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# Peace Wave News

Vol. 3, August 6, 2020

***Peace Wave to Launch at 8:15 on August 6,  
Marking the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
Hiroshima and Nagasaki***

***Grass-roots Actions Take Place across the  
World, August 6 - 9, 2020***

We have received action plans of the Peace Wave from over 500 places in 19 countries so far, but we know that many more actions are going to be held all over the world during August 6 -9, marking the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki days with the abolition of nuclear weapons as a common goal. And as a common form of action, we ask people to sign the **International Hibakusha Appeal for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons**, which won the [IPB Sean MacBride Peace Award of 2020](#). You can sign the [Hibakusha Appeal](#) online or download the [petition form](#) for people to sign in person. Please send in the result of your Peace Wave actions with photos, movies and reports to: [antiatom@topaz.plala.or.jp](mailto:antiatom@topaz.plala.or.jp) In over 300 places all over Japan, Peace Wave starts with a silent prayer at 8:15 today and people will carry out Hibakusha Appeal signature drives, silent standing appeals, bell ringing, photo exhibits, vigils, lantern floating, paper crane folding and many more. For complete activities, Please see [http://www.antiatom.org/intro\\_activity/2020/pw/koudou\\_keikaku200721.pdf](http://www.antiatom.org/intro_activity/2020/pw/koudou_keikaku200721.pdf) (in Japanese).

## **Official Commemorations of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Cities: Livestreamed on August 6 and August 9**

The official [Hiroshima commemoration ceremony](#) will take place on Thursday August 6 from 8:00am-8:50am Japan time. [Click here](#) for information on how to watch the ceremony on livestream. For more information see [Hiroshima Peace Memorial Ceremony](#)



The official [Nagasaki commemoration ceremony](#) will take place on Sunday August 9 from 11am-12pm Japan time. [Click here](#) to watch the ceremony on livestream. For more information see [Nagasaki Peace Memorial Ceremony](#).

## ***More Actions Planned around the World for the Peace Wave (continued)***

Please refer also to more listing of activities on Peace Wave News Vol 1:

[http://www.antiatom.org/english/world\\_conference/pdf/2020/PeaceWaveNews-No1-EN.pdf](http://www.antiatom.org/english/world_conference/pdf/2020/PeaceWaveNews-No1-EN.pdf)

and Vol. 2: [http://www.antiatom.org/english/world\\_conference/pdf/2020/PeaceWaveNews-Vol.2-EN.pdf](http://www.antiatom.org/english/world_conference/pdf/2020/PeaceWaveNews-Vol.2-EN.pdf)

### **Japan**

**Hiroshima Day Rally, 2020 World Conference against A and H Bombs (Online): August 6 at 10:00 am - 12:30 pm (JST)/ 03:00 am - 05:30 am (CET); 09:00 pm - 11:30 pm (EDT, August 5)**  
**Zoom link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84980392527>**

**Nagasaki Day Rally: at 10:00am – 12:30pm, August 9 (JST)/ 03:00 am (CET)/ 09:00 pm (EDT, August 8)**  
**Zoom link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86142436366>**

The 2020 World Conference will be joined by a number of prominent speakers, including, UN HR Nakamitsu Izumi, Beatrice Fihn (ICAN), Amb. Thomas Hajnoczi (Austria), Yamada Sumiko (Hiroshima Hibakusha), UN Amb. Syed Hasrin Aidid of Malaysia, Mayor of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Philip Jennings (IPB), Hudson (CND-UK), George Friday (Peace Action, US) and many more. English translation is available for Live participants only.

URL: [http://www.antiatom.org/english/world\\_conference/](http://www.antiatom.org/english/world_conference/)



## Australia

### **Mayors for Peace Fremantle: Peace Park: 75th anniversary – Hiroshima & Nagasaki**

As part of our commitment to Mayors for Peace, all members of the community are invited to join four ginkgo tree planting ceremonies in August, to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan.

(1) Thursday, 6 August, 7am, Peace Park (located at Dick Lawrence Reserve, Beaconsfield)

(2) Sunday, 9 August, 9.45am at Peace Park

The dates and times coincide with the 75<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6 and 9 August 1945, respectively. The planting ceremonies symbolise our deep respect for the victims of the nuclear bombings, and our promotion of peace and commitment to the total abolition of nuclear weapons. Fremantle joins 8000 mayors and shire presidents around the world, in the global campaign calling for all cities to be safe from weapons of mass destruction, and to build a culture of peace in their local areas. Your presence will be a valued addition to these special occasions.

Contact: Mayors for Peace - Fremantle [mayorsforpeace@fremantle.wa.gov.au](mailto:mayorsforpeace@fremantle.wa.gov.au)

URLs: <https://www.fremantle.wa.gov.au/whats-on/peace-park-75th-anniversary-%E2%80%93-hiroshima-nagasaki>

## India

### **City Montessori School: International Conference to Call to Support the Peace Wave on Wednesday, 05 August 2020 at around 3.30 pm IST on ZOOM**

We would like to encourage friends from around the world & the media in India to support "Peace Wave" proposed that on August 6 through 9 of this 75th year of the A-bomb tragedies it launches an international joint grassroots action "Peace Wave". We would like to organise an online international webinar and a press conference on ZOOM on Wednesday 5th August 2020 at around 3.30 pm IST.

Last year on August 06, 2019 we conducted a Peace Prayer Assembly and a World Unity March on occasion of Hiroshima Day in which thousands of students of City Montessori School took out a huge World Unity March on Hiroshima Day. The students fervently appealed to the world community to take immediate steps to bring about world Unity and World Peace and prevent such ghastly tragedies like Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Peace promoters from Japan and South Korea attended the Peace Prayer Ceremony for World Unity and World Peace and paid their homage to the victims of the tragedy.

(URL: [http://www.cmseducation.org/news/session\\_2019\\_2020/august/06\\_unnymarch.html](http://www.cmseducation.org/news/session_2019_2020/august/06_unnymarch.html))

Contact: Shishir Srivastava [shishir.srivastava@cmseducation.org](mailto:shishir.srivastava@cmseducation.org)

### **Indian Institute for Peace, Disarmament & Environmental Protection**

Due to Corona pandemic, we are arranging webinars as well as show the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Atomic bombing photos to people as public education and awareness.

Contact: Balkrishna Kurvey [bkurvey@yahoo.com](mailto:bkurvey@yahoo.com)

## Sweden

### **We may never forget - Hiroshima-Memory Day in Göteborg, August 6 at 10:00 and 18:30-20:15**

1) 10.00 at the peace statue "Peace goddess Nuclear Disarmament" by the Harbour of Göteborg. The goddess will be wrapped with a necklace of paper cranes.

2) 18.30 - 20.15 Traditional event in the central city – Peace grove in the "Vasa park", with speeches, music by Jazz musicians for peace and songs by Matilda Magnusson. Promotion of the demand for Göteborg city to be the first city in Sweden to join the ICAN Cities appeal. At 8:15 pm, the bells of "Vaschurch" will make a special ringing.

3) 21:00 Candlelight event by the Lion stairs at a canal in the very middle of Göteborg.

4) References will be made during these events to the international connections, in particular Peace Wave. URL: <http://www.fredsinitiativ.se/fred-aktuellt.html>

Contact: Tomas Magnusson [gosta.tomas@gmail.com](mailto:gosta.tomas@gmail.com)

### **A Crane for Peace, Ongoing up to 6-9 August 2020 (online)**

In August it's the 75th anniversary of the nuclear attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Join us in the campaign "A crane for peace" and stand up for peace and against nuclear weapons. In this tutorial you will learn how to fold a paper crane - a symbol for peace - and how to take part in the digital manifestation against nuclear weapons.

"A crane for peace" is organised by Svenska Freds (Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society), is organized by Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society, IPPNW-Sweden, WILPF-Sweden and the Swedish UN Association. For more info: [www.svenskafreds.se/taggaentrana](http://www.svenskafreds.se/taggaentrana)

Contact: Agnes Hellström, SPAS [agnes.hellstrom@svenskafreds.se](mailto:agnes.hellstrom@svenskafreds.se)

URL: <https://www.facebook.com/127063960674693/posts/3191268917587500?sfns=mo>

## U.K.

### **Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki: #PeaceCranes2020: From 06/08/2020 8 am (BST) to 10/08/2020 10 am BST by Elders**

The Elders are calling on world leaders, decision-makers and the public to pause for a moment of reflection and solidarity as the world marks the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on 6th and 9th August 2020.

To mark the occasion, members of the Elders invite you to join them in folding and sharing an origami crane and messages of hope. We have provided tutorials and background information on the significance of the peace crane, as well as the story of Sadako Sasaki, on our website, and encourage you to share your own origami peace crane on social media, tagging us and using the hashtag #PeaceCrane2020. [The Elders](#) are an independent group of former world leaders brought together by Nelson Mandela to work for peace, justice and human rights, and have a programme dedicated to [nuclear non-proliferation](#).

Contact: Monika Radojevic [monika.radojevic@theelders.org](mailto:monika.radojevic@theelders.org)

URL: <https://www.theelders.org/programmes/remembering-hiroshima-and-nagasaki>

### **Greater Manchester District CND: Local CND and peace groups events**



### **6th August (Hiroshima Day):**

**Saddleworth** - 6.30pm - 7pm - Silent Vigil in front of Methodist Church, Uppermill High Street. Saddleworth Peace Group is also co-ordinating social media actions, encouraging supporters to film themselves reading a poem or sending in photos holding CND's Hiroshima poster ([here](#))

**Littleborough** - 8pm - People will meet for a silent vigil, accompanied by peace group banners. Following this, flowers will be cast into Hollingworth Lake in remembrance.

**Manchester** - Manchester City Council will host an online Mayors for Peace commemorative webpage, featuring readings from the Lord Mayor of Manchester, a peace crane folding workshop developed by Manchester Museum and links to special projects undertaken by the Imperial War Museum North. It goes live on 6th August, [here](#).

### **8th August:**

**Marple** - 11.30am - 1pm - A socially-distanced vigil, visiting various locations, accompanied by CND's Hiroshima and Nagasaki poster ([here](#)).

**Bolton** - 12pm - 12.30pm - Bolton CND and Stop the War socially-distanced vigil, accompanied by the Bolton CND banner. Meeting near the Cenotaph in Bolton Town Hall Square.

### **9th August (Nagasaki Day):**

**Glossop** - 11.02am (the time the bomb exploded) till 11.30am - A vigil on the Norfolk Square end of the High Street. Following this, attendees will walk to Norfolk Square to pin messages of peace to the stand.

**Stockport for Peace remembers Hiroshima and Nagasaki: 8 August, 11.30 am (but may be subject to last minute 'lockdown' changes!), Marple**

Distanced demonstration with our banner, placards with positive and peaceful images, and peace cranes at Market Street, then Memorial Park

Contact: Sheila Townsend [sheilatownsend@btinternet.com](mailto:sheilatownsend@btinternet.com) or [contact@stockportforpeace.org.uk](mailto:contact@stockportforpeace.org.uk)

## **Canada**

**75** Years **Canada, Nuclear Weapons & The UN Ban Treaty**



Peace activist and historian  
Phyllis Creighton



**AUGUST 6TH**  
**7pm - 8:30**





Anti-nuclear activist &  
Nobel Peace Prize recipient  
Setsuko Thurlow

**Canada, Nuclear Weapons & The UN Ban Treaty by Toronto's Hiroshima Nagasaki Day Coalition (HNDC), August 6, 7:00-8:30pm**

Setsuko Thurlow & Toronto's Hiroshima Nagasaki Day Coalition (HNDC) invite you to join us in peace to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima & Nagasaki: Registration is required for this FREE/ PUBLIC ONLINE event via Eventbrite.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/75-years-canada-nuclear-weapons-the-un-ban-treaty-tickets-108760389252> or [www.hiroshimadaycoalition.ca](http://www.hiroshimadaycoalition.ca)

**Kingston Hiroshima Day, August 6, 2020 Time: 7:00 pm**

On August 6th, 2020 the Kingston Hiroshima Day Coalition marks the 75th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Keeping participants health and safety in mind this year's event will be shorter than years past. It will commence at 7:00pm and take place at McBurney Park where attendees will be asked to wear masks and keep a physical distance from people outside of their normal circle. Hand sanitizers will be available. With over 13,000 nuclear weapons and escalating tension around the globe we are called more than ever to remember the horrors that weapons of mass destruction unleash on civilian populations. August 6th and 9th 1945 are remembered and mourned worldwide. In Kingston, Hiroshima Day ceremonies have been held for close to 40 years. The event will feature music, time for reflection and actions that we all can take to work for PEACE. Everyone is welcome.

Contact: Susanne Cliff-Jüngling 613-536-7153

**Commemoration by Peace Quest Cape Breton and Cape Breton Regional Municipality, August 6, 8:00 a.m.**

At 8:00 a.m. on Thursday August 6, 2020, the Cape Breton Regional Municipality (CBRM) and PeaceQuest Cape Breton will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombings. Flags will be lowered outside the Council building in Sydney as a Proclamation is read declaring August 6 'Hiroshima Memorial Day.' A short statement by Peace Quest Cape Breton will be followed by a minute's silence, discussion and reflections.

Contact Sean Howard, PeaceQuest Cape Breton: [Sean\\_Howard@cbu.ca](mailto:Sean_Howard@cbu.ca)

**U.S.A.**

**#stilthere: 75 Years of Shared Nuclear Legacy: August 6-9 (national virtual event) and numerous local events**

This Thursday and Sunday mark the 75th anniversary of the United States' nuclear attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Survivors of those attacks and of the next few decades of testing and nuclear weapons production are still here. But so are the weapons. You can be part of the solution to ensure nuclear weapons are never used again.

Join a national of experts, activists, survivors and everyday people pushing back against the threat of nuclear war for a virtual event on August 6 and 9. It will feature religious leaders like Archbishop John Wester, youth activists like Rachel Traczyk, scholars like Gar Alperovitz, and many more. Check out the [full schedule online](#) and share this link with your friends! Tell them that the 75 years after Hiroshima and Nagasaki, nuclear weapons are still here—but so are nuclear survivors. They need our help to remove the threat of nuclear war from the world.

### **Share the event on social media.**

Share this event with your network so that everyone can learn about our shared nuclear legacy.

- [Post on social media](#) with #stillhere
- Encourage your friends and family to [register for the event](#)
- Add a 75th anniversary frame to your [profile picture](#)
- Set a reminder to watch on YouTube ([Aug 6](#) and [Aug 9](#))

Together we can highlight the [voices](#) of survivors and make sure nuclear weapons are never used again.

Contact: [info@hiroshimanagasaki75.org](mailto:info@hiroshimanagasaki75.org)

### **Commemorating Hiroshima/Nagasaki 75 Years: Payson Park, August 8, Portland ME**

Organized by Peace Action Maine, ME Veterans for Peace, ME Pax Christi, WILPF\_US\_ME, PeaceWorks, an exhibit of photo panels (shared by the Japan Council against A & H Bombs) will be displayed in the park, for friends to take a self-guided commemoration of the damage and after effects of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We will read the words of Pope John Paul from when he visited Hiroshima, we will collect signatures for Gensuikyo's petition. We will call for nuclear abolition and support for the #nuclearban. #ClimateForPeace #PeaceForClimate. #2020PeaceWave.

Contact: Martha Spiess [info@peaceactionme.org](mailto:info@peaceactionme.org) URS: [www.https://peaceactionme.org](https://peaceactionme.org)

### **Global Peace Challenge 2020:**

We are promoting the Peace Wave on our web site Events, Facebook Page and in our monthly newsletter. We are encouraging peace activities at home and in our communities. **Global Peace Challenge 2020** is a yearlong celebration featuring local and worldwide events dedicated to promoting Peace around the world. By uniting like-minded people around the world and sharing our stories and experiences on social media, the message of peace will be heard by millions of people. When millions of people of all races, religions, and countries demand and promote peace, people will listen. **Global Peace Challenge 2020** is an on-line community of peacemakers and peace seekers formed to encourage, promote, and chronicle peace-focused activities throughout the iconic year 2020. The mission is to provide a positive force to offset all the negativity and violence average people encounter on a daily basis, whether through personal experience, news media, or social media. Members of Global Peace Challenge 2020 will participate in and have registered for World Beyond War's events scheduled from August 6-9 related to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the bombings of Nagasaki and Hiroshima. These events are also being shared on our web site and social media.

### **Peace & Justice Center: Songs for Hope: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Burlington, Vermont, August 6, 2020 6-9 PM, Church Street, Burlington, VT**

Contact person: Rachel Seigel [rachelfrida@gmail.com](mailto:rachelfrida@gmail.com) URL: <https://www.pjcv.org/>

### **Pics for Peace, Fremont, CA by Tracy Sarga**

We invite all to take a photo with caption that represents peace to them and tag Peace Wave and Global Peace Challenge 2020.

Contact: Tracy Sarga, [its1\\_4\\_me@yahoo.com](mailto:its1_4_me@yahoo.com)

**Events organized under the auspices of  
Peace Action New York State:**

**South Country Peace Group's 38th annual  
World Peace Vigil & Community Dedication to  
Peace on the 75th Anniversary of Nuclear  
Destruction of Hiroshima, Bellport Bay,  
August 6, 6:30pm**

Meet on Station Road, Bellport on the sidewalk in front of Woodland Cemetery (just south of Head of Neck Rd.) Join the Silent Procession (6:45pm), followed by program at Bellport Bay, including Paul Ames: Nuclear Weapons Actions & Budget Update, Members & Participants' Share ~ Visions for Peace ~ Poetry Music by Rick Sackett. You may wish to wear white, the traditional Japanese color of mourning. Bring signs: BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS, end militarism, racism, poverty, environmental destruction! Contact: Michelle Santantonio [michellesantantonio@yahoo.com](mailto:michellesantantonio@yahoo.com)



**Upper Hudson Peace Action: Hiroshima Remembrance Day on Facebook, Aug 6, all day  
(Online), Albany**

Hiroshima Remembrance Day, we are doing a socially distant vigil with an origami peace crane (with video tutorial), peace dove you can color and candles and please share your photos of the vigil on our Facebook page. On August 6th we will hold a virtual conversation on our Facebook page, throughout the day segments of John Hersey's book will be shared along with videos, speeches and photographs related to the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. We encourage you to reflect and share your reactions to the material. For our friends who do not have a Facebook account, we will email some passages from the book and media links. Please share with us your comments and be part of the conversation. We will select comments to put on our website.

Contact person: Bob Elmendorf [poetapoetus@taconic.net](mailto:poetapoetus@taconic.net)

URL: <https://www.facebook.com/UpperHudsonPeaceAction/>

**Staten Island Commemorates the 75th Anniversary of Hiroshima Nagasaki, August 8, 4pm-7pm EDT, Staten Island**

Unitarian Church of Staten Island (312 Fillmore St.) will organize Outdoor photo exhibit of atom bombings of Hiroshima/Nagasaki.

Contact: Sally Jones, Peace Action New York State: [info@panys.org](mailto:info@panys.org)



## Long Island Commemorates 75th Anniversary of Hiroshima

**Nagasaki: August 6, 7:30pm EDT, Manhasset, NY, Organizer:**

**Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock (UUCSR)**

We are deeply honored to have received the set of photos depicting the atomic bombing tragedy of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We are moved to action by the witness of the Hibakusha and actions of Japanese peace workers. With NY State Peace Action and our Long Island Peace partners, we plan to hold a Virtual Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on **this Thursday, August 6 at 7:30pm**. I have attached a flier. The link will be available at [uucsr.org/Hiroshima](https://uucsr.org/Hiroshima)

[facebook.com/uucsr](https://facebook.com/uucsr) and [youtube.com/uucsr](https://youtube.com/uucsr) starting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and will be available thereafter. The video with speakers and music will feature many of the photos we received from Gensuikyō. We have acknowledged our appreciation to the Japan Council against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs. We hope at some time to mount an exhibit when gatherings are safe. We continue our work in solidarity with you toward a world without nuclear weapons. We call for a nuclear abolition treaty. The video will be available thereafter on [uucsr.org/Hiroshima](https://uucsr.org/Hiroshima), [facebook.com/uucsr](https://facebook.com/uucsr) and [youtube.com/uucsr](https://youtube.com/uucsr).

Contact: Emily Rubino [info@panys.org](mailto:info@panys.org) or Margaret Melkonian [longislandpeace@gmail.com](mailto:longislandpeace@gmail.com)  
URL: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2933376596771461/>

## Press Conference for a Nuclearfree Future: 75 Years Since Hiroshima: August 6, 1pm EDT, Buffalo, NY


At Japanese Garden of Buffalo History Museum with Physical Distancing. Press Conference pressing for a NuclearFree Future; and full sovereignty and reparations for Indigenous Peoples. Public Officials have been invited. Come on out – with masks – to support progress on these vital issues and in preparation for August 9 – United Nations International Day of World Indigenous Peoples and day for a NuclearFree Future! Organized by Indigenous Women's Initiatives, Nekanesakt, Peace Action NYS, and the WNY Peace Center

Contact person: Vicki Ross [victoryross9@gmail.com](mailto:victoryross9@gmail.com) [wnypeace.org](https://wnypeace.org);

URL: <http://wnypeace.org/wp/event/press-conference-75-years-since-hiroshima-un-declared-indigenous-peoples-day-aug-9/> <https://www.facebook.com/WesternNewYorkPeaceCenter/>

The Social Justice Committee of Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock, LI Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives, Peace Action New York State, and Willow Interfaith Women's Choir invite you to

## Virtual Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the U.S. Bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki



**Thursday, August 6, 2020 | 7:30 PM**

- ▶ IT IS TIME TO BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS.
- ▶ IT IS TIME TO END RACISM, MILITARISM AND POVERTY.
- ▶ IT IS TIME TO ACT NOW TO SAVE PEOPLE FROM WAR, PANDEMICS AND GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE!

*"A nation that continues year after year to spend more money on military defense than on programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual death."*  
—Martin Luther King, Jr.

**SPEAKERS:** EMILY RUBINO, *Director of Policy & Outreach, Peace Action NYS*  
REV. JAYE BROOKS, *Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock*  
REV. JENNIFER L. BROWER, *Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock*  
DESERI TSEPETIS, *Programs Associate, Peace Action NYS & LI Alliance*  
MARGARET MELKONIAN, *LI Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives*

**MUSIC:** FARAH CHANDU and WILLOW INTERFAITH WOMEN'S CHOIR  
THE UUCSR CHOIR and ORCHESTRA conducted by STEPHEN MICHAEL SMITH

Co-sponsors: Hofstra University Center for Civic Engagement; Homecoming Farm; LI Teachers for Human Rights Hofstra; North Country Peace Group; Pax Christi Long Island; Peace Action Matters@Hofstra; South Country Peace Group; UUCSR Shelter Rock Forum

**LIVE EVENT available on Thursday, August 6, 2020 | 7:30 PM**

[uucsr.org/Hiroshima](https://uucsr.org/Hiroshima) • [facebook.com/uucsr](https://facebook.com/uucsr) • [youtube.com/uucsr](https://youtube.com/uucsr)  
Available on demand thereafter



**Peace Wave Greensburg, PA, 6 August, 2020, 13:00 Hours GMT by Pax Christi, Greensburg**

At Blessed Sacrament Cathedral (300 N. Main Street) 1) Ringing a bell at 8:00 am local time, the hour of the dropping of the A bomb on Hiroshima 2) Reflection on the visit of Pope Francis to Hiroshima/Nagasaki 24 Nov, 2019 3) Statement of commitment by attendees to work for abolition of nuclear weapons of the United States.

Contact: Bernard Survil [Fr.Survil@EmbraceAllOfLife.us](mailto:Fr.Survil@EmbraceAllOfLife.us) URL: [abetterpncbnk.org/](http://abetterpncbnk.org/)

**“Sunflower Ghost Dance Poetry Circle: A Poetic Response to Nuclear Age” (hosted by Abolition 2020/Hiroshima-Nagasaki Interfaith Commemoration, online), August 6, 7:00 p.m., Orlando, FL**

We are inviting people from all over the world to recite/read a poem in English or in its original language, whether written by the person reading it or by another author. The poems should speak to the creation, effects and abolition of nuclear weapons. The event is scheduled for one and half hour. If time permits, we will do as many rounds of poetry recitation/reading as we can. The emphasis is on people actually participating in the making of the event, not just being passive observers. After I send this email, I will send you a copy of our flyer to see how we are promoting the event.

Contact: Nelson Betancourt [leafstormpictures@yahoo.com](mailto:leafstormpictures@yahoo.com) URL: [www.olafest.org](http://www.olafest.org)

**Lantern Floating Ceremony, August 9, Arcata, CA by WILPF Humboldt Branch**

The Humboldt Branch of Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom will be a sponsor this year, as in the past 10 years, of the Lantern Floating Ceremony in Arcata, California. The ceremony honors all victims of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and is an occasion for community members to join in dedicating ourselves to the cause of peace. This year, because of Covid-19 restrictions, the event will pre-recorded—with speakers, music and the symbolic launch of three lanterns—and will be available for viewing online on August 8.

Contact: Maggie Shaffer, WILPF Humboldt Branch [shafferpost@yahoo.com](mailto:shafferpost@yahoo.com)

URL: <https://arcatalanternfloatingceremony.org>

**Voices for Peace - Commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki**

San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace is a non-profit organization concerned with the dangers posed by Diablo Canyon and other nuclear reactors, nuclear weapons, and radioactive waste. Additionally, the organization works to promote peace, environmental and social justice, and renewable energy. Each year, we remember the tragic beginning of the Nuclear Winter with an event in early August. However, this year, in lieu of organizing a live event, we are creating “haiku reading” videos featuring various participants – activists, supporters, artists, poets, mothers, fathers, grandmothers, grandfathers – sharing their Voices for Peace. The videos will be shared on SLO Mothers for Peace’s YouTube, Facebook and Instagram accounts. One of the videos will also be shown during the two-day coalition event here:

<https://www.hiroshimanagasaki75.org/events> (Our video will be shown around 1:30pm Pacific Time, August 6) For details and links to social media see: [mothersforpeace.org](http://mothersforpeace.org)

Contact: Carole Hisasue ([carolehisasue@gmail.com](mailto:carolehisasue@gmail.com))

**The Running Girl (a short film), in Albany County, CA by Snake & Rod Theatre**

"The Running Girl" is a 10 minute video filmed in the shadow of a decommissioned Nike Missile site in California. This story explores the burden a man carries and how it ripples throughout his family. The man, my father, worked for Lockheed Missiles and Space in the early 1950's. His job was to study the effects of a Nuclear Attack and design electrical tests to ensure that his nuclear missile, *The Polaris*, could perform it's designated duty: A Retaliatory Second-Strike on cities and civilians. This young man studies the aftermath of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1948 by the Americans. He is haunted by a series of dreams inspired by the words of the survivors of Hiroshima (credited in the script). My father's sleep, work and life are interrupted by their testimonies. This is a solo performance to be filmed the week of August 6, 2020.

Contact person: Joan Bernier (actor/writer) [berniejtree@gmail.com](mailto:berniejtree@gmail.com)

URL: <https://www.snakeandrodtheatre.org>

**Women's International League for Peace and Freedom- U.S. Section Branch Activities (in approximate time order between 6 and 9 August 2020):**

**WILPF US section website: [wilpfus.org](http://wilpfus.org) WILPF US email address: [info@wilpfus.org](mailto:info@wilpfus.org)**

**Hiroshima Commemoration Gathering in Newton (Boston), MA, 6 August 5pm EDT by WILPF Boston Branch**

At the Newton Center Common WILPF Boston and other Peace groups will have 10 speakers, music, peace lanterns and a sign-up table for the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons petition. Our Mayor for Peace will speak and news will cover the event. Peace crane pins will be given out at the table.

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**Never Again: Cape Cod, MA, August 6-9, 2020, dawn to dusk (EDT) by WILPF Cape Cod**

Nine locations across the mid- and Lower Cape will display a clothesline of peace cranes sent to us from Japan, explanations of the memorial and the bombings in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Peace Wave sign reading "Hiroshima: Never Again" and a WILPF sign. Visitors will be invited to take a peace crane and to contact their legislators to request their support of legislation to dismantle nuclear weapons.

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**Hiroshima Bombing Observance, Chapel Hill/Carrboro NC, August 6, 7:30AM EDT, by WILPF Triangle (North Carolina)**

The Orange County Peace Coalition will hold an observance of the bombing of Hiroshima on Thursday, August 6:30-8:30am. The program will include readings from survivors, reading of the 2020 Peace Declaration from the City of Hiroshima, and music. At 8:15am a minute of silence will be observed. This annual commemoration will be a Zoom webinar.

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**Peace Crane Reach Out: Philadelphia, PA, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 11am (EST) by WILPF Greater Philadelphia Branch**

Together with Granny Brigade of Philadelphia, members will go to Rittenhouse Square and share the story and symbolism of the cranes. We will have cranes available for people to take, if they are willing. We will have posters about Hiroshima, Nagasaki, and the Hibakusha work for peace, UN petition, and local actions.

Facebook event address: <https://www.facebook.com/events/413239046303275/>

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**Ringling of Japanese Peace Bell in Des Moines, IA, 6 August at 10:58am (CDT) by WILPF Des Moines Branch**

A small group will gather to lay flowers at the Japanese Peace and Friendship Bell near the Iowa State Capitol. Des Moines Mayor Frank Cownie, a Mayors for Peace Vice President will give remarks and read the proclamation from the Mayor of Hiroshima. We'll also hear a reading of the "Beyond the Brink" resolution that we ushered through passage by our City Council in May. We'll hear a brief history of the Japanese bell, as well as brief comments about the importance of this historic 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and its urgency in light of the recent call for renewed nuclear testing, more "usable" nuclear weapons and the increase in military spending while the health and welfare of our nation are neglected. The Raging Grannies of our Branch will ask everyone to join in signing. We'll take turns ringing the bell 75 times. We'll offer everyone a crane attached by yarn to a history of the 1000 cranes and thank you from our Friends in Japan who provided these wonderful cranes. Then WILPFers will distribute the cranes outside the public Library and at the sculpture park adjacent to it following our ceremony.

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**Peace Crane Garlanding of Jane Addams' statue, Fresno CA, August 6th at 6:00 am PDT by WILPF Fresno Branch**

At CSU Fresno's Peace Garden, we will have a simple, contemplative gathering around the Jane Addams statue to recognize her views and work towards disarmament as well as the current U.N. Global Ceasefire movement. The origami peace cranes made in Japan will be draped around the statue to symbolize Jane's lifelong work for peace. All events can be found on our WILPF Fresno Facebook page

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**3-Day Fast for Nuclear Disarmament, Fresno CA, Aug 6th 8:00 am through Aug 9th 11:00 am (PDT) by WILPF Fresno Branch**

We join The Human Rights Coalition of the Central Valley in a 3-Day Fast beginning the day and time the first bomb was dropped and ending the day and time the second bomb was dropped. A small gathering of historical, political, and religious individuals representing Japan will be present at Fresno State's Peace Garden to begin and end the fast. All events can be found on our WILPF Fresno Facebook page.

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**Documentary Film: *Hibakusha: Our Life to Live* (online) August 3 noon to 2pm PDT by WILPF-Peninsula/Palo Alto Branch**

The hibakusha film presents background on the filmmaker's experience as a child of the



bombing, and tells the stories of the survivors of the U.S. bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and their peace activities. Film-maker will be interviewed during the zoom meeting.

RSVP: : <https://forms.gle/pi5BrPR4NJS5UmLq6>. View: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82253502260>

Contact: [paul@dissentment.com](mailto:paul@dissentment.com)

**Free, on-demand streaming of two documentaries, "*Hiroshima: Our Lives to Live*" and "*Article 9 Comes to America*" by David Rothauser, August 6, 4-6pm PDT, by WILPF-Peninsula/Palo Alto Branch**

Description: Article 9, which renounced war as an instrument of the state, was added to the Japanese post-war constitution in 1946, and since then international activists and peace groups, including the Women's International League for Peace & Freedom and other peace groups campaigned to add a similar amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

URL: <https://www.youtube.com/ppjcvideo> Contact: [wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com](mailto:wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com)

**Japanese American storyteller, Megumi's virtual performance of the life of Sadako Sasaki, Aug. 6 4pm PDT (online) Menlo Park, CA by City of Menlo Park and WILPF-Peninsula/Palo Alto Branch**

Megumi's story is of Sadako Sasaki, who made 1000 paper cranes before her death at 12 years old after the bombings, which established a tradition in Japan and worldwide. After her performance, Megumi will give instructions on making paper peace cranes honoring those who lost their lives in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, a tradition in Japan and around the world.

Register at [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_qT3VWbdnTRSk-9jw-lAiPQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qT3VWbdnTRSk-9jw-lAiPQ)

Contact: [jnweaver@menlopark.org](mailto:jnweaver@menlopark.org)

**Hiroshima & Nagasaki Virtual Memorial, St Louis, Missouri, 8<sup>th</sup> August 5.00pm CDT by WILPF-St. Louis**

A zoom gathering to view the documentary "The beginning of the end of nuclear weapons". This award-winning documentary covers a brief history of nuclear weapons and efforts regarding the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. It also includes interviews by activists from organizations, countries and others involved in the treaty's passage. For more information and to watch the trailer, go to [www.theendofnuclearweapons.com](http://www.theendofnuclearweapons.com). To receive the meeting zoom link, email [cofrja@gmail.com](mailto:cofrja@gmail.com) with "the end of nuclear weapons" as the subject.

**75th Annual Hiroshima-Nagasaki Remembrance and Virtual Peace Lantern Ceremony, Monterey, CA, 8<sup>th</sup> August, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm PDT by WILPF-Monterey County Branch**

Opening invocation by Rev. Jay Shinseki, The Story of Sadako Sasaki and the Thousand Cranes presented by Larry Oda, Arlington "Arly" La Mica as Keynote Speaker, Invocation for the Peace Lantern Ceremony by Carole Erickson, and Beverly Bean as emcee. Video retrospective of past Hiroshima-Nagasaki Remembrance events at Lovers Point Cove in Pacific Grove, California.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_YgvQunFOQdOTzQ6Y6CvqYw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YgvQunFOQdOTzQ6Y6CvqYw)

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URL: [tinyurl.com/Aug-2020-Remembrance](http://tinyurl.com/Aug-2020-Remembrance)

**Peace Lanterns on the Charles River, Watertown, MA, 9<sup>th</sup> August 6pm EDT by WILPF**

### **Boston Branch**

At Watertown Square, Watertown Citizens, WILPF members and other groups will have a sidewalk rally followed by several speakers, music, poems on the Charles River dock. Lit peace lanterns will be in canoes near the dock. There will be news coverage.

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### **2020 Hiroshima / Nagasaki Remembrance, August 6, 2020, 6:30 to 7:30 pm EST by “Hope out Loud” and “NoNukes-NoWar.org” (Zoom Event)**

The program will consist of a welcome from the organizers to the 2020 Remembrance of Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombing. These gatherings have been held in Hartford, Connecticut, USA since at least the late 1960's – and probably longer. There will be a series of speakers addressing the current status of nuclear weapon treaties, a video of the aftermath of the bombings and speakers addressing environmental consequences of a potential nuclear exchange and the issues of morality. We will also address current legislation initiatives in the United States Congress. We will close with a remembrance of our fellow peace activists that have passed away in the last year and the playing our signature closing song, “Hope Out Loud” written and sung by David H. Brown and accompanied by Kevin Lampkins.

Zoom event: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_-Ron-yPLQoqNWyo2yFm9pA?fbclid=IwAR13ahCsegfpvUDKcP8kPx7HPCioJVd7HFeGPADsTACAMR XwDUH5rV32n0c](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-Ron-yPLQoqNWyo2yFm9pA?fbclid=IwAR13ahCsegfpvUDKcP8kPx7HPCioJVd7HFeGPADsTACAMR XwDUH5rV32n0c) URL: <http://nonukes-nowar.org/> and <http://hopeoutloud.org/>

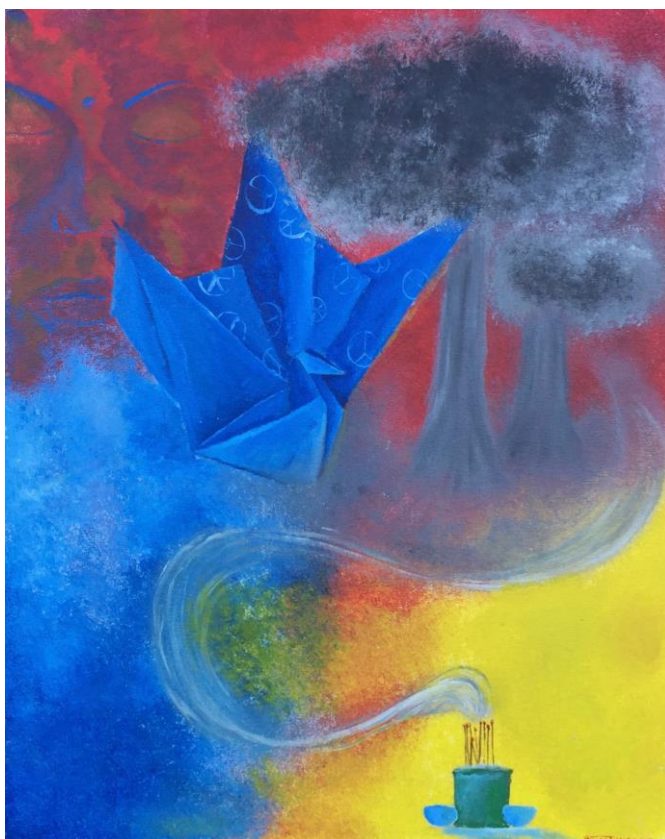
Contact: Wayne H. Coste: [wayne@HopeOutLoud.org](mailto:wayne@HopeOutLoud.org)

### **Tsuru for Solidarity: Aug. 3 at 7 pm - 8:30 pm PST**

Please join Tsuru for Solidarity for a pop-up origami fold-in on Monday, Aug. 3 at 7 pm - 8:30 pm PST to fold cranes and write messages of peace during the week that marks the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on Aug 6 and 9, By Chanthon Bun, origami student, San Quentin 1945. In addition, San Quentin origami teacher Jun Hamamoto will join the meeting with three former students, all from Southeast Asia and each facing deportation despite having served their full sentences.

-- Lam Hong Le, interviewed by Satsuki Ina in a short video about his life as a refugee and his struggle against deportation after release from prison. We will screen the 10-minute film by Emiko Omori and hold a Q & A afterwards with Lam.

-- Also joining us will be Chanthon Bun,



whose painting is shown here. He recently was released from San Quentin and is recovering from Covid-19.

-- Sordeng Danny Thongsy is the founder of the origami activist group, 'folding4justice' and is supporting efforts to release prisoners at risk of Covid inside San Quentin. As of July 29, there were 928 active cases and 19 prisoners had died, according to the California Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation. His photo is the 10th down in this article.

<https://capitalandmain.com/demonstrators-call-release-sanquentin-prisoners-amidst-covid-outbreak-0727> RSVP to [tsurubayarea@gmail.com](mailto:tsurubayarea@gmail.com) to receive the zoom link.

### **Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action: Puget Sound peace activists on 75th Remembrance of Hiroshima/Nagasaki bombings appeal to Navy personnel at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor: Refuse illegal orders; Refuse to launch nuclear missiles**

On August 2nd and August 10th, a full-page ad will be published in the newspaper of record, the Kitsap Sun, speaking to military personnel at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor. The ad is an appeal to Navy personnel to resist orders to launch nuclear weapons. The appeal with supporting signatures is at [www.gzcenter.org](http://www.gzcenter.org) and

[https://1drv.ms/u/s!Al8QqFnnE036rhRUmQNYI\\_GuetSx?e=pbs4li](https://1drv.ms/u/s!Al8QqFnnE036rhRUmQNYI_GuetSx?e=pbs4li).

The Appeal to Navy Personnel specifically requests that members of the armed forces-- Resist illegal orders. Refuse to kill innocent civilians. Refuse the order to use nuclear weapons.

Contacts: Glen Milner (206) 365-7865; Leonard Eiger (425) 445-2190, [outreach@gzcenter.org](mailto:outreach@gzcenter.org)

### **International Organizations**



**IPB Press Release: 2020 Seán MacBride Peace Prize Recipients Announced**

**Black Lives Matter**

**BLACK LIVES MATTER**

For its "leading roles in building resistance to and transforming local policies against systemic police violence and extrajudicial murders of Black people across the United States"

**International Signature Campaign In Support of the Appeal of the Hibakusha**

**International Signature Campaign in Support of the Appeal of the Hibakusha for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons**

For being "one of the largest signature campaigns ever carried out in the world and a powerful popular force manifesting global demands for the complete elimination of nuclear weapons."

### **International Peace Bureau to Award the 2020 Seán MacBride Peace Prize to the "International Signature Campaign in Support of the Appeal of the Hibakusha for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons"**

On August 4, the IPB announced that the [International Signature Campaign in Support of the](#)

[Appeal of the Hibakusha](#) was chosen as the recipient of the [2020 Seán MacBride Peace Prize](#), along with Black Lives Matter. IPB Co-President Philip Jennings will address and congratulate the International Signature Campaign, headed by Tanaka Terumi, Co-Chair of [Nihon Hidankyo](#), during the online [Peace Wave World Conference](#) on the 9th of August.

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**Global Security Institute: The 75th Commemorative Remembrance of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, August 6 and 9**

This one-hour presentation will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki August 6 and 9, 1945, and will honor the lifelong achievements of former President Gorbachev and former Secretary Shultz. Speakers also include Mohamed ElBaradei, former Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency; Beatrice Fihn, Executive Director International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN); Jonathan Granoff, President Global Security Institute; Kehkashan Basu, Winner 2016 International Children's Peace Prize, Founder and President Green Hope Foundation.

**Broadcast times:** August 6: 5AM PDT/ 8AM EDT/ 2PM UK/ 5:30PM Delhi/ 9PM Japan  
August 8: 5PM PDT/ 8PM EDT/ 2AM UK (Aug.9), 5:30AM Delhi (Aug 9), 9AM Japan (Aug.9)  
August 9: 12PM PDT/ 3PM EDT/ 9PM UK/ 0:30 AM Delhi (Aug.10)/ 4AM Japan (Aug.10)

Register: <https://www.voices-uri.org/registration>

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