



## Affiliated Events - MARCHES AND RALLIES -

### 1<sup>ST</sup> INTERNATIONAL MARCH AGAINST STIGMA, DISCRIMINATION AND HOMOPHOBIA

**Date:** August 2, 2008  
**Time:** 12:00 -17:00 hrs.  
**Organizer:** Comité Coordinador de la 1ra. Marcha contra el Estigma, la Discriminación y la Homofobia

**Event Description:** The 1<sup>st</sup> International March against Stigma, Discrimination, and Homophobia will bring international attention to the issue of stigma and discrimination associated with HIV, sexual identity, and gender identity. The march will lead all participants through the streets of Mexico City starting at the Angel of Independence on Avenida Reforma.

**Event Location:** Angel of Independence, Avenida Reforma, Mexico D.F.

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### MARCH TO CALL FOR UNIVERSAL ACTION NOW AND FOR THE REDUCTION OF THE PRICES OF HIV TREATMENTS

**Date:** August 3, 2008  
**Time:** 15:00 – 18:00  
**Organizer:** AIDS Healthcare Foundation and Coalition Partners

**Event Description:** This unified advocacy rally and march embraces the theme of the conference – Universal Action Now. Calling for action for TESTING, PREVENTION and TREATMENT to stop HIV/AIDS globally, thousands of IAC delegates and community members will march through Mexico City toward the opening ceremony of the International AIDS Conference (ending near the opening auditorium). The rally will feature international leaders and will include Mexican celebrities and local culture to help get the message across. The event is free and all are welcomed and encouraged to participate.

**Event Location:** Monumento a la Revolución, Plaza de la Republica, México D.F..

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### AIDS RIDE 2008, TORONTO TO MEXICO CITY

**Date:** May 25 – August 3, 2008  
**Organizer:** Bike Rider's Foundation, Canada

**Event Description:** AIDS RIDE 2008 is a bike ride across North America connecting the 2 biggest AIDS conferences, AIDS 2006 Toronto and AIDS 2008 Mexico City. In light of the continuing battle against the spread of HIV/AIDS, a pandemic that is devastating our global community, AIDS RIDE 2008 seeks to achieve three main objectives: bridge the gap between International AIDS Conferences such as Toronto 2006 and Mexico 2008 by facilitating HIV/AIDS awareness in North American communities and in doing so, mobilize youth and adult allies to pave the way for greater involvement in AIDS RIDE 2008 and AIDS 2008; break stigma and discrimination against PLWHAs by involving PLWHAs in the organization and implementation of the ride and show communities throughout North America that PLWHAs are healthy and strong people who will hold leaders accountable at the IAC; and raise funds for organizing partners of this initiative and use the same for the collaborative work against HIV/AIDS in poor and developing nations that needs immediate assistance.

**Event Location:** The AIDS RIDE 2008 will hit the road starting at the Metro Toronto Convention Center and end at the Centro Banamex in Mexico City covering different cities across the North America like New York, Philadelphia, Washington D.C., Cincinnati, Nashville, Memphis, Little Rock, Dallas, Austin, San Antonio, Monterrey and Ciudad Victoria. Please note: Locations are subject to change.

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