

International Women's Day



THIS DAY IN HISTORY

SOME HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

On the morning of March 25, 1911, 146 women workers were killed in a fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory in New York. The doors to the factory were locked and firefighters' ladders could not reach the factory windows. Women burned to death or were killed as they tried to jump from the ninth floor of the factory. Most of the women were immigrants.

Only a year before, garment workers, including workers at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory, had organized a strike to demand better working conditions and wages. Factory owners refused to make concessions and the strike failed. Women and men commemorate the women who died by organizing and fighting for better working conditions, wages and women's rights. The struggle for "bread and also roses" continues today.

2023

Asian women in China, Cambodia, Vietnam make up almost 80% of the workforce in the garment industry as cheap labour. In North America, Asian women sew in factories and do piece work at home without labour protections or job security. Women continue to fight for safe, dignified work and adequate pay in the workplace.



Women textile workers on strike in 1912, Lawrence, Mass
http://policyfix1.files.wordpress.com/2014/03/breadandroses_0308.jpg

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ONLINE DISCUSSION GROUP CST. NICOLE CHAN'S DEATH

Are you a woman of colour?

Join us on April 1st, 2023 at 10 am (PT)
Let's talk about what happened.

Why do you think this case is important?

What are the next steps in seeking justice for Nicole Chan?

1 hour conversations

RSVP:
contact@asianwomanequality.org

LET'S TALK - ONLINE DISCUSSION GROUP

It was Nicole Chan's dream to be a police officer. She was a Constable with the Vancouver Police Department for 9 years. She died on Jan 27, 2019 of apparent suicide during a lengthy process of seeking to hold a senior police officer accountable for sexually assaulting her over many years. Several other male officers are implicated in taking advantage of the young Asian woman during her career with the VPD.

Let's talk about what happened. Join our online discussion group on April 1st, 2023 at 10am (PT).

(RSVP required)

UPDATES

A NEW FEMINIST SPACE IN VANCOUVER!

Asian Women for Equality moved into our new organizing space. We look forward to welcoming our friends and allies to the gatherings and activities we are organizing! Check the website for new events.

[Contact Us!](#)



JOIN OUR BIWEEKLY CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE CAFÉ!

Are you interested in making new friends, having cultural exchange and practicing English? Come and join our biweekly Conversational English Language Café! Free refreshments will be provided!



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OUR WORKSHOPS ON GUARANTEED LIVABLE INCOME

Asian Women for Equality is part of the growing feminist-led movement to establish a Guaranteed Livable Income. Learn more and join the fight for a fair, healthy and dignified life. Invite us to speak to your group!

Contact Michelle Cheong, Program Coordinator at michelle@asianwomenequality.org for more details.



MAY IS ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH

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