

FORUM: **WOMEN SPEAK OUT FOR TREATY**

20TH MARCH
5:30PM FOR 6PM
START

**REDFERN
COMMUNITY
CENTRE**

29-53 HUGO STREET REDFERN



Come and listen to:

**ROSALIE KUNOTH-MONKS, AMY MCQUIRE,
NATALIE CROMB & AMALA GROOM**
MC: JEFF MCMULLEN

All welcome to this forum
discussing the urgent Human
Rights issues for our
First Peoples.

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Rosalie Kunoth-Monks to speak at Sydney forum

On 20th March, Stop the Intervention Collective Sydney will host a public forum in Redfern to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination 2015: First Nations Women Speak out about Treaty.

The forum will provide a rare opportunity to hear directly from Arrernte-Alyawarra Elder **Rosalie Kunoth-Monks**. Rosalie is an outspoken advocate for her people who featured in John Pilger's 2014 film 'Utopia'. She is currently a Freedom Summit Delegate and has been named 2015 Northern Territory Australian of the year in recognition of her life-long activism.

Also on the panel will be South Sea/Darumbal woman, **Amy McQuire, Amala Groom**, Wiradjuri woman and **Natalie Cromb**. Amy is the former editor of *Tracker* magazine and the *National Indigenous Times* and is currently a journalist with New Matilda. Amala is an artist and social justice activist who was recently elected onto the National Board of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples. Natalie is a Gamilaraay woman who works in the legal profession and writes on Indigenous affairs. She is a passionate advocate for Aboriginal people and has a longstanding involvement in community organisations. The forum will be chaired by journalist and film-maker, **Jeff McMullen**.

With the human rights of First Nations People under sustained attack, the forum will discuss the need for Treaty between Australia and First Nations People. Land rights are being eroded and remote communities threatened with "closure". Rates of incarceration of First Nations People have sky-rocketed and more children are being removed from Aboriginal families than during the time of the Stolen Generations.

Rosalie recently [told Al Jazeera](#), "We are under assault... We feel we've got the big white man's boots on our throat."

Treaty would recognise the sovereignty of the First Nations People over their land and enshrine the right of self-determination which was promised to them when Australia ratified the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights 40 years ago.

The forum will also discuss the relationship between Treaty and the current campaign for constitutional recognition.

The forum will be held at the Redfern Community Centre on Friday, 20th March, 5.30pm for a 6pm start. For more information contact: 0422385852

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