

## Who is Noche Diaz? Why do the Police Keep Targeting Him? Why do YOU Need to Stand With Noche at his Upcoming Trials and Join with Him and Thousands More in #RiseUpOctober?

Noche Diaz, year after year, over and over, is someone the NYPD has harassed, threatened, arrested, and slammed him with charges after charges. Right now he faces two cases in Manhattan, with a total of 4 criminal misdemeanor charges.

But Noche Diaz is NOT a criminal. Every day, Black people and Latinos are shot down by cops, or choked out. Walking down the street, or sitting in a wheelchair; in their own homes, or playing in a park. Beaten, tazed, and tortured on the streets, or in the jails and prisons. Raided and rounded up in huge militarized police assaults. Noche Diaz is under attack because in the face of all this ugliness he has refused to accept their murderous and illegitimate authority as eternal, he has stood up, and stood with others when they stand up, to this system's terror. Not just for himself, and not by himself, but as part of a revolution to emancipate humanity from this long nightmare. He is a leader in the NYC Revolution Club, works with the Revolutionary Communist Party, and was an early member of the Stop Mass Incarceration Network.

Since Ferguson, we have seen the potential of those kept down to rise up, to challenge all of this terror and brutality, to wake up large parts of society and change what people think is needed and possible, and to inspire tens of thousands to act. This potential is what this system is trying to suffocate in the cradle.

Consider this: 100s of people have been killed by police between January and October of 2015 alone, and their killers go free without even being charged. Even when they are caught red handed, on video, carrying out one of their murders, killer cops walk free. Yet the people who protest police terror

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The authorities are sending a message: They say their RIGHT and ABILITY to use murder and terror must go unchallenged. Don't you dare protest police terror—and don't even think about making an actual revolution.

The people need to send a very different message: We are NOT intimidated. We will NOT be silenced by these attacks and threats. We will stand with Noche and rally others to stand with him.

This is why #RiseUpOctober must be a massive outpouring where tens of thousands in the streets make clear to all their answer to the question: Which Side Are YOU On? STOP POLICE TERROR!

This is why Noche cannot, and will not stand alone. We will not let them take our leaders. We will not let them criminalize people who stand up to police murder and terror.

We will make sure they know: WE STAND WITH NOCHE! DROP ALL THE CHARGES!

There will be no empty courtroom where they can silently lock away a freedom fighter. In the court, and in the street we will wage a fierce battle to keep Noche out of their clutches.

## Here is what you can do starting right now

- PACK THE COURT: October 13<sup>th</sup>. 100 Center Street 9:00am
- **Sign and spread** the HANDS OFF NOCHE! Drop ALL The Charges! Petition
- **Invite Noche to speak** at your high school; your church/synagogue/mosque; your community organization, union meeting or club; etc. stopmassincarceration@gmail.com
- Write statements of support and send them to stopmassincarceration@gmail.com
- Contribute to Legal Defense Fund Send donations to Stop Mass Incarceration Network and indicate it is for "Noche legal defense." Stopmassincarceration.net
- **Be part of building for #RiseUpOctober to STOP POLICE TERROR!** Call 929-249-7996 or go to riseupoctober.org