

WHY A GATHERING OF COMMUNITARY BICYCLE WORKSHOPS ?

In these times of uncertainty where news do not seem encouraging, in this turbulent world that seeks to limit us, trap us between -physical, geographical, linguistic and mental, boarders; we believe more than necessary these acts of resistance. Here we are and we wont leave!

The intersections that pierce us - being class, race, gender and territory- reveal to us that crisis are not distant facts, but threads of the fabric of oppression: a system that marginalizes, ejects, exploits and devours, but as well, roots thats resist under the pavement, fights spring, grow and multiply looking for a dignified present. From our bicycles and our comunities, we realize purselves as an active part of the resistance. Today, while the USA intensifies their deportations, comrades of ours are being deported simply for not porting "paper that state their citizenship" tearing away bodies and dreams from their inhabited territories. The riots from solidary colleagues, call for the organization against these deportations and FUCK ICE. Because we are migrants, because no human being is ilegal, or ilegal and what?! We are sowers of life, culture and dignity, we resist in every padeld, in each hood that organizes itself, in every workshop we share.

Today, meanwhile we televise the horrors of genocide against the palestinian polulation and an imminent war between complicit powers who show off their greed for power. Between missiles, murdered and missing people, in a world crossed bu violence and grief. We profoundly sympathize with the rights of the palestinian people to exist, to resist and to liberate. We are a mirror. Their distroyed streets remind us that reconstruction is not only material, but political as well: with memory, with truth, with justice.

Today, while millions of people in Mexico live without access to water, companies plunder rivers and exploit aquifers. Megaprojects are the order of the day, drying up our territories and commodifying life itself. In the face of this deadly model, we raise our voices for the care of Mother Earth. Because it's not drought, it is plunder. The water is not for sale, it's loved and defended!

Everywhere, the bicycle is more than a tool for mobility. It is a symbol of autonomy, of decolonization of the body and city. Our community workshops not only repair bicycles: they repair bonds broken by inequality and weave networks of care and autonomy. Bike!Bike! is not just a gathering. It is about not letting ourselves be affected, not letting sadness paralyze us. It's about turning it into rage, mobilizing us. It is a collective affirmation that other worlds are possible, and we are building it with grease on our hands, with shared smiles, with horizontal decisions, with the streets, and with love. Every wheel that turns is an act of disobedience against extractivism, patriarchy (patriCARy), and oppression.

It is from this place that we howl and consider our gathering not only very important but necessary. We must continue conspiring in the midst of so much darkness. We make this call to those who cycle collectively, with dignified rage and tenderness, to those we are making secure, accessible and self-managed spaces; to everyone who understands that a bicycle is also a barricade, resistance that embraces. Let's continue cycling together. Gathering, sharing, listening, doing with others, because our struggles are interconnected.

BECAUSE OUR WHEELS DO NOT STOP! AND THE ONLY CHAINS THAT LIBERATE ARE THE ONES ON OUR BIKES!

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