Migrant Voice 'Fly the Flag' event in Glasgow: Queens Park, Sunday 30 June, 2-5pm

To mark the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, globally renowned artist Ai Weiwei has created a flag to celebrate universal human rights.

On 24-30 June 2019, arts organisations and human rights charities are joining him to <u>Fly the Flag for</u> <u>human rights</u>. In cities, towns and villages across the UK, people are coming together this week to celebrate that <u>"human rights are for everyone, everyday"</u>.

Migrant Voice Glasgow has responded to Ai Weiwei's call by creating our own flag featuring a collage of photographs taken by some of our members and printed on silk. The photographs were taken for our recent <u>"Changing Lenses, Glasgow stories of integration" project</u>, which brought people together from 25 different countries to create shared messages of hope.

On **Sunday 30 June, 2-5pm**, we will be flying our flag (see attached photo, credit: Migrant Voice) during a colourful outdoor event at the observation deck in Queens Park.

Members of the public will be invited to write their own messages of hope for the future of human rights on balloons and then release these into the air. We invite everyone to come and join us to bring colour and diversity to our (hopefully sunny) Glasgow sky!

One of our members will also be speaking about the impact of Ai Weiwei's work and local musicians will provide entertainment.

Speaking about Fly the Flag, Ai Weiwei has said: "As we all come to learn, human rights are the precious result from generation after generation's understanding of the human struggle. I am proud to be a part of this force."

Nazek Ramadan, Director of Migrant Voice, said:

"Protecting our human rights is as important as it was 70 years ago. We live in an unequal world full of political instability and social inequalities where many people, including millions of migrants and refugees, are denied their fundamental rights.

"By flying this flag, featuring photographs taken by our members and the phrase 'putting the world to rights', we are showing the power of what can be achieved when people come together. We want to use this flag to inspire people across Glasgow, the UK and the world to join forces and keep fighting for human rights for every person on this planet."

The details again:

When & where? Sunday 30 June 2019, Queens Park observation deck (viewing platform)

What do you need? Nothing! bring friends, family or anyone you would like to share this experience with.

Who can attend? We want everyone to join, because Migrant Voice is an inclusive organisation, Glasgow is a multicultural city and civil rights are for everyone!