## International Women's Day March 8, 2024

Time to remember those important and unknown women in the history of Asturias.

## What is International Women's Day?

International Women's Day takes place every year on 8 March. It is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of women and to create positive change for women and girls. All around the world, people are demanding gender equality and protesting about situations where women do not have basic rights and freedoms. International Women's Day is a time to do this work together.

## What happens on International Women's Day?

On 8 March there are protests and other events to demand equal rights for women. You can find marches, talks, workshops, film and music events and more, near you or online. Many people wear purple, a colour worn by women who campaigned for women's right to vote. In some countries, children and men give presents, flowers or cards to their mothers, partners, sisters or other women they know.

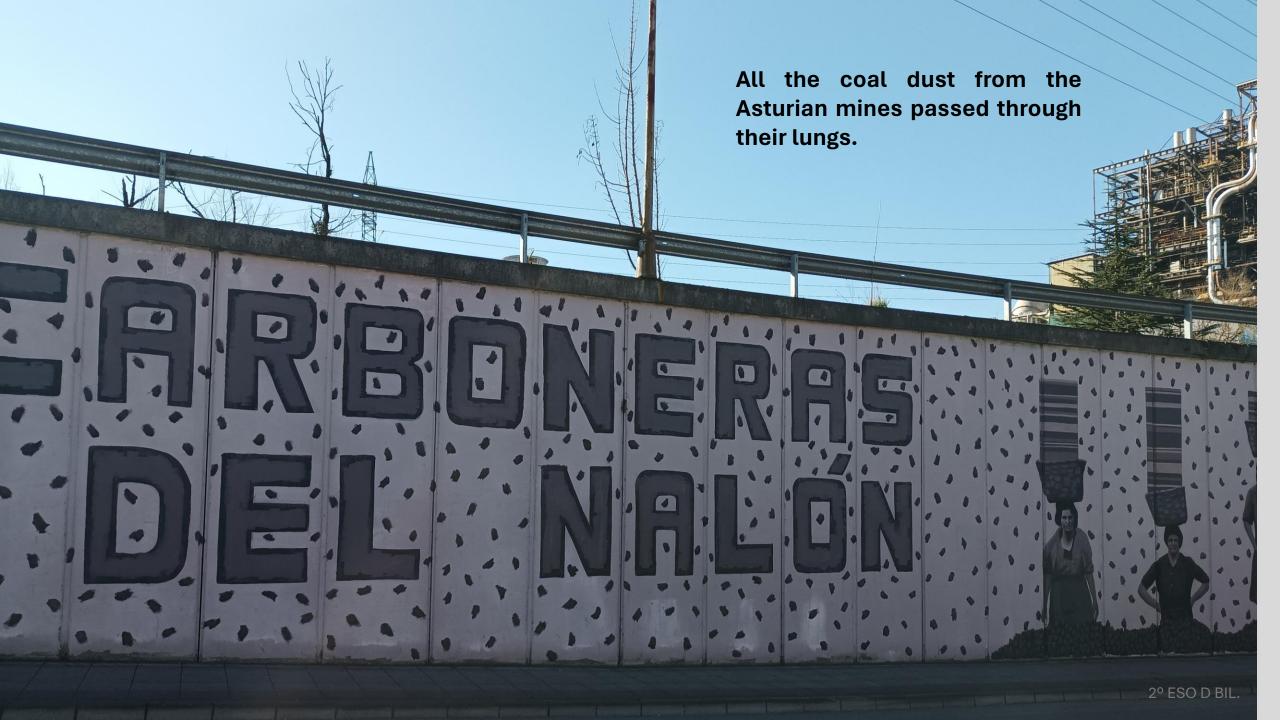
## The future

There is still a lot of work to be done for gender equality. Sometimes we lose important rights and go backwards with the progress we have made. But women's movements all over the world are still fighting for equality, and new generations are joining them. The people marching in the streets for equal rights are often young women and their friends. Teenagers are organising and campaigning, telling the world how we should think, behave and treat one another. When it comes to gender equality, what kind of world do you want to live in?













The mural is based on a photo by Valentin Vega from 1945 or 1946. In it, you can see a row of women posing with baskets on their heads, except one, the youngest, who is holding an empty basket.



The teenager, M<sup>a</sup> Luz, shows a happy attitude. And her white dress brights in the centre of the image. While, as the clothes become darker, the looks are harder, and the bodies are more wornout.



They were the mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters and wives of all the children who were born, raised and died with those mining areas in their hearts.

