Detailed UNA-USA Leadership Summit Schedule with Confirmed Speakers

Sunday, June 2, 2024
Hamilton Hotel, 1001 14th St NW, Washington, DC

8:00 am – 9:30 am  Registration, Breakfast & Affinity Group Networking
9:30 am – 10:15 am  Opening Plenary
   • Rachel Bowen Pittman, UNA-USA Executive Director
   • Marielle Ali, UNA-USA National Council Chair
   • Ose Arheghan, UNA-USA Youth Observer to the UN
   • Aditi Joshi, Leadership Summit Planning Committee Chair and UNA-USA Regional Representative, South Central Region
   • “Tate” Wimberley, Leadership Summit Planning Committee Vice Chair and UNA-USA Regional Representative, South East Region
10:15 am – 10:20 am  Break
10:20 am – 11:15 am  Workshop Breakout Sessions Block A
   • Zaki Barzinji, Senior Director, Aspen Digital, The Aspen Institute
   • Kay McGowan, Senior Director for Policy, Digital Impact Alliance
   • Sueann Tannis, Senior Director, Communications, UN Foundation
   A2: Chapter Operations and Management
   • Ikoie Norman, VP of Membership and Fundraising, UNA Atlanta Chapter
   • Cristina Martinez, President, UNA Broward County Chapter
Alana Nahabedian, **Board Member, UNA Pomona Valley Chapter**

### A3: Integrating UN Initiatives into Communities
- Jordan Cruz, Associate, *Federal and State Affairs, Girl Scouts USA*
- Karen Mulhauser, *Past UNA-USA National Council Chair, and Principal, Mulhauser and Associates*
- Erin Tyler, *Public Diplomacy Officer, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, U.S Department of State*

#### Workshop Breakout Sessions Block B

- Andrew Cheatham, **Senior Advisor, United States Institute of Peace**
- Chandrima Das, **Director of Multilateral Affairs, National Security Council, White House**
- Rebecca Shoot, **Executive Director, Citizens for Global Solutions**
- Vincent Valdmanis, **Director, Peace and Security Policy, Better World Campaign, UN Foundation**

#### B2: Membership Leads & Needs
- Kate Chang, **President, UNA Sacramento Chapter**
- Payal Patel, **UNA Greater Chicago Chapter**
- Elma Galaasen Lund, **President, UNA University of Hawaii-Manoa Chapter**

#### B3: Stronger Together: Allies & Advocates for Diversity, Equity, Accessibility & Inclusion (DEAI)
- Jakeel Abdullah, **UNA-USA member and Black Disability Rights Advocate**
- Amy Bryant, **UNA-USA Regional Representative, Rocky Mountain Region and UNA-USA Pride Affinity Group Chair**
- Erin Reed, **journalist and author, ErinInTheMorning.com**
- Lady Tee Thompson, **UNA Women Affinity Group Chair and Executive Director at AgroBiz.org**
- Representative Zooey Zephyr, **Montana State Representative**

#### UNA-USA Awards Ceremony
- **UNA-USA Community Chapter of Excellence Award:** UNA National Capital Area Chapter
- **UNA-USA Campus Chapter of Excellence Award:** UNA Boston University Chapter
- **UNA-USA Young Leader of the Year Award:** Dom Jones
- **UNA-USA Advocate of the Year Award:** Kate Chang
- **Arnold Goodman Lifetime Achievement Award:** Verena Borton

#### Workshop Breakout Sessions Block C

#### C1: Pact for the Future: Reimagining and Transforming Global Governance
- Leslie Archambeault, **Managing Director, Humanitarian Policy, Save the Children**
- George Hampton, **Executive Director, Global Policy and Multilateral Initiatives, UN Foundation**
- Julie Mwabe, Lead, Global Advocacy and Public Policy, Global Partnership for Education

**C2: Planning Your Chapter Year**
- Avalyn Pace, President, UNA Dallas Chapter
- Dave Rice, President, UNA Orange County Chapter
- Olivia DiPrinzio, V.P., UNA Pennsylvania State University Chapter

**C3: Storytelling for Success**
- Nana Ohemaa Asante, UNA-USA Youth Member-at-Large
- Virgil Parker, UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador for SDG#4
- Jay Sjerven, UNA-USA Regional Representative, North Central Region
- Natasha Welcome, UNA Northern New Jersey Chapter

2:45 pm – 2:55 pm  Break
2:55 pm – 3:50 pm  Workshop Breakout Sessions Block D

**D1: Pact for the Future: Advancing Sustainable Development and Financing for Development**
- Caroline Kleinfox, Director, U.S. SDG Policy Planning, UN Foundation
- Sara Netzer, Myanmar Country Director, UNOPS
- Rachel Bowen Pittman, UNA-USA Executive Director

**D2: Chapter Leader Open Discussion**
- Monika Chill, Senior Associate, Community Engagement
- Melinda Howard-Herrarte, Leadership Summit Planning Committee Member and UNA-USA Regional Representative, Mid-Pacific Region
- Rae McCave, Senior Associate, Youth Engagement, UNA-USA

**D3: Turning Passion into Impactful Plans & Projects**
- Dr. Eileen Davis-Jerome, UNA-USA Regional Representative, South East Region
- Aditi Joshi, Leadership Summit Planning Committee Chair and UNA-USA Regional Representative, South Central Region
- Sophia Long, UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador for SDG#3 and Founder, Health Pride International

3:50 pm – 4:00 pm  Break
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm  Sustainable Development Goals Project Pitch Presentation

**Pitch Presenters:**
- Eesha Ande, UNA-USA Member-at-Large, San Antonio, TX
- Ilesha Baldwin, Member, UNA Atlanta Chapter
- Kat Hoelck, UNA-USA Member-at-Large, New York City, NY
- Ashley Parow, Member, UNA University of South Florida, FL
- Jackie Schiffer, UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador for SDG#2 and UNA-USA Member-at-Large, Princeton, NJ

**Pitch Judges:**
- Caroline Kleinfox, Director, U.S. SDG Policy Planning, UN Foundation
- Jarrett Lash, Lead UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador
- Rachel Bowen Pittman, UNA-USA Executive Director

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm  Pact for the Future Town Hall & Workshop: Shaping an Intergenerational Vision by Empowering Young People and Future Generations
• Ose Arheghan, 12th UNA-USA Youth Observer to the UN
• Sophia Kianni, UNA-USA Advisor and Founder, Climate Cardinals
• Rachel Svetanoff, UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador for SDG#17

Monday, June 3, 2024
Hamilton Hotel, 1001 14th St NW, Washington, DC

8:00 am – 9:00 am   Breakfast
9:00 am – 9:50 am  Opening Plenary: The U.S. and UN Partnership
• Rachel Bowen Pittman, UNA-USA Executive Director
• Ambassador Chris Lu, Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for Management and Reform
• Peter Yeo, President of the Better World Campaign and Senior Vice President, UN Foundation

9:50 am – 10:00 am  Break
10:00 am – 10:55 am  Breakout Sessions Block 1

1A: The United Nations in Washington and Across America
• Sarah Craven, Chief, United Nations Population Fund, North American Representation Office
• Farah Salim Eck, Senior Director, Programs & Policies, UNA-USA
• Jocelyn Brown Hall, Director, Washington Liaison Office at FAO
• Rafael Peralta, Regional Director and Representative, Regional Office for North America, UNEP
• Vinay Saldanha, Director of the U.S. Liaison Office, UNAIDS

1B: The U.S. Department of State & the UN: Purpose, Portfolios & Progress
• Tierra L. Copeland, Foreign Affairs Officer, Office of Sudan and South Sudan
• Nathan Doyel, Multilateral Affairs Officer, Office of UN Political Affairs (UNP), International Organizations Bureau
• Alejandro Garcia, Multilateral Anti-Corruption Advisor, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S. Department of State
• Virgil Parker, UNA-USA Global Goals Ambassador for SDG#4

10:55 am – 11:05 am  Break
11:05 am – 12:00 pm  Breakout Sessions Block 2

2A: US-UN Networks Coalition: Coming Together for Shared Interests
• Sandra Black, Communications Officer, USA for IOM
• Laura Brazee, Senior Director, Youth Engagement, UNICEF USA
• Farah Salim Eck, Senior Director, Programs & Policies, UNA-USA
• Ryan Quinn, Senior Director of Advocacy & Engagement, WFP USA

2B: Advocacy Across Campaigns: Coming Together for Refugee Health
• Mawda Boulad, refugee and UNA-USA member
• Cara Ciullo, Director, Shot@Life Campaign, UN Foundation
• Mandi Lindner, Communications Officer, UNHCR
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**Tuesday, June 4, 2024**

*Lutheran Church of the Reformation, 212 East Capitol St NE, Washington, DC 20003*

*Scheduled Meetings in Congressional Offices on Capitol Hill*

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