



# CHAPTER LEADER UPDATE

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## Chapter Bylaws due May 31

Please continue to work on adopting your revised chapter bylaws. Keep in mind that these bylaws are a template – each chapter is different and can incorporate amendments that best suit the chapter's needs. If you do incorporate amendments, please use track changes, and highlight your additions for the national office to look over before adoption. Please send your final revisions to [membership@unausa.org](mailto:membership@unausa.org).



## Chapter Tax Information

Community Chapters - please remember to submit your Federal Form 990 to [membership@unausa.org](mailto:membership@unausa.org) by **May 15**.

You can read more about this process in the [Chapter Leader Handbook](#).



## UNA-USA Awards

Deadline for award nominations is **Monday April 17, 2023 @ 5 PM ET!**

These awards include:

- [Arnold Goodman Lifetime Achievement Award](#)
- [Campus Chapter of Excellence Award](#)
- [Community Chapter of Excellence Award](#)
- [UNA-USA Advocate of the Year Award](#)
- [UNA-USA Young Leader of the Year Award](#)

Please use the links above to nominate and encourage others to nominate! Winners will be announced at the 2023 UNA-USA Leadership Summit.

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## 2023 UNA-USA Leadership Summit

Chapter leaders, the 2023 UNA-USA Leadership Summit is an important opportunity for you and for your chapter members! Held in Washington, DC from June 4-6, 2023 at Hamilton Hotel (competitive room rate block available soon) and virtually from June 4-6, 2023, this is one of UNA-USA's signature events. If you haven't already registered, or wondering how to encourage your members to participate, take a look at the shortlist of benefits shared below:

Following is a short list of benefits and added value by attending (especially in person) the event, being held in Washington, DC from June 4-6, 2023 at [Hamilton Hotel](#).

**Chapter leaders >>>** you will have your own track to learn about new initiatives, share best practices with other chapter leaders, and will gain access to resources to support your chapter's initiatives and goals

**Individual members >>>>** they will have their own track to refine personal skills, become professionally connected, meet other like-minded individuals, and participate in educational (but fun!) workshops such as MyDiplomat simulation, how to be the best advocate, and understanding the UN's impact.

Also, don't forget, we will be honoring UNA-USA Award recipients, including the **Campus Chapter of Excellence** and **Community Chapter of Excellence**...so please submit your nomination before the April 17th deadline (5:00 pm ET). More information can be found [here](#).

Register for Leadership Summit [here!](#)

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## New Membership Portal

We are thrilled to announce the launch of a new membership portal! This portal will allow members to update their contact information, change their email preferences, view their contribution history, update their payment method, and cancel recurring payments.

It is important to note that members will only be able to see information linked to the email they use to sign into the portal with. If there appears to be information missing, try logging in with a different email account. Please encourage members to check their information and update it as needed. The membership portal can be accessed [here](#). Please reach out to [membership@unausa.org](mailto:membership@unausa.org) with any questions!

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## World Refugee Day Screening

Is your chapter hosting a World Refugee Day event? Consider sharing a screening of the film The Neighborhood Storyteller. [Watch the trailer here](#). There are two ways your chapter can host a screening:

In-person community screening: \$250 (Up to 20 people), \$375 (21 to 35 people), \$450 (36 to 50 people), Quote depending of type of event (more than 50 people). Includes a one-time public performance license in a single location.

Virtual community screening: \$250 (Up to 20 people), \$375 (21 to 35 people), \$450 (36 to 50 people), Quote depending of type of event (more than 50 people). The film will be available to watch through a private event link for 72 hours.

Reach out to [info@homestorytellers.org](mailto:info@homestorytellers.org) for more information.

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## Host a Local Youth Human Rights Consultation

Calling all campus chapters and community chapters with youth members! UNA-USA is kicking off consultations for the [Declaration of Human Rights by American Youth](#) starting on April 28. During two-week periods, we'll be focusing on a specific human rights topic and encouraging chapters and members to take action, post in the online forum and host a local consultation. As a youth-led initiative, we are hoping to inspire UNA-USA chapters leaders to spearhead these local consultations as a way of engaging your members and local community on important human rights issues. This is a great opportunity to host a meeting with your chapter around a specific topic and work together to

draft recommendations for the Youth Declaration. We've put together a toolkit to help you host a consultation and you can learn more [here](#).

You can also reach out to Rae McCave, Senior Associate for Youth Engagement at [rmccave@unausa.org](mailto:rmccave@unausa.org) if you have any questions.

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## Be the Next Youth Observer to the UN

We are now accepting [applications](#) for the 2023-2024 UNA-USA Youth Observer to the United Nations! All applications must be submitted by Friday, April 28 at 11:59 p.m. ET. The [UNA-USA Youth Observer](#) to the UN elevates youth voices in the global policy dialogue around international issues. For a one-year term, an American between the ages of 18-25 is selected to engage and connect young people in the U.S. to the work of the United Nations. The Youth Observer travels throughout the United States to discover the issues important to young Americans and serves as a youth delegate at UN conferences.

For more information, please visit our [website](#).

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## Myra Engle's departure from UNA-USA

Myra Engle, Senior Associate for Community Engagement, will be leaving her position with UNA-USA with her last day being April 21. Please reach out to Juliana via the [membership@unausa.org](mailto:membership@unausa.org) inbox moving forward with any chapter-related inquiries.

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## National Leadership Call

**NEXT NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CALL IS MAY 2, 2023 @ 8 PM ET.**

The National Leadership Call is an opportunity to receive some important updates from the National Office and National Council, including programming, UN news, advocacy, chapter needs and more; giving you an opportunity to ask questions. Each meeting is concluded with a chapter exchange where you can share with your peers exciting things happening with your chapter.

Read more and register to join the next one [here!](#)

## Important Links

- [UNA-USA Store](#)
- [UNA-USA Swag Store](#)
- [Chapter Resources](#)
- [Chapter Landing Page Form](#)
- [Chapter Event Form](#)
- [Speaker Request Form](#)
- [Leave suggestions or feedback here!](#)



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