



# YOUNG MEMBERS UPCOMING EVENTS



**YOUNG WORKERS MONTH - MARCH 2014** - The TUC Young Workers Conference 2013 agreed to hold a Young Workers Month. The event will help to raise the profile of trade unions and young workers in trade unions in the workplace. The forum are asking all young members officers and branches to get involved in this too by holding a young members event in your workplace. Young members materials can be found on the UNISON online catalogue. If you need any advice or assistance regarding this, please contact Victoria Walton or Max Darby (contact details below).

**REGIONAL YOUNG MEMBERS TRAINING - 28TH MARCH 2014** - This training is designed to help UNISON young members to fully participate in the union, and to increase their confidence in campaigning on issues which affect young workers. They will also gain valuable practical advice and experience through individual and group activities, which will help to structure work within the branch and workplace. The course will run from 9.30-4.30pm and will be followed by an optional social event in Manchester. Further details can be found on our website: [www.unisonnw.org/equality-in-unison/young-members-forum](http://www.unisonnw.org/equality-in-unison/young-members-forum). Limited places available. Closing date for applications is Friday 14th March 2014.

**NATIONAL YOUNG MEMBERS WEEKEND - 16-18 MAY 2014** - It is a great chance for young members to meet, work and socialise with other young members, find out more about the union and learn some key skills. **To attend you must be under 27 years of age on 18 May 2014.** Weekend costs including meals, accommodation, travel, childcare and other appropriate and properly incurred expenses, will be reimbursed by UNISON. Limited places available. For further information and an application form, please contact Victoria Walton - [v.walton@unison.co.uk](mailto:v.walton@unison.co.uk). Closing date for applications is 12 noon, Friday 28th March 2014.

**NATIONAL DELEGATES CONFERENCE - JUNE 2014 - YOUNG MEMBER** - The North West Region is entitled to send a Young Members Delegate to the NDC which is to be held from 10.00am Tuesday 17 June to 4.00pm Friday 20 June 2014 at The Brighton Centre, Kings Road Brighton, East Sussex, BN1 2GR. If Branches wish to recommend a Young Member to represent the Region please email [v.walton@unison.co.uk](mailto:v.walton@unison.co.uk) with details: Name, Membership Number, Date of Birth. Closing date for nominations is Friday 7th March 2014.

**YOUNG MEMBERS FORUM MEETINGS - VARIOUS DATES** - Meetings are friendly and informal; they are an opportunity to get involved in shaping the union and making sure young members have their voice heard. Branches can nominate two young members (*at least one of these must be female*) to the North West Young Members Forum. Travel expenses to attend meetings will be reimbursed. Forum dates are available on the website: [www.unisonnw.org/equality-in-unison/young-members-forum/](http://www.unisonnw.org/equality-in-unison/young-members-forum/)

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