



2022 ISSUES CONFERENCE

Chairman Hakeem Jeffries ★ Vice Chair Pete Aguilar

Issues Conference Agenda

Wednesday, March 9

4:30 – 4:45 p.m.

Opening Ceremony

Grand Ballroom

Invocation: *Rep. Mary Gay Scanlon*

Welcome Remarks:

- *Rep. Hakeem Jeffries*, Chairman of the House Democratic Caucus
- *Rep. Pete Aguilar*, Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus
- *Rep. Steny Hoyer*, House Majority Leader

4:45 – 6:00 p.m.

Plenary – “Understanding the Challenges of the She-cession”

Responding to the impact of the pandemic on women and families.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced by: *Rep. Katherine Clark*, Assistant Speaker

Moderated by: *Rep. Susie Lee and Rep. Ayanna Pressley*

Speakers:

- *Dr. Joyce Chen*, Associate Professor of Economics, The Ohio State University
- *Dr. Michelle Holder*, President and CEO, Washington Center for Equitable Growth
- *Rocio Sáenz*, Executive Vice President, SEIU
- *Julie Womack*, Organizing Director, Red Wine & Blue

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Reporters and Representatives Off-The-Record Reception

Keating’s Rope & Anchor Restaurant



7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Dinner Program

Grand Ballroom

Invocation: *Rep. Angie Craig*

Welcome Remarks:

- *The Honorable Nancy D'Alesandro Pelosi*, Speaker of the House
- *Tom Wolf*, Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 - Introduced by: *Rep. Dwight Evans*

Keynote Conversation on Art and Activism

- Introduced by: *Rep. Chellie Pingree*
- Moderated by: *Rep. Jared Huffman*
- Speakers:
 - *Gloria Calderón Kellett*, Actress, Showrunner of "One Day at a Time" and "Jane the Virgin"
 - *Tayari Jones*, Bestselling Author of "An American Marriage"

Keynote Conversation: Building A Better America

- Introduced by: *Rep. Jesús G. "Chuy" Garcia*
- Moderated by: *Rep. Lizzie Fletcher and Rep. Steven Horsford*
- Speakers:
 - *Gina Raimondo*, Secretary, Department of Commerce
 - *Marty Walsh*, Secretary, Department of Labor
 - *Gina McCarthy*, White House National Climate Advisor

9:30 p.m.

Evening Reception Hosted by DCCC Chair Sean Patrick Maloney

Featuring musical entertainment by Lady Bunny

Columbus A-B



Issues Conference Agenda

Thursday, March 10

7:45 – 8:45 a.m.

Morning Breakout Sessions

A Discussion with Norm Ornstein on the Future of the People’s House

Rep. Don Beyer

Columbus A

Winning with Seniors: Messaging to Build Momentum

Task Force on Aging and Families, Co-Chair Jan Schakowsky

Columbus B

Understanding Cryptocurrencies

Chairwoman Maxine Waters, Committee on Financial Services

Columbus C

9:00 – 9:10 a.m.

Welcome Remarks

Grand Ballroom

Invocation: *Rep. Brendan Boyle*

Remarks: *The Honorable Nancy D’Alessandro Pelosi*, Speaker of the House

9:10 – 10:15 a.m.

Plenary – “DCCC Presents: How We Win in 2022”

Chairman Sean Patrick Maloney presents the state of play at the DCCC and leads a discussion about how we define Republicans and sell the Democratic message.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced and moderated by: *Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney*, Chair, Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee

Speakers:

- *Navin Nayak*, President, Center for American Progress Action Fund
- *Amy Walter*, Publisher & Editor-in-Chief of the Cook Political Report with Amy Walter



10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Plenary – “Telling Our Story: Jobs, the Economy & Combating Inflation”

Democrats deliver For The People.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced by: *Rep. Ritchie Torres*

Moderated by: *Reps. Linda Sánchez and Jake Auchincloss*

Speakers:

- *Pete Buttigieg*, Secretary, Department of Transportation
- *Wally Adeyemo*, Deputy Secretary, Department of the Treasury
- *Patrick Gelsinger*, CEO, Intel
- *Dr. Claudia Sahm*, Director of Macroeconomic Research, Jain Family Institute

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch Plenary – “Clean Air, Clean Water and Clean Energy: Tackling the Climate Crisis with the Fierce Urgency of Now”

Our solutions to address the environmental, health and economic impacts of climate change.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced by: *Secretary John Kerry*, U.S. Presidential Special Envoy for Climate

Moderated by: *Rep. Nanette Barragán and Rep. Mike Levin*

Speakers:

- *Dr. Robert Bullard*, Distinguished Professor of Urban Planning and Environmental Policy and Director of the Bullard Center for Environmental and Climate Justice, Texas Southern University
- *Dr. Rachel Cleetus*, Policy Director, Climate and Energy Program, Union of Concerned Scientists
- *Dr. Manuel Pastor*, Professor of Sociology, American Studies & Ethnicity and Director, Equity Research Institute, University of Southern California



1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Plenary – “E Pluribus Unum: The Path to Comprehensive Immigration Reform”
Enacting policies that reflect the promise of America.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced & Moderated by: *Rep. Pete Aguilar*, Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus

Speakers:

- *Rep. Zoe Lofgren*, Chairperson, Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship
- *Rep. Linda Sánchez*, Chair, Immigration Reform Sub-Task Force, Congressional Hispanic Caucus
- *Rep. Raul Ruiz, M.D.*, Chair, Congressional Hispanic Caucus
- *Rep. Pramila Jayapal*, Chair, Congressional Progressive Caucus
- *Rep. Stephanie Murphy*, Co-Chair, Blue Dog Coalition
- *Rep. Salud Carbajal*, Co-Chair, Immigration Task Force, New Democrat Coalition
- *Rep. Mark Takano*, Second Vice Chair, Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus
- *Rep. Stacey Plaskett*, Criminal Justice and Domestic Homeland Security Policy Team, Congressional Black Caucus

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Resolving Conflicts, Improving Debate and Strengthening the People’s House

Chair Derek Kilmer, Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, II, Rep. Dean Phillips, Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress

Columbus A

A Seat at the Table: The Path Toward Racial Justice and Equity in the Cannabis Industry

Rep. Barbara Lee

Columbus B

Bringing the Future Forward: Youth Communication, Engagement & Empowerment

Rep. Colin Allred, Vice Chair, Future Forum

Columbus C



3:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Optional Off-Site

Depart: Front of Hotel Main Entrance

Reading Terminal Market

One of America’s largest and oldest public markets, Reading Terminal offers an incredible selection of locally grown and exotic produce, locally sourced meats and poultry, plus the finest seafood, cheeses, baked goods and confections. Enjoy a guided tour and explore all that the market has to offer.

Independence Hall

Take a trip back in time with a visit to Independence National Historical Park. Among its many attractions, the Park is home to the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall – which was where the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were signed – and Congress Hall.

3:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Optional On-Site

Members Give Back to Our Military Families with USO

Keating’s Rope & Anchor Restaurant

Members can drop by at any time for a hands-on activity to support our military families through the United Service Organization (USO).

A Taste of Pennsylvania Beers

Keating’s Rope & Anchor Restaurant

Wind down in the afternoon by sampling some of Pennsylvania’s impressive brews with a Pennsylvania beer expert. Guests will receive a flight that includes premium, locally sourced Philly drafts to pair with a spread of hors d’oeuvres.

Cocktails, Canvases and Connections

Admiral’s Quarters

Explore your artistic side by painting a one-of-a-kind masterpiece on canvas while enjoying some refreshments.



6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Pre-Dinner Reception

Grand Ballroom Foyer

7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Dinner Program

Grand Ballroom

Invocation: *Rep. Donald Norcross*

Keynote Conversation: “The Labor Movement in the 21st Century”

- Introduced by: *Rep. Frank Mrvan*
- Moderated by: *Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester*
- Speakers:
 - *Liz Shuler*, President, AFL-CIO
 - *Becky Pringle*, President, National Education Association
 - *Teresa Romero*, President, United Farm Workers

Keynote Conversation: “Combating the Rise of Authoritarianism and Other Security Challenges in the Era of Globalization”

- Introduced by: *Rep. Steny Hoyer*, House Majority Leader
- Moderated by: *Rep. Sara Jacobs*
- Speakers:
 - *Alejandro N. Mayorkas*, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security
 - *Michael McFaul*, Former Ambassador to the Russian Federation

9:30 p.m.

Evening Reception Hosted by the Pennsylvania Delegation and the House Democratic Caucus

Featuring musical entertainment by the Magnificent DJ Jazzy Jeff

Columbus A-B



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7:00 – 8:00 a.m.

Religious Services

Discovery B

- *Rear Admiral Margaret Grun Kibben*, Chaplain of the U.S. House

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Democratic Spouses Forum Meeting

Columbus C

9:30 – 9:40 a.m.

Opening Remarks

Grand Ballroom

Invocation: *Rep. Madeleine Dean*

Remarks: *Rep. James E. Clyburn*, House Majority Whip

9:40 – 10:35 a.m.

Govern, Message, Campaign

DPCC Messaging Presentation & Conversation

Grand Ballroom

Speakers:

- *Lou Arbetter*, VP Content & Production, PepsiCo North America
- *Omid Farhang*, Founder, Majority Agency
- *Tiffany Rolfe*, Chief Creative Officer, R/GA

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Plenary – “The Right to Vote is Sacred: Voter Protection and Engagement”

Crushing the epidemic of voter suppression.

Grand Ballroom

Introduced by: *Rep. Nikema Williams*

Moderated by: *Rep. Terri Sewell and Rep. John Sarbanes*

Speakers:

- *Eric H. Holder, Jr.*, 82nd Attorney General of the United States
- *Bee Nguyen*, State Representative, Georgia House of Representatives
- *Claudia Yoli Ferla*, Executive Director, MOVE Texas



11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Boxed Lunch Pick Up

Grand Ballroom Foyer

12:10 – 12:15 p.m.

Grand Ballroom

Closing Invocation: *Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, II*

12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Closing Keynote: “Building a Better America For The People”

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

President of the United States

Grand Ballroom

- Introduced by: *The Honorable Nancy D'Alesandro Pelosi*, Speaker of the House