



# Abolish

## BORDER IMPERIALISM!

Abolition Collective Inaugural Convergence

A Weekend Convergence  
for working towards  
Abolition and Decolonization

Workshops,  
Panels, Skill Shares,  
Roundtables

Saturday Oct 7  
& Sunday Oct 8  
Division of Indian Work  
1001 E Lake Street  
Minneapolis MN 55407

Opening plenary with Harsha Walia,  
K-Sue Park, Nick Estes  
& Ricardo Levins Morales

October  
6-8  
2017

Oct 6, 6:00 pm  
UMN West Bank Campus  
301 19th Avenue South  
Humphrey School of Public Affairs  
Cowles Auditorium

Registration required for Saturday and Sunday! <http://abolitionjournal.org/convergence/>

Questions? email us at [conference@abolitionjournal.org](mailto:conference@abolitionjournal.org)

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# Program

## Friday, October 6

Location: Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey School, University of MN-West Bank campus (Dakota Territories)

### 6:00pm-8:00pm – Plenary Panel Event:

**Nick Estes, Ricardo Levins Morales, K-Sue Park, and Harsha Walia**

**Nick Estes** (Kul Wicasa Sicangu Tintonwan) holds a BA and MA in history from the University of South Dakota and is currently a PhD candidate in American Studies at the University of New Mexico. Born and raised along the Mni Sose (Missouri River), much of Estes' previous research focused on the river's environmental history and politics of the Pick-Sloan dams, federal Indian policy, South Dakota political history, and the Oceti Sakowin (The Seven Council Fires or "The Great Sioux Nation"). Historian by training, he also incorporates critical Indigenous studies, oral history, decolonization methodologies, settler colonial theory, affect theory, and new materialism into his current research. Estes' work interrogates the political economy of the northern Great Plains, the politics of property, land tenure, resource extraction, border town violence, Indigenous internationalism, Lakota treaties and history, and human rights.

**Ricardo Levins Morales** describes himself as a "healer and trickster organizer disguised as an artist." He was born into the anti-colonial movement in his native Puerto Rico and was drawn into activism in Chicago when his family moved there in 1967. He left high school early and worked in various industries, and over time began to use his art as part of his activism. This activism has included support work for the Black Panthers and Young Lords to participating in or acting in solidarity with farmers, environmental, labor, racial justice and peace movements. Increasingly he has come to see his art and organizing practices as means to address individual, collective and historical trauma. He co-leads workshops on trauma and resilience for organizers as well as trainings on creative organizing, social justice strategy and sustainable activism, and mentors and supports young activists. His art has won numerous awards but the greatest affirmation is the uses to which it has been put by grassroots movements and communities.

**K-Sue Park** is the Critical Race Studies Fellow at the UCLA School of Law. Previously, she was a legal aid attorney on the Texas-Mexico border, where she specialized in investigating predatory mortgage lending and providing foreclosure and eviction defense. She holds a JD from Harvard Law School and received her Ph.D from the Department of Rhetoric at UC Berkeley.

Her research focuses on the history of dispossession, displacement, real estate creation and development in North America. Her dissertation, entitled "If Your World Was Built on Dispossession: Strategies of Conquest by Settlement in America," gives an account of the early development of racial capitalism in America by examining the legal tools that white settlers developed to dispossess indigenous peoples of land and expand the real property markets that produced colonial wealth. Her article, "Mortgages, Money and the Conquest of America," appeared in the Fall 2016 issue of Law and Social Inquiry.

**Harsha Walia** is an author and activist who is formally trained in the law. She immigrated from India and currently resides in Vancouver, on the lands of the Indigenous Coast Salish people, and works as an advocate in the poorest postal code in Canada. Harsha is the author of *Undoing Border Imperialism*, and her writings have appeared in over fifty academic journals, anthologies, and magazines. She has also been active in anti-racist, migrant justice, Indigenous solidarity, feminist, anti-imperialist, and Palestine solidarity movements for over a decade. As an activist, Harsha is a cofounder of the migrant justice group No One Is Illegal and Radical Desis. She is an organizer in the Annual Women's Memorial March Committee, South Asian Network for Secularism and Democracy, and Defenders of the Land network, and is co-creator of the film "Survival, Strength, Sisterhood: Power of Women in the Downtown Eastside."

### Evening:

- reception after the plenary

### Party options later in the evening:

**Bars nearby:** The Republic, Palmers Bar, The Nomad World Pub (note there will be a cover charge on Friday night), Triple Rock, Dangerous Man Brewing

**Restaurants nearby:** The Red Sea, Malabari Kitchen, Dilla's Restaurant, The Republic, Jewel of India

### Dance party:

SOUL FRIDAY at the Nomad Pub, 501 Cedar Ave  
10pm-2am

Soul Friday is a semi-monthly dance party created for QUEER WOMEN of COLOR and friends. Spinning the best in old school, R&B, old and new hip-hop and more.... (\$7 cover / 21+)



# Saturday, October 7

Locations:

1) Division of Indian Work (DIW)  
1001 E. Lake St., Minneapolis

2) Midtown Global Market - Community Room  
920 E. Lake St., Minneapolis  
(across the street from each other)

## 8:00am-8:45am – BREAKFAST and REGISTRATION

Location: DIW

## 8:45am-9:15am – Opening Ceremony led by Jim Thunderhawk

Location: DIW

## 9:15am-10:30am – SESSION I

### Abolitionist Strategies in Brazil and the US to Counter Police/Penal Terror against Anti-Racist Activists

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community Room)

Debora Maria: The mother of a black youth killed by the police and founder of Maes de Maio (Mothers of May) a coalition against police violence in Brazil. (\*skype\*); Jalil Muntaquim: Former member of the BPP/BLA, political prisoner, author, prison educator and activist; Mumia Abu-Jamal/EMAJ: Political prisoner, author, activist. (\*invited via skype\*); Co-facilitators: Jaime Alves, Abolition Collective/ CUNY-Staten Island; Dina Alves, Catholic University of Sao Paulo; and Joy James, Abolition Collective/ Williams

### Radical Fronterizas: Pláticas of Surviving and Resisting the Borderlands

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

Cynthia Bejarano, Judith Flores Carmona, and Manal Hamzeh

### Mino bimaadiziwin under the border: A spatial analysis of Indigenous time and movement between the US and Canada

(location: DIW Boardroom)

Elsa Hoover, Algonquin Anishinaabe artist-architect/ writer

### Gender and Sexuality Panel

(location: DIW Second Start)

- LGBTQ Migrant Returnees Creating Survival Strategies in Mexico, Sandibel Borges, Assistant Professor in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

- Transfeminismo, or a Transnational Critique of Masculinity, Ana Baginski, UC Irvine
- "Empty Lands" to "Empty Signifiers": Nativism, Race, Gender, and National Populism, Jasmine Noelle Yarish, Abolition Collective
- (moderator: Ray Noll)

### Abolition, Decolonization and the Politics of Pleasure & Play

(location: DIW Dakota Lodge)

- Black Pleasure as a Political Project, Jallicia Jolly, Abolition Collective
- A Field of Dreamers: Place, Space, and Belonging in Toronto's Recreational Softball Leagues, Craig Fortier & Colin Hastings, Abolition Collective
- The Rent is Too Damn High: Place-making as politic, Scz, Abolition Collective
- Race, Colonialism, and the Politics of Indian Sports Names and Mascots, Kevin Bruyneel, Abolition Collective

## 10:30am-10:45am – BREAK

## 10:45am-12:45pm – SESSION II

### State Violence Beyond Borders: U.S., Israel, and Tactics of Control

(location: DIW Second Start)

Jewish Voice for Peace – Twin Cities  
and Palestinian Youth Movement

### Speaking Our Truths, Mapping Our Stories: Cartography and Decolonial Activism

(location: DIW Boardroom)

Annita Lucchesi, Southern Cheyenne scholar and PhD student in Critical Cultural, Social, & Political Thought at the University of Lethbridge

### Abolitionist Strategy and Vision

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

Critical Resistance – Oakland Chapter



## **Ain't No Justice...It's Just Us: Transformative Justice & Community Accountability 101**

(location: DIW Dakota Lodge)

Lena Palacios, Abolition Collective member and Assistant Professor of Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies, University of Minnesota

## **Demilitarize! An Asian American Proposal for Decolonization**

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community Room)

Juliana Hu Pegues, Anh-Thu Pham, Eunha Wood, RadAzns Collective

## **12:45pm-2:05pm – LUNCH**

## **2:05pm-3:20pm SESSION III**

### **Abolition and the Carceral State**

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

- “Mass Incarceration” as Misnomer, Dylan Rodríguez, Abolition Collective, University of California Riverside and Critical Resistance
- “we are going further, past reform, to wonder”: Notes on an Abolitionist Reentry Praxis, Renée M. Byrd, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Humboldt State University
- Lessons of Border Imperialism and Penal Abolition: Democracy, the Rule of Law, and Other Utopias, Michael J. Coyle, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice, California State University, Chico
- (moderator: Meghan McDowell)

### **Coming to this Location: A Police-Free Minneapolis**

(location: DIW Boardroom)

MPD150 (“a community-based initiative challenging the narrative that police exist to protect and serve”)

### **Toward Decolonizing the Community College: Radical Educators and Student Activists Building Abolitionist Objectives**

(location: DIW Second Start)

Diablo Valley College: Albert Ponce Ph.D. (Abolition Collective), Frank Ortega Ph.D., Newin Orante Ed.D., Hassam Jawaaid, and Miranda Konoplisky

### **Feminist Economics Yoga (for Abolishing Imperialism)**

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community Room)

Cassie Thornton, The Feminist Economics Department

### **Health Panel**

(location: DIW Dakota Lodge)

- Imperial Medicine: A Settler Colonialist Critique of the US Health Care System, Anthony Jimenez Doctoral Candidate, Department of Sociology University of Minnesota
- The Clinic as Border Checkpoint: The Institutional Intersections of Health and Immigration Enforcement in Arizona, Erin Hoekstra, Abolition Collective/University of Minnesota

## **3:20pm-3:40pm – BREAK**

## **3:40pm-4:55pm – SESSION IV**

### **Dream Justice – Keeping A Radical Imagination Under Trump**

(location: DIW Boardroom)

Keno Evol – Black Table Arts

### **Humanitarian Intervention in the Borderlands**

(location: DIW Second Start)

- Abolitionist Care in the Militarized Borderlands, China Medel, Ph.D., University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- Demilitarizing the Imagination: No More Deaths, Reporting Human Rights Abuses and Shifting the Conversation along the US-Mexico Border, John Washington, freelance journalist
- Border as Crisis: Sovereignty And Boundary-Making Practices In The American Immigration Crisis Of 2014, Samuel Law, University of Chicago and Ana Montgomery
- “Undocumented: The Architecture of Migrant Detention by ting chak”, Nicole at Ad Astra Comix
- (moderator: Erin Hoekstra)

### **Racism, Colonialism, and Borders in US Midwifery**

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community Room)

Wičáŋhpi Iyótan Win, Certified Professional Midwife, Granite Falls, MN; Tehmina Islam, Certified Professional Midwife, Madison, WI; Perla Fierro Web designer, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico and Former client, Maternidad La Luz, El Paso; Annie Menzel, Assistant Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, UW-Madison

### **Radical Pedagogy: Race, Anti-Colonialism, and the Politics of Teaching in US Universities**

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

Kevin Bruyneel, Babson College and Jaskiran Dhillon, The New School



## Saturday night after-party (8pm-12am)

Du Nord Spirits

2610 E 32nd St, Minneapolis

A night of conversation, poetry, and dancing

With performances by

DJs Scz and Ryan Stopera, Keno Evol, Jordan Thomas, Zaina Alsous, and Nadi Sampers.

(parking is limited so we recommend using public transit, taxi, or carpooling)

- By bus: take the #21 bus east on Lake St., get off at the Snelling Ave. stop,  
then walk 0.3 miles - turn right on Snelling Ave, turn right on 32nd St., Du Nord Spirits is on the right)

## Sunday, October 8

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Location: DIW

### 9:15am-10:30am – SESSION I

#### International Panel

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community Room)

- Spectacles of the State: Imperial Borders on Birthright Israel, Sophia Goodfriend, University of Chicago/Students for Justice in Palenstine/Jewish Voice for Peace
- Schengen Agreement in Africa: Rethinking the ECOWAS Protocol on Free Movement, Okunade Samuel Kehinde, doctoral candidate in the Department of Conflict Transformation and Peace Studies, University of Kwazulu-Natal Pietermaritzburg
- No Borders in France and UK, Tasha, Calais Migrant Solidarity
- Australia's Carceral Colonialism and Its International Impacts, Charandev Singh
- (moderator: Raphi Rechitsky)

#### Racial Capitalism Panel

(location: DIW Dakota Lodge)

- "It'll Be Worse Than BP": Resisting State Policy through Coastal Knowledges in Southeast Louisiana's Commercial Fisheries, Simi Kang, Coastal Project Coordinator, Coastal Communities Consulting, Visiting Adjunct Professor, Bard Early College in New Orleans and Ph.D. Candidate, Feminist Studies, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
- Listening to Black Lives Matter: "Racial Capitalism" as a Challenge to Critiques of "Neoliberalism,"

Siddhant Issar, PhD student in Political Science, University of Massachusetts-Amherst

- "Jap Internment on Indian Land": The Role of Archives in Separating Japanese American World War II Incarceration and Its Infringements On Native Sovereignty, Hana Maruyama, PhD student in American Studies, University of Minnesota
- (moderator: Brian Lovato)

#### The Poetics of Abolition

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

Phanuel Antwi, Assistant Professor of English, University of British Columbia, in dialogue with Max Haiven, Canada Research Chair in Culture, Media and Social Justice, Lakehead University

#### Feminist Anti-Militarization in Colombia

(location: DIW Second Start)

Carol Rojas, Witness for Peace

### 10:30am-10:45am – BREAK

### 10:45am-12:00pm – SESSION II

#### Knowledge and Abolition

(location: Midtown Global Market - Community room)

- Pirate Radio for Abolition - Jake Nussbaum, artist and activist based in New York
- Undoing campus borders: student activism at the University of Kentucky, Rory Barron and Araby Smyth



## **Rebellious Mourning: The Collective Work of Grief**

(location: DIW Second Start)

Cindy Milstein (author of *Anarchism and Its Aspirations*, co-author of *Paths toward Utopia: Graphic Explorations of Everyday Anarchism*, and editor of the anthology *Taking Sides: Revolutionary Solidarity and the Poverty of Liberalism*)

## **Storytelling to Abolish Immigration Detention from the Inside-Out**

(location: DIW Dakota Lodge)

Tina Shull (Soros Justice Fellow) and Community Initiatives for Visiting Immigrants in Confinement (CIVIC)

## **Feminism and Reproductive Justice**

(location: DIW Conference Room 1)

- Building Feminist International Solidarities, Gwenola Ricordeau
- Reproductive Futures: The “Digital Pill” and/as Ideology, Anastasia Kārklīņa, Doctoral Student, Graduate Program in Literature, Duke University
- Anarchist Parenting, Julia Walker, Industrial Workers of the World
- (moderator: Erin Dyke)

**12:00am-1:20pm – LUNCH**

**1:20pm-2:35pm – CLOSING ASSEMBLY**

## **More Convergence Features**

### **Radical Hospitality Room:**

We envision the hospitality room to be a quieter space where convergence attendees can take some time to care for their bodies. Use the space to stretch, have some coffee or tea, visit, have a laugh or cry, and/or make something. We'll have some basic art supplies available.

On Sunday from 9-12pm, **Sassafrass Healing Arts** ([sassafrashealingarts.com](http://sassafrashealingarts.com)) will be offering craniosacral bodywork sessions for up to 6 people (30 minute sessions).

If interested, please sign up in the hospitality room on Saturday or stop by Sunday to see if any slots remain.

Craniosacral bodywork is a somatic healing tradition & practice that supports the bones, the fascia, the connective tissues, & the natural, subtle rhythms & movements of the cerebrospinal fluid on a cellular level. This is practiced through deep listening & the application of light touch & holds wherever there is restriction in the body. It can be helpful for noticing & shifting patterns, working with our own personal & generational traumas, & can also support the body to heal from acute and/or chronic pain or injury.

Sassafrass Healing Arts will also have herbal remedies for sale during the convergence.

cheré (rere) suzette bergeron (pronouns: they / them) - cheré (rere) suzette bergeron is a multiethnic, chronically ill, trans/non-binary/gender non-conforming femme, herbalist, craniosacral bodyworker, full spectrum companion / doula, witch, & cajun transplant currently living on occupied Dakota land in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They've been involved in anti-violence advocacy & reproductive justice organizing since 2006.



# Abolition Convergence Safety Guidelines

## Statement:

We, the Abolition Collective, believe in helping each other and guarding our own safety instead of relying on the state to do so. Recognizing that we are living today under a carceral state that is inherently anti-Black and settler-colonial, we take as our basic starting point that the state does not have our best interests at heart. We are committed to mobilizing networks and coalitions of mutual aid if and when situations arise that would require that we protect and support each other.

We ask that you keep in mind the following safety guidelines:

In situations of duress and danger, please do not call the police yourself. Please alert our safety team about the situation you are facing. We will then make a decision as a collective about the best course of action. The security team will be wearing hot pink bandanas on their wrists, arms, or around their neck. If you don't see anyone immediately, call Charmaine Chua at 917-754-1911, who is the safety coordinator for the duration of the conference.

We have one police liaison on duty at all times during the conference. We will let you know how to identify this person at the convergence opening on Saturday morning. If the situation involves cops or the cops show up unannounced, tell a safety team member or the police liaison IMMEDIATELY. DO NOT engage with the cops; tell them they should speak with a safety coordinator/ police liaison and tell them that person is on their way out. If safety coordinator is not in sight, signal another safety member to get them.

Recognizing that those attending the convergence may have varying immigration statuses, we ask that you be vigilant if ICE officers are in the vicinity. A local coalition of immigrant rights groups has set up a rapid response network in the Twin Cities called "No More Deportations." To mobilize a network of direct action emergency responders, the hotline to report ICE activity is: 612-255-1622. Please call this number if you see ICE in the area, or please tell a safety team member what you've witnessed so that we can call the hotline for you.

We will have one medic on site at all times during the conference. These medics are trained EMTs and nurses serving with the local medic collective, Northstar health collective. We recommend approaching the medic first for health concerns. Should the medic not be available,

there is an emergency department at Abbott Northwestern Hospital, two blocks from the conference site, at 800 E 28th S, Minneapolis, MN 55407. The direct phone number there is 612-863-4233 to speak to triage. In an emergency situation, if you call 911 for an ambulance or fire, please still inform the police liaison or safety team. The safety team can also help you access an urgent care or other clinic for non-life-threatening situations--please ask them for help!

If you have concerns about your own or another person's safety, please inform the safety team.

## Additional Guidelines on dealing with the police (From CR10 -- ALP -- S.O.S. 2007):

If a situation arises, stay calm and collected. If you need to step outside of the event to resolve a situation, inform the safety coordinator/s.

DO NOT raise your voice to anyone, speak in a calm assertive voice ONLY when necessary.

Keep your hands at your side, DO NOT touch anyone, especially the police.

Use your body if you need to when de-escalating a situation with a community member, if you need to prevent them from attacking or getting in someone's face. If there is an incident with a community member that attends the party, while remaining calm and assertive you should remind them that this is a violence-free party and ask them, with respect, to please calm down, escort them outside to collect themselves, etc. but make it clear we will not tolerate any form of violence in the space.  
\*\*\* IF A SAFETY MEMBER IS PHYSICALLY ATTACKED BY ANYONE THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO DEFEND THEMSELVES. WE ARE NOT ASKING YOU TO ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE PHYSICALLY HARMED!



# Events and Spaces near the Convergence

*(not an exhaustive list!)*

## POC Owned Businesses:

### **Pow Wow Grounds**

1414 E Franklin Ave

Open weekdays 7:00am-7:00pm, and Saturday 9:00am-6:00pm.

Native American owned cafe, a part of the Native American Community Development Institute

### **Minneapolis American Indian Center**

1530 E Franklin Ave

Has an art gallery open 10:00am-4:00pm Monday-Thursday, a Native American community-centric cafe (chef is our lunch caterer, Austin Bartold) 8:00am-3:00pm, and a gift shop, as well as fitness center open weekdays 7:30am-4:30pm.

### **African Development Center of Minneapolis**

1931 S 5th St

Micro lenders that also hosts the jambo! Kitchen, Monday-Saturday 9am-9pm. Has an art gallery open weekdays 9am-5pm. All of Riverside Ave, from Cedar to 25th, is a good space.

### **Mixed Blood Theatre**

1501 South Fourth Street

Theatre that practices radical hospitality and attempts to stage shows centered around race, gender, sexuality, and disability. Will be showing "How to Use a Knife" from September 29th to October 15th.

### **Sisterhood Boutique**

2200 Riverside Ave

Open Weekdays 10:00am-6:00pm

East African female-owned business, started by participants in a Youth Entrepreneurship program. Partners with Augsburg, St. Kate's, MCTC, and the U of M to provide college internships, and has a comprehensive internship program for high school women of color.

### **Common Ground Meditation Center**

2700 E 26th St.

Buddhist meditation center with a commitment to including spaces for POC and LGBTQ. Their specific POC and LGBTQ sessions will not overlap with our conference, but may still be a site of interest.

### **The Somali Museum of Minnesota**

1516 E Lake St. #011

Open Publicly Tuesday and Friday 3:00pm-7:00pm, and Saturday and Sunday 1:00pm-5:00pm.

Charges an \$11 dollar admission fee. Hosts, among other things, a collection of nomadic artifacts and contemporary paintings.

### **Latino Economic Development Center**

1501 E Lake St.

The surrounding street is full of Latinx owned businesses. All of Lake Street from 2nd Avenue to 22nd is full of Latinx owned spaces.

### **Southside Customs**

3455 4th Ave S

Open Monday-Friday 1:00pm-8:00pm, Saturday

12:00pm-8:00pm

Black-owned apparel and accessories shop.

### **Bryant Lake Bowl**

810 W Lake St.

Open Monday-Sunday 8:00am-2:00am

LGBTQ friendly bowling alley that also has a cabaret.

Currently listed as having a performance by Justin Leaf, a queer artist interpreting a Tori Amos album.

### **Cafe SouthSide**

3405 Chicago Ave

Open Monday-Friday 7:30am-7:00pm, Saturday 8:00am-6:00pm, and Sunday 8:00am-2:00pm.

POC owned coffee shop and explicitly LGBTQ friendly space. Displays artwork by Queer POC artists for sale.

### **Ricardo Levins Morales' Art Studio**

3645 Minnehaha Ave

Open Monday-Friday 10:00am-6:00pm (may be closed if Morales has an event)

Morales is artist-activist from Puerto Rico whose studio doubles as a shop for posters and prints of political and social justice oriented art.

### **Other nearby spaces:**

Powderhorn Park

Minneapolis Institute of Art

Lake Street Branch Public Library



**Other nearby eateries:**

Mercado Central  
The Rabbit Hole  
Tacqueria La Hacienda  
Marla's Caribbean  
Tiny Diner  
Mayday cafe  
Modern Times cafe  
The Wedge Co-op  
Seward Cafe  
Hard Times

**Other sites of interest:****Bookstores, libraries, and museums:**

Quatrefoil Library, America's 2nd-Oldest LGBTQ Library (Powderhorn)  
People's Movement Center (Bryant, just south of Powderhorn)  
Mayday books (U of M West Bank)  
Boneshaker Books (Seward)  
Moon Palace Books (Longfellow)  
Ancestry Books (N MPLS)  
Eastside Freedom Library (E Saint Paul)  
Rondo Library (Saint Paul)  
Minnesota Museum of American Art (Downtown Saint Paul)

**Walking tours:**

Near downtown MPLS (Walking distance from hotel):  
Riverfront Park/Gold Medal Park/Guthrie Theater/Mill City Museum  
Hennepin Island/Saint Anthony Falls/Stone Arch Bridge

**Near the wedge and uptown:**

Birchbark Books/Lake of the Isles  
Bde Maka Ska  
Lake Harriet / Rose Garden / Japanese Garden

**Places to eat (by neighborhood):****Near the U of M**

Afro Deli  
Szechuan Tea House  
Red Sea Ethiopian Restaurant  
Malabari Kitchen  
Dillas Restaurant  
Jewel of India

**Eat Street (Whittier neighborhood):**

Jasmine 26  
Pho 79  
Black Sheep Pizza

Rainbow Restaurant  
Quang  
Pimento Jamaican Kitchen  
Harry Singh's Original Caribbean Restaurant

**Seward, Phillips and Longfellow:**

Seward Co-op  
The Co-op Creamery  
Peace Coffee  
Maria's Cafe  
Best Steak and Gyro  
Cairo Grill

**Uptown:**

Victor's 1959 Cafe  
Moto-i  
Common Roots Cafe  
Barbette  
Fuji-Ya

**Downtown:**

Hufan Deli  
Elliot Park Grocery

**Kid-friendly places near the convergence:**

There is a child-play space at the Midtown Global Market.  
Powderhorn park has a great play area.



# Transportation and Parking

## Public transit:

- website: [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org)

There is a lightrail train from the airport (The Blue Line) that gets you within a 10 minute walk to the Friday conference location (get off at the Cedar-Riverside Station), downtown, and connections.

Bus number 5 and 21 will deliver you to the main conference location (the Division of Indian Work), which is down Lake street from the Chicago/Lake Transit Center stop.

## Bikes:

You can rent city bikes with NiceRide - <https://www.niceridemn.org/>

## Parking:

Free Parking in Two Lots at Division of Indian Work - Enter from 10th Ave S (off E Lake St) or from 11th Ave S onto Alley



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### Location of Plenary event on Friday night

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## Main convergence locations on Saturday and Sunday

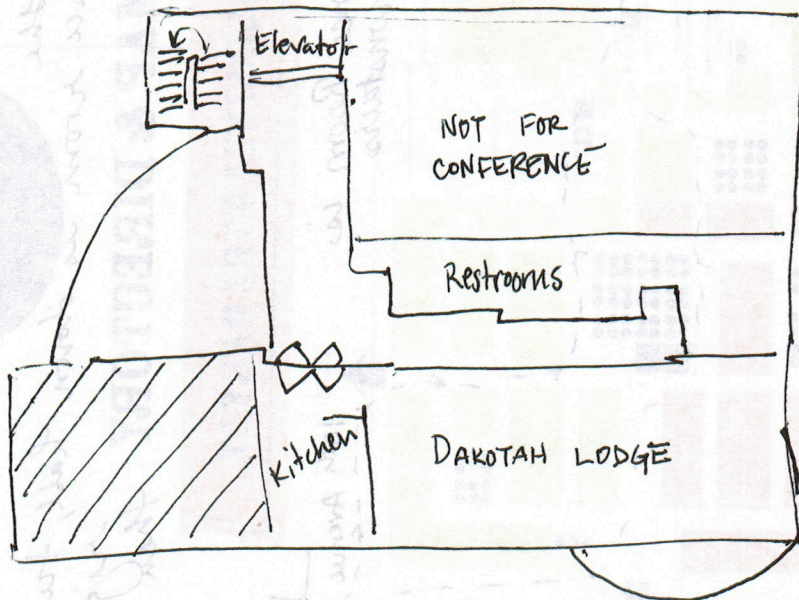
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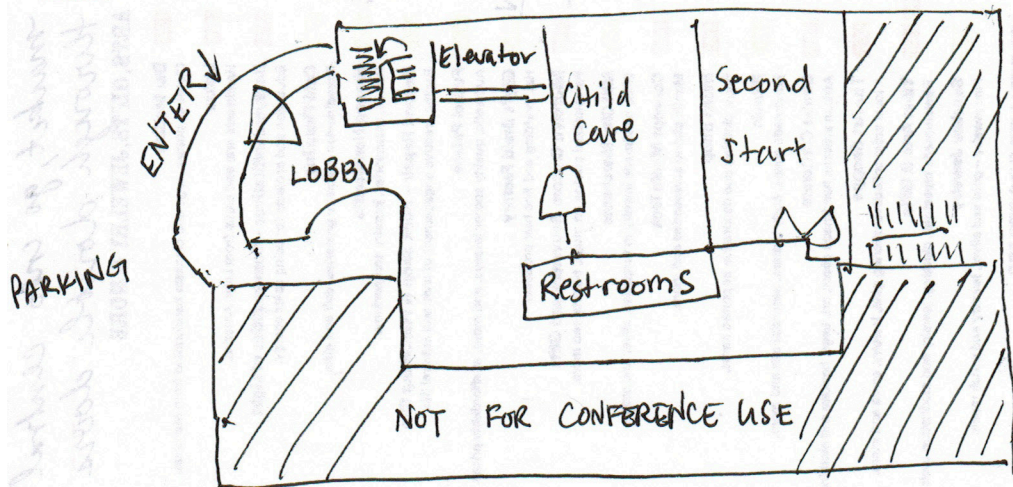


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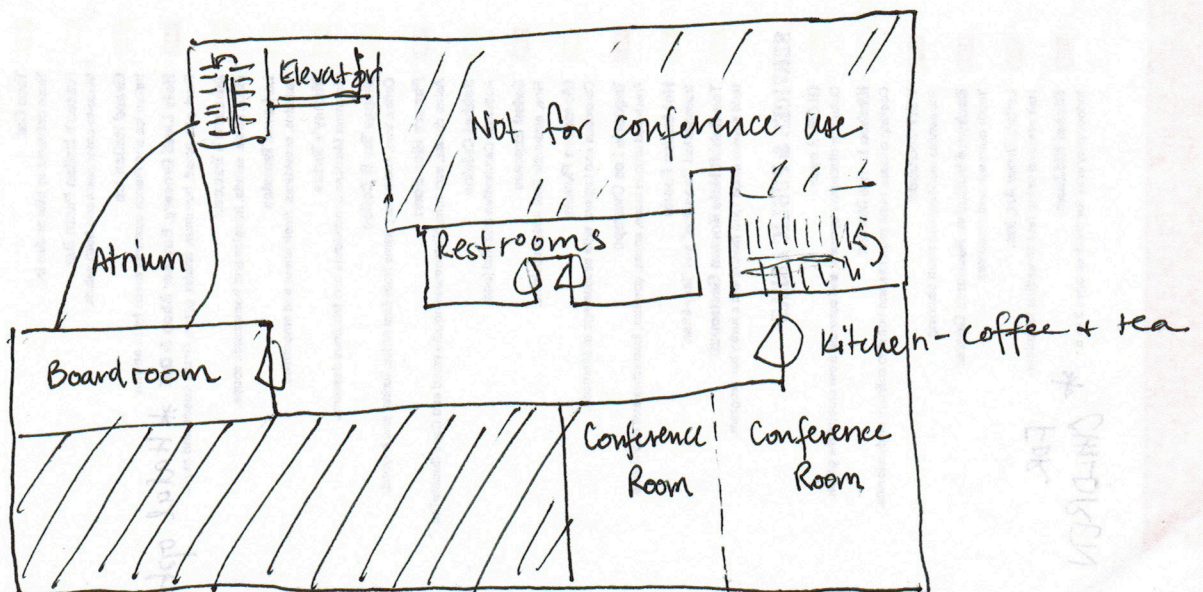
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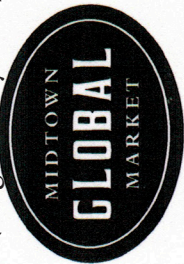
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Directions to the Midtown Global Market's Conference Room:

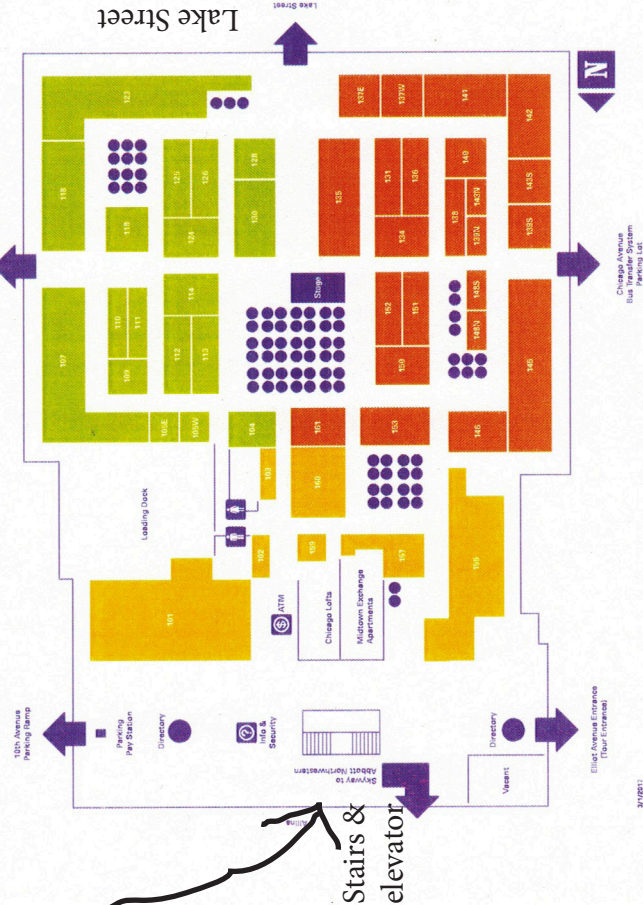
Walk through the market. Go into central hallway, past security desk. The conference room is downstairs; go through double doors to Midtown Market Management office (on greenway level). The conference room is down the hall, turn right, then left.



# MAP & DIRECTORY

WELCOME TO THE MARKET.

10th Avenue



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## ARTS, GIFTS, JEWELRY & MORE

- 136S Dar Medina**  
Clothing, purses, rugs and blankets handcrafted from Morocco.
- 138 LlaXta**  
Handmade arts and crafts from Latin America.
- 137E1 Backyard Initiatives - Communities of Light**  
Education and projects for using solar energy.
- 103 Café Finspång**  
Scandinavian specialty groceries, deli and gifts.
- 102 159 Hmong Handicrafts**  
Purses, accessories, jewelry and perfume.
- 120 Beyond Repair - Book Shop & Publishing Site**  
For the creative engagement of civic and cultural life
- 03W Futbol Palace**  
Authentic, quality soccer jerseys, and more, at affordable prices.
- 105E Gijs's Braid Factory**  
Hair, braiding and fine hair products.
- 148N Midtown Custom Souvenirs and Gifts**  
Personalized photos on mugs, t-shirts and more.
- 128 Mini City Merchants**  
Gifts, handmade jewelry in turquoise, silver and stone.
- 148S Co-cept Media Tech**  
Mobile phone accessories and more.
- 143S Murki Shop**  
Rugs, clothing and decorative imported items.
- 111 Rituals**  
Handmade soaps, body butters, essential oils and more.
- 139N Sinba Craftware**  
African artisans handmade décor, art, bags, baskets and clothing.
- 137W The Art Shoppe**  
A local artist collective offering gifts, jewelry, cards and more.
- 139S 143N Tit-at Arts & Gifts**  
Tibetan-made tapestries, clothing, jewelry and meditation tools.
- 105W Sanchez Jewelry**  
Fine jewelry - gold and silver, jewelry and watch repair.

## SPECIALTY GROCERIES

- 103 Café Finspång**  
Scandinavian specialty groceries, deli and gifts.
- 150 Fleeta In America**  
Authentic pitfalls, party supplies, gifts and candy.
- 130 Grass Roots Gourmet**  
Locally sourced groceries specializing in small batch cheese and other delicacies.
- 145 Holy Land Grocery, Butcher Shop & Deli**  
Halal butcher and imported groceries from across the Middle East.
- 141 Paraderia y Pasteleria Samantha**  
Traditional Latin bakery offering specialty cakes and "pan dulces".
- 161 Saito Tart Bakery**  
Cakes, cookies and pastries handcrafted by Chef Michelle Gayer.
- 131 The Produce Exchange**  
Conventional and organic produce, products and groceries.

## RESTAURANTS, BARS & TAKE OUT

- 155 Salsa ala Salsa**  
Award-winning, sit-down service, Mexican menu and full bar.
- 151 Andy's Garage**  
Classic American diner serving burgers, fresh-cut fries and me's.
- 123 Eastlake Craft Brewery and Taproom**  
Post-modern American and traditional European beers.
- 118 Taco Cat**  
Tacos delivered by bike or dine in.
- 112 Fresco's Italian Pasta Bar**  
Made-to-order pasta and fresh salads.
- 104 Grand Italian Ice**  
Italian ice and French custards made fresh on-site.
- 146 Holy Land Grocery, Butcher Shop & Deli**  
Fresh pita bread, hummus, falafel, gyros, Greek salads and more.
- 113 Jakeeno's Trattoria**  
Pizza, pasta, salads, hoagies and homemade soups.
- 180 La Loma Tamales**  
Tamales, breakfasts, fresh juices and smoothies.
- 125 Manny's Tortas**  
Gourmet Mexican sandwiches and fabulous desserts.
- 157 Mapps Tea & Coffee**  
Coffee, teas, and bakery items from East Africa, Turkey and beyond.
- 153 Pham's Rice Bowl**  
Asian dishes, egg rolls, Vietnamese noodle salad and Caps Bubble Tea.
- 114 Sabbai Cuisine**  
Authentic Cambodian and Thai food.
- 134 Safari Express**  
Fine, authentic East African cuisine.
- 126 Moroccan Flavors**  
Couscous and tagines with seasonings of Morocco.
- 152 Taqueria Los Ocampo**  
Fresh and unique tacos, sopes, gorditas, huaraches and enchiladas.
- 124 Hot Indian Foods**  
Trademarked "Indurritos" and "Indy-frites."
- 101 The Rabbit Hole Korean Gastropub**  
Bold Korean street food flavors and a funky bar program.

## SERVICES & PUBLIC AREAS

- 109 GLOBALeyes**  
Culturally distinctive eyewear and sunwear from around the globe.
- 107 110 Kitchen in the Market**  
Cooking classes, retail products and home to culinary professionals.
- 138N Y & I Boutique**  
Full service wedding and event planning.
- 137E Backyard Initiative Resource Center**  
Youth outreach and resources.
- 140 Leila's Brow Art, Inc.**  
Hair removal using face threading technique.
- 142 Global KidZone**  
Indoor play area for children ages 2 to 5.

Play zone for kids!!!

Please note: Parking at the market is not free