

# "We are subjects of History"

Indigenous communities' fight for autonomy and human rights in Chiapas Mexico and Beyond.

**Thursday, September, 24  
4:30-6:00 pm - Library  
Gallery**

**Guadalupe Moshan  
Álvarez**

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Rights Center**



Guadalupe Moshan Álvarez is a human rights defender that works as the principal attorney that gives legal advice at the front desk of the Fray Bartolomé Human Rights Center (FrayBa) in San Cristobal de las Casas, Chiapas, Mexico. As an indigenous, Tzotzil woman from the highlands of Huixtan, Chiapas, Guadalupe knows well the context of socio-political struggle against the political class' development plans that threaten communities in her state.

In this talk, Guadalupe will speak on the human rights situation in Chiapas, Mexico, FrayBa's work, and the role of international solidarity. The center has been widely recognized for accompanying indigenous communities under attack, documenting abuses, and pushing back against state and paramilitary forces.

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