THOUSANDS ON THE STREETS FOR PALESTINE SOLIDARITY!

Ireland continues to be one of the leading voices raised against the ongoing genocide in Palestine. The latest national solidarity action with the people of Palestine came as the recent ceasefire began. For many, the national demonstration in solidarity with Palestine was a cry directly from the people of Ireland, to demand that protests continue. As a union, Industrial Workers of the World took part in this national event organised by the Ireland Palestine Solidarity Campaign. Thousands took to the streets of Dublin once again to express our continuing support and solidarity with Palestine and for an immediate end to the genocide.

As the event came to a close, a spokesperson from the IWW Ireland Branch said that: "We are here, with countless other trade union activists, from many differing unions and community organisations, to help echo the call from the platform by many of the speakers. Our unified opposition to the Israeli regime, an end to their war and extermination of the people of Palestine. We have witnessed countless acts of direct action to this genocide throughout the world.

"We applaud and encourage continued direct involvement of the labour movement in the cause of Palestine. Ordinary workers, taking action collectively through strike action, stoppages or blockades, as well as growing the active boycott movement with the disruption of Israeli goods as a form of direct action in opposing war and the ongoing genocide in Gaza.





"It is vital that we as a union, as a labour movement, to continue to engage with the BDS movement, locally, nationally or globally. It's another form of grassroots direct action against the war and genocide of the Israeli regime. We should continue to actively boycotting Israeli goods in our homes, our communities and it our place of work. There are many ways in which we can do this.

"Historically, we have witnessed the racist apartheid regime in South Africa and the international boycott campaign that unfolded, proved vital as an essential part of bringing that racist regime to an end. That movement was supported directly by the IWW and the international labour movement of which our members are part of."

In the coming weeks, each of us must continue to encourage and active support the ongoing work of the BDS movement across Ireland. We must continue to take to the streets and actively support local actions despite the fragile ceasefire currently in place. We must continue to demand an end to the apartheid regime of Israel, occupation of Palestine.

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IWW TO ATTEND ANNUAL BLOODY SUNDAY MARCH

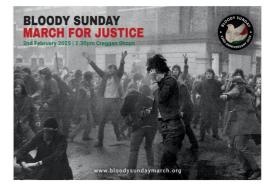
The annual Bloody Sunday march takes place on Sunday 2nd February at 2.30pm from Creggan Shops in Derry. It will be commemorated the 1972 murder of 14 innocent civil rights protesters, the majority of who were members of the local trade union movement in the city.

Speaking ahead of the commemoration events, veteran trade unionist, Eamonn McCann said: "It's 53 years since the death storm erupted at the bottom of Rossville St. It has blighted the Bogside down through the decades since.

"Bloody Sunday marches and anniversary activities of one sort and another now include children and even the grandchildren of those who fell under the fusillade of bullets from the parachute regiment. It's been a long time.

"Every year we are asked – Why drag the agony out? Isn't it time to forgive and forget? Some who are generous of heart may find it within themselves to forgive. But none of us should ever forget.

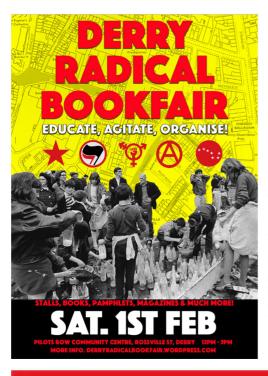
"As for the question of why we keep marching, the answer is simple. We haven't reached our destination yet. So we'll keep right on to the end of the road. What shining prize will we find there? Nothing material – but the greatest gift any of us can pass on to our children, and our grandchildren. The glittering truth, and the joy of justice, and the hard lessons we have learned. We cannot hug our grief to ourselves



and in the meantime cast a cold eye on the agonies inflicted on much of the world around us."

This IWW Ireland branch will once again gather in Derry to attend the annual Bloody Sunday commemoration, along with those families who continue to March for Justice.

All trade union flags and banners are welcome.



WOBBLIES TAKE PART IN RADICAL BOOKFAIR 2025

The Industrial Workers of the World will be at forthcoming Derry Radical Bookfair 2025 in Derry's Bogside ahead of the Bloody Sunday March for Justice week of events.

A spokesperson for the IWW Derry group said that "As part of our ongoing outreeach work we will be holding an information stall at this years Derry Radical Bookfair. Books, information booklets and leaflets will be available for both members and supporters.

"As part of the unions organising efforts around Tech Workers industry. We will host an informative presentation and a questions and answers session on building in the Tech industry in Ireland."

For those wishing to attend the Derry Radical

Bookfair, it will take place on **Saturday 1st February 2025** at the Pilots Row Community
Centre in Rossville Street, Derry from 12-5pm.

Organisers of the event have welcomed its return stating "The Radical Bookfair has grown both in name and in numbers making it an important annual political event on the calendar for many. Throughout the day, we host a broad range of stalls from a local or national interest, on feminism or queer politics, to republicanism, Marxism and of course anarchism. Likewise we also have a great mixture of book launches, talks or discussions which compliments the book and information stalls presented."

For more details please visit derryradicalbookfair.wordpress.com



GALWAY TRAINING

Pan-African Workers Association are providing in-person training titled YOUR JOB, YOUR UNION to help you address those very issues!

YOUR JOB, YOUR UNION provides you with advice, training and support from experienced organisers to help you take the first steps towards recruiting other members and having a union presence in your workplace.

From feeling isolated as the only union member in your workplace, to building a core of members into a team, and winning improvements to your terms and conditions of work, there will be someone on hand to help you out every step of the way.

Once you have had your first success there will be ongoing advice, training and support to help you to build your confidence and make further gains. In-person training will take place in **Galway City** on **Saturday 15th February 2025**.

For further details and to book your place, please email: ireland@iww.org.uk

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