

**1919 GREAT LABOUR  
REVOLT CENTENNIAL  
COMMEMORATION**

October 11 and 12, 2019

Ukrainian Centre, 11018-97  
Street, Edmonton

The Alberta Labour History Institute is hosting a free Thanksgiving weekend workshop in Edmonton to commemorate the international workers' rising of 1919, whose best known Canadian manifestation was the Winnipeg General Strike. It also included month-long general strikes in Edmonton and Calgary

and a much longer shutdown of most of the province's 42 coal mines, though few Albertans know about workers' radical past in our province.

While all events are free, our need to purchase sufficient food for attendees and to ensure that we are not overtaxing the capacity of the Ukrainian Hall means that only those who pre-register will be considered eligible to attend. Just write to ALHI president Alvin Finkel at [finkel@telusplanet.net](mailto:finkel@telusplanet.net) to indicate that you plan to attend and whether you will be present on both October 11 and 12 or just one or the other.

Also please indicate if you will require daycare since we can only provide childcare for those who have let us know in advance that they require it.

Please pass this message on to all your friends and fellow workers via e-mail, social media, or word of mouth.

In solidarity,

Alvin Finkel,

President,

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The Alberta Labour History Institute presents:

## Commemoration of the Great Labour Revolt, 1919 and Reflections on its Importance Today



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**AGENDA**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 - SOCIAL EVENING**

**7 pm – 11 pm Food & \*Bar**

- 8:00 pm Book launch, Graphic History Collective and David Lester, *1919: A Graphic History of the Winnipeg General Strike*
- 9:00 pm Panel of trade unionists - "The New Alberta Reality: What 1919 Teaches Us Today"

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 - WORKSHOP**

- 9:00 am Welcome - Alvin Finkel, President, ALHI
- 9:05 am Greetings from AFL - Gil McGowan, President
- 9:10 am Greetings from AUPE - Karen Weiers, Vice-President
- 9:15 am Contexts for 1919: Overview of Labour Uprising in 1919 in Alberta, Canada, and the World - Alvin Finkel
- 9:30 am "Alberta 1919: The Workers' Revolt" – Video, Don Bouzek
- 10:00 am "Edmonton and the 1919 Great Labour Uprising" - Mikhail Bjorge

- 10:30 am Break
- 11:00 am "Ethnicity and the 1919 Great Labour Uprising" - Winston Gereluk
- 11:30 am "Working-Class Women and 1919" - Sharon Reilly
- 12:00 pm Lunch (provided by ALHI)
- 1:00 pm "The Miners and 1919" - Tom Langford (for Crowsnest); Kate Jacobson (for Drumheller)
- 1:30 pm "Troublemakers," - Maria Dunn & Company
- 3:00 pm Break
- 3:30 pm Discussion Groups - "What Does 1919 Tell Us About How Workers Need to Organize Today to Meet Capitalist Challenges"
- 4:30 pm Report Back from Groups
- 5:00 pm Adjournment

\*The bar will be run on a cash donation basis. Food and other refreshments are provided by ALHI.

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