

PROGRAM OF SARAJEVO OPEN CENTRE ON THE OCCASION OF 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND 10 DECEMBER, INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2016

During the last twenty-four years, the global 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence Campaign has been dedicated to advocacy and coordinating the work of support to ending gender-based violence on local and international level. The Campaign was launched on the first Institute for Global Women Leaders that was organized by the Center for Global Women's Leadership in 1991 on Rutgers University.

The dates, 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) and 10 December (Human Rights Day) were chosen in order to emphasize the connection between gender-based violence and the values of human rights, and it was highlighted that gender-based violence is one of the international human rights violations. This 16-day period also emphasizes other important dates, including 29 November, International Human Rights Defenders Day, 1 December, World AIDS Day, 6 December, the day that marks the Montreal massacre (in Canada - The National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women, also known as The White Ribbon Day).

The participants of the 16 Days of Activism Campaign include individuals and groups all around the world, and use the human rights framework in advocating for the elimination of all forms of violence against women through awareness-raising activities on local, state, regional and international levels.

Sarajevo Open Centre, as the organization that advocates full respect of human rights and social inclusion of LGBTI (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans* and intersex) persons and women, joins this campaign, and will implement a number of activities in November and December of 2016.

Get involved in the 16 Days of Activism Campaign as well!

Use the #16Days when you tweet or post content on social networks.

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| When? | What? | Where? | Contact person: |
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| 28 Nov 2016 1 P.M. | EXHIBITION Poetry and Museum of Razija Handžić: memory confiscation and systematic neglect of women's contribution to culture, science and institutions | Sarajevo Museum of Literature and Theatre Arts Sime Milutinovića Sarajlije 7 | Maida Zagorac maida@soc.ba 033/551-000 |
| | Razija Handžić was a poet and publicist, editor of the first and second AFŽ magazine for BiH, founder and first director of the Museum of Literature and Theatre Arts BiH. Through her work she witnessed many social changes, dominance and shift of ideologies, power and knowledge, and their relation towards women and women's contribution to culture institutions. The contribution of this exhibition reflects in affirmation of BH cultural creativity of women. The exhibition is also a way of pointing at systematic neglect of women and their contribution to BH society and cultural and scientific institutions. The event is being organized by the Museum of Literature and Theatre Arts in cooperation with Sarajevo Open Centre (with the financial support of the Swedish | Free entrance, come on time to take your place. | |
| | International Development Cooperation Agency) and Transcultural Psychosocial Educational Foundation. | | |
| 30 Nov 2016 12 A.M. | LECTURE AND DISCUSSION IV cycle of feminist lectures and discussions Somebody said feminism? SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH | Sarajevo Museum of Literature and Theatre Arts Sime Milutinovića Sarajlije 7 | Jasmina Čaušević jasmina@soc.ba 033/551-000 |
| | The topic of the last lecture in the scope of the fourth | Free entrance. Come on time to take your | |

| | cycle of <i>Somebody said feminism</i> is related to the political, sociological and medical aspects of sexual and reproductive women's health. The issues that will be discussed are related to the reasons why sexual health of women is a vital bio-political issue and what is actually being controlled by legal norms and practices. The lecture is Meliha Lekić. The lecture is being organized by Sarajevo Open Centre and Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina. | place. The lecture is in B/C/S language. | |
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| 1-2 Dec 2016 | about the human rights of LGBTI persons for the representatives of the Coordination Board of Republika Srpska for monitoring the implementation of GAP BiH for the period 2013-2017. How to turn the issue of improvement of human rights of LGBTI persons into concrete measures that the governments and relevant ministries should implement in their work? Through this two-day training divided into sessions of sensibilization, reference to the causes of problems of violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and sex characteristics, the representation of the international and local normative/political framework, as well as good practice of the institutions from the Region, together we will look for the ways of institutional improvement that should result in higher quality of life of LGBTI persons in Republika Srpska. | Teslić Hotel Kardial *The participation on the training is limited to the representatives of the Coordination Board of Republika Srpska for monitoring the implementation of GAP BiH. | Lejla Huremović lejla@soc.ba 033/551-000 |

| | This activity is being supported by Open Society Foundation in BiH. | | |
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| 5 Dec 2016 | ROUND TABLE: | Sarajevo | Maida Zagorac |
| 11 A.M. | Towards achieving gender equality in the cantons of | Hotel Bosnia | maida@soc.ba |
| | Federation of BiH | | 033/551-000 |
| | | Kulovića 9 | |
| | Law on Gender Equality provides us with the stronghold, | | |
| | but also the obligation to act in the gender equality area. | The participation in the round table is | |
| | The Guide: Towards achieving gender equality in the | possible with the prior notice via e-mail: | |
| | cantons of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the author being Saša Savičić, contains the overview of: a) | maida@soc.ba. | |
| | legal framework for achieving gender equality in BiH, b) | The event is in B/C/S language. | |
| | the existing mechanisms for achieving gender equality in | The event is in D/C/B language. | |
| | BiH, c) different suggestions for establishing institutional | | |
| | mechanisms for gender equality on the level of cantons. | | |
| | We invite you to the presentation of the Guide that will | | |
| | be followed by the discussion of the representatives of | | |
| | the institutions, civil society organizations, political | | |
| | parties and individuals that deal with gender equality. | | |
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| | The event is being organized by Sarajevo Open Centre and Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Bosnia and | | |
| | Herzegovina. | | |
| | Herzegoviim. | | |

| 08 Dec 2016 | BOOK PROMOTION | Breza | Jasmina Čaušević |
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| 6 P.M. | Feminist readings of social phenomena. Texts by the | Public Library "Muhamed Kantardžić" | jasmina@soc.ba |
| | students of the Žarana Papić School of Feminism, | | 033/551-000 |
| | second edition | Alije Izetbegovića 112 | |
| | On the occasion of the world campaign that has been marked in over 100 countries – 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence – the Public Library of Breza and Sarajevo Open Centre invite you to feminist discussions about the relation between non/education and symbolic violence. We use this occasion to open the question of feminism education in Bosnia and Herzegovina through the promotion of the book that was written by the students of the Žarana Papić School of Feminism. This activity is being supported by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. | | |
| 10 Dec 2016 | ACTION | Sarajevo and Banja Luka | Vladana Vasić |
| 12 A.M. | March on the occasion of the International Human | Suraje vo una Bunja Baka | vladana@soc.ba |
| | Rights Day: HUMAN RIGHTS OUT! | The event is public, everyone is invited. | 033/551-000 |
| | | Come and raise your voice against | |
| | 10 December has been marked as the International | systematic human rights violations in | |
| | Human Rights Day. That is the day when the Universal | BiH! | |
| | Human Rights Declaration was signed in 1948 and when, for the first time in history of humankind, the basic right | | |
| | to "life, freedom and security with no differences" was | | |
| | recognized. | | |
| | Sarajevo Open Centre, in cooperation with other | | |
| | organizations and activists in BiH, organizes the March | | |
| | named "Human Rights Out" with the aim to use this | | |

important day to, all together, remind how human rights are being violated on a daily basis, as well as point out as many requests possible that would improve the state of human rights and the status of marginalized groups in BiH.

The march is being organized in two cities, Sarajevo and Banja Luka, and the participants of both marches will carry the same messages, by which they will call to end all forms of human rights violations in BiH.

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