UPCOMING EVENTS

INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND THE MDGs
RLS-NYC at the 58th Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women
March 11, 2:30 pm - Armenian Convention Center

From March 10 to March 21, the United Nations will host women’s rights advocates for the 58th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women.

Join the RLS–NYC and MADRE for a panel discussion with Indigenous women leaders from across the world on the challenges and lessons learned from implementing the Millennium Development Goals in local communities, as well as on the post-2015 development agenda.

Tuesday, March 11, 2:30–4:00 pm
Armenian Convention Center
V-Hall, 630 2nd Avenue, New York
To RSVP, email madre@madre.org.
BORN THIS WAY?

The Radical Legacy of Magnus Hirschfeld and the Fight for LGBTQ Equality
March 18, 6:30 pm - RLS–NYC

RLS–NYC will host a conversation with Ralf Dose and Steven Thrasher on the radical legacy of Magnus Hirschfeld (1868-1935), a pioneer of the gay liberation movement in Weimar Germany. The discussion will address the use of science in the fight for LGBTQ rights, and conservative efforts to push back against the gains won by the LGBTQ movement.

Ralf Dose is the director of the Magnus Hirschfeld Society in Berlin and author of the seminal biography Magnus Hirschfeld: The Origin of the Gay Liberation Movement.

Steven Thrasher is a contributing editor at BuzzFeed and was named Journalist of the Year 2012 by the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association.

Tuesday, March 18, 2014, 6:30-8 pm
RLS–NYC, 275 Madison Avenue, Suite 2114 (entrance over 40th St.)
New York, NY 10016
Free and open to the public. Registration here.

NEW PUBLICATION

CONTRACTING INSECURITY

Private Military and Security Companies and the Future of the United Nations

By Lou Pingeot - February 2014
NEW VIDEO

FIVE RING FEVER

Watch this discussion about the Sochi Games and other mega sporting events, featuring Jules Boykoff, Samantha Retrosi, and Dave Zirin. Topics include the modern Olympics and celebration capitalism, the exploitation of athletes, and the LGBTQ Movement.

PHOTOS FROM RECENT EVENTS

NEW DIRECTIONS IN FEMINISM

Check out the pictures from this conversation on how to rebuild an intersectional feminist movement, featuring writer and activist Mikki Kendall and socialist feminist activists Peg Strobel and Amber Frost. This event was co-sponsored by the Young Democratic Socialists and the RLS–NYC.

FIVE RING FEVER

At "Five Ring Fever: The Sochi Games and Celebration Capitalism" Samantha Retrosi, Dave Zirin, and Jules Boykoff discussed the impact of large-scale sporting events and what we can do to ensure they speak to the dreams of billions of people, not to the billionaire dreams of a select, corrupt few.