

Speak, your lips are free.
Speak, it is your own tongue.
Speak, it is your own body.
Speak, your life is still yours
[...]
Speak, this brief hour is long enough
Before the death of body and tongue:
Speak, 'cause the truth is not dead yet,
Speak, speak, whatever you must speak
(Excerpt from 'Speak' by Faiz Ahmad Faiz)

[...]
I can make the molecule dance
And the atom sing
I can realize the progress of the world
And I shall have my triumph
Inscribed by the rocket on the moon.

What if my life-breath goes out
After lighting a thousand lamps like me?
I am the radiance of this Age
I am electric power
Born out of this operation generator
I am
The Revolution
(Excerpt from 'Pulse' by Varavara Rao)

Bloom members are:

Africa Centre, Comhlámh, Debt and Development Coalition Ireland (DDCI),
Latin America Solidarity Centre (LASC)

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**Let a thousand
flowers Bloom!**



bloom
movement for global justice

**Join Us to Create an
Alternative World on the
7 & 8th November, 2008**

Programme of Events

Launch of Bloom: Friday 7th November 2008
7pm - 10pm, Cultivate Centre, 15 Essex Street West,
Temple Bar, Dublin 2

7.00 - 7.15: Welcome from Fleachta Phelan, Comhlámh

7.15- 8.15: Launch of Bloom with Brendan Archbold and Cathryn O'Reilly
of the Dunnes Stores Strike with Nessa Ní Chasaide, DDCI

8.15- 9.15: Panel Discussion with Eyad Burnat, Oscar Olivera and Njoki Njehû.
Chair: Conall O'Caoimh, Trade Campaigner and Director of Value Added Africa

9.15 - 10.00: Music

Bloom's First Activist Forum: Movement Building for Global Justice
Saturday 8th November 2008
9.30am - 5.30pm, The Teachers Club, 36 Parnell Square West, Dublin 1

9.30 - 10.00: Registration

10.00 - 10.15: Introduction and Welcome from Benedicta Attoh, Africa Centre

10.15 - 11.15: Part One: 'Seizing the Moment: Towards a Post-Neoliberal
Global Order' with Prof. Peadar Kirby.
Chair: Jose Antonio Gutierrez D., LASC

11.15 - 11.30: Tea/ Coffee: Reflections on activism, Sr.Majella McCarron

11.30 - 12.30: Part Two: 'Stories from the Global Movement'
Njoki Njoroge Njehû, Jubilee South Africa Region
Chair: Maeve Taylor, Banúlacht

12.30 - 2.00: Lunch and Political Action

2.00 - 3.00: Part Two: Eyad Burnat, Friends of Freedom and Justice Bi'lin.
Chair: Raymond Deane, Ireland Palestine Solidarity Campaign

3.00 - 4.00: Part Three: 'Grassroots Mobilisation in Ireland: Opportunities and
Challenges' Claire O'Grady Walshe, Jean Somers, Gregor Kerr and Eric Yao.
Chair: Laurence Cox, Grassroots Gathering

4.00 - 4.15: Tea/ Coffee Break

4.15 - 4.30: Creative Inspiration

4.30 - 5.30: Part Four: 'Visions of a Global Movement'
Oscar Olivera, Industrial Workers' Trade Union Bolivia
Chair: Aidan Cahill, LASC

8 - late: Congomania!

People Acting Together for Radical Change and a Just World

Who we are:

**Bloom is a movement of people in Ireland taking
action together for global justice**

Our Values:

- We believe in equality, justice, sustainability and global interconnectedness.
- We believe there is a need to address and challenge the root causes of global inequality.
- We seek justice in North-South relationships and therefore a radical, positive re-shaping of these relationships.
- We believe in the urgent need to take collective action against the exploitation of the Global South.
- We act in solidarity with other movements globally advocating for a better world.

Join Us and Help to Build a Global Justice Movement in Ireland!

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7pm-10pm, Cultivate Centre, 15 Essex Street West, Temple Bar, Dublin 2

Celebrate the launch of Bloom with us! Hear words of inspiration on movement building from the Dunnes Stores Strikers who helped lay the foundations for global justice activism in Ireland and meet with leading social justice activists from around the world.

Bloom's First Activist Forum: Movement Building for Global Justice
Saturday 8th November 2008
10am-5.30pm, The Teachers Club, 36 Parnell Square West, Dublin 1

8pm – till Late

Dance the night away with us to celebrate the launch of Bloom:
Movement for Global Justice.

To register for this event, email anna@comhlahm.org.
More information: www.comhlahm.org or phone 01-6174835
Registration (covers refreshments and entertainment):
Employed €5, Unwaged Free