



# 60 Years of AI: Youth Who Shape the Human Rights Movement

Thursday, May 27 at 8pm ET on Zoom. Join the conversation: Register [here!](#)

## Guest Panelists:

**Alice Lei**, she/her, is currently the president of a student group at Mission Vista High School. She is a member of the Youth Power Action Network as well as a part of the Global Human Rights Education team's Youth Advisory Board for an upcoming documentary. Right now, Alice's work is centered around supporting her AAPI community.

**Aniket Shah** is a former Chair of AIUSA's Board of Directors. Aniket has been a leader in the organization for more than 18 years, first as a student activist and served as AIUSA's Board Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee. Shah is a leading authority on global sustainable development, working in leadership positions with the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network, Investec Asset Management, and previously with the Earth Institute.

**Hamzah Latif** is a human rights activist, muralist, an community organizer. After immigrating to the United states a couple of years after 9/11 he felt compelled to take action against the rights violations that were occurring in the form of hate crimes and Anti Muslim legislation. Started community organizing at the 16, Latif received recognition in organizing the largest student run interfaith event in Michigan. He continued his organizing through various organizations such as habitat for humanity, lions clubs international and Muslims students association. During his time at University of Michigan Latif joined and led the Amnesty Student chapter to putting together several large panels addressing controversial issues on his campus. His involvement with AIUSA grew after he received the Ladis Kristof Fellowship, which is a 10-week summer fellowship with AIUSA. He joined AIUSA staff in 2017 as a field organizer where he continue to work building and working alongside student, local and coalition activist.

**Helen Jack** is a third year internal medicine resident at the University of Washington, and her clinical focus is on primary care for socially and medically complex patients. She also holds a Visiting Researcher position at the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology, and Neuroscience at King's College London (KCL). Many of Helen's current research and clinical interests stem from her work with Amnesty International USA. Helen started in AI as a high school group member in 2004 and continued being actively involved in student groups as a college student at Yale. She was the Legislative Coordinator for New Hampshire from 2008-2012, the first young person in a Legislative Coordinator role. She also served as one of AI USA's six representatives to the 2013 International Council Meeting, a biennial meeting of AI sections from around the world to set policies and priorities for the international AI movement. Upon completion of residency in June 2021, Helen will be joining the faculty at University of Washington where she will be practicing primary care and continuing her research on expanding access to behavioral health care for vulnerable populations.

**Lilián Sánchez** serves as a Public Policy Fellow with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) working with Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal's D.C. office and, previously, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) National Political Advocacy Department. Through her advocacy and legislative work, Lilián has worked to end the criminalization of poverty through fines and fees, bring justice to immigrant survivors of gender-based violence, and uphold the civil and human rights of vulnerable communities across the country. She has developed an impressive leadership record receiving the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence B.R.A.V.E. Award and was inducted into the Iowa Latino Hall of Fame as the recipient of the Latinx Youth Leadership Award. Lilián graduated from the University of Iowa with degrees in Political Science and Ethics & Public Policy; as well as minors in Philosophy, French, and Latinx Studies. She served as a Ladis Kristof Fellow in Oakland, California in 2018.

**Vibha Venkatesha** (she/her) is a Detroit-based activist who has been involved with Amnesty in many capacities for the past 7 years, including as a SRR Advocate Trainer, NYAC member and founding member of the AIUSA Youth Collective, and representing AIUSA on the Global Youth Collective and at the Global Assembly in South Africa. Vibha has facilitated workshops on a range of human rights issues locally, nationally and internationally, served on the drafting committee for The Hague Youth Declaration of Human Rights presented to the UN, and participated in an expert consultation at UN Office of Human Rights drafting the World Programme on Human Rights Education. She is currently part of the Human Rights Education working group and a Policy Analyst for the City of Detroit.



## Moderated by AIUSA Student Leaders:

**Sarah Holehouse** is a Student Activist Coordinator for South Carolina and founder of the AI Student Group at Lexington High School, which was nationally recognized as the winner of the 2021 ActivismX Competition. Sarah is a member of Amnesty's Youth Power Action Network.

**Shaheera Abbasi** is a Student Activist Coordinator for California and is completing her senior year at Alexander Hamilton High School in Los Angeles, California where she is active in the AI Student Group. In addition, Shaheera serves as the the Youth Coordinator for the Los Angeles AI Local Group, a Social Media Manager and Team Lead for the National Youth Instagram Account, and serves as the member representative on AIUSA's ICE Detention Campaign Team.