The 2015 Member Convention will feature the following keynote speakers, as well as workshops for us to THINK BIG, ACT BOLD. For information and registration of workshops, go to: WWW.1021CONVENTION.ORG

Mary Kay Henry
SEIU President

Henry serves as International President of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), which unites 2 million workers in healthcare, public and property services. Henry has devoted her life to helping North America’s workers form unions and strengthen their voice at work about the quality of services they provide. Under her leadership, SEIU members have joined together on the job to win better wages and benefits and build better communities; while fighting for a more just society and an economy that works for all of people, not just corporations and the wealthy.

Bill Fletcher
Labor Activist

Fletcher is a racial justice, labor and international activist, and author of “They’re Bankrupting Us!” And 20 Other Myths About Unions. He is a syndicated columnist and a regular media commentator. He has been an activist since his teen years. Upon graduating from college he went to work as a welder in a shipyard, thereby entering the labor movement. Over the years he has been active in workplace and community struggles as well as electoral campaigns.

Alicia Garza
co-founder, Black Lives Matter

Garza is a longtime community organizer in the Bay Area, and one of the co-founders of the Black Lives Matter International movement. She works as special projects director for the National Domestic Workers Alliance, which seeks to organize and provide better pay, benefits and working conditions for some of the most marginalized workers in America.

Bill McKibben
Co-founder, 350.org

McKibben is a best-selling author and founder of 350.org, the first planet-wide, grassroots climate change movement, which has organized twenty-thousand rallies around the world in every country save North Korea, spearheaded the resistance to the Keystone Pipeline, and launched the fast-growing fossil fuel divestment movement. In 2014 he was awarded the Right Livelihood Prize, sometimes called the ‘alternative Nobel.’ His 1989 book The End of Nature is regarded as the first book for a general audience about climate change.

John a. powell
Civil rights expert

Powell is an author and internationally recognized expert in the areas of civil rights and civil liberties and a wide range of issues including race, structural racism, ethnicity, housing, poverty, and democracy. Powell leads the UC Berkeley Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society and holds the Robert D. Haas Chancellor’s Chair in Equity and Inclusion, Professor of Law and Professor of African American Studies and Ethnic Studies at the University of California, Berkeley School of Law.

Tom Steyer
Philanthropist

Steyer is an investor, philanthropist and advanced energy advocate. He is the President of NextGen Climate, an organization that acts politically to prevent climate disaster and preserve American prosperity. Tom is actively engaged in climate politics and works to promote economic development and environmental protection in California. In 2010, Tom teamed up with former Secretary of State George Shultz to defeat Proposition 23, an effort by out-of-state oil companies to dismantle California’s groundbreaking clean energy law, AB 32.