## **#RADIO:Change the World**

## A National Radio broadcast incubated at Ryerson!

- Ryerson FCAD students coordinated a <u>#KidsTakeOver</u> of community radio stations across Canada for U.N Child Rights Week now until November 22.
- Special song to remember all the young people we lost in 2017 written by Ryerson student <u>@Karismusiclive</u>. More info on Ryerson Radio 1280AM <a href="http://www.cjru.ca">http://www.cjru.ca</a>
- The team was invited to present the project in the Senate Foyer for Senator Munson's annual children's breakfast. Karis will perform "Change the World" in the Senate Foyer Nov.22.



"I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to be involved in such a powerful initiative. As an artist, there is no greater joy than be able to use my art to make a difference as I aim to do with my song; to provide a voice for those who may feel that they have none and those who have tried to use their voice but have been ignored. My hope is that my song will inspire and empower-

-KARIS, FCAD



Ryerson's campus radio station in collaboration with the National Campus and Community Radio Association (NCRA/ANREC) and youth advocates will lead non-profit radio stations across Canada in broadcasting the voices of youth in honour of the United Nations National Child Rights day.

"From a young age I was always told that life's not fair, and that's very true. But I believe that our society could do better," says Ella, one of the youth voices featured in the project.

In a year where residential schooling, youth suicide and the spectre of child poverty have dominated national news, this broadcast is an effort to let young people speak directly to tell their own stories and opinions.

"We are grateful to community radio and the NCRA/ANREC.... for its commitment to child rights and amplifying the voice of Canada's children," says Irwin Elman, the Chair of the Canada Council of Child and Youth Advocates. "It is an important step towards remembering that the rights that come very easily to some children are not afforded to all."

Dozens of youth voices will be featured, on topics ranging from education to suicide to LGBTQ+ teen issues and more.

"I am really excited about a segment we have where young people interview the Premier of the Yukon and also a feature on a youth choir that sings in Inuktitut," says Jacky Tuinstra Harrison, part of the coordinating team at CJRU 1280AM.

The broadcast features a special piece of music written to remember all the youth who died this past year. Composed by artist Karis, the song is to be released officially on November 20 and performed lived for the Senate breakfast on November 22

Karis is a Ryerson student and advocate who uses music to empower young women. Karis has previously written and produced the music for the Toronto Youth Day Anthem.

Help #Radio Change the World on this year's National Child Day.

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