

## **Karin Hansson**

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### ***International Cities of Refuge Network (ICORN)***

Karin Hansson (1983) is National Coordinator for the Swedish members of International Cities of Refuge Network (ICORN) since 2015. ICORN is a member organization of cities / municipalities / regions that provide protection to persecuted writers, journalists, artists, academics and musicians. As a national coordinator, Karin works to provide support, increase visibility and create networks and professional platforms for ICORN – cities and ICORN – artists in Sweden.

### ***The House of the Free Speech***

Between 2013 – 2017 Karin was Strategic Manager for The House of the Free Speech, Växjö, a cultural house with focus to make literature and culture available and provide platforms for creating meetings, engagement and development. The House worked closely linked to ICORN in projects nationally and internationally

### ***Other voluntary activities:***

#### ***Tjejzonen and Hejfestivalen***

Karin is also voluntarily involved in Tjejzonen, an organization aimed to support and reduce mental illness among young girls, and Hejfestivalen - a cultural festival for integration in Stockholm.

