



## *Artists, Authors, & Advocates*

### **AAUW-New Mexico 2015 Annual State Convention in Santa Fe**

April 17-19, 2015  
Santa Fe Drury Plaza Hotel



### **Frequently Asked Questions and Answers**

**Question:** Who has to pay the registration fee to attend the Santa Fe AAUW State convention?

**Answer:** Every member is expected to pay the \$50 registration fee, including Santa Fe members. We would hope every one of our 103 Santa Fe members would volunteer to work on some aspect of the convention. If we waived the registration fee for each member who did some work, then we would not have anyone paying.

**Question:** Why the \$50 registration fee?

**Answer:** The three day convention works out to \$17 a day. This includes nationally known speakers, gallery reception and a gourmet lunch. Some of the speakers would normally charge \$200 for a speaking engagement. But because we are AAUW, they are waiving their fee.

**Question:** Is the Friday "New Mexico Fair Pay Act for Women Forum" is part of the conventions?

**Answer:** The New Mexico Fair Pay Act for Women Forum is sponsored by AAUW-New Mexico, but it is not part of the convention. The forum is from 11.30 am to 1 pm at the Drury Plaza Hotel. This forum targets attorneys and business people, but AAUW members are encouraged to attend. The cost for a box lunch will be \$15 but AAUW members can attend for free without buying lunch. Equal Pay is a critical part of AAUW's Mission. Even if you do not participate in the convention, please attend this forum. For questions on this forum, contact Karyl Lyne ([karyloz505@gmail.com](mailto:karyloz505@gmail.com))

**Question:** Who are the speakers at this convention?

**Answer:** On Saturday there will be four Nationally Known Speakers and on Sunday Valerie Plame Wilson will be speaking for free at 11 am. See [Convention Program](#) for details.

**Question:** Is this convention for AAUW members only?

**Answer:** No. There is no requirement to be an AAUW member to register and attend. Please feel free to invite friends to join us at this convention.

**Question:** When do I need to make my hotel reservations at the Santa Fe Drury Plaza Hotel?

**Answer:** Please make reservations by March 16<sup>th</sup> to receive the group rate of \$137/night rate (including tax) for a room with 2 queen beds. Amenities include with full breakfast, Happy Hour snacks and 3 drink coupons/person. Additional fee of \$14/day for overnight Valet Parking, but with multiple entries. AAUW Code: GROUP CODE 2223502.

**Question:** Any other important deadlines?

**Answer:** To take advantage of the Early Registration Fee of \$50, please send in your [registration form](#) and payment by April 5<sup>th</sup>.