

The Million Marijuana March 2009 Demonstration for the Legalization of Marijuana

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Join the celebration of the international day for liberalized marijuana!

The twelfth annual demonstration for the legalization of marijuana will commence on **Saturday, May 9th at 13:00 on Charles Square in Prague**, from whence the marijuana supporters will march through Wenceslas Square and Vinohrady to the park **Parukářka in Žižkov**. The peaceful rally will take place under the patronage of the global demonstration Global Marijuana March, which is being carried out in nearly 300 cities in the world this year. In Czech Republic, the demonstration is taken for not only a protest march, but also a day-long music festival.

The demonstration's goal is to draw attention to nonsensical and unjust criminal prosecution of petty marijuana growers resulting from the insufficiencies and obsolete approach in drug laws and publicly calls for these **necessary reforms**:

- The legalization of the cultivation and possession of marijuana for medical purposes
- The legalization of the cultivation and possession of marijuana for personal use
- The freedom to cultivate marijuana for the purpose of scientific research
- To introduce the regulated and taxed sale of marijuana in specialized stores for adults
- To end the judicial persecution of everyone accused and/or imprisoned in connection with marijuana
- To objectively and pertinently inform the public about marijuana, its risks and medical effects

These demands will be read publicly at the beginning of the demonstration by the spokesman for the association Legalizace.cz, **which as a civic initiative publicly dissociates itself from the possible campaign of political parties and their pre-electoral promises prior to the upcoming parliamentary election.**

Just as last year, there will be a marijuana happening prepared in the final destination with three music stages, a unique marijuana market and a large-scale range of speeches, lectures, workshops, booths with refreshments and recreational activities.

The festival at which the attendance reached **10,000 people** last year will host many popular bands, DJs and other artists, including a spectacular fire show after dark. Naturally, the event is free of charge for all participants with the opportunity of winning interesting prizes in several competitions. Also for the first time this year, the musical performances will be accessible on-line on chosen internet servers.

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