

June 22, 2023

**To: Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Unit Chairs and  
National Representatives of Media Sector Locals across Canada**

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## **Unifor Media Council**

September 20-24, 2023  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

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### ***Greetings,***

The 29<sup>th</sup> Media Council will be held Wednesday, September 20 to Sunday, September 24, 2024 at the Westin Nova Scotian in Halifax, NS, with check in beginning on Wednesday September 20.

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

We will continue to follow the same meeting schedule as follows:

- Wednesday, September 20 M-1 caucus from 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 21 Bell Media CTV, Rogers, Newspaper, and M-1 caucuses from 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 21 Equity caucus TBD
- Friday, September 22 Broadcast Caucus from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
- **The Media Council will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 22 and adjourn by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Sunday, September 24.**

## **NOTICE OF ELECTIONS**

There will be elections at this Council. All positions are up for Election.

- Chair
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Broadcast, Newspaper, Freelance and Quebec Caucus Chairs (in their respective caucus)
- Equity Caucus Chair
- Trustees (3 positions)

## **REGISTRATION**

### **On-site Registration check-in:**

Wednesday, September 20 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 21 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday, September 22 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Please find attached a Registration Form.

### **Deadline for registration is Sunday, August 20.**

Registration forms should be completed and returned by email to

[Kimberley.ONeil@unifor.org](mailto:Kimberley.ONeil@unifor.org) or by mail to:

Unifor Media Council

Attn: Kimberley O'Neil

115 Gordon Baker Road

Toronto, ON M2H 0A8

## **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE**

There is a \$150.00 registration fee to attend the Media Council as either a delegate or observer which is required for conference kit materials.

Please send cheques to Kimberley O'Neil at the national office (115 Gordon Baker Rd. Toronto, Ontario M2H 0A8). Please make cheque payable to: **Unifor Media Council.**

This year we will also be offering Locals that have the capability the option to do an Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). If your local wishes to pay by EFT prior to the council you can contact [Manon.Beauregard@unifor.org](mailto:Manon.Beauregard@unifor.org) and she can send the banking information. You must have your registration submitted prior to submitting an EFT request.

**DEADLINE for EFT payment is: August 20, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. ET**

**ACCOMMODATION FEES** at the Westin Nova Scotian are as follows:

**Costs per night:**

	Single	Double
Traditional – Queen	\$229.00	\$229.00
Traditional – King/Double	\$239.00	\$239.00

**[Book your group rate for Unifor Media Council](#)**

**OR**

**<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1680716992994&key=GRP&app=resvlink>**

**(Ctrl & click)**

**LAST DAY TO BOOK under the Unifor group rate is – August 20, 2023**

**CANCELLATIONS**

To avoid any cancellation fees, cancellations must be made by 6:00 p.m. AST 2 days prior to arrival.

Registrations and Accommodation for the conference will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to participate in the conference, delegates must have accommodations.

## COVID-19 Protection

The health and safety of our members and staff during the Media Council is a priority. While in some instances it feels like the pandemic is over, the threat of the COVID-19 virus is still very real and requires us to collectively work together to ensure that everyone participating in the event, as well as their families and loved ones, are kept safe.

Unifor has adopted a union-wide comprehensive policy on COVID-19 prevention for Unifor events.

This event will be a vaccine and mask-friendly event, therefore full vaccination and mask-wearing is strongly encouraged for all those individuals in attendance.

All public health guidelines as outlined by the regional public health unit will be followed for this event.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Conference.

In solidarity,



**Julie Kotsis**  
**Council Chair**



**Randy Kitt**  
**Media Director**

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cc: Lana Payne, Len Poirier, Naureen Rizvi, National Representatives Servicing Media Sector  
Locals, Laura Garvey



# 29TH MEDIA COUNCIL CONFERENCE

## The Westin Nova Scotian, Halifax

### REGISTRATION FORM

*(Please check appropriate boxes)*

**Meetings you will be attending:**

**NEWSPAPER**

**ROGERS**

**BELL CTV**

**INDEPENDENT BROADCAST**

**GLOBAL SHAW**

**Participating as:**

**Delegate**

**Observer**

**Invited Guest**

**Staff**

**Executive**

**NAME:**

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(Family Name)

(Given Name)

**LOCAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

\_\_\_\_\_

(Street / Apt)

\_\_\_\_\_

(City)

(Province)

(Postal Code)

**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Work

Home/Cell

Email

**MY LANGUAGE PREFERENCE IS:**      **ENGLISH**       **FRENCH**

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: AUGUST 20, 2023**

**REGISTRATION FEE:**      \$150 per delegate or observer. Registration fee must accompany registration form. Please make cheque payable to: **Unifor Media Council.**

# Unifor Media Self-Identification Form

Unifor Media Council is committed to equity in the workplace and within our Union. To fully understand the makeup of our leadership for this purpose please fill out the following form if you identify as an equity seeking member.

**Please Check All That Apply**

**Woman**

**Young Worker** (35 and under - photo id required)

**United Workers of Diversity (Aboriginal/Worker of Colour)**

**Worker with disABILITY(s)**

**LGBTQ**

**None of the above**

**Please circle your sector**    **Broadcast**                      **Print & Digital News**

**Publishing**              **Graphical**              **Quebec**              **Freelance**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Local Union #:** \_\_\_\_\_