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Susan McKeown  
Michael Brunnock  
United Nations Orchestra

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INTERNATIONAL  
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Celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights



OVERCOMING EXTREME POVERTY

*Coming together with those furthest behind  
to build an inclusive world of universal  
respect for human rights and dignity*

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018**

**12:30 pm to 2:00 pm, UN Visitor's Lobby  
United Nations Conference Building, New York**

Message from the Secretary General, Mr. António Guterres  
Messages from people living in poverty  
Statements by Ambassadors

**2:15 pm to 2:45 pm, Commemorative Stone  
North Lawn, UN Gardens**

*The commemoration will continue with a moment of reflection and solidarity  
around the Commemorative Stone in honor of victims of extreme poverty,  
located on the North Lawn of the UN Gardens.*

 **#EndPoverty #StopPoverty**



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## Program of the Day

12:30 pm to 2:00 pm, UN Visitor's Lobby

**Welcome and Introduction from Rosa Almanzar  
and Fatoumata Cisse**

*Masters of Ceremonies*

**Opening remarks from Mr. António Guterres**

*United Nations Secretary General*

**Message from Mr. Salehe Mussa Seif**

*Activist and Human Rights Defender from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania*

**Message from H.E. Mr. François Delattre**

*Ambassador, Permanent Representative,  
Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations*

**Message from Ms. Kimberly Cook**

*Activist and Human Rights Defender from Boston, USA*

**Message from H.E. Mr. Yemdaogo Eric Tiare**

*Ambassador, Permanent Representative,  
Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso to the United Nations*

**Message from Mr. Patrick Matara**

*Activist and Human Rights Defender from Kibera, Kenya*

**Musical Interlude by Ms. Susan McKeown and  
Mr. Michael Brunnock**

*Song: Be the Change  
Commissioned by ATD Fourth World, featuring testimonies of people  
living homeless in Dublin, Ireland*

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**Message from H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King**

*President of the United Nations Economic and Social Council*

**Message from Ms. Stacy White**

*Activist and Human Rights Defender from New York City, USA*

**Message from Mr. Donald Lee**

*President, International Committee for October 17*

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**Dance by Mala & Dancers**

**Reading from the text of the Commemorative Stone**

*in the six UN languages by children and young people from  
the Hyde Leadership Charter School and Lycée Français of New York*

**Minute of Silence**

**Symbolic Gesture around the Human Rights Tree**

*Accompanied by the United Nations Orchestra*

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