mastering 1, 2, & 3 in addition to learning point 4.

- 4- Learn to use theatre of the oppressed techniques (popular theatre) to create an action plan for advocacy or to strategize around a workplace challenge.

MEMBER EXPENSE ENTITLEMENT

1. LOSS OF SALARY

Participants will be entitled to Loss of Salary for Tuesday, October 5th and Wednesday, October 5th. A member's actual loss of salary will be reimbursed for all working days at the rate of pay normally earned as specified in the applicable Collective Agreement. Members will not be compensated for days of rest, travel item, or overtime except where specified in the PSAC Regulations. A copy of the official shift or compressed work week schedule must be attached to the expense form if claiming compressed hours or shift and weekend premiums. If this information is not provided, reimbursement will be for normal working day(s) per the terms of the applicable contract.

2. ACCOMODATIONS AND MEALS AND INCIDENTALS

Accommodations will only be provided for members who are attending from out of town. Lunch will be provided on both days for all participants and is part of the course facility costs. The applicable PSAC Travel Directive daily breakfast/dinner allowance and incidental fee will be paid to those members in residence. (If you require accommodations, please contact the PSAC Toronto Regional Office to obtain authorization).

3. COMMERCIAL TRAVEL

For those requiring commercial transportation, please provide original receipts for train, bus or taxi. Members do not have to submit receipts for TTC travel.

4. VEHICLE TRAVEL FROM NEARBY

Travel is by the most direct economical means. For those traveling from nearby, the vehicle mileage rate will be based on the maximum rate specified in the PSAC Travel Directive. Members will be reimbursed for all applicable parking expenses.

5. FAMILY CARE

The Family Care Expense Reimbursement Policy applies. On-site child-care will not be available. To improve access to training for members with family care responsibilities, the PSAC has a Family Care Policy. In accordance with the PSAC family care provisions; the Alliance will reimburse costs for care up to a maximum of \$35.00 per day for the first child or dependent and \$15.00 per day for each of the other dependents. An additional \$20.00 per dependent may be reimbursed for overnight care. These provisions are to cover only additional costs incurred to attend this course that would not have normally occurred had the participant been at their place of work. **Completed Family Care Expense Claim Form and receipts are necessary.** Forms will be provided at the course.

6. RECEIPTS

Where possible, please bring original receipts with you in order that we may process your claim as soon as possible.

BIO - SPECIAL GUEST FACILITATOR

Jessica Bleuer M.A., M.Ed., CCC
Drama Therapist & Adult Educator

Jessica Bleuer, M.A., M.Ed. has facilitated street theatre workshops and programs in over thirty various community centres, not-for-profit organizations, universities, worker's centres, high schools, social justice retreat programs and peace camps for ethnic groups in conflict, in Canada, USA, Northern Ireland, Argentina, and South Korea. Some of the organizations she has worked with have been: The Worker's Action Centre, Amnesty International, Leave Out the Violence (LOVE), The University of Toronto's Transformative Learning Centre, Lakehead University, The Ontario Science Centre - Host Program, The Pearson Centre on Youth Leadership, The Hispanic Development Centre, The Maison D'Haiti, The Ontario Coalition for International Cooperation (OCIC), AIDS Community Care Montreal amongst others.

She works with Amnesty International creating street theatre pieces for their campaigns and she has also created, directed and performed in many street theatre pieces and interactive dialogues about labour inequities, gender equity, homophobia, the Israeli Palestinian Conflict, Fair Trade, Abuse of Police Power, and Against Violence Against Women. Jessica is a Canadian Certified Counselor and Drama Therapist (MA) and holds an additional degree in Adult Education (M.Ed) from OISE/University of Toronto.