

SUMMER SCHOOL FOR ACTIVISTS!

a free collaborative workshop series for skill sharing, community bonding, and craft-ivism.

Niagara Summer School for Activists Workshop Idea and Facilitator Form

Have an idea for a workshop or have a skill you want to share? Let us know here! There are no requirements to volunteer to facilitate, and no deadlines as workshops are scheduled on a rolling basis over the summer depending on availability and interest.

Keep in mind:

- The first round of workshops will begin approx **June 26**, if you want your workshop to be considered for that round please send this form to k8sp@proton.me by **June 19, 2022**.
- Subsequent round dates will be announced later, feel free to submit a form at any time and indicate when you are available.

These workshops are meant to be informal and collaborative and the series organizers reject the idea that only “experts” can speak about a topic or skill or that a certain amount of education or training is required. All are encouraged to suggest ideas or volunteer to facilitate, and organizers will make an effort to accommodate accessibility and safety needs.

This series is guided by safer space guidelines that aim to protect the safety and well-being of facilitators, participants, and organizers in recognition of and resistance to systems of oppression. These guidelines are in development and will be publicly available soon. If you have any questions or suggestions for safer space guidelines please email Kate at k8sp@proton.me.

All questions are optional and anonymous unless you choose to provide your contact info (required to be a facilitator!). Feel free to leave some questions blank or say you are not sure—we will follow up to discuss the details and we can work it out!

If you would rather chat with someone or shoot me a shorter email than fill out this form, you can email Kate at k8sp@proton.me.

Options for completion:

1. Download this doc, or copy and paste questions into a new doc or email draft, write your answers, send to k8sp@proton.me
2. Email k8sp@proton.me and arrange a phone call, virtual meeting, or in person chat to talk more about your idea (keeping these questions in mind)

Workshop idea questionnaire

(*indicates recommended questions if you are also volunteering to facilitate—see *next page*)

1. Your name and pronouns*
2. Say a bit about yourself? Where you're based, what community groups/spaces you are in, your interests, skills, dreams- anything you want us to know!*
3. Workshop topic idea(s)
4. What do you think would be the best way to facilitate sharing this skill?*(Examples: workshop, presentation, discussion group, tutorial, collaborative work session, etc)
5. What supplies might the facilitator and participants ideally have access to?*(Examples: powerpoint, projector, art supplies, kitchen, computers, etc—we will try our best!)
6. Are you volunteering to facilitate the workshop or contribute to the content? (circle what applies)
 - A. No, I'm just suggesting an idea I would be interested in
 - B. Yes, to facilitate (**go to questions on next page**)
 - C. Yes, to contribute to the content or talk more about this idea
7. Do you know anyone who might be interested in facilitating or would be good to consult on this topic? List here or reach out to them and give them our contact info!
8. Do you consent to receiving a follow up from us with questions or to be notified if this workshop idea moves forward? If yes, what is your email?
9. Do you want to stay in the loop about other workshops in this series? Enter your email here (if you didn't above)

Workshop facilitator form

1. Contact info (email/phone number)
2. Name of workshop (if not listed on page before, can be working title for now)
3. Can you say a bit about yourself and your experience with this topic/skill?
4. When do you want to/when can you facilitate a workshop? (factoring in the time it would take for you to plan an informal skill-sharing workshop- note we can support with planning/logistics)
5. Are there any dates from your proposed timeframe until Sept that you can NOT facilitate? (work schedule, trips, etc)
6. Do you have a location or venue in mind? (Does not have to be one you currently have access to)
7. Are there any resources that you recommend for participants to be sent in advance or printed materials to be provided at the workshop? (zines, books, articles, podcasts, videos, etc-can be finalized later)
8. Is there a limit to the number of people you are comfortable with attending this workshop? If this limit is reached, would you be willing to hold this workshop more than once?
9. Are there any accessibility or safety concerns workshop organizers should be aware of?
10. Any other information? Questions or comments?
11. Short bio of yourself if you want it to accompany info about the workshop (optional and can be sent later)