

# Cornel West leads Edinburgh march

**Dr Cornel West led the Healthcare Workers for Palestine march from the Mound Plaza on Saturday, adding his high profile to a call for ceasefire in Gaza.**

Healthcare Workers for Palestine is a US-based organisation which states on its [Instagram profile](#) that it stands in solidarity with the Palestinian people.

Dr West, the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Professor of Philosophy & Christian Practice, Union Theological Seminary, New York, is in town to present the Gifford Lectures for The University of Edinburgh. He is a musician and spoken word artist as well as an academic – and incidentally the independent candidate for the Presidential election in the US.

On Friday at a student led demo held at the East End he said: “You know and I know that this is a global awakening. I am the first to say that my own government suffers from moral bankruptcy by enabling genocide and by enabling ethnic cleansing. If these were Jewish brothers and sisters that this was happening to, we would be here raising our voices.”

There is a Royal Society of Edinburgh Seminar which will be held on Wednesday – Jazz soaked philosophy in our catastrophic times – sadly sold out but there is a [waitlist](#) for tickets.







