Gelebrating 75 years of the European Convention on Human Rights on World Quaker Day 5th October 2025

Dreams of Peace and Freedom

a song cycle by Sue Casson performed by English Cabaret, family members of a British lawyer involved in its creation

Presented at Edinburgh Fringe, Liverpool, Coventry Cathedral, Palace of Westminster, Oxford and Nuremburg Palace of Justice

Friends Meeting House 6 Mount Street Manchester M2 5NS 5th October 2025 at 2pm followed by Q & A



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In its 75th anniversary year we have forgotten why we have the ECHR. 'Dreams of Peace and Freedom reminds us by telling its story through the personal archive of David Maxwell Fyfe, a British lawyer involved in its creation

The song cycle offers a new way to view the Convention showing how it grew out of the evidence from the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials

In this song cycle David's words and poetry are woven with Sue Casson's music. Archive film, text and music are blended in this celebration of the protections afforded by the Convention

Articles of the ECHR include

Obligation to respect human rights
Right to life
Prohibition of torture
Prohibition of slavery and forced labour
Right to liberty and security
Right to a fair trial
No punishment without law
Right to respect for private and family life
Freedom of thought, conscience and religion
Freedom of assembly and association

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