

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR RIGHTS PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

NARPA 2007 Annual Rights Conference:

Passing the Torch: New Advocates, New Skills, New Alliances

Radisson Hotel Los Angeles Westside, Los Angeles, CA

November 14 - November 17, 2007

2007 Conference Keynoters

[Leonard Roy Frank](#) - Transformational Spirituality

[Can Truong](#) - Journey Toward Freedom: Rights and Empowerment

[Jim Gottstein](#) - The Zyprexa Papers: Speaking Truth to Power

[Ira Burnim](#), of the [Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law](#)

[Young Activists Panel](#) - In Our Hands: The Future of Advocacy and the Movement

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And a Special Presentation of *Side Effects*, A Play by [Margaret Lunevitz](#), Activist and Playwright

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Well-known advocates and activists presenting workshops:

- [Michele Magar](#), *The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities*
- [Jennifer Mathis, J.D.](#), *New Developments in Voting Rights: What Advocates Need To Know for the Next Election*
- [Celia Brown](#), *United Nations Work with Diverse Populations*
- [Susan Stefan, J.D.](#), *Significant Developments in Mental Health Law -- 2006 -2007*
- [Bill Stewart, Ron Bassman & Ann Rider](#), *Teaching College as a Guerilla Activity*
- [Ira Burnim, J.D.](#), *Using Olmstead To Transform Community Services*
- [Leslie Morrison](#), *Updates and New Initiatives in Reducing and Eliminating Behavioral Restraint and Seclusion*
- [Dennis Feld, J.D., & Kim Darrow, J.D.](#), *Psychiatric Terrorism*
- [Tom Behrendt, J.D.](#), *Guardianship and a New Model Statute*
- [Leonard Roy Frank, Dorothy Dundas & Ron Bassman](#), *Bearing Witness*

AND MANY OTHERS, INCLUDING [Judi Chamberlin](#), [Nancy Arvold](#), [Bob Fleischer](#), [Jeannie Matulis](#), [Ty Colbert](#), [Melinda Byrd](#), [Mort Cohen](#), [Emmett Dwyer](#), [Elyn Saks](#), [Stacie Hiramoto](#), [Delphine Brody](#), [Laura Van Tosh](#)



For 25 years, NARPA has provided an educational conference with inspiring keynoters and outstanding workshops. We learn from each other, share with colleagues and come together as a community committed to social justice for people with psychiatric labels and developmental disabilities.