

CUBA: SET TRANS ACTIVIST BRENDA DÍAZ FREE!

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Brenda Díaz, a Cuban trans activist, was detained and sentenced to 14 years in a men's prison after joining a peaceful protest. We ask the government for her just treatment and immediate release.

Last February, Brenda Díaz, a Cuban trans activist, was detained and later sentenced to 14 years in a men's prison related to charges of "public disorder and sabotage," following her participating in a anti-government protest on July 11, 2021.

Brenda was sent to a men's prison in western Cuba, where police and other prisoners have assaulted and attacked her. She also was forced into solitary confinement for 14 days, after she tried to defend herself from an attempted rape by another inmate. She's also been denied access to medical care and even simple things like a chance to shower for up to 12 days – which is in direct violation of Article 50 of the Cuban Constitution, which states: "Everyone has the right to have their health cared for and protected."

In addition, last May, Brenda has received an additional sentence of seven more months in prison for the crime of "contempt", which could result in 15 years of unjustified imprisonment for simply exercising her right to freedom of expression. Additionally, Ana María García, Brenda's mother, was arbitrarily detained for 48 hours in John Lennon Park, located in Havana's Vedado district, because she was meeting with three other activists.

We appeal for action and empathy, so that Brenda is treated humanely, fairly and in accordance with her gender identity, as well as for the prompt review of her case. No one should be detained for exercising their freedom of expression, which is why we're also demanding Brenda's immediate release.

Help us by signing this petition and sharing it with your friends, so that Brenda can finally see justice and once again be free! #LibertadParaBrendaDíaz

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We seek justice and dignity for Brenda Díaz, along with her immediate release.

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