REQUEST FOR CALENDAR LISTING

100 Years After: The Triangle Fire Remembered and Rethought
Friday, March 25, 2011, 7-9 PM

Co-sponsored by The Cooper Union and Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition

A century has passed since the harrowing deaths of 146 garment workers – mainly young, immigrant and female – when fire swept through the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory near Washington Square on March 25, 1911. A memorial meeting followed in The Great Hall of The Cooper Union, where only two years earlier, hundreds of garment workers had rallied against their sweatshop conditions. But the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory workers did not die in vain. Their workplace tragedy gave rise to our contemporary labor, building and fire safety laws as well as an enduring social justice movement. In tribute, on March 25 at 7 PM, The Cooper Union and Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition will recreate a Memorial Meeting in The Great Hall featuring art, music poetry and storytelling:

- **Music**: New York Labor Chorus, Metropolitan Klezmer
- **Poetry**: NYC youth poets
- **Storytelling**: Caitlin Belforti portraying Clara Lemlich, LuLu LoLo portraying Rose Schneiderman, Cecil Roberts (Mine Workers), Chaumtoli Huq (Taxi Drivers), Ai Jen Poo (Domestic Workers Union), Jibari Hill (Catfish Farm Workers) Annelise Orleck (Labor and Working Class History Association)
- **Art Exhibition** “Made by Hand”: A response to the Triangle Factory Fire by artists and secondary school students. Organized by Cindy Maguire. Image below:

MAZZA/NIKE BLANKET PETITION
An international group of knit and crochet hobbyists have stitched a 15 foot wide blanket of the Nike Swoosh. Each crocheted pixel (square) acts as a petition for fair labor policies for Nike garment workers.

WHAT: 100 Years After: The Triangle Fire Remembered and Rethought
A century after the harrowing deaths of the 146 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory workers and their memorial service at The Cooper Union-The Great Hall, The Cooper Union and Remember the Triangle Fire Coalition recreate a Memorial Meeting with art, music, and spoken word to recall their legacy: workplace safety, comprehensive fire and building codes and social justice.

WHEN: Friday, March 25, 2011 from 7-9 pm

WHERE: The Great Hall-The Cooper Union, 7 E. 7th St. (b/w 3rd and 4th Aves.), 2nd floor, NYC, 10003 Subways: Astor Place (6), 8th Street (N, R)

COST: Free

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