

International Workers Day Forum

The Changing Face of Workers Struggles Worldwide and the Resurgence of May Day Marches in the U.S.

An illustrated talk by Sharat G. Lin

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While traditional bureaucratic trade unions have been on the decline in the U.S. and some other industrialized countries, the dimensions of workers struggles have expanded worldwide. Most notable has been the spread of movements of workers in previously unorganized sectors. The May Day convergence of workers' and working immigrants' struggles in the U.S. is a response to the social contradictions of globalized capitalism. A refined class analysis is a prerequisite to addressing the socio-economic interests of differentiated strata of workers.

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