

# SEP 2012 US presidential candidate to speak at Australian election meetings

Our reporters  
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The SEP (Australia) is proud to announce that Jerry White, the 2012 presidential candidate of the Socialist Equality Party (US), will speak at the party's final election meetings in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane. His visit flows from the central aim of the SEP's 2013 election campaign: to fight for the development of a unified political movement of the international working class against the dangers of war, austerity and the global assault on fundamental democratic rights. It follows visits by SEP candidates this month to Sri Lanka and New Zealand to address meetings of workers and youth in those countries. The SEP is also holding final election meetings in Adelaide and Perth.

Jerry White, 54, has dedicated his entire adult life to the fight for international socialism. He joined the American Trotskyist movement in 1979 at the age of 19 and has represented the SEP (US) in several elections. He has also played a major role in the party's interventions into numerous struggles of the American working class, particularly among auto workers. He writes regularly for the *World Socialist Web Site*, assessing the bitter experiences of the working class with the Obama administration and the Democratic Party, the trade unions, and the pseudo-left organisations that serve as their apologists.

The SEP's campaign in the 2012 US presidential election won a significant hearing and response among broad layers of American workers and youth. Over the course of the year, White, a powerful speaker, addressed meetings and conferences across the United States. As well, he made an international tour of Sri Lanka, Britain and Germany, addressing audiences there on the necessity for an international strategy and program to unite workers around the world. He also spoke at factories and public meetings in Canada.

The meetings in Australia will provide workers and

youth with the opportunity to hear about and discuss the accelerating assault on democratic rights—which has been courageously exposed by whistleblower Edward Snowden, Bradley Manning and WikiLeaks—and the relationship between the Obama administration's moves to establish a police state within the US and its aggressive militarist policies around the globe—including the US “pivot” to China. White will also provide details of the drive by the American corporate elite, backed by the Democrats, to destroy the wages and conditions of American workers, thereby setting new benchmarks for stepped-up attacks on workers in every country, including Australia.

Meeting Details:

## **Melbourne**

Saturday, August 31, 4 p.m.

Arts House, Meat Market

5 Blackwood Street, North Melbourne

## **Sydney**

Sunday, September 1, 2 p.m.

University of Sydney, Camperdown Campus

Carslaw Building, Lecture Theatre 157

Eastern Avenue

*Parking: \$6 in City Road entrance car park*

## **Brisbane**

Wednesday, September 4, 7 p.m.

Ithaca Hall

Cnr Kennedy Terrace & Enoggera Terrace

Red Hill

## **Adelaide**

Thursday, September 5, 7 p.m.

Grenville Community Hub

10 Playford Boulevard

Elizabeth

## **Perth**

Thursday, September 5, 7 p.m.

Citiplace Community Centre Conference Room

Wellington Street, Perth

*(Located upper level walkway Perth City Railway  
Station Complex)*

Tickets for all meetings: \$3 or \$2 concession

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