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A festival of socialist ideas

MARXISM 2023

**29 June
- 2 July**



**SOAS
University,
London
WC1H 0XG**

**Hosted by the
Socialist Workers Party**

Welcome to Marxism Festival

There are over 100 panels, workshops, debates and cultural events during the festival to discuss how we can change the world.

We hope you enjoy the event. If you have any questions, ask one of the team members in the pink T-shirts.

Venues

We are using the following venues for the festival. There is a map of them on the back page.

Senate House

Here you'll find the ticket desk and Bookmarks Bookshop. This is also where the Beveridge Hall, Alumni LT (SALT) and Wolfson LT (SWLT) are found. Plus there is a café and seating area.

Main building

This is where you'll find rooms Djam LT (DLT), Khalili LT (KLT), RGB01 and the crèche.

Brunei Gallery

This is where you will find the Brunei Lecture Theatre.

Bookmarks culture tent

Bookmarks bookshop are running a tent hosting talks, spoken word, music, poetry and more. This can be found next to the Brunei Gallery.

Friends Meeting House

This is where the opening rally on Thursday and the closing rally on Sunday take place.

Mully's bar

This is where social events will be taking place on Thursday and Friday. Open 8pm till late.

Institute bar

Join us here on Saturday and Sunday. Open 1pm till 1am.

Prayer rooms

There are prayer rooms in L56 and in the basement of the Brunei Gallery.

Ticket desk Senate House cloisters

If you already have a ticket, head here to get a wristband. You can also buy a ticket here.

Accommodation desk Senate House cloisters

Crèche Ground floor, main building

Opening times:
Thursday 12.45-2.15pm, 2.30-4pm, 4.45-6.15pm, 6.45-8.30pm

Friday 9.45-11.15am, 11.30am-1pm, 2.15-3.45pm, 4-5.30pm, 6.15-8pm

Saturday 9.45-11.15am, 11.30am-1pm, 2.15-3.45pm, 4-5.30pm, 6.15-8pm

Sunday 9.45-11.15am, 11.30am-1pm, 1.45-3.15pm, 3.30-5pm, 5.15-6.30pm

Accessibility

The venues at Marxism festival are fully accessible. Please ask one of our team in pink tees if you have any questions.


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CULTURE TENT

ALUMNI LT (SALT)
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1-2.15pm	Pamphlet launch No Binaries, No Bigots: How Can We Win Trans+ Liberation? Laura Miles & Tiffany Knight- Hughes	LIBERATION Don't touch my hair: women, race and class Nadia Sayed	THEORY Marxism in 30 minutes Jess Walsh	SOCIALISM 101 Is human nature a barrier to socialism? Sophie Squire
2.45-4pm	ENVIRONMENT Capitalism and the future of food Amy Leather	THEORY Marxism vs post-Marxism Tomáš Tengely-Evans		PALESTINE Palestine 101: a revolutionary struggle against apartheid Lewis Nielsen
5-6.15pm	ENVIRONMENT Degrowth: what do Marxists say? Martin Empson	BLACK MARXISM Frantz Fanon: decolonisation and revolution Talat Ahmed	Book launch Politics of the Mind: Marxism and Mental Distress Iain Ferguson	SOCIALISM 101 Lenin: what you need to know Héctor Sierra
				HISTORY Student revolts and class struggle from 1968 to today Liam Winning

7pm

Opening rally

Resistance to a world in crisis

The opening rally is a highlight of Marxism Festival. Speakers include Chris Smalls (president of the Amazon Labor Union in the US), Marcia Rigg (justice campaigner), Darren Westwood (Coventry Amazon striker), Aamer Anwar (lawyer to the Sheku Bayoh family), Lewis Nielsen (Marxism organiser) and strikers from across the union movement.

Friends Meeting House, 173 Euston Rd, NW1 2BJ



Join the socialists

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BRUNEI LT
BRUNEI GALLERY


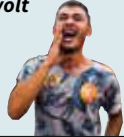



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10-11.15am		IMPERIALISM Israel: is the Zionist project in crisis? Rob Ferguson	Book launch Labour Revolt in Britain 1910-14 Ralph Darlington 	BLACK MARXISM Cedric Robinson and racial capitalism Ken Olende	THEORY Progress or catastrophe? Lukács, Benjamin & German anti-fascist Marxism Andrew Milner	10-11.15am	
11.45am-1pm	STRATEGY Revolutionaries and elections Joseph Choonara	THEORY Why Trotsky matters today Judy Cox	ENVIRONMENT Whole earth socialism: rewilding as if people mattered Ian Rappel	LIBERATION Marxism vs Queer theory? Michael Dance	ANTI-RACISM Can we live in a world without borders? Chioma Amadi-Kamalu	11.45am-1pm	RUSSIA 1917 COURSE Did Lenin lead to Stalin - and does it matter? Huw Williams
2.30-3.45pm	THEORY Gramsci and the art of revolution Alex Callinicos	ANTI-FASCISM Crisis this time: the return of fascism? Weyman Bennett	CULTURE Contradiction and control: can popular culture make great art? Sally Campbell	THEORY Anarchism: a Marxist critique Hope Ryan	BLACK MARXISM Claudia Jones, race and class Moyra Samuels	2.30-3.45pm	RUSSIA 1917 COURSE Is there anything radical about Stalinism? Tomáš Tengely-Evans
4.15-5.30pm	Panel Strikes to Starmer: how can the left build after Corbyn? Ken Loach, Joseph Choonara & Lucy Williams	THEORY Leninism and revolution in the 21st century Lewis Nielsen	CULTURE White Juju: the role of music in entrenching racism Soweto Kinch	LIBERATION Is biology the root of women's oppression? Judith Orr	HISTORY What you need to know about Germany's lost revolution Michael Bradley	4.15-5.30pm	ANTI-RACISM Islamophobia: the hate the state made Samira Ali
6.30-8pm	IMPERIALISM US imperialism: cracks in the empire? Noam Chomsky	LIBERATION Andrew Tate to incels: is there a new misogyny? Sophia Beach	Book launch Dispatches from the Diaspora: From Mandela to BLM Gary Younger 	ANTI-FASCISM Fighting fascism in Europe Christina Buchholz, Weyman Bennett, Julie Sherry & Petros Constantinou		6.30-8pm	

8pm entertainment
Friday night gig
Soweto Kinch trio
The award-winning saxophonist, composer, poet, MC and producer performs with his trio. **Mully's Bar, doors 8pm**



Evening
Bar takeover
Mully's
On Friday evening, Marxism is taking over the UCL student union bar. As well as the Soweto Kinch gig, there is a bar to drink and chat. **Mully's Basement Bar, 134 Gower St, WC1E 6BP**



Exhibition
Yorgos Konstantinou
Greek anti-facist activist and cartoonist displays 'Fortress Europe' – a powerful exhibition sharply depicting how the European Union treats refugees. **Senate House cloisters**

Don't miss...
Noam Chomsky
Veteran writer and philosopher Noam Chomsky will be joining us via Zoom to discuss the cracks in the US empire. Come early to get a seat! **6.30pm, Brunei LT**



Exhibition
Rebellious Daughters
Rebellious Daughters of History gallery. Giant canvases of giants of struggle by artists Moira Semel and Eva Colwell. **Brunei LT foyer**

Take shelter...
Bookmarks culture tent
As well as hosting booklaunches and talks, the Bookmarks culture tent will be home to spoken word, live music and performances throughout Marxism Festival.



Culture tent
Soweto Kinch
The saxophonist and rapper will be discussing his new project, 'White Juju' which is a response to lockdown, BLM, British history and the culture wars. **4.15pm**



Culture tent
Pride poetry
With Clare Torrence and guests. **1-2.30pm lunch break**



Culture tent
Gary Younger
Gary launches his new book – a powerful collection of journalism on race, racism and black life. **6.30pm**



Cutout photos on this spread by Gustave Deghlaghe, Mictia Ninja and Steve Eason

Saturday 1 July

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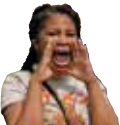

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10-11.15am					10-11.15am		
	ANTI-FASCISM Is there a new far right in Britain? Michael Bradley	CULTURE Reclaiming the revolutionary William Blake Judy Cox	CLASS STRUGGLE Lessons from 1926: can a general strike beat the Tories? Mark Thomas	INTERNATIONAL China today: strikes, economic crisis and imperialist rivalry Adrian Budd	ENVIRONMENT Extinction: what's behind the biodiversity crisis? Sarah Ensor	INTERNATIONAL Workers' fightback and Syriza's betrayal in Greece Panos Garganas	TEACH YOURSELF MARXISM WTF is the dialectic? Camilla Royle
11.45am-1pm					11.45am-1pm		
IMPERIALISM Capitalism and war Yanis Varoufakis & Alex Callinicos	CLASS STRUGGLE How can the strikes win? NHS Workers Say No, Amazon, UCU, CWU & NEU	ANTI-RACISM Can identity politics help end oppression? Esme Choonara	ECONOMICS Inflation and bank crashes: a new economic crisis? Amy Leather	IMPERIALISM Ukraine: torn apart by imperialism? Volodymyr Ishchenko & Tomáš Tengely-Evans	THEORY Cuba: has it ever been socialist? David Karvala	ANTI-FASCISM Meloni and the Fratelli: contemporary fascism in Italy? Mark Thomas	TEACH YOURSELF MARXISM What is historical materialism? Richard Donnelly
2.30-3.45pm					2.30-3.45pm		
CLASS STRUGGLE Mass strikes: why Rosa Luxemburg matters today Charlie Kimber	Book launch Capitalism in the 21st Century Through the Prism of Value Michael Roberts	CULTURE Three books that changed the world Jeremy Corbyn	ANTI-RACISM No justice, no peace: resisting police racism Marcia Rigg, Aamer Anwar, Sukhdev Reel & Weyman Bennett	LIBERATION Marxism, sex and sexuality Lorna McKinnon	ANTI-RACISM Fighting antisemitism today Anna Gluckstein	HISTORY 50 years since the coup in Chile 1973 Mario Nain	TEACH YOURSELF MARXISM Why we hate Mondays: Marxism and alienation Jess Edwards
4.15-5.30pm					4.15-5.30pm		
Panel System crash: debating the polycrisis Adam Tooze & Alex Callinicos	CLASS STRUGGLE Striking back: workers vs the system Chris Smalls in conversation	CULTURE Frida Kahlo: revolutionary icon? Emma Davis	INTERNATIONAL The state, revolution and war: lessons from Sudan Anne Alexander & Muzan Alneel	Panel Resisting repression: defending the right to protest Matt Foot, Chris Peace & Just Stop Oil	INTERNATIONAL Can there be a united Ireland? Eoghan Ó Ceannabháin	ANTI-RACISM Marxism vs Black nationalism Zak Cochrane	LIBERATION Family affair: does capitalism want you to have kids? Jan Nielsen
6.30-8pm					6.30-8pm		
Panel 75 years of the Nakba: why Palestine is still the issue Ramsis Kilani, Lowkey, Sophia Beach & Richard Boyd Barrett	ANTI-RACISM Can reparations win slavery justice? Steve Philip & David Denny	CULTURE A people's history of hip hop, part II Liz Wheatley & Yuri Prasad	LIBERATION Abortion rights under attack: controlling our bodies is not a crime Judith Orr	HISTORY The revolutionary politics of James Connolly Colm Bryce	LIBERATION Beyond the binary: Marxism, sex and gender Isabel Ringrose		

Saturday 1 July

Culture tent

Ashaine White

Just when you thought every genre mash up had been done, Ashaine White arrives with grunge-soul and a sound all of her own.
11.15-11.45am break

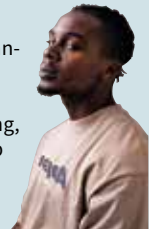


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Culture tent

Mr Sols

An award-winning, Nigerian-born poet and workshop leader from East London. Mr Sols delivers hard hitting, politically charged hip hop and spoken word.
5.30-6.30pm break



Jeremy Corbyn

Join Jeremy to celebrate three books that shook the world. **2.30pm, Culture Tent**



8pm entertainment

Saturday night party Max Mella

Italian-German producer (Aphy Khéa, Sans Soucis, Sheldon Agwu), multi instrumentalist and North London based DJ. Bringing together 70/80 Soul, House with Electronica, Techno and Hip Hop.
Institute bar, doors 8pm



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Exhibition (This) Place

A display about migrants lives, incorporating sound and photography by artist Eva Colwell.
Djam LT (in the breaks)

Exhibition Generation in revolt

Students and young members of the SWP showcase their experience of revolt and struggle.
KLT foyer



Sunday 2 July

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MAIN BUILDING

10-11.15am					10-11.15am		
	CLASS STRUGGLE Lessons from the French strike movement Charlie Kimber, Denis Godard & others	IMPERIALISM 20 years on: the legacy of the West's defeat in Iraq Simon Assaf	Booklaunch Duncan Hallas: Indomitable Revolutionary Sheila McGregor & Dave Sherry	SCOTLAND SNP crisis: has the British state survived the Scottish independence challenge? Héctor Sierra	ENVIRONMENT The anthropocene: are humans shaping the planet? Camilla Royle	STRATEGY Radical solutions to the housing crisis Housing activists	THEORY 100 years of Lukács' History and Class Consciousness Richard Donnelly
11.45am-1pm					11.45am-1pm		
Book launch The Revival of Resistance: the 2022-23 Strikes & the Battles Still to Win Jess Walsh & Mark Thomas	Pamphlet launch Smashing the sexist system Sarah Bates, Nadia Sayed & Judith Orr	THEORY Marxism and the party Joseph Choonara 	ANTI-RACISM Will class struggle smash racism? Yuri Prasad	STRATEGY What strategy can win climate justice? Suzanne Jeffery, Asad Rehman & Just Stop Oil	IMPERIALISM Imperialism and the politics of energy in the Middle East Anne Alexander & Hamza Hamouchene	LIBERATION Capitalism and disability: a Marxist analysis Roddy Slorach	TEACH YOURSELF ECONOMICS Exploitation: where do profits come from? Francesca Manning
2-3.15pm					2-3.15pm		
Book launch The New Age of Catastrophe Alex Callinicos	SCIENCE Artificial intelligence: will robots take over the world? John Parrington	Book launch The War Against the Commons Ian Angus in conversation with Martin Empson	CULTURE Poetry and politics Hannah Lowe	STRATEGY Can police abolition work? Brian Richardson	STRATEGY Revolutionaries and the united front Julie Sherry	CLASS STRUGGLE McAlevy model: is it a rank and file strategy? Mark O'Brien	TEACH YOURSELF ECONOMICS Accumulation: the driving force of capitalism Rory Anderson
3.45-5pm					3.45-5pm		
Book launch A Companion to Marx's Grundrisse David Harvey	STRATEGY Corbyn to Melenchon: can left reformism bring change? Charlie Kimber	ANTI-RACISM Race Today at 50: a history of anti-racist struggle Leila Hassan & Brian Richardson	CULTURE How The Sopranos pierced the American dream Geraldine Mirabile & Lewis Nielsen	THEORY Was China ever socialist? Maxine Bowler	LIBERATION Red in the rainbow: radical history of LGBT+ liberation Nicola Field, Bee Hughes & Noel Halifax	THEORY More than opium? Marxism & religion Paul McGarr	TEACH YOURSELF ECONOMICS Is there a Marxist theory of crisis? Rob Hoveman

5.30pm
Closing rally
A world to win
At the closing event of Marxism Festival we'll be joined by an international line up of strikers, campaigners and revolutionaries including Amy Leather (SWP joint national secretary) and Richard Boyd Barrett (socialist in the Irish parliament)
Friends Meeting House, 173 Euston Road, NW1 2BJ



Teachers strike on Budget Day Photo: Guy Smallman

7pm
Live music
Political folk sessions
With Bonfires of June and friends
Institute Bar


Socialist meetings near you
The organisers of Marxism Festival, the SWP, host regular meetings in towns and cities across Britain to explore different political issues and plan activity.
Everyone is welcome.
To find your nearest meeting please visit socialistworker.co.uk 

Culture tent
Kianja
R&B and neo-soul singer songwriter Kianja brings her power house voice, performing a stripped down, acoustic performance.
3.15-3.45pm break


Booklaunch
Exploring Grundrisse
Marxist author David Harvey will be join us online to launch his new book, *A Companion to Marx's Grundrisse*
3.45pm • Beveridge Hall


Booklaunch
The revival of resistance
Join authors Mark L Thomas and Jess Walsh to launch a new book analysing the recent strike wave and the battles to come.
11.45am • Beveridge Hall


Walking tour
Radical Bloomsbury
David Rosenberg, author of *Rebel Footprints*, leads a walking tour. Spaces are limited so please enter the draw at the ticket desk to take part. **10am**

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CULTURE

at Marxism Festival

Every day at Marxism we will have live music, spoken word, performances and book launches.

Thursday

Culture Tent
4-5pm break
BONFIRES OF JUNE
Rebel Irish soul

Friday

Djam LT (Main Building)
1.15-2pm
GLASGOW WELCOMES REFUGEES
A film by José Maria Martinelli interviewing activists Margaret Woods and Jock Morris about their experience working with refugees in the 1990s. They explore hidden histories of racism and resistance in Glasgow.

Culture Tent
1-2.30pm break
Pride poetry with
CLAIRE TORRANCE
& guests.

Culture Tent
1-2:30pm break
Rebel jewellery & printing workshop. On the grass next to the tent.

Culture Tent
3.45-4.15pm break
JADE MCCOY MORAN
Californian singer-songwriter, steeped in folk music.

Mully's Bar
8pm-late
SOWETO KINCH
The award-winning saxophonist, composer, poet, MC and producer performs with his trio.

Saturday

Culture Tent
11.15-11.45am break
ASHAINE WHITE Just when you thought every genre mash up had been done, Ashaine arrives with grunge-soul and a sound all of her own.

Culture Tent
1-2.30pm break
LORNA MCKINNON
political folk singer-songwriter. Whit, grit and growl against the Tories

Culture Tent
1-2.30pm break
Rebel jewellery & printing workshop. On the grass next to the tent.

Culture Tent
5.30-6.30pm break
MR SOLS Award winning, Nigerian-born poet Mr Sols delivers hard hitting, politically charged hip hop and spoken word.

Institute bar
9-12pm (Doors 8pm)
MAX MELLA
Producer, multi instrumentalist and DJ brings together 70/80s Soul, House, Electronica, Techno and Hip Hop.

Sunday

Culture Tent
1-2pm break
ARCHIE DUFFIN
Rebel scientist and singer-songwriter plays keys for climate justice.

Culture Tent
1-2:30pm break
Rebel jewellery & printing workshop. On the grass next to the tent.

Culture Tent
3.15-3.45pm break
KIANJA R&B and neo-soul from singer-songwriter Kianja performing a stripped down, acoustic performance.

Institute bar
7pm Political folk sessions with
BONFIRES OF JUNE and friends

Exhibitions

FORTRESS EUROPE
Greek anti-fascist activist and cartoonist Yorgos Konstantinou mounts a powerful exhibition looking at how the European Union treats refugees. Senate House cloisters

(THIS) PLACE
A display about migrants lives, incorporating sound and photography from Portuguese artist Eva Colwell. DLT (in the breaks)

REBELLIOUS DAUGHTERS OF HISTORY
Giant canvases of giants of struggle by artists Moira Semel and Eva Colwell. Brunei LT foyer

GENERATION IN REVOLT
Students and young members of the Socialist Workers Party showcase their experience of revolt and struggle. KLT foyer

Join the Socialist Workers Party

Marxism Festival is hosted by the Socialist Workers Party. We are revolutionaries fighting to change the world.

We have branches and student groups across Britain who mobilise in local campaigns and hold socialist events. Join us – and be part of the fightback.



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the socialist bookshop bookmarks

Bookmarks is Britain's biggest socialist bookshop and we are relocating lock, stock and barrel to Marxism Festival for the whole 4 days!

We have a great selection of radical books to change the world.

Come and find us in the Senate House foyer and look out for our pop-up stalls throughout the festival.

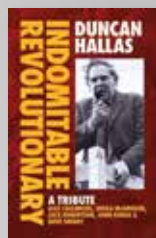
The Revival of Resistance
Britain is seeing the biggest wave of strikes in a generation. This book provides an initial balance sheet of the experiences of these strikes.



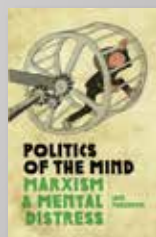
The Mass Strike by Rosa Luxemburg
This classic work examines how mass strikes fuse economic and political demands and create a pathway to revolution.



Duncan Hallas: Indomitable Revolutionary
A tribute to Hallas's remarkable life and a call to a new generation to enrich their understanding of revolutionary socialism.



Politics of the Mind by Iain Ferguson
Updated with a new introduction. This looks at the links between capitalism and the enormously high levels of mental distress we see in the world today.



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