

Peace & Social Justice Calendar March 2025

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WEEKLY

Raza Against War Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. 2500 Tulare St. For more info, contact comworkeradvocate@gmail.com.

Stand Up, Speak Up, Spread the Truth Sundays, 3 p.m.–5 p.m. Mooney and Walnut avenues, Visalia. Free Palestine. Let Gaza Live! Cease Fire Now. For more info, contact fida.taha@gmail.com.

SAT 01 **Kennedy Club of the San Joaquin Valley** 9 a.m. Via Zoom. Speaker: State Center Community College District Chancellor Carole Goldsmith. For more info, contact 559-435-4043 or claval@comcast.net.

MON 03 **Democratic Women in Action (DWIA)** 5:30 p.m. Democratic Party HQ, 1033 U St. Discussion on the future of the DWIA. For more info, contact 559-681-3140 or ggaston1234@aol.com.

TUE 04 **National Women's Political Caucus (NWPC)** 5:30 p.m. Los Amigos Restaurant, 5088 N. Blackstone Ave. Speakers: Amanda Gunn and L. Ramos, organizers of the Central Valley Women's March. Topic: The Power of Empathy—and How We Can Turn it into Meaningful Action that Creates Lasting Change. For more info, contact 559-222-6212 or joanne@pbyoga.com.

KFCF 88.1 FM: *Nuestro Foro* (Spanish) 7 p.m. News, commentaries and music with a Latino touch hosted by Eduardo Stanley. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

WED 05 **California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA)** 1 p.m. Via Zoom. Regional meeting. Link: us06web.zoom.us/j/2284684729. For more info, contact ycuevas@californiaalliance.org.

KFCF 88.1 FM: *Stir It Up!* 3 p.m. *Community Alliance* radio show. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

THU 06 **Soup for My Family Gathering** 3 p.m.–8 p.m. LGBTQ+ EOC Sanctuary, 1252 Fulton St. Monthly potluck and community meetup. Nourishment of mind, body and soul. For more info, contact 559-325-4527 or lgbtq@fresnoeoc.org.

Civil Rights Workshop 5:30 p.m. Room 251, Old Administration Building, Fresno City College (FCC). Join the Central Labor Council, the FCC Social Justice Center and FCC Cultural and Women's Studies Professor Karla Kirk for a workshop exploring multiracial organizing and the ongoing fight for equity in America. Free. Dinner provided. RSVP at bit.ly/clccr25.

Free Support Group 6:30 p.m.–8 p.m. Via Zoom. For adults (18+) affected by fear of family separation or having a family member deported. For more info, contact 559-241-8085 or contact@mhfamcc.com.

FRI 07 **U.S. & World "Oligarch #1 Protest: Amazon"** (through March 14). No buying from Amazon for one week.

International Women's Day Celebration 4 p.m.–8 p.m. Courthouse Park, 210 W. Yosemite Blvd., Madera. In solidarity with immigrant, refugee, indigenous and Afro-descendent women, strength lies in collective power. Enjoy music, poetry and delicious Oaxacan food. Sponsor: American Friends Institute, Pan Valley Institute. For more info, contact 559-222-7678 or fresno@afsc.org.

CineCulture: Bold Stories, Real Impact—A Look Inside Rippin Sindher's Films 5:30 p.m. Peters Education Center Auditorium, Fresno State. Discussant: Rippin Sindher (director). Sindher is a filmmaker who grew up in Sanger and works in Los Angeles. Free and open to the public. For more info, contact mhusain@mail.fresnostate.edu or visit cineculture.csufresno.edu/.

- **The Hideout:** When an unexpected rent notice derails her plans, Sammy Kaur must choose between stability or chasing her dream.
- **Happy:** After addiction nearly destroys him, Harpreet "Happy" Singh finds redemption through music and an unexpected revelation.
- **Zone:** Redlining's shadow still looms over Fresno—activists reclaim their neighborhoods through advocacy and public art.
- **Seva:** As xenophobia rises, Sikh activists harness the power of seva to fight for justice, forcing the FBI to confront the truth about hate crimes.
- **Broken Drawer:** A man unearths childhood trauma hidden within a family heirloom, forcing him to face his past.
- **Flight 182:** Torn between duty and fear, a Punjabi father must choose—care for his ailing mother in India or protect his family from looming danger in Canada.

SAT 08 **Central Valley Progressive PAC** 3:30 p.m. Via Zoom. For more info, contact 559-978-4504 or swhalen79@gmail.com.

SUN 09 **PFLAG Fresno** 2 p.m.–4 p.m. Fireside Room, Wesley United Methodist Church, 1343 E. Barstow Ave. Supporting, educating and advocating for LGBTQ+ people and their families. For more info, contact pflagfresno@gmail.com.

MON 10 **Black Women Organized for Political Action (BWOPA)** 5 p.m. Democratic Party HQ, 1033 U St. For more info, contact swgamble@aol.com.

TUE 11 **TOPA Fresno Coalition Meeting** 4 p.m.–5 p.m. Via Google Meet. Be part of the planning process to bring the Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) to Fresno. To request the meeting link or for more info, contact 559-283-7796.

Black American Political Association of California (BAPAC) 6 p.m. Via Zoom. For more info, contact 559-287-1308 or bapacfresno@gmail.com.

Kings County Democratic Central Committee 6 p.m. Round Table Pizza, 208 N. 12th Ave., Hanford. For more info, contact cathyjorgensen@hotmail.com.

Stonewall Democratic Club 6:30 p.m. Los Amigos Restaurant, 5088 N. Blackstone Ave. For more info, contact 559-285-1641 or info@fresnostonewalldemocrats.org.

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WED 12 **KFCF 88.1 FM: *Stir It Up!*** 3 p.m. Fresno Center for Nonviolence radio show hosted by Josh Shurley. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

Housing Learning Labs 5 p.m. 3253 E. Shields Ave. Session 5: Policy Changes. Discover who provides affordable housing, how to access it, how to advocate for your rights and afford rent increases. For more info, contact juana@tcmfresno.org.

THU 13 **Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)** 7 p.m. 1584 N. Van Ness Ave. Online/in person. For more info, contact 559-360-8054 or taca_03@ymail.com.

FRI 14 **National Strike No Work for 24 Hours:** All workers, all businesses and all higher education organizations.

CineCulture: *Bella* 5:30 p.m. Peters Education Center Auditorium, Fresno State. Discussant: Jeff Lieberman (director). This film chronicles the career of American political activist Bella Abzug. In 1970, she entered Congress ready for a fight. With her trademark hat and Bronx swagger, the first elected feminist upended the Washington patriarchy, battling for women's equality, civil rights and LGBTQ+ protections. Sponsors: Jewish Studies Program and Jewish Studies Association. Free and open to the public. For more info, contact mhusain@mail.fresnostate.edu or visit cineculture.csufresno.edu/.

SAT 15 **Youth Liberation Institute 2025 Annual Conference** 10 a.m.–4 p.m. SIREN invites Central Valley youth ages 13–21 to come together for a day of celebrating diversity, empowering immigrant communities, having fun and staying united. For more info, contact 559-881-8382 or youth@sirenimmigrantrights.org.

Fresno County Democratic Women's Club 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Manhattan Steakhouse & Bar, 1731 W. Bullard Ave. Annual Democrats in Action fundraising luncheon. Theme: We Go Forward as Democrats—Honoring Our Next Generation of Leaders. Honorees: Mayra Campa, public servant and political organizer; D'Aungillique Jackson, advocate for equity and transformative justice; and Amanda Gann, organizer for civic engagement and grassroots activism. Plus a silent auction. \$75/person. For more info, contact 559-435-4043 or claval@comcast.net.

TUE 18 **Special Municipal Election: Fresno City Council District 5** Vote centers open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. Candidates: Paul W. Condon (facebook.com/condon4fresnocitycouncil/), Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas (elizabethjonassonrosas.com), Jose Leon Barraza (joseleonbarrazafordistrict5.com) and Brandon Vang (facebook.com/Brandon4Fresno/).

Central Valley Partnership 5:30 p.m. Room 251, Old Administration Building, Fresno City College. For more info, contact admin@centralvalleypartnership.org.

Kings County Jimmy Carter Club 6 p.m. Lemoore. For more info, contact kcyjimmycarterclub@gmail.com.

Palestine Speaker Series 6 p.m.–7:15 p.m. Room 3212, Fresno State Library. Speaker: Dr. Shourideh Molavi. Shourideh is a writer and scholar specializing in critical state theory, decolonization, migration and border studies, decolonial ecologies and trained with a background in international humanitarian law. She has more than 15 years of academic and fieldwork experience in the Middle East—focusing on Israel/Palestine. Q&A and book signing. Sponsor: Fresno State's Instructionally Related Activities Fund. For more info, contact dsaxton@mail.fresnostate.edu.

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WED 19 **Daytime Speaker Series** 10:30 a.m. William Saroyan Theatre, 730 M St. Speaker: Michael McFaul. Topic: Navigating Troubled Times: A Russia/China Perspective. A former U.S. ambassador to Russia, esteemed professor and acclaimed author, McFaul unpacks the complexities of international affairs and the evolving relationship between the United States, Russia and China. \$60. For more info, contact 559-444-2180 or valleytownhall@gmail.com.

KFCF 88.1 FM: *Speaking Truth to Empire* 3 p.m. Hosted by Dan Yaseen. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

San Joaquin Valley Democratic Club 6:30 p.m. Denny's Restaurant, 1110 E. Shaw Ave. For more info, contact 559-312-3925.

THU 20 **Clovis Democratic Club** 6 p.m. Seven Bar & Grill, 25 Shaw Ave., Clovis. For more info, contact 559-322-9740 or clovisdemocraticclub@gmail.com.

Sierra Club Tehipite Chapter 7 p.m. Woodward Park Library, 944 E. Perrin Ave. Dr. Greg Goodman, author and educator, discusses his tried and true trail book, *A Walker's Companion: A Central Sierra Trail Guide*. Free and open to the public. Visit sierraclub.org/tehipite and look for the registration link. Advance registration required.

FRI 21 **CineCulture: *Paper Flowers*** 5:15 p.m. Peters Education Center Auditorium, Fresno State. Discussant: Mahesh Pailoor (director). An ambitious USC graduate leaves behind his loving Indian American family and devoted girlfriend to pursue his dream of making a difference as a Peace Corps volunteer. However, his life takes a devastating turn when a checkup for a lingering cough reveals a shocking diagnosis: a rare and aggressive form of cancer. Free and open to the public. For more info, contact mhusain@mail.fresnostate.edu or visit cineculture.csufresno.edu/.

SAT 22 **Taste of Freedom** 9 a.m.–4 p.m. O'Neill Park, Fresno State, 2611 E. Barstow Ave. Celebrating the lives and impact of Buffalo soldiers in the Old West. Educational experience with an array of demonstrations, food vendors, games, live folk musicians and workshops. Free. For more info, contact ouraiphone@yahoo.com.

De-escalation/Bystander Training Workshop 9:30 a.m.–noon & 2 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall, First Mennonite Church, 1208 L St., Reedley. Facilitator: Tim Nafziger. Workshop on how to act in situations of conflict in your community. What do you do when you are at the grocery store or walking down the street and someone starts harassing another person because of their race or their language? How do you engage in a way that keeps the incident from escalating into a situation where someone needs to call the police? Registration required. To register (by March 14) or for more info, contact reedleypeacecenter@gmail.com.

TUE 25 **Advocacy Day for the Unhoused Community** Fight for equality and justice among the unhoused community by meeting with policy makers and discussing strategies for the future. Sponsor: Fresno Homeless Union. For more info or to contribute to the cost of transportation, e-mail fresnohomelessunion@gmail.com.

Reclaiming Our Voices 2 p.m.–4 p.m. Room 251, Old Administration Building, Fresno City College. Citizen panel at 2 p.m. Volunteerism tabling session at 3:15 p.m. For more info, contact 559-442-8200.

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WED 26 **KFCF 88.1 FM: *Stir It Up!*** 3 p.m. WILPF radio show hosted by Jean Hays. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

THU 27 **Central Valley Indivisible** 6 p.m. Democratic Party HQ, 1033 U St. For more info, contact 559-495-0606 or pattycapp@gmail.com.

Peace Fresno 6:30 p.m. Fresno Center for Nonviolence, 1584 N. Van Ness Ave. Monthly meeting to plan antiwar strategies. For more info, contact 559-513-0199 or president@peacefresno.org.

FRI 28 **KFCF 88.1 FM: *It's a Queer Thang*** 5 p.m.–6 p.m. Covers local and national LGBTQ+ issues and events. Hosted by Chris Jarvis and Kaylia Metcalfe Armstrong. For more info, visit kfcf.org.

CineCulture: *Yasmeen's Element* 5:30 p.m. Peters Education Center Auditorium, Fresno State. Discussant: Amman Abbasi (director). A day full of adventures and obstacles unfolds for an ambitious Pakistani student as she urgently tries to track down her professor's house after misplacing an assignment. She is helped and sometimes hindered by those she encounters—a parable for what women's education can be in an unstable place. Free and open to the public. For more info, contact mhusain@mail.fresnostate.edu or visit cineculture.csufresno.edu/.