

PANEL DISCUSSION



MARIA MARROQUIN
Mtn. View Day Worker Center

Maria Marroquin serves as Executive Director for the Day Workers' Center of Mountain View, and is currently in her second term as the President of the Board of Directors of NDLO (National Day Labor Organizing Network). Maria oversees day-to-day operations at the center and serves as liaison with local employers and the community. Her passion is to empower workers to become members of the community. Maria is also a "graduate" of the center's programs.

JAZMIN SEGURA
E4FC



Jazmin Segura has been a strong advocate and outspoken leader in the immigrant rights movement. Before joining E4FC, she was the Federal Policy Advocate at Services Immigrant Rights and Education Network, where she advocated for policies that promote immigrant rights and integration. Jazmin was born in Mexico City, migrated to the United States in 1994 and grew up in the culturally rich Boyle Heights neighborhood in Los Angeles. Growing up in a low-income undocumented family, she is familiar with the day-to-day struggles of undocumented people. In 2007 Jazmin interned at the ACLU Immigrant Rights Project and conducted extensive research on the impact of local anti-immigrant ordinances on immigrant communities. She received a Bachelor's degree in Political Economy from UC Berkeley and was the first in her family to graduate from college. Jazmin served on the Human Relations Commission of Santa Clara County and recently joined the Board of Directors for the Gardner Family Health Network.

PERFORMANCE



YOSIMAR REYES

Spoken Word Artist &
Community Activist

Yosimar comes from Guerrero, Mexico. He is a nationally acclaimed poet, whose style is described as "a brave and vulnerable voice that shines light on the issues affecting Queer Immigrant Youth and the many disenfranchised communities in the U.S and throughout the world."

Yosimar has performed and given lectures on stages and classrooms all over the United States, and holds the title of the 2005 and 2006 South Bay Teen Grand SLAM Champion. His work was featured in the film documentary *2nd Verse: the Rebirth of Poetry* and in *Mariposas: A Modern Anthology of Queer Latino Poetry*. He has also published his own book of poetry entitled *For Colored Boys Who Speak Softly*. Yosimar recently opened concerts for Carlos Santana in his latest endeavor Architects of a New Dawn.

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REFORM AT THE CROSSROADS

A Regional Gathering for
Discussion & Planning

FEBRUARY 11, 2015

PROGRAM

- 8:30-8:45 **Teresa Castellanos, Emcee**
Delorme McKee-Stovall
Office of Human Relations
Wendy Ho, United Way SV
- 8:45 – 8:55 **Yosimar Reyes**
Spoken Word Artist
- 9:00-9:15 **Administrative Relief on**
Immigration, Alison Kamhi
- 9:20-10:20 **Panel Discussion,**
Poncho Guevara Moderator
- 10:25-11:35 **Community Blueprint &**
Mico-Level Road Map:
Milina Jovanovic &
Leila McCabe
- Working Group Break-Out**
Sessions (see handout)
- 11:35 -12:05 **LUNCH BREAK**
- 12:10-12:40 **Work Groups Report Back**
- 12:40-1:10 **Fish Bowl:**
Gathering Reflections
- 1:15-1:45 **Beacon of Light Awards**
Ceremony
- 1:50-2:00 **Closing Comments**

PRESENTERS



ALLISON KAMH, ESQ
Immigration Legal
Resource Center (ILRC)

Allison is a dedicated immigrant advocate who brings significant experience in immigration law to the ILRC. Prior to the ILRC, Alison worked as a Clinical Teaching Fellow at the Stanford Law School Immigrants' Rights Clinic, where she supervised removal defense cases and immigrants' rights advocacy projects. Before Stanford, she represented abandoned and abused immigrant youth as a Skadden Fellow at Bay Area Legal Aid and at Catholic Charities Community Services in New York. While in law school, Alison worked at the UNHCR, the ACLU Immigrants' Rights Project, and Greater Boston Legal Services Immigration Unit and she clerked for the Honorable Julia Gibbons in the U.S. Court of Appeals. Allison received a Fulbright Scholarship to study the rise of neo-Nazism and anti-immigrant sentiment in former East Germany, and received her J.D. from Harvard Law School and her B.A. from Stanford University.



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BILL ONG HING

Law Professor, Author



Professor Hing founded the Immigrant Legal Resource Center in 1979 and served as the volunteer Executive Director for its first two decades. A Professor at the University of San Francisco, and U.C. Davis, he is the author of *Deporting Our Souls--Values, Morality, and Immigration Policy; Defining America through Immigration Policy; Handling Immigration Cases; Making and Remaking Asian America through Immigration Policy; To Be an American;* and co-author of numerous ILRC publications. He has extensive experience in working with immigrants of varied nationalities and is a nationally recognized expert in immigration and naturalization law. Bill volunteers on several Boards, including the Asian Law Caucus, Migration Policy Institute, and the ILRC.



DEVONTE JACKSON

Black Alliance for
Just Immigration

Devonté Jackson is the Bay Area Organizer for the Black Alliance for Just Immigration. Having grown up in Oakland, San Leandro, and San Lorenzo, he has grown passionate in addressing social and economic inequality in the Bay Area Community. Devonté received his education at UC Berkeley where he served as Party Chair of Cal Students for Equal Rights and a Valid Education (CalSERVE), Cal's longest standing progressive multicultural coalition, and he interned for Cal's Multicultural Community Center (MCC) where he gained experience in coalition building and cross-community organizing. Recently, Devonté has organized with AFSCME Local 3299 and students across California on labor issues within the University of California System and he played an important role within the Students of Color Solidarity Coalition at UC Berkeley to organize for a more democratic University. Devonté believes that we can collectively make change through coalition building and practicing cross-culturally.