



Third Annual

**WOMEN
BUILDING
CALIFORNIA
AND
THE NATION**

**Conference for Women in the Trades
Co-sponsored by Building & Construction Trades Dept., AFL-CIO and
State Building & Construction Trades Council of California**

April 5-7, 2013 • Sheraton Grand • Sacramento, CA

WOMEN BUILDING CALIFORNIA AND THE NATION

Welcome to the 3rd Annual Women Building California and the Nation conference. For nine years, this was a California conference. When the National Building and Construction Trades Department (BCTD) joined as a co-sponsor in 2011, this became the largest conference for women in the trades in history.

The conference is designed to bring more women into the trades and to offer tradeswomen (both new and experienced) opportunities for networking, skill building, leadership development and organizing.

Our goal for the 2013 conference is to recognize and celebrate the women who are leaders — on the job, in their unions, and in their communities, and to help build the leadership skills of others.

Each year, tradeswomen, union leaders, apprenticeship coordinators, contractors,

and politicians facilitate more than 30 workshops and plenary sessions. Workshop tracks include: Pre-apprentices; Staying in & staying strong; Promoting leadership; Policy and politics; Career leaders, and Nourishing extras.



The conference will have two key book-ends: a “Meet and Greet” event for women who are leaders in their unions held on Friday evening; and a Policy Forum on Sunday, sponsored by the

National Task Force on Tradeswomen’s Issues.

Jointly planned by the California Building Trades Council, Tradeswomen Inc., and the BCTD’s Committee for Women in the Trades, the conference promises to be more exciting and productive than ever.

Join women in the trades from across the country in Sacramento for another historic gathering.

Friday—April 5

- 6-8 p.m. Registration
- 5 p.m. Women in Leadership Meet & Greet

Saturday—April 6

- 7 a.m. Registration
- Continental Breakfast
- 9 a.m. Welcome Plenary
- 10 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
- 6 p.m. Conference Reception

Sunday—April 7

- 8 a.m. Breakfast
- 9 a.m. Caucuses by Trade
- 10:30 a.m. Workshop Session IV
- 12:15 p.m. Final Plenary
- 2:30 p.m. National Policy Forum
- 4:30 p.m. Conference Closes

Note: Agenda subject to change!

For more information: 916-443-3302 • www.sbctc.org



Hotel Accommodations

*Sheraton Grand Hotel
Sacramento, California*

Rate: \$119 per room (plus tax)

To Reserve: 1-800-325-3535

Rates based on single or double occupancy.

Reserve by **March 8** for the group rate:

“Women Building Conference.”

Past & potential workshops *(2013 list under construction!)*

Here are some of the 2012 workshops. We have new workshops each year, so if you've come to the conference before, come on back! If you have an idea for a new workshop, let us know!

Just coming in...

- ⊙ Tools of the Trades: See the tools and meet the women who use them
- ⊙ Applying for apprenticeship 101
- ⊙ Surviving & thriving in apprenticeship

Staying in...

- ⊙ Developing mentoring programs
- ⊙ Unions 101: How do they work?
- ⊙ Dealing with harassment
- ⊙ Doing the green work
- ⊙ Surviving the economic downturn
- ⊙ Blueprint reading
- ⊙ Talk to a lawyer
- ⊙ Safety & health on the job

Growing leaders...

- ⊙ Leadership 101: Moving up
- ⊙ Parliamentary procedure
- ⊙ What's in your contract?

Policy impacting tradeswomen...

- ⊙ Running for public office
- ⊙ Moving the decimal point
- ⊙ How to be a tradeswoman advocate
- ⊙ Making Equal Opportunity laws work

Career ladders...

- ⊙ Industry opportunities
- ⊙ Higher education options

Nourishing extras...

- ⊙ Writers in workshirts
- ⊙ Power of the visual: Our stories
- ⊙ Using facebook, twitter & other social media to promote tradeswomen



Getting there

Directions: Take I-5 into downtown Sacramento. Exit at J Street. The hotel is on the right between 12th and 13th Streets.

From the Sacramento Airport: The hotel is 12 miles from the airport. Taxi is approx. \$40. Super Shuttle: \$15.

By Amtrak: The hotel is a half mile from the Amtrak station. Taxi is about \$7.

Parking: Self-parking is \$18/day. Valet parking is \$25/day. Other lots are available nearby.

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

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2013 Registration Form

Registration Fee:

\$ 75 per person* (if received before February 22)

\$100 per person* (if received by March 31)

\$125 per person* (April 1 through paying at the door)

includes two continental breakfasts & lunches, and conference reception

* \$15 discount (per person) for members of BCTD-affiliated unions.

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

Sponsors: If your union or organization would like to sponsor a conference event or a group of pre-apprentices, donations will be gratefully accepted. Contact dchaplan@sbctc.com for sponsorship levels.

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. Or register on-line at www.sbctc.org

Please print clearly!

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

Name _____ Badge Name (if different) _____

Organization/Union _____ Local # _____ Pre-Apprentice

Address _____

City/State/Zip/Country _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Note times & check all you will attend: Meet & Greet (4/5) Conference (4/6) Conference (4/7) Policy Forum (4/7)

More ways to participate!

Video: Are you an established or aspiring video maker? Here's your chance to showcase your stuff. We're soliciting videos about working in the trades to show during the conference. (Maximum length is 3 minutes—no exceptions!) All videos must be received on CD or DVD by March 22.

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: We can't hang banners at the conference, but please bring your union banner for the "banner parade" — always a great photo op!

Items for the Tradeswomen Archives: Bring photos and memorabilia of yourself (or friends) on the job. Be prepared to tell your story of working in the trades!

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

For more information: 916-443-3302

To register on-line: www.sbctc.org

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