# WEST COAST CONFERENCE OF THE **NEW CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT**

"WE ARE ALL CALIFORNIANS" Building the New Civil Rights Movement: Meeting the Challenge of Uniting All Californians - Documented and Undocumented, Latino, Black, Asian, Native American, Arab, Other Minority, and Anti-Racist White People - to Realize the Promise of Brown v. Board of Education

## March 5-8, 2004, UC-Berkeley

Co-sponsored by the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action & Integration and Fight for Equality By Any Means Necessary (BAMN), UCB Ethnic Studies 5th Account, UCB Graduate Assembly, and UCB Center for Race and Gender



### Friday, March 5

10:00-11:30AM - Opening Plenary and Discussion: "We are all Californians - building the new mass, independent, youth-led civil rights movement, uniting the struggles for affirmative action, integration and immigrant rights"

Shanta Driver & Luke Massie, BAMN Co-Chairs

- YWCA Auditorium (2600 Bancroft Way + Bowditch, 1 block east of Telegraph)
- 11:30 AM-12:15 PM Lunch
- 12:15-2:00 PM RALLY AND MARCH at Sproul Plaza, UCB Partial Endorsers List: BAMN, UCB ASUC student government, Cal Democrats, Oscar Wilde House (LGBT-themed co-op)
- 2:00-2:45 PM High school and middle school students

#### Saturday, March 6 (continued) 12:00-1:00 PM - Lunch

- 1:00-3:00 PM "Arguing for justice and equality: How we agitate for affirmative action, immigrant rights and integration" An interactive roleplaying session Room 155 Dwinelle Hall, UCB
- 3:00-3:30 PM Break
- 3:30-5:30 PM Skills development training: Organize, Educate, Agitate Small group sessions Dwinelle Hall, UCB
- 5:30-7:00 PM Dinner
- 7:00 PM KEYNOTE PANEL PRESENTATION: "Defending school integration in Berkeley: The fight for equal, quality, integrated K-12 education: The student interveners' case"

The year 2004 will be a turning point in the struggle for affirmative action, integration, and immigrant rights throughout the state of California. Our task is to assure that our victory over Proposition 54 in 2003 is followed by new gains towards equality and democracy in the coming period. The key to victory is building the new civil rights movement. Uniting the youth of California, documented and undocumented, and of all races and ethnicities, in a powerful, integrated, non-sectoral independent movement is the only road forward.

The right-wing opponents of civil rights and immigrant rights are pursuing a new set of legal and political initiatives aimed at dividing, sectoralizing, and demoralizing Californians. Their aim is to defend white privilege in the nation's most populous majority-minority state. We can defeat these attacks by standing and fighting together. Building the new integrated independent civil rights movement is the key to defeating the right-wing attacks on civil rights and on immigrants. In this crucial election year, it is particularly important that the new civil rights movement popularize and fight for our independent program for progress, integration, and equality. We are a powerful political force in this state as long as we stand on our principles and maintain our independence both from the Democrats and Republicans. The aim of this conference is to develop the political perspectives and strategy needed for the new civil rights movement in California to continue to grow, strengthen and win.

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2:45-4:15 PM - Workshops: Developing the campaigns of the struggle Evans Hall, UCB

4:30-6:00 PM - Repeat workshops Evans Hall, UCB 6:00-7:00 PM - Dinner

7:00 PM - KEYNOTE ADDRESS: "The 50th Anniversary of Brown v. Board of Education: What we must do to realize the promise of integration and equality" Shanta Driver, National Co-Chair of BAMN and Director of United for Equality and Affirmative Action Legal Defense Fund (UEAALDF)

Lipman Room, 8th Flr. Barrows Hall, near Sproul Plaza of UCB

#### Saturday, March 6

10:00 AM-12:00 PM - Panel discussion: "Leading the nation forward: California's decisive role in the battle for civil rights and immigrant rights"

Speakers include student activists from across California Room 155 Dwinelle Hall, UCB

Presenters will include UEAA and BAMN Attorney Miranda Massie and students, teachers, parents, and community activists in the Berkeley Unified School District case 2060 Valley Life Sciences Building (VLSB), UCB

#### Sunday, March 7

10:00-1:00PM - Discussion and vote on resolutions, including on how we build the May 5, 2004 march in California and the May 15, 2004 national march on Washington to realize the promise of Brown v. Board of Education

145 Dwinelle Hall, UCB

#### Monday, March 8

8:00 AM - Rally and attend the court hearing to win the right of students to become intervener-defendants in the history-making Berkeley Unified School District desegregation case

Oakland post office, 201 - 13th St. (at Jackson) Court Hearing: 2nd Floor, Dept. 31, Judge James Richman

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