

Chicago Seed

JUNE 2026

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NOT THE WAR MACHINE!
PARTY FOR SOCIALISM & LIBERATION
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ABOUT FACE
VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR

VETS SAY NO

NO.

IT ALL ENDS
WHEN
ENOUGH
OF US SAY
NO

ICE
MURDERS
AMERICANS

WORKERS OVER BILLIONAIRES
PRIORIDAD A LOS TRABAJADORES NO A LOS BILIONARIOS

PEACE! NOW!

Stop the Bombs!

72 House representatives want to stop sending U.S. weapons to Israel. One year ago today, Rep. Delia Ramirez introduced the first bill in U.S. history to proactively block major weapons to Israel: the Block the Bombs Act (HR 3565). One third of House Democrats have signed on to block the bombs.

October of 2023 sparked a movement in this country that the anti-Palestinian lobby has been trying to shut down ever since. Israel's assault on Gaza, the deliberately engineered famine, the mass displacement, and the targeting of hospitals and aid workers, all unfolded in real time on every screen in every language known to humans.

Everyday people saw it. They couldn't unsee it. And they organized.

Since then, the U.S. government has authorized sending \$37 billion in weapons to arm the Israeli military. Israel has used those weapons to wipe out an estimated hundreds of thousands of Palestinians in Gaza, and to launch a wider war on Iran and Lebanon.

People across the world have risen up. From campus encampments to dock workers refusing to load weapons shipments. From activists shutting down congressional offices to healthcare workers testifying about what U.S. bombs do to children's bodies.

Millions of people, including you, in cities and towns that had never organized around Palestine, demanded an end to U.S. complicity.

That pressure moved Congress in ways we had never seen. We saw the first ever Senate votes to block weapons to Israel in 2024, then the growth of support for the Block the Bombs Act, and most recently 85% of Senate Democrats voting to block weapons.



75% of Democratic voters want to stop arming Israel. A decade ago, these numbers seemed inconceivable. And now, an unprecedented number of candidates running for office are proudly standing up against the Israeli lobby. We need Congress to act.

TELL YOUR REP TO SUPPORT THE BLOCK THE BOMBS ACT

Right now, some representatives are moving to integrate the U.S. and Israeli militaries in the upcoming 2027 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The impact of such a merger would be catastrophic, keeping the U.S.-Israel genocide machine running with the sharing of technology, intelligence, and weapons research.

Meanwhile the U.S. and Israel are quietly negotiating the next 10-year MOU agreement, which will dictate military funding from 2029 to 2038.

A new Quincy Institute report discusses the potential impact of this secretive deal: moving billions in military funding dollars out of foreign aid accounts, where Congress votes on it every year and conditions can legally be attached, and into Pentagon budgets, where public accountability becomes more difficult if not impossible.

The Block the Bombs Act is the clearest tool we have to stop the Trump administration from sending more major weapons to Israel. If your rep is already a cosponsor, thank them and ask them to push their colleagues. And if they're not, they need to hear from you today.

-US Campaign for Palestinian Rights
<https://uscpr.org/>

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INDIGENOUS LAND AND RIGHTS UNDER ATTACK

In the sacred He Sapa, known in English as the Black Hills of South Dakota, the Lakota sacred site known as Pe' Sla ("pay-SHLAH") is currently under attack by mining activity.

On Friday, February 27th, 2026, U.S. Forest Service Black Hills Regional Office issued a permit to drill for graphite at Pe'sla, a sacred site within our sacred Black Hills and a place of ceremony for thousands of years.

The mining project was proposed by Pete Lien & Sons, a mining company based in Rapid City, SD. This project is the exact equivalent of mining inside the Vatican or at the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

What Pete Lien and USFS are attempting to do would be a direct violation of treaty rights via the Constitutional Treaty of Fort Laramie (1868). This project is a massive risk to the Rapid Creek watershed, a critical drinking water source for Rapid City, Ellsworth Air Force Base, and multiple Indian Reservations.

What's at stake around Pe' Sla is not just the human rights of Indigenous Peoples, but the religious freedom and the environmental safety and health of everyone in the United States.

Facts About Pe' Sla

Pe' Sla has been a ceremonial site of Lakota, Dakota, and other Indigenous Nations for thousands of years.

In 2014, four Tribes purchased the land title back from a private holder, then worked with the Department of the Interior to put the land into federal trust.

The Tribes and the U.S. gov't agreed in a



Memorandum of Understanding that Pe' Sla and its surrounding boundary are sacred, unique, and should be protected from mining.

Now Pete Lien & Sons, a Rapid City mining company, wants to drill for graphite inside a protected area.

Indigenous youth occupied the site, locked down to equipment and stopped the drilling directly.

Nine tribes filed a lawsuit contending that the permit the US Forest Service granted to Pete Lien & Sons Inc. violated both the National Historic Preservation Act and National Environmental Policy Act.

The Tribes who filed the suit include the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, Santee Sioux Tribe, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and Yankton Sioux Tribe.

This is the second lawsuit filed against this drilling project with the first being filed on April 2, 2026, by NDN Collective, Black Hills Clean Water Alliance, and Earthworks. ndnco.org Sign our petition at: <https://ndnco.cc/protectpesla>.

FREE THE PRISONERS!

Global Cannabis Marches Demand Freedom!



May 2nd in Buenos Aires, Argentinians participated in large demonstrations demanding cannabis legalization, an end to arrests and freedom for prisoners.

Every May since last century, cannabis legalization activists have coordinated protests worldwide. There have been actions in hundreds of cities, mostly on the first weekend of the month.

This year was the 54th annual Cannabis Parade in New York, initially organized by Yippies as the “5th Ave. Pot Parade”.

This year, the New York protest and 30 of the other demonstrations also demanded the right to grow, share and consume mushrooms and other psychedelics. [Millionmushroommarch.org](https://millionmushroommarch.org)

Along with the general demand to free the prisoners, the NY event and others highlighted the demand to free Dana Beal, a dedicated 79 year old organizer of the Global March and an activist for Ibogaine legalization who is currently locked up in Idaho for cannabis.

Ibogaine is a psychedelic effectively used to treat addiction, but still illegal in U.S.

Chicago had large legalization demonstrations in the past. We won decriminalization and a 500 page law that taxes and regulates us. They let us have a bit of our human rights back in exchange for the state trying to balance it's budget on our backs. We need to legalize it for real now! <https://cures-not-wars.org>



Columbians fill the streets of Medellín.

Protests Erupt at New Jersey Detention Center in Support of Hunger Striking Detainees

Some 300 detainees launched a hunger and labor strike in protest of the conditions at the ICE jail.



By Shireen Akram-Boshar, Truthout.org
May 26, 2026

Protests erupted on Sunday night outside of the Delaney Hall immigrant jail in Newark, New Jersey, when Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) moved to transfer a strike leader from the jail.

Some 300 detainees launched a hunger and labor strike on Friday in protest of the conditions at the ICE jail. On Sunday, activists and family members learned that the jail was preparing to move Martin Soto, one of the detainees who had announced the strike.

Gabriela Soto, Martin's wife, saw ICE agents loading Martin into a van, and ran to block the van that held her husband from leaving the site. Other demonstrators joined in blocking the van from leaving the facility, and forced it back to the detention facility. Protestors formed a blockade for hours to prevent Martin Soto from being moved out of the site.

"Free Martin!" the protestors chanted. "Free them all!"

Later, around 1 am on Monday, ICE agents began to move a caravan of vehicles out of the facility, and protestors again attempted to block the vehicles from leaving. ICE agents then shoved aside protestors, pushing them against the sidewalk and against cars, and pepper sprayed at least one protestor.

A Department of Homeland Security (DHS) spokesperson announced on Monday that after "ICE successfully dispersed approximately 70 agitators" it succeeded in transferring Martin to another facility.

Since the start of the hunger strike, family

members and supporters have gathered outside of the detention center. Among others, a 10-year-old child spoke about her father, who is currently being imprisoned in the facility by ICE.

On Friday, Gabriela Soto translated calls from prisoners, including her husband Martin, who said, "We deal with racism, with bad conditions, with guards that do not help us.... It gets worse all the time, and they don't treat us like people." The guards soon cut access to the detainees' phones so that these calls could not continue.

People being imprisoned at Delaney began a hunger strike after signing two letters describing their circumstances and conditions.

"We feel vulnerable and, in a way, kidnapped — detained without justification — not to mention that we are being tortured physically and psychologically due to the poor food resources provided in these detention centers," they wrote. "Families are being destroyed and separated."



"We have seen judges in this detention center who are ready to carry out deportations and mass expulsions without properly reviewing cases," they went on. "We live with anguish and fear of appearing in court."

One participant in the labor and hunger strike wrote in a letter describing the conditions of the jail:

We have people sleeping on the floor for not being processed quick enough. They neglect medications for people who are in dire need of it. All of our bonds are denied and they are telling us to file habeas corpus for everyone that is in here, they constantly tell us we are a danger to society. The same judge that denies your bond is the same judge that reviews our immigration court cases and that is not fair.

Delaney opened as an ICE jail in May 2025 in a
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ICE gassed people who weren't eating.

By Jason Hodge, founder of Broad Daylight News
substack.com/@broaddaylightnews

ICE confirmed they gassed people who weren't eating. That's not the spin. That's GEO Group's own spokesperson, on the record, to The Intercept. Christopher Ferreira admitted staff used "chemical agents" on detainees at Delaney Hall on Thursday. He called it "appropriate response and control measures." The men inside were on day six of a hunger strike over rotten food and being denied a doctor, and the company that runs the place is telling you, in writing, that they pepper-sprayed them and that this was policy working as intended.

Gabriela Soto is four months pregnant. She has spent days standing outside that building on Doremus Avenue in Newark because her husband Martin is inside. ICE arrested him four months ago while he was buying diapers, ac-

cording to his family. A judge already barred his removal while his case plays out. He's a U.S. citizen's husband and he's still in there. When a white van tried to leave the facility last week she says her husband was inside it, screaming and banging on the window, and a crowd surrounded the van to stop it. That's the person Homeland Security wants you to picture when the President calls the people outside "fake" and "paid for."

Here is what they are not telling you. Roughly 300 people inside Delaney Hall signed an open letter before any of this hit the news (The Independent, May 25).

They laid out who they actually are. People who turned themselves in at the border and were granted parole or given court dates. People who got work permits, paid into Social Security, filed taxes. People who have lived here ten years or more with citizen children. People with HIV, cancer, diabetes, heart conditions who say they aren't getting treated.

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Delaney Hall Torture Center

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\$1 billion, 15-year contract between private prison contractor GEO Group and ICE. It is the largest ICE facility on the East Coast and has faced push-back since the announcement of its opening.

New Jersey Democratic Sen. Andy Kim visited the detention center Saturday, and wrote on X that he saw inside it a "high school student crying and saying she just wanted to graduate senior year"; a woman "who had a miscarriage in the detention facility" and was "left to manage [it] all on her own"; and a "carton with the milk inside congealed solid."

On Monday, Kim returned to the site, and said that he was pepper sprayed. "Instead of engaging with me and others about the poor conditions, ICE sent in an armored vehicle and a line of armed agents that only poured gasoline on the fire," he wrote on X. Kim described ICE agents tackling and restraining protestors and firing pepper balls and spray into the crowd.

On Tuesday morning, the protest continued, and video footage from outside Delaney once again shows ICE agents detaining and dragging protestors.



Leqaa Kordia — a Palestinian from East Jerusalem who was arrested in Newark when meeting with immigration officials about her status and then detained for over a year in ICE jails for her Palestine activism — wrote a statement in solidarity with the Delaney hunger strikers.

"When you choose hunger over submission, you're doing something that terrifies ICE," she wrote on Monday. "You are proving that even when they break your bodies, they can't break your will. You are proving that a person stripped of freedom can't be stripped of dignity." "I know the conditions you're enduring," she went on. "The rotten food. The medical neglect. The psychological torture of indefinite limbo. I know what it took for you to look at that tray of slop and say: No more. Not until I'm free."



ICE crimes...

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They wrote that they were arrested at their own check-in appointments, the appointments the government told them to show up for.

Then the timeline gets worse.

May 21: protests start outside the facility after a detainee leader's wife calls for solidarity.

May 24 (Saturday): Sen. Andy Kim visits and tells reporters one immigration judge in the district has 74 cases on the docket in a single week. "How can any judge have 74 cases before them? This is clearly a farce."

May 28 (Thursday): it breaks open. Reps. Dan Goldman and Jerry Nadler walk out of the facility looking shaken. Goldman tells *The Intercept* that detainees described scalding showers causing burns and blisters, worms in the food, no doctor on site, and that many of them believe the abuse is retaliation for the strike. Rep. Frank Pallone says he was barred from the specific unit where the violence was alleged. Rep. Frank Pallone calls for the place to be shut down on video. New Jersey health investigators show up to inspect and are denied full entry, allowed into only a limited part of the building, according to Gov. Mikie Sherrill. Ambulances arrive. At least four people are hospitalized, according to lawmakers.

Family members and advocates say it was worse than chemical agents. Relatives told *The Intercept* that guards promised detainees a negotiation on Thursday and attacked them instead. One woman said her nephew was hit in the head with a baton and couldn't see. Make the Road NJ director Nedia Morsy said agents were "violently beating the hunger strikers." Those accounts come from families relaying what detainees told them, and GEO denies the beatings while admitting the chemical agents, so weigh it as what it is. But here's the thing. You don't have to take the families' word for the worst of it. The company already admitted to gassing people in their cells. The state already confirmed inspectors were blocked. A governor

already said it out loud.

Here is the part that should make your blood boil. The official response to all of this. Homeland Security Secretary Markwayne Mullin, asked about people refusing food, said this on Wednesday: "They're refusing to eat because they want their ethnic food. Well, they can go back to their country and get whatever food they want. We're giving them the calories they want. This isn't Holiday Inn." That's a cabinet secretary explaining away a hunger strike at a facility where his own contractor just admitted to using chemical weapons on the strikers. And the President's contribution was to call the pregnant woman outside and everyone like her "fake" and "all paid for."

Now the money. GEO Group, the private prison company running Delaney Hall, got a 15-year, \$1 billion contract from the Trump administration to operate this one facility (*The Independent*). Roughly 70,000 people are in ICE detention at any given time right now. More than 30 people died in ICE custody in 2025, the deadliest year in over two decades, and at least 18 have died so far this year. And earlier this month the administration announced it's closing the independent watchdog that reviews civil rights complaints inside these facilities, blaming funding lapses after the shutdown. They are removing the cameras at the exact moment the footage would matter most.

If you're about to tell me these people broke the law coming here, read their own letter. Most of them presented themselves at the border and asked for the process the law promises them. Most people in ICE detention have not been accused of any crime. Sen. Bob Menendez, standing outside the facility: "There are no criminals in there. You have a pregnant woman in there. You have a woman who suffered a miscarriage in there. You have fathers, grandfathers, mothers, grandmothers." A judge already ruled Martin Soto can't be removed. They tried to put him in a van anyway.

One of the organizers, Andre Beresford Burger, got pepper-sprayed at the protest and said the thing that should stay with you. "If ICE agents are willing to storm into a crowd and brutalize people on camera and in front of the press, what does this say about what they're doing to people inside immigration detention, away from the cameras?"

That's the whole question. They did the confirmed part in front of reporters. The watchdog is being shut down. The inspectors were turned away at the door. Whatever happens next at Delaney Hall happens with the lights off, and they are telling you to your face that the people asking you to look are fake.

They're signing their real names to a letter from inside a cell. Nearly 300 of them. The least we can do out here is not look away.

CORPORATE CRIME

Join a growing global movement to stop Palantir's surveillance on our communities



Palantir is the most dangerous tech company you may not have heard of. It uses artificial intelligence to weaponize our data against us. Built with CIA funding to support the U.S. “war on terror,” Palantir is a weapons company disguised as a software start-up. Now it helps Israel plan its military operations and powers ICE’s deportation machine.

And it is everywhere. Palantir is used by militaries, police forces, banks, hospitals, and even your local pharmacy or favorite fast-food place. This technology is designed to help governments track and target individuals. It is killing people abroad and can be weaponized against everyone. That’s why it must be stopped.

What does Palantir actually do?

Palantir vacuums up massive amounts of data collected by governments and corporations. Palantir’s AI algorithm then combines all this data into a single, gigantic dataset and looks for patterns that are hard to see.

For example, it might find the location of someone who overstayed their visa for ICE. Immigration enforcement uses Palantir to centralize data, which can include our known addresses, phone numbers, driving records, credit history, immigration history, health data, and social media presence all in one place. Palantir’s tools have fueled some of the largest raids on immigrant communities in ICE’s history.

How does Palantir support genocide and war?

The Israeli government began using Palantir software in 2014 and significantly scaled up its partnership during its genocide on Gaza, which began in 2023. The Israeli military has used Palantir technology to plan attacks in Lebanon and Gaza.

Palantir also works closely with the U.S. military. According to the CEO, “Our weapons software is in every combat situation I’m aware of.” Palantir executive Shyam Sankar has said that Palantir’s work for the Pentagon is “this generation’s Manhattan Project,” referring to the World War II program that developed the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Who is Peter Thiel?

Peter Thiel is a central co-founder of Palantir. He is a billionaire venture capitalist, conservative libertarian, and an early investor in Facebook who made much of his money from founding PayPal. According to Thiel, “I no longer believe that freedom and democracy are compatible.”

How can we stop Palantir?

We are a collective of immigrant rights groups, Palestine solidarity organizations, environmental justice advocates, labor unions, and many others working to hold Palantir accountable and stop its expansion into our lives.

Visit our Purge Palantir campaign page:
<https://afsc.org/purge-palantir>

Racetracks feeding at the public trough?



Urge your Illinois state representative to oppose any funding to prop up the dying horse racing industry and stop bailing out this cruel trade based on animal exploitation.

If you don't know who represents you, please go to Illinois State Board of Elections District Locator at: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/b62f98ad44314d18ade2545833aa498a/>

Urge Governor JB Pritzker to work with Illinois legislators to #End-Horseracing and use critical monies for programs that improve society such as funding for children, the homeless, veterans, the environment, the arts, etc. Governor JB Pritzker- jb@illinois.gov 217-782-6830 or 217-782-6831

-Chicago Alliance for Animals



With data centers harming communities across the country, local residents are refusing to be a sacrifice zone for this quantum data center facility.

Southside Together demands Governor J.B. Pritzker, Mayor Brandon Johnson, and alderman Peter Chico and Greg Mitchell stop the development of the 9 billion dollar Illinois Quantum and Micro Electronics park on the contaminated former South Works site.

Since the facility was announced in July 2024, residents have raised fears about displacement, pollution, water usage, energy bills, jobs, surveillance, and a lack of accountability and transparency. There are fears that the development will displace long-term residents. The site is contaminated. The computer itself must be kept at -450 degrees Fahrenheit, and the project is directly on the lake,

raising concerns about water pollution and outages. High energy usage may also contribute to the climate crisis and raise already increasing utility bills for residents.

southsidetogether.org (773) 217-9598



QUANTUM FACILITY

& ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

CALL TO ACTION

submit a virtual public comment to tell
Brandon Johnson: STOP QUANTUM!

Mayor Brandon Johnson is collecting virtual public comments about the city budget. Why is he backing a quantum facility costing \$1 billion of public money, when he could be investing directly in our neighborhoods?

SUBMIT A WRITTEN COMMENT AT
[BIT.LY/NOMONEY4QUANTUM](https://bit.ly/nomoney4quantum) TO DEMAND

NO QUANTUM FACILITY!
INVEST IN COMMUNITY!

WORK

Starbucks Workers United on Strike



Starbucks Workers United is a bright spot in a bleak landscape: 12,000+ baristas are organizing for a fair contract with higher pay, better staffing and hours, and an end to union busting. This isn't just about coffee: it's about whether big corporations can crush an organizing wave or whether working people reclaim our power. These baristas are taking real risks and showing the country what hope looks like. Stand with them. When workers act with the support of their communities, we can take back power from billionaires and CEOs.

Since 2021, Starbucks baristas have spoken up and documented instances of misconduct and unfair treatment from the company, especially during workers' fight for improved conditions in a



finalized union contract. Notably, police have been called on baristas who have engaged in peaceful and protected activities, such as picketing and leafleting. The United Nations Human Rights Council has called on Starbucks and the U.S. government to respond to these allegations. As it stands, Starbucks is the largest violator of labor law in modern U.S. history, and over 10,000 baristas have organized unions in OVER 700 of stores to fight for better pay, hours, protections, accessible benefits, and more. The U.N. says the company may be violating the rights to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly, and other international law protections. Union Starbucks workers are continuing to ask customers to support them by not buying Starbucks products until the company finalizes fair union contracts. Union baristas are calling on Starbucks customers to #DeleteTheApp to show Starbucks that you stand with baristas, not billion-dollar companies.

nocontractnocoffee.org



Rideshare Drivers Win the Right to a Union!

100,000 rideshare drivers across Illinois won the right to form a union through the passage of the Rideshare Drivers' Union Bill (HB 5090).

This victory was possible because drivers organized and showed up at the Capitol week after week. Drivers shared painful, personal stories about low pay, unsafe conditions, unjust deactivations, and the struggle to support their

families while these companies made billions. Drivers built community in an industry designed to keep workers isolated, and together, drivers made history.

The Illinois Drivers Alliance is a coalition of rideshare drivers across the state, affiliating with SEIU Local 1 and IAM Local 701.

illinoisdriversalliance.org

¡Cuba Sí, Bloqueo No!

June 28–July 4, Week of Action–No War on Cuba campaign is a global movement to stop U.S. military aggression against Cuba.

Our demands include:

End all military escalation against Cuba

The removal of Cuba from the United States State Sponsors of Terrorism list

An end to the economic blockade

The return of Guantánamo Bay to the Cuban people

And normalized relations between the United States and Cuba.

We also demand an end to military and financial support for the United States war machine anywhere in the world.



Since 1962 the US imposed an economic blockade on Cuba designed “to bring about hunger, desperation and overthrow of government.”

Obviously, these US actions violate international law, as did the attack on Venezuela, the kidnapping of President Maduro, and imposing control over its oil exports. And as did the slaughter in Gaza, the war on Iran and assassination of Ayatollah Khamenei. But, as with the yearly UN vote calling for removal of the US blockade on Cuba, the US feels powerful enough to simply ignore this.

–National Network on Cuba (nnoc.org)

Let Cuba Live! Stop the Blockade & Intervention!

The U.S. government has spent decades attacking Cuba’s sovereignty, and the recent escalation of economic pressure in the form of an energy blockade and direct threats of military aggression mean we must be ready to mobilize to oppose an attack by the U.S. should one occur.

Anti-War Committee Chicago
(antiwarchicago.org)

CHICAGO EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

U.S. HANDS OFF CUBA

CHICAGO

If U.S. attacks on Cuba occur before 3PM, the rally will be same day at 5 PM. If attacks occur after 3PM, rally will take place the next day at 5 PM.

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Starting Friday, June 5, 6-9PM

Pullman Porters & Maids:

Invisible Labor, Visible Legacies

Through an ensemble of figurative paintings, Shane-Jahi Jackson explores the lives and labor of the porters and maids whose work helped define the elegance of American luxury rail travel, even as they remained largely unseen, unheard, and unnamed. The exhibition also reflects on the enduring legacies of their labor in the families, communities, and histories they helped shape.

Block House Gallery, pullmanarts.org

1117 S. Langley Ave., Chicago.

Through September 5

Memorias de la Mujer

Latina:

Arpilleras, Women, and

Coal in Chile

Krannert Art Museum

500 East Peabody Dr.

Champaign, Illinois

This exhibition show-

cases a long-term

collaboration between

a community organiza-

tion in Chile — Mesa

Ciudadana de Patrimo-

nio, Cultura y Turismo

de Lota — and scholar

Magdalena Novoa. The project uses the Chilean textile craft called arpillera made by women in Chile's southern coal basin region of Biobio to create counter-narratives of their cities' urban history from women's perspectives and to influence historical preservation planning and policy.

Arpilleras are a radical feminist practice of storytelling and protest that became prominent in Chile during the Pinochet dictatorship (1973–1990) when women used them to denounce their relatives' disappearances and political violence. Today, women experiencing marginalization continue to create arpilleras depicting poverty, gender violence, and survival strategies. The arpilleras have colorful stitching, applique, and embroidery; and they are created in group sessions where women share experiences, talking as they sew.





THE PRESERVATION OF SOLIDARITY, THE LABOR MURALS AT THE UNITED ELECTRICAL WORKERS UNION (UE) HALL

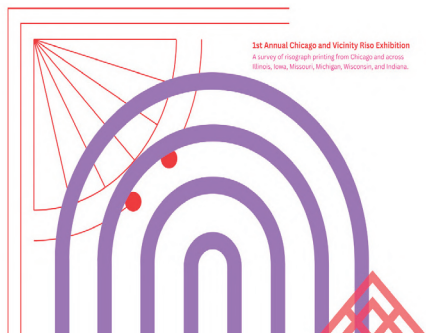
John Pitman Weber and Jose Guererro worked for many months between 1972 and 1974, to create the labor history mural of the UE Union in their hall on the near west side of Chicago. It was a comforting and inspiring backdrop for many union members and others that were able to see it when in the hall for meetings.

When the UE building was sold, work was done to preserve much of the mural.

Those panels will be displayed at the Chicago Teachers Union and UE Hall in Erie, Pennsylvania, in the building used by the union's largest and oldest local.

But the murals cannot come to their new CTU home until the funds to complete the restoration are raised. Donate to help restore this revered piece of labor history at: ctulocal1.org/mural





Up to July 4, 2026

First Annual Chicago and Vicinity Riso Exhibition

Epiphany Center for the Arts

201 S Ashland Ave,

Risograph art from the midwest.

The “Riso” or Risograph is unique type of duplicator known for its ability to achieve deep opaque colors coverage including a palette of fluorescent colors.

epiphanychi.com



June 26-August 14

Opening Reception-

Friday, June 26, 5-7pm

1st International Milwaukee Riso Invitational

Spudnik Press

1821 W Hubbard St, Chicago, IL

Spudnik Press is a cooperative community printmaking studio with classes. Every Monday, from 10am–2pm, our studio is open for printmakers who want to create movement posters, pamphlets, and other materials for free community sharing.

spudnikpress.org.



Artists of the Wall Festival

is when neighborhood residents get together and repaint murals on the long cement seating wall.

Sundays, 8PM

Labor Express Radio

Tuesdays at 2PM-

Mutual Aid Report

Mon.-Fri., 8AM

Democracy Now

Fridays, 9AM

Live From the Heartland

Lumpen Radio

a community radio station located in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Broadcasting at 105.5FM

lumpenradio.com/schedule-shows/

SEEDS_{FOR}LIBERATION

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28TH**

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12:30PM DOORS OPEN W/ ART EXHIBITIONS
2:00PM FILM
3:30PM PANEL DISCUSSION
4:30PM PERFORMANCE
5:00PM DINNER AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

MODERATOR: RAMI ABUSHHAB

PANEL DISCUSSION:

DIRECTOR

MATTHEW SOLOMON

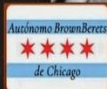
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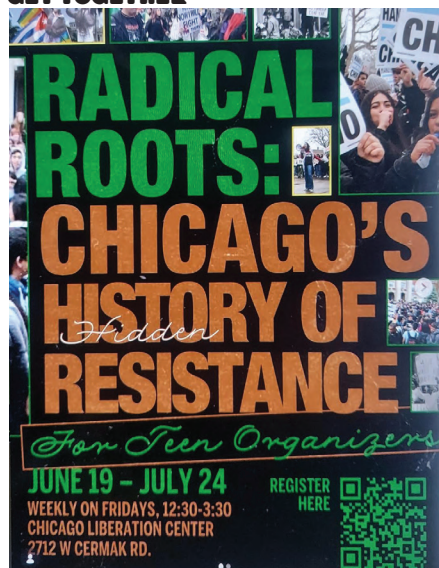
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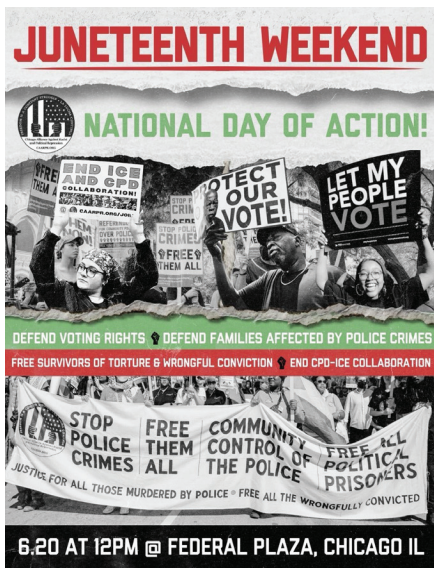


RADICAL ROOTS: CHICAGO'S HISTORY OF RESISTANCE

Hidden For Teen Organizers

JUNE 19 - JULY 24
WEEKLY ON FRIDAYS, 12:30-3:30
CHICAGO LIBERATION CENTER
2712 W CERMAK RD.

REGISTER HERE 



JUNETEENTH WEEKEND

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION!

DEFEND VOTING RIGHTS • DEFEND FAMILIES AFFECTED BY POLICE CRIMES
FREE SURVIVORS OF TORTURE & WRONGFUL CONVICTION • END CPD-ICE COLLABORATION

STOP POLICE CRIMES FREE THEM ALL COMMUNITY CONTROL OF THE POLICE FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
JUSTICE FOR ALL THOSE MURDERED BY POLICE • FREE ALL THE WRONGFULLY CONVICTED

6:20 AT 12PM @ FEDERAL PLAZA, CHICAGO IL



2-7PM
JUNE 19
CO-PROSPERITY
3219 S MORGAN ST.

BLACK TO THE FUTURE

AN AFROFUTURISTIC JUNETEENTH DAY PARTY

ARTISTS • VENDORS • PHOTO OPS

sounds by
BBMILO
RYAN MOSES
ADONIA
SOLITOCARLITO
IVVY ADELAIDE

WELCOME TO THE FUTURE... WELCOME TO THE FUTURE... WELCOME TO THE FUTURE... WELCOME TO THE FUTURE...



MONTHLY

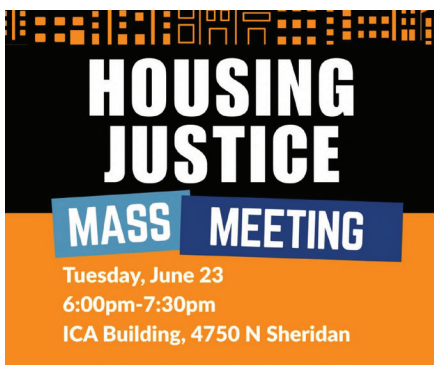
MENDING CIRCLE

THEATRE Y

3RD SUNDAYS come by between 12 pm - 5 pm
next dates: June 21st * July 19 * August 16
BRING CLOTHES TO MEND TOGETHER

3613 Cermak Rd. RING DOORBELL
WHEN YOU ARRIVE (MIDWEST BOOKS TO PRISONERS)

June 20- *Pride in the Park*
11AM Horner Park 2741 W Montrose
1PM Pottawattomie Park 7340 N Rogers
Families and people of all ages celebrate and imagine LGBTQ liberation. Snacks, beverages, and art supplies will be provided. -Party for Socialism & Liberation
pslweb.org



HOUSING JUSTICE

MASS MEETING

Tuesday, June 23
6:00pm-7:30pm
ICA Building, 4750 N Sheridan

JUNE 22 8AM
160 N LA SALLE ST, CHICAGO, IL

**PROTEST THE ILLINOIS STATE
 BOARD OF INVESTMENT MEETING**

**DIVEST ILLINOIS
 TAX DOLLARS FROM
 GENOCIDE
 AND ICE**

The Illinois State Board of Investment announces their meeting schedule 8 time 48 hrs in advance. Follow @antiwarchicago or @uspncn for protest updates.



**OUR STREETS,
 OUR VOICES
 COMMUNITY MEETING**

WHEN?

Wednesday June 24th
 5pm - 7pm

WHERE?

Semillas de Justicia Garden
 2727 S Troy St

- ✓ Spanish Interpretation
- ✓ Community Dinner & Raffle
- ✓ Masks Required



Metropolitan Planning Council

**CHICAGO, IL
 FROM ICE TO BLOCKADES: ONE
 STRUGGLE,
 MANY FRONTS**

EDUCATION & FUNDRAISING TOUR TO BRING
 HUMANITARIAN AID TO CUBA

SAT. JUNE 27 4-6PM

UNIVERSITY CHURCH
 5655 S. UNIVERSITY AVE. (HYDE PARK)

FEATURING SPEAKERS:

CLAUDIA DE LA CRUZ
 DR. CHRISTINA PÉREZ
 JHONATHAN F. GÓMEZ
 CAROLINA GAETE

RSVP :
 BIT.LY/ONESTRUGGLE-MIDWEST



EVERYBODY GET TOGETHER!

Birds Against Borders

a bird walk fundraiser to support
Midwest Immigration Bond Fund
and Albany Park Mutual Aid

June 23
6:30
River Park

Learn about
migration in
nature and how
birds connect us
across borders.

Tickets on sale 6/9



Join Skunk Cabbage Books and Chicago BIPOC Birders for a fundraiser bird walk celebrating migration! All proceeds

will be split between Midwest Immigration Bond Fund and Albany Park Mutual Aid.

It's migration season in Chicago - come out and meet some of the birds that we share across borders as they make their annual trip from Central and South America to the Great Lakes. We'll be taking a dusk walk along the Chicago River's North Branch on mulched trails. Full location details will be shared with ticket holders closer to the event date, but we will aim to cover approximately 1.5 miles as time allows. This walk is open to all! We will have some binoculars to share.

Skunkcabbagebooks.com

PRESENTED BY



From Slag to Sanctuary: Environmental Justice Tour

TOUR DATES & TIMES

LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH | 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

MAY 28TH, JUNE 25TH, JULY 23RD

Witness the raw contrast between toxic legacies and ecological rebirth. Explore the thin line between industrial brownfields and community-led restoration.

This isn't just a tour—it's a firsthand encounter with the resilience of residents turning "brownfields into bright fields" for a healthier, more just future.

FEATURED STOPS

- The CDF: Confront this toxic legacy and celebrate the major community win!
- Steelworkers Park: Industrial ruins reclaimed. Now standing in the shadow of the Quantum Campus, raising new concerns about community impact.
- Wolf Lake: A centerpiece of biodiversity. Discover the beauty of ecological restoration.
- Big Marsh Park: The ultimate transformation. Explore a world-class recreation hub built entirely atop former landfill.

Contact: Samuel Corona, Environmental Justice Organizer, (he/his)

Cell: 773-234-1070

Katia Balba, Environmental Justice Policy organizer (she/her)

Cell: 847-906-3008

www.asechicago.org

facebook.com/AllianceOfTheSoutheast | instagram.com/asechicago/

Departure: Bus loads at
8944 S Commercial Ave.

**A complimentary lunch will
be provided for all**

RSVP:

<https://forms.gle/rsfR38cNa5Xj9mNj9>





Friday, June 26, 6-9 PM

WorkersTEATRO: Worker Stories & Collective Care

Exhibition & Performance

18th Street Casa de Cultura

2057 West 18th Street

Over the course of 9 years Workers-TEATRO has created supportive spaces for working people to gather, share their experiences, seek support and advocate for one another. Through stories, tears, laughter, and comunidad Workers-TEATRO has built scenes, performed all over the country, taught workshops and listened to its community. Come see the highlights!

EXHIBITION: Proximity/ Proximidad
How close are you to the harm? How close are you to the care?

What is your proximity to violence that workers experience daily?

Workers across America experience harm on factory floors, as street vendors and as domestic care workers. Unsafe work conditions, wage theft and abuse are real and happen everyday.

ARTIFACTS OF THE JOURNEY:

On display will be fruits of their labor, worker tools used everyday, photo's, scripts, video, audio, publications and props used to tell the stories. Ticket Prices:

\$75.00 - Believe in the Causa, Sustain-ers to help us dream forward

\$40.00 - Make it Happen, Helpers making it happen

\$20.00 - Celebrate the Work, Cele-brants lifting us up!

Three ticket price tiers to support Work-ersTEATRO today and into the future.

COME ON PEOPLE NOW

As a local collective, WorkersTEATRO does not generate money selling anything. Working people come together to support each other, to advocate for workers rights together and collectively we make decisions. We need the help of our comunidad to do the work.

¡De grano en grano se llena el granero!

Grain by grain, the grainery fills.

(Let us always remember who is doing the work of filling the grain-ery. Working people. Like your-selves, like us... la comunidad.)

RADICAL BOOK BUZZ WITH LIBRARY FREEDOM PROJECT AND LIBRARY FUTURES

RSVP
HERE



Library workers, join us at Pilsen for an evening with radical publishers! We'll hear about new releases, chat about libraries and the publishing ecosystem, and party together!

Featuring Haymarket, Seven Stories, Akashic, The New Press, One Signal, Scribe, Feminist Press, and others!

Drinks and snacks will be provided!

**FRIDAY JUNE 26
6:30-9:00 PM CT**

**1637 W. 18TH STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60608**

**LIBRARY
FUTURES**



June 26, 6PM Assemble 6:30 Roll

Chicago Critical Mass Bike Ride

Daley Plaza,

Dearborn and Washington

CFIST X IRWC ALLIANCE FUNDRAISER

BUILDING POWER DEMANDING JUSTICE FUNDING FREEDOM



COMMUNITY CONTROL OF THE POLICE NOW!

END CPD-ICE COLLABORATION!



FREE THEM ALL!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW AT

bit.ly/CFISTXIRWCFundraiser

FRIDAY, JUNE 26TH 6-10PM | CASA MICHOCÁN

1638 S BLUE ISLAND AVE

**JOIN US FOR A POWERFUL NIGHT OF
COMMUNITY, RESISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY.**

FOR THE SURVIVORS & THE
WRONGLY CONVICTED

LEGAL DEFENSE & POST
CONVICTION ADVOCACY

FOR POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY, COMMUNITY
CONTROL, ENDING POLICE COLLABORATION

GET TOGETHER



June 27, 11AM-1PM

COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT & NEIGHBORHOOD UNION SUMMIT

Join the fight, meet the fighters: WE are building people power to control our housing in Woodlawn and South Shore. We have won tenant and homeowner protections in the Woodlawn Housing Preservation Ordinance and Jackson Park Housing Pilot Ordinance. Our tenants continue to build unions in our neighborhoods to win better conditions and stop displacement from our homes.

The developers have a plan for our neighborhood, but we do too: we're assembling June 27th to update the community about our ongoing organizing and continue to plan our next steps to build neighborhood power.

Register here for more info: <https://secure.everyaction.com/3XYCi1TU-Uql9NKsvrrvSQ2>



June 27, 1PM-

Dyke March!

All who love and support dykes are welcome. RSVP at: bit.ly/rsvp2cdm (case sensitive). NO contact or personal information will be collected

ANTI-AUTHORITARIAN

ACTIVISM
NO GODS, NO MASTERS, NO PRISONS.

27th JUNE LITERATURE
MASKS ARE REQUIRED AND WILL BE PROVIDED

JOIN US FOR A LITERATURE SWAP AND COMMUNITY GATHERING FEATURING MUTUAL AID AND ACTIVIST ORGANIZATIONS SHARING RESOURCES, IDEAS, AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED.

BRING BOOKS, ZINES, PAMPHLETS, OR ANYTHING WORTH EXCHANGING OR JUST COME CONNECT WITH FELLOW ORGANIZERS. ALL ARE WELCOME!

STARTS AT	LOCATION
2-5 PM	HUMBOLDT PARK NEXT TO THE BOAT HOUSE



SUNDAY JUNE 28 2026

Trans Liberation March
5pm start time

Haymarket House
800 W Buena Ave

Speakers Harm Reduction Performers

Masks Required



#STOPTRANSENOCIDE

June 28, noon-

Pride Parade

"Abolish ICE / Abolir ICE" Contingent!

We invite you to join Organized Communities Against Deportations' and the Gay Liberation Network's "ABOLISH ICE! ¡ABOLIR ICE!" contingent in this year's Pride Parade. We must demand that ICE be abolished. That people who've been detained are freed. That people intimidated into "voluntary" deportation be returned to their homes in the U.S.

Here's how to join the contingent:

1. Please plan on meeting at the southeast corner of Sheridan Road and Dakin Street (just south of "Sheridan" stop on the Red line el) at 12 noon sharp on Sunday, June 28. Representatives of the contingent will guide you to our contingent location from there.

2. Please register for the contingent so that we can share additional info with you. This is where you can indicate mobility and other accessibility needs which we will do our best to accommodate:

<https://forms.gle/QszojkkvGdP72W6QA>



Help bring the



**message to this year's
Pride Parade!**

Meet us at 12 noon sharp, Sunday, June 28th at
the corner of Sheridan Road & Dakin St, Chicago
(just ½ block south of the "Sheridan" Red Line stop)



TRY TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

June 29, 6-10PM,

Full Moon

Fire Jam

Family friendly

performance art

& July 29, 6-10PM,

.25 mile south of

Foster Beach, Chicago

fullmoonjam.org



**AbOLITIONiST
Party Series V**
"F*CK THE 4TH"

FIGHTING BACK AGAINST THE CARCERAL STATE

COME ENGAGE IN CO-LEARNING,
EXCHANGE RESOURCES, CONNECT
OUR MOVEMENTS AND MOVE OUR
BODIES

**FRIDAY 7/3/26
5-10 PM**

5-6:30: Panel Discussion
Surveillance tech's role in US
imperialism, fascism & carceral systems

7-8: Interactive workshops

8-10: Tabling & Bands (tba)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
6400 S KIMBARK AVE
CHICAGO, IL

\$10-20 pay what
NOTAFLOP you can!
RSVP: bit.ly/7326

NO NEW PRISONS!

July 4th, National march in Philly
against authoritarianism and war
vetsagainstfascism.org

July 4th-**Protest** to demand:
RESTORE VOTING RIGHTS!
NO TO TRUMP'S WARS! ICE OUT!
STOP THE DEPORTATIONS!
STOP THE ATTACKS ON UNIONS!
Time and location TBA.
coalitionagainstrumpagenda.org

The struggle continues!
Chicagoactivismhub.org
for more events

**COMMEMORATE 250 YEARS OF
STRUGGLE AND REVOLUTION!
SUMMER SOLSTICE GATHERING
TO BRING A FORTH A NEW WORLD!**



JUNE 21ST

7PM

MUSIC- SCOTT FREE AND MORE!

VIDEOS, VEGAN FOOD!

\$10-20 suggested donation

to benefit the

Chicago Seed

no one turned away for lack of funds!

at the Chicago Liberation Center 2712 W Cermak

We Got Your Revolutionary Party Right Here!