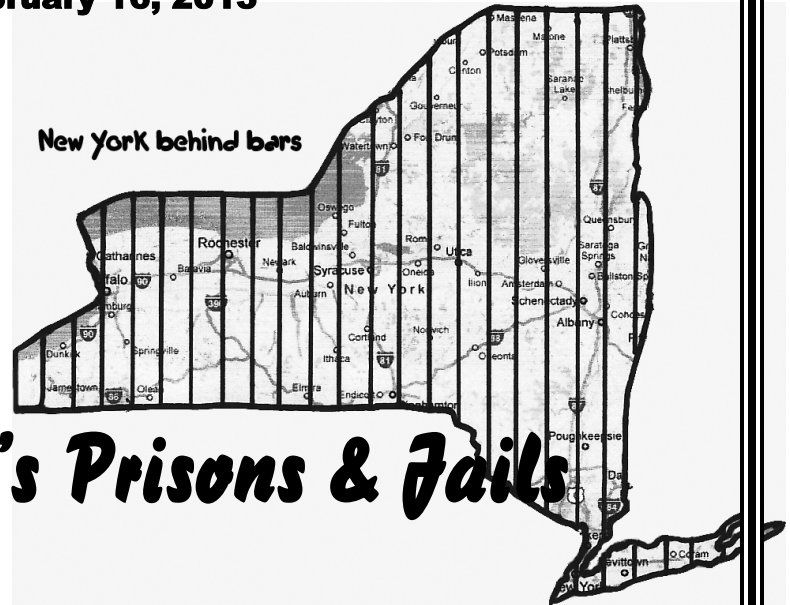


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# ***Invisible and Forgotten: Solitary Confinement and Aging in New York's Prisons & Jails***



## **A double workshop addressing problems and solutions**

**Sponsored by Senator Bill Perkins**

**10:15 a.m. in Meeting Room 2**

**Aging in Prison:** With nearly 9,000 people age 50 and above, New York State's Department of Corrections and Community Supervision confronts a human rights injustice, an economic burden and a criminal justice travesty. The panel will address:

- The issue of extensive and indeterminate sentences
- The cost of incarcerating the elderly;
- Release mechanisms and recidivism;
- The inhumanity of dying in prison.

**Presented by New York State Justice Advocates**

**Solitary Confinement:** People in isolated confinement are held in a small cell for 22 to 24 hours a day without meaningful human contact, programming, or therapy. New York prisons and jails currently subject people to isolated confinement far too broadly, routinely, and frequently. This panel will discuss:

- The current state of the imposition of isolated confinement in New York;
- The devastating impact on people subjected to it and their families;
- Current efforts by campaigns of concerned community members to challenge New York's use of isolated confinement, including the drafting of comprehensive legislation.

**Presented by Campaign for Alternatives to Isolated Confinement**