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RED LETTER

A MONTHLY MISSIVE FROM THE DSA NATIONAL POLITICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (NPEC)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

02.18: Deadline for submissions to next edition of Red Letter

02.24 and 03.03: NPEC Night School Training Series

Red Letter Mission Statement

The purposes of political education are manifold. For socialists, our primary goals are to deepen our commitments to and capacities for effective organizing, to break free from capitalist society, and to transform the world. We do this by learning socialist history and its main conceptual frameworks, and debating our differences over them in our current time and conditions. Political education strengthens our organizing as we become adept at explaining why socialism is both relevant and necessary to the working class. We aim to support our comrades in that crucial task. [Read more](#)

Matewan, the Con-spectare-cy by Michaela B

The "virtual film night" has never satisfied me, personally. I love films, alone or with others. But when I'm with other moviegoers, I really want to be *with* them. As others react with pleasure, surprise, or dismay, I want to sense it. I didn't even realize how much I missed it. Even at the multiplex, there's something vaguely unifying about everyone doing the same thing at the same time—when everyone jumps or laughs, it feels good. [Read more](#)

Labor for Palestine by Simon J, NPEC + BDS/Palestine Solidarity

Labor has a key role to play in the Palestinian self-determination. Local governments can adopt procurement or investment policies that bar contracts with or investments in companies that are complicit in human rights violations, including Israeli occupation and apartheid. Workers can also push for their unions to adopt resolutions supporting BDS and refuse to legitimize the Israeli government's violence. State violence, including occupation, relies on labor, and without that labor, the violence is interrupted. [Read more](#)

NPEC 2021 Round Up

NPEC members Evan M, Sanjiv G, Daphna T, and Rashad X share their favorite political education events and content of 2021, and what they believe is going to be crucial to focus on this year.

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ICYMI: An Events Roundup

NPEC member Coleman L shares and summarizes NPEC's 2021 pre-convention events. [Read more](#)

Submit to Red Letter!

Do you have a pitch or feedback for Red Letter? We are looking for lesson plans, reviews, and reportbacks on political education events from chapters and regional collaborations! Let us know what you're thinking. Email npeccomms@dsacommittees.org with "Red Letter" in the subject heading.

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