

Fifty thousand march in New York City for Gaza

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Heavy rain didn't stop tens of thousands from coming to Manhattan's Washington Square Park on March 2, to demand an end to the genocide in Gaza. Signs, banners, and umbrellas filled the park.

The action was part of the Global Day of Action demanding "Hands Off Rafah! Ceasefire Now! Stop the Genocide!"

Zionist war criminal Benjamin Netanyahu and his enabler, Genocide Joe Biden, are starving the people of Gaza. People around the world saw how, on Feb. 29, Zionist troops killed 120 Palestinians who were lining up for food outside Gaza City.

Another 750 were wounded. Many of the dead had been killed by tanks running over them.

People crowded into Washington Square to listen to speeches. By 3 p.m., people were ready to march.

The UAW "Labor for Palestine" contingent led the way. Tens of thousands took over Sixth Avenue (Avenue of the Americas) and marched uptown.

The demonstration filled the street for at least a half-dozen blocks. People chanted slogans including, "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free!"

Towards the end of the peaceful march, it was attacked by police, who arrested several protesters. Two were held overnight.

The Shut It Down 4 Palestine Coalition called the New York City rally and march. Among the participating organizations and endorsers were the Palestinian Youth Movement; The People's Forum; Al-Awda NY: The Palestine Right to Return Coalition; Healthcare Workers for Palestine; December 12th Movement; and Black Alliance for Peace.

Also: DRUM NYC; For Our Liberation; Nodutdol for Korean Community Development; Anakbayan; Party for Socialism and Liberation; South Asian Left; Black Men Build; No Tech for Apartheid; Audre Lorde Project; Ridgewood Tenants Union; Uptown 4 Palestine; Mamas 4 a Free Palestine; Jews Against White Supremacy; Defend Democracy in Brazil; NYC Dissenters, Columbia University Students for Justice in Palestine; Columbia University Apartheid Divest; CUMC for Palestine; UAW Labor for Palestine; Labor for Palestine; and NYC City Workers for Palestine.

Palestine will win!



