

8pm Wed 23rd February

Talk and films by indigenous Mexican activists, CIPO-RFM

@ Bharat Bhavan (old Mill Road Library)



The Consejo Indígena Popular de Oaxaca "Ricardo Flores Magón" (CIPO-RFM) is an organization of indigenous communities that support each other and work independently from all political parties and from all governmental institutions using non-violent direct action to achieve their aims of social and environmental justice. 24 communities of Chatin, Mixtec, Chinantec, Cuicatec, Zapotec, Mixe, Triqui, black or mixed race villages currently participate in CIPO-RFM, which organises through democratic assemblies.

Their communities are beset on many sides, from illegal land seizures by US companies to the introduction of GM Maize. The repression against them has recently increased, with CIPO-RFM member Juan Alavez Mendez abducted on Feb. 2nd by security forces without arrest warrant.

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