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AMNESTY CALENDAR

10 - 12 MAY

National annual meeting in Gävle

25 - 26 MAY

Base course in asylum law

(read more here: http://aktivism.amnesty.se/forms/grundutbildning-i- asylratt-25-26-maj/)

12 - 16 JUNE

Järva week

29 JULY - 3 AUGUST

Nordic Youth Conference in Sweden

REPORT RELEASE AND THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST RAPE -LET'S BEGIN!

By: Sanna Blomgren, campaign leader region north east, and Matilda Egberg, campaign Intern.

Time for change: Justice for Rape Survivors in the Nordic Countries is the name of the report that was released a month ago, and follows up the report *Case Closed* which was released ten years ago.

two main tracks will be followed in the campaign from what is stated in the report:

- 1. Rape investigations will be prioritized by the police and judiciary.
- 2. People who are victims of rape will have access to healthcare, support and trauma treatments.

THIS IS WHAT WE CAN DO NOW:

- -Gather petitions for the head of the national police force Anders Thornberg. As he has the main responsibility of the division of resources within the swedish police organisation, we call on him to prioritize rape cases. More than 10 000 people have already signed! There is an online petition as well as ordinary petition-lists that are available for print at aktivistportalen (kampanjer och aktioner > kvinnors rättigheter).
- -Right to your local paper! You can find a template for this at aktivistportalen > kampanjer och aktioner > kvinnors rättigheter.
- -Investigate if there are other organizations who might want to support this! Keep an eye out for local partnerships!



THE CAMPAIGN IS GOING TO FESTIVALS!

During this summer the campaign will also appear on festivals around Sweden in order to reach out to even more people. The purpose is to shed light on the "filtering process" of rape cases. We want to change this! Amnesty have booked spots at three festivals so far:

UMEÅ -Brännbollsyran 30th may-1st june, do you want to join? email Tina Moradian from Amnesty Student Group Umeå at tina1998@live.se for more info.

GOTHENBURG-Way out West 8-10th of august, do you want to join? email krgamnestygbg@gmail.com for more info.

MALMÖ -Malmöfestivalen 15-16th of august, do you want to join? email froberg.emma@gmail.com for more info.

DO YOU WANT TO CAMPAIGN ON ANOTHER FESTIVAL? Contact Sanna Blomgren, sanna.blomgren@amnesty.se

CAMPAIGN WITH AMNESTY AT JÄRVAVECKAN!

Järvaveckan is a meetingplace for organisations, politicians, companies and citizens. It takes place th 12-16th of june in Stockholm at Spånga IP. Amnesty will have a campaign tent there where we will focus on the campaign against rape and the campaign about exposed EU-citizens *also human*. Two seminars about the campaigns will be held by Amnesty during the week.

The tent will be staffed by amnesty between 14 and 19 every day. Do you live close to Stockholm/ in Stockholm and want to join? Then you have to:

- 1. Register at Aktivistportalen > Kampanjer och aktioner > Utsatta EU-medborgare OR Kvinnors Rättigheter
- 2. Put Saturday the 25th of may in your calendar for an information meeting at the office in Stockholm for alla activists who will join Järvaveckan.

THE FIGHT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS CONTINUE, WE CAN'T WAIT!

BY: Amelia Wingqvist, Campaign leader region south.

PRIDE 2019 -SFE YOU THERE!

UPDATE: Since last number of the newsletter, the court in Turkeys stated that the ban on LGBTQI-rights in Ankara is illegal, and thus repealed the bans. Great victory, but they still need our support since the authorities in Ankara still have the possibility to ban events. Istanbul Pride is still in uncertainty. Thus we call on the authorities to defend, not ban, the celebration of Pride in both Ankara and Istanbul this year! Show the turkish people your solidarity by ordering material to your group at aktivism.amnesty.se/hbtqi.

GIVE YOUR INPUT TO AMNESTY'S NEW GLOBAL STRATEGY

BY: Anna Lindenfors, Secretary General Amnesty International Sweden.

In the international movement the process has begun to work out a new global strategy for the period 2021-2024. All the sections are invited to share their thoughts. The answers need to be submitted in the end of july, and a compilation of these will be sent out during the fall.

An important question is: How do we keep ourselves relevant and effective in a world of constant change?

This working process should answer to the question how our work has to develop, and what needs to be prioritized in order to challenge the systems which are the core of the human rights violations and injustices we see in the world today. When should Amnesty lead the changements, and when should we support other initiatives? We need to develop clear and concrete guidelines with this Global strategy.

There are five main areas which are in the focus for input:

- Power and system change
- Stories and attitudes
- Stronger movement and partnerships
- Equality and inclusion
- The added value of Amnesty

A form with questions about these subjects is open to members, groups and staff until the 7th of june. The consultation process will later lead on to the decision about the new global strategy which will be decided at the Global Assembly 2020. We look forward to your new ideas, perspectives and solutions, so that Amnesty can be prepared to face the challenges of tomorrow!

VITALINA'S TOUR OF SWEDEN!

BY: Karin Ledin Da Rosa, Campaign leader region north west

In the beginning of april we hade the pleasure to welcome the ukrainian human rights defender Vitalina Koval to Sweden! On her tour she visited four universities to share her story. The tour ended with a dinner at the secretariat with the secretary general of Amnesty International, Kumi Naidoo, activists, and staff. The organisation of the tour was made by the student council and the student groups with support from the secretariat.

If you would like to do something similar, contact Karin (karin.darosa@amnesty.se)











NOTIFICATIONS

ABC-EDUCATION IN STOCKHOLM -Ebba Carlson

The 25th of may an ABC-education for new amnesty members will be held in Stockholm. Swedish only! Register at https://forms.gle/HXnWVsDw39w2Prmk6

ORDER AMNESTY PRESS NO 2! -Ulf B Andersson

The new issue will be out the 18th of june, you can pre-order it already! Perfect for handing out during activities! Send an email with the subject "AP-extra tidningar" the 31st of may the latest to <u>AP@amnesty.se</u> Don't forget to write the postal address and your phone number.