International Whores Day
Día internacional de las putas
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Sex Workers celebrating our radical roots globally.
Whorestory

June 2nd of each year commemorates the occupation of Saint-Nizier Church in Lyon, France by more than a hundred sex working people in 1975 who were protesting police terror and brutality. During this 8 day-long occupation sex workers demanded, among other things, an end to police harassment, the re-opening of the hotels where they worked, and the scrapping of anti-pimping laws that targeted their lovers, co-workers and friends. The day is actively celebrated and organized in Central and South America (with especially large demonstrations in Argentina, Peru, Brazil), Spain, India, the UK, France, and Germany. It’s a day to assert collective power and make demands.

Sex Workers sharing a meal inside Saint-Nizier Church in Lyon during the occupation.

Articles & News Reports About IWD Globally

"Hundreds of sex workers occupied a total of five French churches during the strike. Many more of the approximately 20,000 French sex workers nationwide “downed tools” in solidarity."


"En esa iglesia se gestó el Colectivo de Prostitutas, un referente histórico para todas las organizaciones posteriores. Como decía Ulla, una de sus líderes: “Esperamos nuestra libertad en
“But that’s exactly why we need holidays like International Whores’ Day: to humanize a group who have had the word “whore” spat at them for centuries.”


"Organizaciones de meretrices de Uruguay, Argentina, Guatemala, México y Brasil, entre otros países, conmemoran la fecha, sin embargo en Nicaragua aún pocos saben cuánto se ha alterado el santoral católico.”

https://www.taringa.net/posts/noticias/14931854/Hoy-es-el-dia-internacional-de-las-Putas.html

“So why revel in a term as strong as “whore”? “I don’t mind being called a whore by my sisters in whoredom,” she says. “In the beginning it wasn’t even a bad word. ‘Whore’ is a word we reclaimed to be used by ourselves to take the sting out.”


“Our children don’t want their mothers in jail” and a chant was sung. The protest which lasted 8 days, ended when police raided the church on the basis that it was creating public disorder.”

https://www.nzpleasures.co.nz/escorting/international-whores-day/

“Only sadly, after a few days, police did what they do and busted in with some batons. The protest ended with the women being arrested and beaten. But many of the Lyon sex workers had their fines written off; legit police investigations into unsolved sex worker murders were..."
launched; and the event sparked similar protests in Marseilles and Paris.”

http://reason.com/blog/2014/06/02/whores-day-celebrates-sex-worker-rights

Article on the combined action of SlutWalk & IWD in Mexico City in 2011:

http://www.proceso.com.mx/272467/la-marcha-de-las-putas

"Por la dignidad y los derechos de las prostitutas, todos los días 2 de junio se celebra en todo el mundo..."

http://www.zocalo.com.mx/new_site/articulo/hoy-se-celebra-el-dia-internacional-de-la-trabajadora-sexual

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"Prostitutes Our Life," book which goes incredibly in-depth about police terror in France roughly including experiences during the late 1960s-1980s:

https://www.amazon.com/Prostitutes-Our-Life-Claude-Jaget/dp/0905046110
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