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Learning to accept life's "roses"

"My experience of that marriage, from the very first night, was of sexual assaults. I feared for my life most of the time.

"Aspects of our society are broken. As a community, we need to acknowledge past and present victims and survivors of such abuses, and question this violence and its impact."

Güler Altunbas endured physical, emotional and sexual violence from a young age. To mark 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, she has [written VCOSS guest blog](#) about her experiences and explains how she's now using art to recognise other survivors and victims.