



# Youth Leadership Development Conference

When: February 1-3, 2008

Where: Fourth Unitarian Society of Westchester  
1698 Strawberry Road, Mohegan Lake, NY 10547

Trainers: Jodi Slezak & Jen Ford

Cost: \$50 per person (including advisors). Please have checks made out to "UUDMNY".

Online Registration: <https://www.formdesk.com/uufirms/MoheganLakeLDC>

Contact/Registrar: Beth Dana - (518) 495-8268, [beth.r.dana@gmail.com](mailto:beth.r.dana@gmail.com)

**Registration Deadline: Monday, January 21, 2008. Please mail signed forms and payment immediately after registering online to:**

Beth Dana, 643 Prospect Place, Apt. 3L, Brooklyn, NY 11216

If you do not mail your registration by this deadline, please add a **\$10 late paperwork fee** to your check and bring the signed forms and payment with you to the con.

THERE ARE ONLY 25 YOUTH SPOTS, SO PLEASE GET YOUR REGISTRATIONS IN ASAP! Priority registration will be for two youth and one advisor per congregation. Others will be on a waiting list until the deadline.

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## ABOUT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCES

**WHAT IS AN LDC?:** LDCs are small working conferences designed for youth and adult leaders. An LDC focuses on making the youth group mind "smarter" by helping the participants learn how to be leaders. At an LDC, youth and advisors learn concrete leadership skills within a structure that helps them reflect on why they are involved in youth ministry, what roles they play in their youth group (local or district/regional), and what they think it means to be a leader in Unitarian Universalist communities. Leadership training is a process of empowerment-giving the members of the group the skills they need to have power in their group.

An LDC can also provide benefits to local youth groups and congregations; the youth and advisors returning from LDC conferences often bring their congregations new skills and energy. Most importantly, an LDC is about personal empowerment, offering each participant a chance to grow in terms of actual skills, self-confidence as a leader, and enthusiasm and commitment.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND AN LDC?:** Youth who want to learn to be leaders. Advisors who want to learn to be empowering. DREs and Ministers who want to learn to support youth programming.

**CHRYSALIS RECOGNITION:** Because this is a working con, your participation can go toward Chrysalis recognition through the UUA! Check out <http://www.uua.org/YRUU/training/index.html> for more information.