
NAACP
100th ANNUAL CONVENTION

New York City, New York

JULY 11 – 16, 2009

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

New York Hilton Hotel/Marriott Marquis Hotel

FRIDAY, JULY 10, 2009

9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

ACT-SO Competitions
Marriott Marquis Hotel

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Convention Registration (Advance & on-site)
New York Hilton Hotel

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 2009

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Convention Registration
New York Hilton Hotel

9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Health Symposium
New York Hilton Hotel

**“HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES AND
HEALTH CARE REFORM”**

Panelists: Dr. Valerie Montgomery Rice
Dean, Meharry Medical College

Dr. Caroline Britton
President, National Medical
Association

Dr. Steve Yancy
American Stroke Association

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Membership and Units Committee Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Health Advocacy Lunch
New York Hilton Hotel**

**Keynote speaker: Miss Terrie Williams
President
Terrie Williams Agency**

3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**ACT-SO Awards Ceremony Rehearsal
New York Hilton Hotel**

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Prayer Breakfast/Memorial Breakfast
New York Hilton Hotel**

Speaker:

**Rev. Al Sharpton
President
National Action Network**

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**CLE Seminar
New York Hilton Hotel**

- **Legislative Update**
- **Supreme Court Preview and Review**
- **Analysis of the Darfur Crisis from an international law prospective update**
- **Criminal Justice System Reform**

- African Americans and the advertising industry: A case study in discrimination
- Election protection litigation: Lessons learned in 2008
- Ethics I
- Using Housing to promote equality

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**WIN Empowerment Forum/Brunch
New York Hilton Hotel**

**“BANKING ON US: A FINANCIAL LITERACY
SUMMIT FOR GIRLS AND WOMEN”**

**Moderator: Sharron Epperson
CNBC Business Reporter**

**Panelists: Carla Harris
Managing Director
Morgan Stanley**

10:30 a.m. – noon

**President’s Council Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Youth Advisors Orientation
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Youth and College Welcome Session
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**President’s Council Luncheon
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**ACT-SO Awards Ceremony
New York Hilton Hotel**

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**First Public Mass Meeting – Keynote
Address
New York Hilton Hotel**

- > *Julian Bond, Chairman, National
Board of Directors***
- *Honorable Michael Bloomberg
Mayor, City of New York***
- *Honorable Charles Schumer
United States Senate***
- *Hazel N. Dukes, President
New York NAACP State Conference***

9:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

***Youth Activity
Play: Platanos and Collard Greens
Marriott Marquis Hotel***

9:00 p.m. – midnight

***Chairman’s Reception for all NAACP
Delegates (Adults)
New York Hilton Hotel***

10:00 p.m.

**Late Night Worship Service
New York Hilton Hotel**

**Speaker: *Rev.W. Darin Moore
Pastor, Greater Centennial AME Zion
Church***

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2009

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

**Youth Regional Meetings
New York Hilton Hotel**

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

**Adult Regional Meetings
New York Hilton Hotel**

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**First Plenary Session
New York Hilton Hotel**

Keynote speaker:

**Benjamin Todd Jealous
President and CEO NAACP**

Greetings:

**Honorable David Paterson
Governor, State of New York**

**Honorable Charles B. Rangel
U. S. House of Representatives**

**Benjamin Lawson Hooks
Former Executive Director
(1977-1993)**

**Dennis C. Hayes, Esq.
Former Interim President and CEO**

**Bruce S. Gordon
Former President and CEO
(2005 – 2007)**

**Kweisi Mfume
Former President and CEO
(1996 – 2004)**

**Mrs. Ruby Shinhoster
Widow of Earl T. Shinhoster
Interim President and CEO
(1994 – 1996)**

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**CLE Seminar
New York Hilton Hotel**

- **The Lazarus Files: Breathing Life Into Old School Desegregation Cases – and Braving the New Frontier**
- **Race Health and the Law**
- **Trial Practice: Direct and Cross Examination of a Medical Examiner in a Fatal Police Shooting**
- **Ethics II**
- **Census and Redistricting: What you need to know**
- **One Hundred years of History: General Counsel's forum: The NAACP's contribution to Civil Rights Law**
- **Advancing the Civil Rights Agenda**

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Commerce & Industry Show –
GRAND OPENING
New York Hilton Hotel**

**Health Fair
Retail Expo**

1:00 p.m.

**Credentials Committee Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m.

**Rules Committee Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m.

**Election Supervisory Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Religious Leaders Luncheon
New York Hilton Hotel**

Speaker:

**Bishop John Richard Bryant
Senior, Bishop
African Methodist Episcopal Church**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Clarence Mitchell Memorial Luncheon
New York Hilton Hotel**

Speaker:

**Honorable Eric Holder
United States Attorney General**

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Concurrent Workshops:
New York Hilton Hotel**

- **Education (Adults)**

BUILDING A PROGRESSIVE AGENDA TOWARD QUALITY EDUCATION

This exciting Education Advocacy Workshop takes the Wworkshop participants through a series of scenarios taken from the very real challenges African American students face in public education systems across the country. The issues will range from student assignment and assessments to teacher quality and resource equity, from high takes barrier testing to zero tolerance policies. For each scenario, the panelists will encourage and coordinate discussion by the workshop participants. This approach is intended to increase the opportunity for the exchange of analytical, tactical and strategic approaches within the context of both our strategic priorities in education and our organizational framework. This workshop will also review winning strategies to reduce structural, political, financial and other barriers, toward the goal of realizing equal access to quality education.

Panelists:

**Dr. R. L'Heureaux Lewis
Professor, The city College of New York
Department of Sociology**

**Judith Browne-Dianis
Co-Director
Advancement Project**

**Dr. James W. Loewen
Author of "Life My Teacher Told Me, Lies Across
America" and "Sundown Towns"**

**Dr. Charles V. Willie
Professor of Education, Emeritus
Harvard Graduate School of Education**

Legislative Agenda (Adults)

**"Advancing Big Dreams, Securing Bold Victories:
Advocating the NAACP's Federal Legislative
and National Public Policy Agenda to
Congress"**

**Nydia Velazquez, U.S House of Rep
Diane Watson, U. S. House of Rep
Bobby Scott, U.S. House of Rep
Barney Frank, U.S House of Rep
Charles Rangel, US House of Rep
Barbara Lee, US House of Rep
Roland Burris, US Senate
Russ Feingold, US Senate
Olympia Snowe, US Senate
Sam Brownback, US Senate
Lamar Smith, US House of Rep
Patrick Leahy, US House of Rep
Arlen Specter, US. Senate
Charles Schumer, US Senate**

. **Membership (Adults)**

“This is how we do it: The best ways to build NAACP Membership”

Workshop will examine strategies that units and individual membership campaigners can use to build memberships during the centennial year and beyond.

. **Criminal Justice (Adults) (Tentative)**

“SMART STRATEGIES TOWARD SAFER COMMUNITIES”

This workshop will provide an overview of the NAACP’s new campaign toward “smart and safe” criminal justice policy. This workshop will present information about effective community-based strategies to enhance trust between police and community, reduce contact between people of color and the justice system; and support a successful reentry for formerly incarcerated men, women, and children. The session will assist local units and advocates design local agendas in support of “smart and safe” criminal justice policy.

Moderator:

**Stephanie Bush-Baskette, Esq. Ph.D., Director,
Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies**

Panelists:

**Isis Sapp Grant, MSW- Founder/Executive
Director, Youth Empowerment Mission Blossom
Program for Girls**

**Rob Carmona, Founder
STRIVE International**

**David Soares, Albany County District Attorney
Office of the District Attorney
Albany County Judicial Building**

**Ethan Nadelmann
Executive Director
Drug Policy Alliance**

. Health

**“The Great Silence”: The impact of
HIV/AIDS on African American Women”**

Panelists:

**Monica Sweeny
Commissioner
NYC Dept of Health**

**C. Virginia Fields
President & CEO
National Black Leadership
Commission on AIDS**

**Glenda Smiley
Barnard College**

**Carrie Broadus
Women Alive Coalition**

Predatory Lending (Adults)

“Big Dreams, Bold Victories: Fighting Predatory lenders to advance the dream of Economic security”

The panel will focus on predatory lending, especially as it relates to racial and ethnic minorities, and the role predatory lending has played in the current mortgage foreclosure crisis, as well as payday lending, predatory car loans and exorbitant credit card fees. We will also discuss what is being done at the federal level to stop predatory lending and to help homeowners facing foreclosure, as well as the role of non-profits in these struggles. Lastly, the panel will then discuss the NAACP’s efforts to ensure that predatory loans are stopped and those who have been targeting our communities for decades are held accountable.

Following the panel discussion, the workshop will be opened up to the audience. We will hear true stories from victims of predatory lending and allow members of the audience to ask questions of the panelists.

Panelists: Keith Corbett
Center for Responsible Lending

Shanna smith
President and CEO
National Fair Housing Alliance

Janis Bowdler
National council of la Raza

**Caroline Bhalla
Associate Director
The Furman Center for Real Estate and
Urban Policy
New York University**

**Derek Douglas
Senior advisor to the President of the
United States of America on Urban Affairs**

**Angela Ciccolo
Interim NAACP General Counsel**

U. S CENSUS WORKSHOP

“2010 CENSUS: YES WE COUNT”

**Panelists: Arnold Jackson
Associate Director
U. S. Census Bureau**

**Antonio Gonzalez
President
Southwest voter Registration Education
Project**

**Makani Themba-Nixon
Executive Director
The Praxis Project**

**Peter Wagner
Executive Director
Prison Policy Institute**

2:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

**YOUTH WORKSHOPS
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

Legislative Workshop (College)

“Political Power Unleashed”

How to successfully navigate the political process to achieve your campaign goals. Workshop will include information about how to meet with elected officials, holding officials accountable and utilizing the community to influence legislation. The focus will be around the issue of police accountability and integrity.

Panelists:

**Kevin Powell
Author & Activist**

**Mattie Weiss
Director
Campus Camp Wellstone**

YOUTH WORKSHOPS (CONTINUED)

Technology Workshop (both High School and College)

“Tech Activism 2.0”

Online organizing has become a necessary Activity that every youth unit should engage in to enhance their grassroots activism. Workshop will address how youth can utilize new technologies and social tools to successfully organize in their communities.

Panelists:

**Judith Freeman
Co-founder & Executive Director
New Organizing Institute**

**James Rucker
Co-founder & Executive Director
Color of Change**

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Organizing: (High School)

POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Learn the basics of organizing students and your community to create change on the local and state level. Workshop will address building inclusive coalitions, recruiting and retaining volunteers/members and leadership development.

YOUTH WORKSHOPS (CONTINUED)

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Organizing: (College)

ORGANIZING FOR SOCIAL CHANGE

Workshop will address how to create winning strategies to create sustainable campaigns and combat obstacles in the community. Workshop will include information on understanding power, strategic campaign planning, motivating and mobilizing people for action.

Panelist:

**Bill Shiebler
National Field Director
United States Student Association**

YOUTH WORKSHOP

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Communications (Youth)

“HOLLA IF YOU HEAR ME”

Workshop will teach participants how to create a campaign messaging strategy to frame their issues, gain support, recruit volunteers and build power in their communities.

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Public Mass Meeting (Youth Night)
New York Hilton Hotel**

“NOT ON OUR WATCH”

Today’s youth activists are more diverse and engaged than ever before – working with people of various races, ethnicities and backgrounds to challenge problems in the community and across the globe.

Panelists:

**Basheer Jones
Activist, spoken Word Artist
Radio-One Host Cleveland’s
Newstalk, 1490am**

**Noelle LuSane
Staff Director, Subcommittee on
Africa Global Health
Office of Congressman Donald Payne**

**Kimmie Weeks
Founder, Youth Action International
Liberia, Africa**

**Jeff Johnson
Host, BET News and Commentator
Tom Joyner Morning Show**

**Edith Jibunoh
Senior Manager of Africa Outreach
ONE**

10:00 p.m.

**Late Night Worship Service
New York Hilton Hotel**

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Youth Regional Meetings

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Adult Regional Meetings

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Legislative Session –
2009 Resolutions
New York Hilton Hotel**

Greetings:

**Marc Morial
President and CEO
National Urban League**

**Honorable Michael Steele
Chairman, Republican National
Committee**

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Commerce & Industry Show
Health Fair
Retail Expo**

Noon – 8:00 p.m.

**Job Fair
New York Hilton Hotel**

12:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Election of At-Large Member,
National Board of Directors
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Youth Advisors Luncheon
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

Invited speaker:

**Hill Harper
Stage and Screen Actor, Author and
Lecturer**

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Youth Working Lunch
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

“Owning Our Image”

This luncheon will provide a forum for panelists and youth members to discuss the positive and negative portrayals of youth of color in various forms of media (print, television and radio) The lunch will address ways the community can advocate for balance and diversity of content in the entertainment industry to create positive role models for youth and how young people can obtain decision making positions in media industries in the future.

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**National Membership Luncheon
New York Hilton Hotel**

Keynote speaker:

**Honorable Greg Mathis
Judge, lawyer, TV Personality
Member, NAACP Special
Contribution Fund Trustees**

2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Special Contribution Fund Trustees
Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Legislative Session – 2009
Resolutions
New York Hilton Hotel**

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Time and Place Committee Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Board & Trustees Dinner
New York Hilton**

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Military Dinner
New York Hilton Hotel**

8:00 p.m. – midnight

**Youth Activity
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

“FASHION AND ARTS SHOW”

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**Reception hosted by New York State
Nokia Theatre Times Square**

Sponsored by:

**Hazel N. Dukes, President
New York State NAACP Conference
Host, 2009 Centennial Convention**

10:00 p.m.

**Late Night Worship Service
New York Hilton Hotel**

Speaker:

**Rev. Dr. W. Franklyn Richardson
Senior Pastor
Grace Baptist Church**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

**Youth Regional Meetings
New York Hilton Hotel**

8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

**Adult Regional Meetings
New York Hilton Hotel**

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Special Plenary Session

This plenary session will feature Spingarn Medalists giving their views on what have been the Great historical victories of the NAACP in our first Century, and what must be the work of the Association as we move into the next century.

Moderator:

**Dr. William Harvey
Vice President and Chief Officer
For Diversity and Equity
University of Virginia**

Invited:

**Benjamin L. Hooks
Colin Powell
Andrew Young
Lawrence wilder
Vernon Jordan
Jesse Jackson, Sr.**

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Job Fair
New York Hilton Hotel**

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Commerce & Industry/Retail Expo
New York Hilton Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Labor Luncheon
New York Hilton Hotel**

Invited speaker:

**Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr.
United States Attorney General**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Roy Wilkins Youth Leadership
Luncheon
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Special Plenary Session
New York Hilton Hotel**

**“THE NAACP AND THE GLOBAL VILLAGE:
BOLD DREAMS – BIG VICTORIES”**

This session will hear from foreign dignitaries as well as key U. S. diplomats on the historical role the NAACP has played in working for and inspiring global democracy and the world-wide elimination of racial bias as well as what we can hope to achieve over the next 100 years as we promote peace, justice, self reliance and development

**Officiating: Hazel N. Dukes
Vice Chair, Convention Planning
Committee**

**Moderator: Dr. David Goatley
Member, National Board of directors**

**Invited speakers: Impact of the NAACP on Africa and
The history of the NAACP and Africa**

**Honorable Abdoulaye Wade
President, Senegal**

**Hon. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf
President, Liberia**

Global impact of the NAACP

**Hon. Hillary Rodham Clinton
United States Secretary of
State**

Panel discussion

**His Excellency Edwin W.
Carrington
Secretary General of Caricom**

**Hon. Roble Olhaye
Ambassador to the United
States from Djibouti, Dean
African Diplomatic Corps**

6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Gospel Extravaganza
New York Hilton Hotel**

Featuring:

**Hezekiah Walker
Mary Mary
Smokie Norful**

7:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

**JUANITA JACKSON MITCHELL
YOUTH FREEDOM FUND AWARDS
DINNER
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

Keynote:

**Dr. Cornel West
Center for African American Studies
Princeton University**

Hosted by:

**Terrance J & Rosci
Hosts, BET 106 & Park**

Performance by:

**Ryan Leslie
LeToya Lockett**

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Movie Screening

**“SCARRED JUSTICE: THE ORANGEBURG
Massacre 1968”**

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2009

9:30 a.m. – noon

**Final Plenary Session
New York Hilton Hotel**

**Invited speaker: Honorable Barack Obama
President, United States of
America**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Youth Wrap-Session
Marriott Marquis Hotel**

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**National Board of Directors Meeting
New York Hilton Hotel**

7:30 p.m.

**Freedom Fund Banquet/Spingarn
Awards Program
New York Hilton Hotel**

Presentation of 93rd Spingarn Medal to:

**Julian Bond
Chairman, NAACP National Board of
Directors**