Peace Wave 2021 Newsletter Vol. 2, August 24, 2021

Dear friends,

Congratulations to you all for the successful Peace Wave events and activities commemorating the 46th anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki atomic bombings and urging respective states governments to join the TPNW. To date we have received information and plans of hundreds of Peace Wave actions from: New Zealand, Japan, the Philippines, Nepal, India, Ukraine, Finland, Norway, Lithuania, Austria, Belgium, Germany, France,



U.K., Togo, Canada, U.S.A. Thank you all for organizing and joining the global grassroots united actions for the elimination of nuclear weapons. Our campaigns and activities will continue, looking to the NPT Review Conference and the 1st Meeting of the States Parties of the TPNW next year.

Japan



2021 World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs

All the programs of the 2021 World Conference have completed with great success. The Organizing Committee sends its gratitude to all the people from around the world who have joined the conference programs. Texts of the Statements and speeches delivered in main programs and videos are uploaded <u>here</u>. <u>Nagasaki Day</u> <u>Rally digest video</u> is available, too. Contact: Organizing Committee, <u>intl@antiatom.org</u>

Peace Wave 2021 Actions carried out across Japan:

Many varieties of actions were conducted at the grass-roots, including standing appeals with placards/photos, paper-crane decorations, peace bell-tolling, peace marches, silent prayers, etc., at more than 300 places all over the country. <u>Watch the video of the Nationwide Peace March 2021</u>. Listing of actions are available here:









New Zealand

Peace Wave from Christchurch -- Hiroshima/Nagasaki Ceremony, August 8

A memorial ceremony was held at the World Peace Bell in the Ōtautahi, Christchurch Botanic Gardens. The A-bomb photos from Japan were displayed. Despite





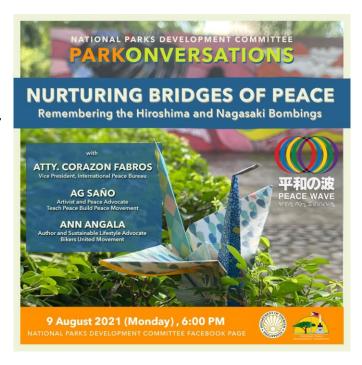
the cold weather and rain, 80 people joined, including the deputy mayor and the Japanese Consul. <u>More photos of the event are available here:</u> Contact: Marcus Coll, marcus@disarmsecure.org

Audrey van Ryn, International Fast for Peace, Auckland, August 6-9

I am a participant in nuclear-free New Zealand/Aotearoa in the International Fast for Peace and probably the only person in my country taking part, as I have done for several years. I am not doing any special activities, just fasting for four days. The participants of the fast are all in communication / solidarity with one another. Organizer: Marc Morgan and Dominique Lalanne, marcwmorgan@btinternet.com Contact in NZ: Audrey van Ryn, <u>audrey@writeaway.co.nz</u>

The Philippines

Nurturing Bridges of Peace. A Peace Memorial for Hiroshima from the Philippines, August 6 – 9, Japanese Garden, Rizal National Park, Manila Because of the lockdown in Manila, there have been some adjustment in the planning. Nevertheless, <u>the Peace Wave</u> Philippines are holding the activities the best we can in partnership with <u>National Parks</u> Development Committee (NPDC)



and Para Sa Sining (For the Arts, a youth group) The details of the online activities for Aug. 6 & 9:

August 6 (Bombing of Hiroshima)

1. Art card - NPDC & Peace Wave Ph will be posting art card / poster on their respective pages; 2. Paper crane clips compilation (Photos and videos from last year) - a video compilation of materials from last year.

August 9 (Bombing of Nagasaki)

1. Art card - NPDC & Peace Wave Ph will be posting art card / poster on their respective pages. 2. <u>Parkonversations</u> - an online discussion format hosted online by NPDC (Resource speakers from Peace Wave). The episode for August 9 will feature commemoration of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Bombings. The live discussion will/can cover the impact of the bombings, the Hibakushas, ways of moving forward together, international peace campaign and the Philippine setting, common people's expressions of peace.

We are adding one more activity in time for the 30th anniversary of the Hiroshima Stone in the Japanese Garden - August 21.

August 21

1.Art card - NPDC & Peace Wave Ph will be posting art card / poster on their respective pages;
2. Video (compilation of messages from Peace Wave, music, poetry, storytellers from Para Sa Sining);
3. Commemoration, Mural Session by AG Saño & Lantern Floating Ceremony at the Japanese Garden in Rizal National Park. (if lockdown is not extended)
4. Parkonversations* - Subject for confirmation

Nepal

Nepal Peace and Solidarity Council, August 5

"Mr. Ghanendra Shrestha and I are joining the 2021 World Conference against A & H Bombs online. And we are going to organize a meeting on 5th August on the topic: 'No more Hiroshima - No more Nagasaki'. I wish for the grand success of the conference."

Contact: Rabindra Adhikari, rabindra3@hotmail.com

India

Special seminar, Peace Museum exhibition and webinars, August 6-9

(1) Seminar "Nuclear Weapon Free World with Special Reference to India and Pakistan", in Nagpur, India from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm on August 6. (2) No More Hiroshima: No More Nagasaki: Peace Museum. Open to Public from 8.00 am to 7.00 pm in Nagpur, from 6 to 9 August; (3) All India Webinar: Remembering Hiroshima & Nagasaki 6 and 9 August 2021. All India Webinar; (4) "Why Nuclear Weapons must be banned" Seminar in Hyderabad, on 8 August.

Organizers: Indian Institute for Peace Disarmament & Environmental Protection; No More Hiroshima: No More Nagasaki: Peace Museum; Nan Bharat Nirman Sangh Contact: Balkrishna Kurvey, <u>bkurvey@yahoo.com</u> or <u>bkkurvey@gmail.com</u> URL: www.iipdep.org

Ukraine

"Peace Wave: Human Life is Incompatible With Nuclear Weapons", Kiev

Ukrainian Pacifist Movement organized an exhibition entitled "Peace Wave: Human Life is Incompatible With Nuclear Weapons" in the Ivana Kudri Public Library in Kyiv, using the set of documentary posters sent from Gensuikyo. Flyers describing the posters in Ukrainian was prepared, inviting people to the exhibition to place in several public libraries. An online webinar is planned on 9 August entitled "Peace Wave: Why We Should Prohibit Nuclear



Weapons." Ukrainian Pacifist Movement demands Ukraine to sign the TPNW. Executive Director Yuri Sheliazhenko says, "Members of the Eastern European Civil Education Network are suggesting to use these horrible photos of nuclear apocalypse for peace education... They are very timely for Ukraine. Our political elites have aspirations to join NATO, which is a nuclear military alliance shamelessly refusing to join TPNW.... Our society needs to see these tragic photos of nuclear bombed Japanese cities to rethink growing delusions regaining nuclear arms." Contact: Yurii Sheliazhenko, <u>yuriy.sheliazhenko@gmail.com</u>



Finland

An evening of the Hiroshima Day in Helsinki – Peace Union of Finland

Date/Place: August 6, 21:00 at Amphitheatre behind the Opera House.

In August, when the nights get darker, it's time to light the floating lanterns again. On Hiroshima day, the 6th of August, we will respect the memory of the victims of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We will remind the world of the senselessness of nuclear weapons and the importance of working for peace. The event begins at 9 p.m. with speeches by



cosmologist and author Kari Enqvist and priest Raija Korhonen. Music by Emma Salokoski and Johanna Juhola. The floating lanterns will be released at approximately 10 p.m. You can also buy lanterns at the event venue at 2 euros. Organized by Peace Union of Finland, Svenska Fredsvänner i Helsingfors, the Parish Union of Helsinki, Töölö Parish.

Contact: Virve Louekari, virve.louekari@rauhanliitto.fi

URL: <u>https://rauhanliitto.fi/rauhanliitto/ajankohtaista/tapahtumat/hiroshima-ilta-helsingissa-6-8-sytyta-kynttila-atomipommien-uhrien-muistolle</u>

Hiroshimaafton, August 6, Mariehamn, Åland

On Hiroshima Day on 6.8, Emmaus Åland traditionally invites you to a light ceremony in the Sjökvarteret, Osterleden at 9.30 pm with speeches and music. This year the theme is climate, conflict and crisis. Speaker: Petra Granholm, activist and member of Åland's Development and Sustainability Council. Sound: Casper Lindroos, experimental ambient music with the aim of sounding emotions. Lighting ceremony with lighting of lanterns in Slemmern.

Contact: Martha Hannus, <u>martha.hannus@emmaus.ax</u> or <u>emmaus@emmaus.ax</u> URL: emmaus.ax

Norway

"Hiroshima 2021", August 6, Oslo

Nei til Atomvåpen (No to nuclear weapons) Oslo will commemorate the Hiroshima Day at 7 pm on August 6 at Eidsvolls park (beside the parliament). <u>This event is to</u> <u>demand the Norwegian government sign the UN's Treaty on the Prohibition of</u> <u>Nuclear Weapons.</u> This autumn we have a national election. We think it is important to remind candidates that they must support the agreement. Therefore we invite 2 candidates to have appeals. After the event we have a lantern ceremony. Before the event there will be a mass at the cathedral. We will also have a stand earlier on the same day.

Contact: August Starberg and Mika Mayumi, neitilatomvapen.oslo@gmail.com

Lithuania

Photographic Exhibition: "Hiroshima and Nagasaki -- The Atomic Bomb and Humanity", Kupiškis



The photo exhibition about the tragedy of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, presented by Gensuikyo, was opened at Kupiškis Culture Centre in the northern part of Lithuania on August 5. Due to the worsening pandemic situation, the number of participants had to be limited. After the opening, the heads of the city municipality asked to extend the exhibition until the middle of September, so that the students of gymnasiums could visit it. Kestutis Jakštas, Director of Kupiškis District Municipality Administration, Ričardas Barzdenis, President of Kupiškis Rotary Club, Vilma Mažeikienė, Chairman of the Lithuanian Rotary Coordination Council, attended the opening of the exhibition. In the opening speech, I told the participants about Japan, the World Conference against A & H Bombs, the disasters in Hiroshima, Nagasaki, Bikini, as well as the problems of nuclear power plants - Chernobyl, Ignalina, Fukushima and the unsafe Astrava nuclear power plant that started operating at the Lithuanian border in Belarus. Kupiškis Cultural Center ensemble Cantata performed several very sensitive and meaningful pieces. Signatures are collected during the exhibition in support of Hibakushas call for the abolition of nuclear weapons. WE WISH PEACE WAVE SUCCESS! (Report from Gediminas Rimdeika, the initiator of the exhibition, doctor, founder and head of Lithuanian Chernobyl Medical Center, President of Trakai Rotary Club) More photos and articles here: Contact: Gediminas Rimdeika, j.g.rimdeika@gmail.com

Austria

Hiroshima Day in Vienna, August 6 at Stephansplatz

There will be a memorial for the victims of the military and economic usage of nuclear materials on the 6th of August 2021, starting at 18:00, at the Stephansplatz in the first district of Vienna. The event is hosted by the Hiroshima Group Vienna, the Viennese Peace Movement and Pax Christi Vienna, as well as OMEGA/IPPNW and the

International Fellowship of Reconciliation. We are collecting statements as a symbol of international solidarity calling for the abolition of these inhumane weapons of mass destruction. A horrendous amount of funding is used for the enlargement and modernisation of nuclear weapons arsenals and armament, but these funds could be used in our fight against hunger, for the betterment of health care and education, as well as cultural and environmental matters. Send your message against nuclear weapons, armament and war to: pax.vienna@chello.at. They will be published online at www.hiroshima.at, or in peace publications.

Contact: Alois Reisenbichler, verin.stadtteilz.simmering@chello.at

Belgium

Commemoration of Hiroshima/Nagasaki, Gent, August 8



Vredesoverleg Gent will commemorate the anniversary days on August 8 with concert and poems. 9 pm: Free concert and poem in the St. Nicholas Church. The musicians and poet will be announced shortly. 10 pm: We will launch

lanterns at Korenlei to commemorate the victims of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Soprano Anna Pardo and cellist Eline Duerinck will provide atmospheric live music. Contact: Maud Martens, maud@vrede.be

Commemoration to honour the memory of the victims of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and Nagasaki and the nuclear tests, and to call for global nuclear disarmament by Collectif Parc Hibakusha, Mons

Time/Place: Saturday 7 August, 14:00-17:00 at Hibakusha Park Plaine de Nimy Campus, Av. du Champ de Mars à 5000 Mons. The program includes an exhibition, videos, presentation of the Hibakusha Park project in development and of the professionals, teachers and students. The Hibakusha Collective is composed of people and associations collaborating in the realization and the durability of the new Hibakusha Park within the Nimy Plain Campus at the University of Mons in Belgium. This park, initiated in 1989 by Pierre Piérart (UMons), is a place of remembrance and a plea for the elimination of nuclear weapons in the world.

Contact: Collectif Parc Hibakusha, contact@parc-hibakusha.be

Germany

EXHIBITION on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, EKO House, Dusseldorf

Exhibition: "Hiroshima, August 6, 1945, 8:15 a.m. - Nagasaki, August 9, 1945, 11:02 a.m." will be held by the IPPNW at Foyer of the EKO House (of Japanese Culture), Brüggener Weg 6, 40547 Düsseldorf.

Contact: EKŌ-Haus der Japanischen Kultur, eko@eko-haus.de URL: eko-haus.de

International Fast in Germany, August 6-9

International Fast between August 6 and August 9, calling for nuclear disarmament and urging each country to sign the TPNW are planned in Berlin (Lothar Eberhardt, <u>lebgut@googlemail.com</u>), Emden / Cologne / Büchel (Serge Levillayer, <u>levillayer.serg@orange.fr</u> and Matthias-W. Engelke, <u>distelwenk@gmail.com</u>).

France

Le Mouvement de la Paix – National



On the occasion of the Hiroshima/Nagasaki commemoration, Le Mouvement de la Paix issued the statement calling on France to respect its international commitments to nuclear disarmament, and issued an "<u>Open</u> letter to

parliamentarians: Hiroshima and Nagasaki 76th anniversary" urging them to work for France's accession to the TPNW. Throughout France, local affiliates carried out commemorative activities to remember the 1945 atomic bombing and urging France to join the TPNW.

Contact: Roland Nivet, roland.nivet@mvtpaix.org

Commemoration of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Luneville



Time/ Date: 07 August at 18:00; Place: In front of the Lunéville's Castle Mouvement de la Paix sud-Lorraine will hold a candlelight vigil to remember all the victims of the nuclear bombs, and exposition of photos. People will collect signatures for the petition urging France to sign the TPNW.

Contact person: Patrick FALGAS/Julie TIMON, julie.timon.mm@gmail.com **URL:** <u>https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100011498250344</u>

International Fast in France, August 6-9

International Fast between August 6 and August 9, calling for nuclear disarmament and urging each country to sign the TPNW are planned in Dijon-Valduc (Dominique Lalanne, <u>do.lalanne@wanadoo.fr</u>), Mont Saint Michel (Josette Lenoury, <u>jolenoury50@gmail.com</u>), Brest-Ile Longue (Chrystelle, <u>chrystelleanvroin@wanadoo.fr</u>), Tours (Marie Claude Thibaud, marie-claude.thibaud@wanadoo.fr).

U.K.



Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki:

Peace Wave 2021

The anniversary of nuclear weapons being dropped on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 is commemorated across the world. **CND is encouraging our supporters to join an international grassroots action** that will allow people – wherever they are – to join together in one action.

Global waves of anti-nuclear peace actions will sweep the globe between August 2-9, marking the commemorative week of Hiroshima/Nagasaki Days and the 2021 World Conference against A and H Bombs. CND is encouraging actions at **11am (UK time) on the morning of August 6th**. **How can you join in?**

- Download this poster in colour or black and white.
- Take the poster to somewhere quiet and peaceful at the designated times and take a moment in silence to consider how the devastation caused in Hiroshima and Nagasaki should spur us on to campaign even harder for a world without these weapons of mass destruction.
- Please send us a photo of you and the poster after your moment of reflection (pressoffice@cnduk.org), or post on social media about the need for a world without nuclear weapons, using the hashtag #Hiroshima
- Know that you are part of an international wave of people calling for a more peaceful world.

Contact: Sara Medi Jones, pressoffice@cnduk.org

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Commemorative Events, London CND



<u>Hiroshima Remembered - LRCND</u> <u>Commemoration, Friday, August 6</u> London CND will host a Hiroshima commemoration event in Tavistock Square, London, and online. The event will be hosted by London CND co-chair Hannah Kemp-Welsh.

Hiroshima Day – online Peace Picnic, Friday, August 6

Each year the South East London CND groups (Lewisham and Greenwich, Forest Hill and Sydenham, Bromley Borough) hold a picnic to say "ban the bomb - never again". This year the event has moved online on Zoom at 7PM.

Trident Ploughshares - International Fast and Days of Action from Hiroshima Day to Nagasaki Day, August 6-9

In London, Trident Ploughshares are organising the International Fast, daily vigils, actions, rallies and commemorative events outside the Ministry of Defence and in Whitehall. Gatherings in support followed by Actions will take place from 11am to 1pm in the Embankment Gardens directly behind the Ministry of Defence off Horse Guards Avenue (SW1A 2HU).

Contact: Marc Morgan, <u>marcwmorgan@btinternet.com</u> or <u>michal@calstock.co.uk</u>

Kingston Hiroshima Commemoration, August 6

Kingston Peace Council/CND is holding a Hiroshima commemoration on August 6th. There will be a vigil with posters from 12 to 1pm near entrance to the Bentalls Centre/side of Barclays Bank. Contact: Rosemary, rosemaryadd@aol.com



Wimbledon Disarmarment Coalition/CND Hiroshima commemoration, August 6

Wimbledon Disarmarment Coalition/CND will meet in Rushmere, Wimbledon Common SW19 (near the War Memorial) for their annual Hiroshima Commemoration. Contact: <u>info@wdc-cnd.org.uk</u>

Hiroshima & Nagasaki - Finchley CND Remembrance Ceremony, August 7

People meet in Victoria Park, Ballards Lane, Finchley N3 at 11 am by the Commemorative Cherry Tree in remembrance of the victims of the atomic bombs, followed by a minute of silence. Participants are invited to bring flowers to lay beneath the tree and to share tea and thoughts afterwards at the café.

Nagasaki Peace Walk, August 9

Nipponzan Myohoji, JAN-UK and Paxchristi are organizing a Peace Walk on Nagasaki Day. The walk will start at 7.30pm congregating at Westminster Cathedral and walking towards Battersea Park. At the Peace Pagoda in the park, there will be a short commemoration ceremony. More information: https://londonpeacepagoda.wordpress.com/events-for-2021/



Nagasaki Day poetry and music, August 9

The South East London Network for Peace, Justice and Solidarity will hold the event at Desmond Tutu peace garden, Chinbrook Meadows.

Greater Manchester and District CND: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki

This weekend, peace activists across Greater Manchester will hold a series of vigils, ceremonies and street stalls to commemorate the victims of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Please join us to reflect on this terrible history, so it does not repeat itself.

Contact: GMD-CND, gmdcnd@gn.apc.org

Friday, August 6th

- Manchester commemoration event 10am here
- Littleborough (Hollingworth Lake) Ceremony 8pm here
- Saddleworth vigil 6pm here
- Stockport peace street stall 12pm here

Saturday, August 7th

- Marple peace street stall 12pm here
- Bolton (Cenotaph) vigil 12pm here
- Glossop (High Street) vigil 11am here
- Calder Valley (Hebden Bridge) Poetry, song and reflection here

Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW): Ban Cities Appeal Regional Workshop, Thurs 12th August, 7pm - 8pm, Zoom

Richard Outram from Yorkshire CND will lead a workshop about the Ban Cities Appeal (more <u>here</u>), which is an opportunity for cities and towns to publicly demonstrate their opposition to nuclear weapons.

The Ban Cities Appeal has widened to include approaching individual city, town and parish councillors, as well as council leaders, Mayors, MPs and faith groups.

Each pledge will be added to a national list and will appear on CND's website to show the depth and range of support.

<u>Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day Commemoration at Kendal and Lancaster by South</u> Lakeland and Lancaster District CND



On Friday, 6 August, antinuclear campaigners met in Abbot Hall Park, Kendal. Members and supporters of South Lakeland and Lancaster District CND kept a minute's silence for the

340,000 children, women and men who died as a result of the atomic bombs dropped in 1945 and shared readings calling for a



world free from nuclear weapons. They also potted a camellia seed which fellow peace campaigners in Japan had sent to them and scattered flowers and petals on the river Kent in memory of all victims of war.

The Nagasaki Day commemoration was held on the Millenium Bridge, Lancaster. The participants welcomed the declaration of support for the TPNW by the City Council in January and repeated their call for the UK to ratify the Treaty.

Togo

International Fast in Togo, August 6-9

International Fast between August 6 and August 9, calling for nuclear disarmament and urging each country to sign the TPNW is planned in Togo's capital city Lomé. Contact: Warie Yao, <u>wariesadacrepin@gmail.com</u>

Canada

Toronto: Hope for the Earth – Canada Sign the Ban Treaty!

Time/Place: Friday, August 06, 2021 • 7:00 PM ET Peace activists and dynamic artists will highlight



the importance of Canada's joining the growing number of nations signing the Ban Treaty, and how we can contribute to the elimination of nuclear weapons. This event will include esteemed speakers, musical performances, Mayoral Proclamations and a lantern ceremony.

Speakers and performers include Setsuko Thurlow, Kehkashan Basu, Ron Korb, Erin Hunt and Nathaniel Erskine-Smith.

Register at <u>https://actionnetwork.org/events/hopefortheearth</u> Hosted by: <u>Hiroshima Nagasaki Day Coalition</u> and <u>World BEYOND War</u>.

Vancouver: Seaforth Peace Park Flame, August 6

Time/Place: Friday, August 6 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Cornwall and Burrard in Vancouver Centre

Join the Vancouver Peace Council and ILPS organizations including the Just Peace Committee to commemorate the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by reaffirming our commitment to opposing nuclear weapons and wars of aggression in favor of just peace and negotiations for just peace. Demand that Canada sign the 2017 TPNW and get out of NATO.

Organized by Just Peace Committee, ILPS – Vancouver, Vancouver Peace Council and endorsed by Migrante BC, Canada Philippines Solidarity Organization, ILPS Canada, Coalition against Bigotry

Register on the Facebook event page: No More Hiroshimas! | Facebook

Live discussions this week -- Project Save the World

This week on the World Repair Shop: Five more vital discussions of global issues. Our friends can listen to them live at 12:30 Eastern Time and type in questions for us

to ask the guest, or you can watch the edited version later on our YouTube channel. We have made over 300 shows already, and one of them is playing at every hour of every day for anyone in the world to watch. Tune in to:

https://youtube.com/c/ToSaveTheWorld

Ottawa: Lantern Ceremony, August 6

Time/ Place: Friday August 6, 202, 7:30 PM at 5th Ave. & Queen Elizabeth Driveway along the Rideau Canal Contact: GayM@psac-afpc.com



U.S.A.

<u>"From Hiroshima To Fukushima", 76 years", Aug 2-9 in solidarity with</u> <u>#PeaceWave2021, Portland, ME (Online & in-person events)</u>

We would like to highlight the two faces of the nuclear industry and raise concerns as



to whether nuclear energy is any answer to Climate, to global warming. Also, 76th Hiroshima & Nagasaki commemoration rally was held in Brunswick Green, August 6. <u>#PeaceWave</u> 2021 urges the U.S President & Senate to Sign and Ratify the Nuclear Abolition Treaty that makes nuclear weapons illegal and

commemorates the tragedies of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Here is an 8 minute clip: <u>https://youtu.be/pJCyjGRSzRI</u> One person who was there was 92 years old.

The event was co-sponsored by: Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, Peaceworks of Greater Brunswick, Peace Action Maine, Veterans for Peace, Maine, WILPS-Maine. The screening of <u>"The Atom: A Love Affair"</u> was also organized by Peace Action-ME during August 2-9. Contact: Martha Spiess, <u>info@peaceactionme.org</u> and <u>info@peaceworksbrunswickme.org</u> URL: peaceactionme.org

Remembering Hiroshima Peace Walk and Ceremony, Montpelier, VT

On August 6, the annual Remembering Hiroshima Peace Walk and Ceremony will begin promptly at 6:45 p.m., at Kellogg-Hubbard Library in downtown Montpelier, and proceed in silence down State Street to the high school. Participants will carry peace cranes made and donated by a Hiroshima resident whose family experienced the bombing. At 7:15 p.m., the exact time of the



dropping of the bomb, the procession will stop and the bells of Christ Church will chime 76 times, once for every year since the bombing. A short ceremony will take place at the high school, culminating in sending flowers with intentions for peace down the Winooski river. All are welcome to participate. For more information visit https://buddhistpeaceactionvt.org. or contact Neville Berle: 802-249-5905. Contact: Joseph Gainza, jgainza@vtlink.net

Massachusetts Peace Action calls on people and organizations to initiate or join Hiroshima/Nagasaki commemorative events to build support for nuclear disarmament. Our events will be held in conjunction with global "Peace Wave 2021" initiated by Gensuikyo in memory of the lives lost in the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Gensuikyo has renewed its the call for the complete elimination of nuclear weapons and urge all nations to join the TPNW. For the United States, this also means immediate action to halt the \$1.7 Trillion nuclear upgrade and the "Money Pit Missile", calling for a "No First Use" policy, and negotiating a policy of

common security with the other nuclear powers especially given the other existential threat, the climate crisis. For details, click the title of each event below or visit <u>here</u>. Contact: Massachusetts Peace Action, info@masspeaceaction.org

Peace Vigil commemorating 76th anniversary of Hiroshima/Nagasaki, Worcester



Tue August 3, 3:30 pm EDT, August 3 at Lincoln Square, Worcester Organizer: <u>SS. Francis and Therese Catholic Worker</u>

Remembrance and Hope – the Journey from Hiroshima to the Treaty on theProhibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) – Zoom online eventWed August 4, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm EDTRegister here!Contact: Massachusetts Peace Action, info@masspeaceaction.org

Hiroshima Nagasaki Peace Memorial Ceremony Part 1, Jamaica Plain Thu August 5 @ 7:15 pm - 8:15 pm EDT at Showa Boston. Register <u>here.</u> Hiroshima Nagasaki Peace Memorial Ceremony Part 2 (online event) Sun August 8 @ 9:00 pm - 10:15 pm EDT. Register <u>here</u>. Contact: Actors Refuge Repertory Theatre, <u>arrt02116@gmail.com</u>

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Anniversary Vigil, Waltham Common

Friday, August 6, from 7:45 to 8:30 a.m., at the corner of Main and Moody Streets Contact: <u>Waltham Concerned Citizens</u> Website: <u>https://www.facebook.com/walthamconcernedcitizens/</u>

Street Theater of Atomic Bombings @ Providence Kennedy Plaza Fri August 6 @ 8:00 am - 9:30 am EDT Organizers: Providence Quaker Advocacy Team, Pax Christi-Rhode Island

Hiroshima Vigil and Tolling of the Bell, Bedford

Fri August 6 @ 8:00 am - 8:30 am EDT at First Parish Church Organizer: <u>First Parish Peace</u> <u>and Justice Comittee</u>

Hiroshima Vigil at Park Square, Pittsfield Fri August 6 @ 8:00 am - 9:00 am EDT Contact: Berkshire Citizens for Peace and Justice, Website: http://bcpj.org/



Hiroshima Day Vigil, Edgartown Fri August 6 @ 8:00 am - 9:30 am EDT Contact: <u>Martha's Vineyard Peace Council</u>; <u>Martha's Vineyard</u> Friends Meeting (Quakers)

Hiroshima Day Commemoration at Bicentennial Park Fri August 6 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm EDT Organizer: <u>Our Revolution Greater Fall River</u> Website: <u>https://bit.ly/ORGFR</u>





76th Anniversary Remembrance of Hiroshima/Nagasaki Bombings, Springfield Fri August 6 @ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm EDT, at Court Square, Corner of Main Street and Court Street, Springfield, MA Organizer: <u>Greater Springfield</u> Campaign Nonviolence

Rhode Island Antiwar Committee Hiroshima Nagasaki vigil, Providence Fri August 6 @ 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm EDT, at Kennedy Plaza/1 Exchange Place, Providence, RI Organizer: Rhode Island Antiwar Committee, https://www.facebook.com/RIAntiWar/

<u>"ABOLISH NUKES" Hiroshima Day Advocacy Event</u> and <u>Hiroshima/Nagasaki</u> <u>Commemoration, Cambridge</u>

Fri August 6 @ 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Friends Meeting at Cambridge Organizer: <u>Friends Meeting at Cambridge</u>

Hiroshima Day: Barry Frechette's film, Paper Lanterns, Dorchester Fri August 6 @ 6:00 pm -9:00 pm EDT Organizer: <u>First Parish</u> Dorchester

<u>Hiroshima Day</u> Screening: The War



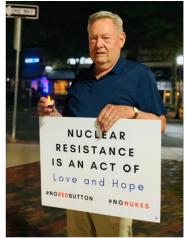
Game by Peter Watkins @ Arlington's Regent Theater

Fri August 6 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm EDT. <u>For details and tickets click here:</u> Organizers: <u>Massachusetts Peace Action</u> & <u>Greater Boston Physicians For Social</u> <u>Responsibility</u>









Never Again: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Easthampton



Fri August 6 @ 6:30 pm EDT at Nashawannuck Pond Organizers: <u>The Resistance Center for</u> <u>Peace & Justice</u> & <u>nuclear and carbon free</u> <u>future coalition</u>

Vigil for Hiroshima, Andover

Fri Aug 6 7:00 pm EDT at Old Town Hall Organizer: <u>Merrimack Valley People for</u>

Peace Phone: (978) 685-1389

Website: http://merrimackvalleypeopleforpeace.org/



<u>Re-broadcast of Hiroshima 75th Anniversary Service with Live Update, Bedford</u> (online)

Sun Aug 8 10:00 am EDT. Online zoom event with Q & A. Organizer: <u>First Parish Bedford</u>

Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki 2021, Watertown Sun Aug 8 7:30 pm EDT at Watertown Square Organizers: Watertown Citizens for Peace, Justice & Environment, Massachusetts Peace Action & American Friends Service Committee Website: www.watertowncitizens.org



Remembering the Nagasaki Holocaust, Cambridge

Mon August 9 @ 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm EDT at Harvard Square MBTA entrance Organizers: Massachusetts Peace Action and Friends Meeting at Cambridge – Peace and Social Concerns



Newton Commemoration of 76th anniversary of Hiroshima/Nagasaki Mon August 9 @ 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm EDT

Walpole Peace Wave – Standing for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons Sat August 7 @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am EDT

"Weapons into Windmills": Hiroshima and Nagasaki Greenfield Commemoration

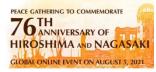


Peace Action New York State:

In New York State alone, there were at least 18 events this week (See list below) commemorating the 76th anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. After the bombings, the U.S. military and government suppressed the truth about the devastation caused by those attacks by confiscating film, controlling reporting, dismissing the victims, and threatening the truth-tellers. The effect of the propaganda lies of the 1940's lives with us today. It is important to remember the humanitarian consequences of the atom bombings, as well as the harm done by ongoing uranium mining, nuclear weapons testing, nuclear accidents, and the threats of nuclear war. Below you will see how Peace Action New York State chapters and our allies are working to bring out, not only the historical truth, but showing us the way to engage all generations in abolishing nuclear weapons. Recordings/photos/reports of the events are found here: No More Hiroshimas! No More Nagasakis! No More Fukushimas!



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 7:30PM-8:30PM ET. LONG ISLAND. Hiroshima VIRTUAL Commemoration. UU Congregation at Shelter Rock. 48 Shelter Rock Rd, Manhasset, NY, Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives, Willow, and Shelter Rock Unitarian Social Justice Committee invite you to a Hiroshima Commemoration with poetry, music, prayer, and presentations. On the program are music from Karl Jenkins, presentations by Ray Acheson from WILPF and Emily Rubino, Exec. Dir. of Peace Action NYS, a reading from Margaret Engels, and music from Willow.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 9AM-10:30AM ET. MANHATTAN. AUGUST 5TH VIRTUAL COMMEMORATION OF THE 76th ANNIVERSARY OF HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI

Manhattan Project for a Nuclear Free World brings together youth activists from Hiroshima, Fukushima, as well as activists and music from New York (including PANYS, Vets for Peace, and Raging Grannies) in a beautiful program, that will include a report back from a meeting at the Japanese Consulate.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 6:30PM-8:30PM ET. PART 1: 28th Annual Interfaith Peace Gathering

VIRTUAL. Please join the Heiwa Foundation to Commemorate the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Atomic Bombings. The Part 1: This year's gatherings will be held online, on Facebook live and Youtube live. The below links to the livestreams are also posted on the Heiwa Foundation site. <u>http://www.heiwafoundation.org/Activities</u>

Hiroshima Day: <u>https://youtu.be/wN_58bJhFj4</u>
 Nagasaki Day: <u>https://youtu.be/vOy_E9ac1QQ</u>
 Facebook Live:

https://www.facebook.com/HeiwaPRF

The event will include Interfaith peace prayer and meditation by various religious traditions. Our keynote speaker is Ambassador Anwarul K. Chowdhury who is the Former Under Secretary-General of the United Nations and Founder of the civil society coalition GMCoP, Global Movement for The Culture of Peace. For more information contact <u>HeiwaFoundationNY@gmail.com</u>.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 7:30PM-9PM ET. AVON. IN PERSON. Genesee Valley Citizens for Peace Hiroshima/Nagasaki <u>Commemoration</u>. Avon Traffic Circle, Routes 5&20 in Avon, NY. It will be the **47th consecutive year** in which we have held a commemoration. There will be signs, songs, candles, and sharing of hope for a peaceful human future! People will be able to maintain physical distancing. It's a large traffic circle. Plenty of room. Contact: Arnold Matlin, <u>ahmatlingvcp@igc.org</u> URL: gvcp.org

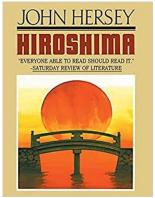


FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 7:45AM-8:45AM. SYRACUSE. IN PERSON. HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI COMMEMORATION BANNER DROP. Spencer St. bridge over Route 81, Syracuse. The Syracuse Peace Council calls us to move Back from the Nuclear Brink.

To volunteer, email: drswords@gmail.com



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 8:15AM ET. BINGHAMTON. IN PERSON. HIROSHIMA DAY REMEMBRANCE. 30 Main St., Binghamton, NY 13905. Broome County Peace Action & Veterans for Peace will ring the large bell at First Congregational Church. "We will continue our tradition to remember the incineration of Hiroshima with an open microphone for comments. Please come to continue the tradition of remembrance." <u>FACEBOOK EVENT.</u>



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 11AM-4PM ET ALBANY. IN PERSON. Reading of John Hersey's Hiroshima. Townsend Park (Henry Johnson Blvd and Central Avenue), in Albany, NY. The event is free and open to the public, and those interested in reading can sign up when they arrive. Please bring chairs. Sponsoring organizations include the Tom Paine Chapter of Veterans for Peace, the Poetry Motel Foundation, and Upper Hudson Peace Action. This public reading, commemorating the atomic bombing of Japan, was started by the late Tom Nattell, an Albany poet and environmental activist, and has occurred every year since the late 1980s. For further information, contact Dan Wilcox at <u>dwlcx@earthlink.net</u> or 518-482-0262.



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 11AM-12PM ET. MANHATTAN. Speaker Johnson: Pass Nuclear Disarmament Legislation Now! David N. Dinkin's Municipal Building - 1 Centre Street, NYC. On the 76th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, we will gather outside the Municipal Building to honor a few of the many activists who have fought to keep New York City free of nuclear weapons. We will deliver a letter to Council Speaker Corey Johnson urging him to bring NYC nuclear disarmament legislation, Resolution 976 & Introduction 1621, both with a veto-proof super majority of co-sponsors, to the floor for a vote. The site of the gathering is rich with history, because the development of the atomic bombs began across the street from City Hall at the Manhattan Project headquarters, at 270 Broadway. Sponsored by **Rise and Resist.** <u>FACEBOOK EVENT</u>



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 12PM-1PM ET. SCHENECTADY IN PERSON. Hiroshima/Nagasaki Vigil, State St & Erie Blvd, Schenectady, NY 12305. The Schenectady Neighbors for Peace weekly vigil will observe the Hiroshima and Nagasaki anniversaries. Arrive early to find parking. We will display messages of remembrance for Hiroshima and Nagasaki and other messages of peaceful solutions to the world's many problems. For further information, contact info@peaceact.net.



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6. 5PM-6PM ET. BELLPORT. IN PERSON 39th Annual Hiroshima World Peace Vigil and Community Dedication to Peace. 22 Station Rd., Bellport, NY. South Country Peace Group and

cosponsors, North Country Peace Group and Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives, invite you to participate in this LIVE Commemoration. Procession starts from South Country Library to Bellport Village Marina for **5:45pm program** with music, poetry, prayer, readings,

topical/nuclear updates featuring Jason Neal, Paul Ames, Rick Sackett, Margaret Engel, Diane Atkinson and perhaps a surprise special guest! Contact: Michelle Santantonio, <u>michellesantantonio@outlook.com</u>



FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 5PM-11PM. MANHATTAN. IN PERSON and LIVESTREAM. Reverse The Trend's Peace Festival, Selina Chelsea NYC Hotel, 518 W 27th St, New York, NY 10001, USA. This is an opportunity for youth to get directly involved in advocacy efforts and engage with fellow advocates and diplomats. This event will commemorate the 76th Anniversary of the Atomic Bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. <u>RSVP HERE.</u>





SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 11AM-12:30PM ET. STATEN ISLAND. IN PERSON. he Mighty String Demons Commemorate Hiroshima/Nagasaki, Staten Island Children's Museums Grounds. 1000 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, NY. The Mighty String Demons will use beautiful music, the story of Sadako, and origami paper cranes to commemorate the 76th anniversary of the atom bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in the cause of peace and abolishing nuclear weapons forever. This program is a collaborative project of Peace Action of Staten Island, the Unitarian Church of Staten Island, and the Mighty String Demons. See <u>FACEBOOK Event</u>.

<u>#CranesForOurFuture</u>, a paper crane folding even was also held by Peace Action of Staten Island.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1PM-2PM ET. BAY RIDGE. IN PERSON: Abolish Nuclear Weapons Silent Vigil. JOHN PAUL JONES PARK, 4th AVE. & SHORE RD. (1 block after 101st Street), Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, NY. We will be carrying one banner, "ABOLISH NUCLEAR WEAPONS" and distributing literature. Peace Action Bay Ridge. Contact; peaceactionbayridge@yahoo.com (646) 824-5506



SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1PM-3PM ET. MANHATTAN. IN PERSON Prayer Walk for Repentance and Transformation in Battery Park, Manhattan, NY.:Pax Christi Metro is doing this Prayer Walk in commemoration of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and in opposition to nuclear weapons. All are welcome. Contact info@nypaxchristi.org for more information.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 12PM-5PM ET. MANHATTAN. IN PERSON. NYC War Resisters League Hiroshima Nagasaki Exhibit. Temperance Fountain, Tompkins Park, 120 Avenue A, New York, NY. A fence display of the history of the Hiroshima/ Nagasaki atom bomb attacks and the humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons. Contact nycwrl@nycwarresisters.org for more information.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 11AM-12:30PM ET. STATEN ISLAND. VIRTUAL. "Atomic Coverup" with Greg Mitchell on ZOOM. Greg Mitchell probes a turning point in U.S. history: the suppression of film footage, for decades, shot by a U.S. Army unit in Hiroshima and Nagasaki -- with staggering consequences even today. You can watch a trailer for the documentary, including some of the suppressed footage <u>HERE</u>. Mitchell's half hour presentation will be followed by time for questions and discussion. The program is open to all.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 8PM-10:30PM ET. PART 2: 28th Annual Interfaith Peace Gathering VIRTUAL. Please join the Heiwa Foundation to Commemorate the Hiroshima and Nagasaki Atomic Bombings. This year's gatherings will be held online, on Facebook live and Youtube live. The below links to the livestreams are also posted on the Heiwa Foundation site.

http://www.heiwafoundation.org/Activities

► Hiroshima Day: <u>https://youtu.be/wN_58bJhFj4</u>

- ▶ Nagasaki Day:<u>https://youtu.be/vOy_E9ac1QQ</u>
- ► Facebook Live: <u>https://www.facebook.com/HeiwaPRF</u>

The event will include Interfaith peace prayer and meditation by various religious traditions. Our keynote speaker is Monica Willard (8/8) who is a charter member of the United Religions Initiative (URI), and active member of URI Voices for a World Free of Nuclear Weapons Cooperation Circle. For more information contact <u>HeiwaFoundationNY@gmail.com</u>.



MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 11:30AM-12:30PM. SYRACUSE. IN PERSON. Hiroshima/Nagasaki Commemoration Tableau, New York State Office Building, 333 E Washington St, Syracuse, NY 13202, Syracuse Peace Council calls us to move Back from the Nuclear Brink. Tableau with petitions and flyers. Possibly repeated elsewhere 11:30-12:30. To volunteer: drswords@gmail.com.

<u>Commemoration of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Bombings, August 6, Schenectady, NY</u> <u>The Schenectady Neighbors for Peace</u> weekly vigil will observe the Hiroshima and Nagasaki anniversaries this Friday, August 6th from Noon to 1 p.m. in Schenectady, corner of State St. and Erie Boulevard. We will display messages of remembrance for Hiroshima and Nagasaki and other messages of peaceful solutions to the world's many problems.

Contact: Elaine Klein, URL: https://peaceact.net/contact-us/

2021 Hiroshima/Nagasaki Calendar by Hiroshima/Nagasaki Peace Committee, Washington, D.C. and Baltimore, MD

For the past 40 years, the Hiroshima/Nagasaki Peace Committee has been organizing for the abolition of nuclear weapons and power, and in support of nuclear victims. We believe that if the world is to avoid repeating the horrors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, we must strive to keep alive the memory of the bombings. This August we again will commemorate the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Unfortunately, due to the Pandemic we will not have Hibakusha guests this August. Instead, we will have a virtual Hiroshima Remembrance on August 5. It will feature a moment of silence at 7:15pm, followed by a slide show of over 200 photos and documents covering the past 40 years. John Steinbach & Ellen Thomas will describe each slide & time will be given to others to add comments. Those who have participated in our programs over the past 40 years are encouraged to participate and share memories.

Contact Mel Hardy, 202-321-6727 <u>melvin.hardy@gmail.com</u> or John Steinbach 703-822-3485 johnsteinbach1@verizon.net The public schedule is listed below.

Hiroshima Peace Commemoration, Thursday, August 5, 7:00-9 pm

There will be a moment's silence at 7:15pm to commemorate the Hiroshima catastrophe. Online zoom meeting.

Nagasaki Candlelight Vigil, Sunday, August 8, 9:45 pm

Lafayette Park (Gather at Black Lives Matter Plaza at 16th & H Sts. NW) Moment's Silence at 10:02, sharing of thoughts for peace. Candlelight Vigil

Pictures From A Hiroshima Schoolyard Airing on MARYLAND PUBLIC TELEVISION,

August 1, 5pm and August 5 10pm

Check your local cable listings!

August 1 Heiwa Peace Project: Hiroshima Day Sunday, All Souls Virtual Service

Congregant Mel Hardy and Music Director Jen Hayman collaborate on a service that focuses on All Souls' relationship with Hiroshima, Japan. All Souls Church Unitarian @ 10:30 AM, allsouls.org

August 3, 6:00-7:30pm, Toward a Nuclear Weapons-Free World: Ethics, Social Justice, and Civil Society Activism

Organized by the UNA-NCA Peace & Security Committee in partnership with the UNA-NCA International Law Committee and All Souls Church, Unitarian of Washington, DC Panelists will explore ethical, social justice, and humanitarian considerations of today's evolving landscape of nuclear nonproliferation and disarmament. Featured Speakers: René Holbach, Political Affairs Officer, UN Office of Disarmament Affairs (ODA) (Keynote) Bruce Knotts, Director, Unitarian Universalist Office (UU), United Nations Hiroyo Murayama, Religions for Peace Japan Karen Mulhauser, UNA-NCA Past President and UNA-USA Past National Council Chair

August 6 & 9: To commemorate the 76th anniversary of the sinful and criminal U.S. nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Dorothy Day Catholic Worker will hold vigils to which you are invited:

Friday, Aug. 6: Noon-1 PM @ White House on Pennsylvania Ave.

Monday, Aug. 9: 7-8 AM @ Pentagon in the designated protest area.

Contact: Art Laffin, artlaffin@hotmail.com

August 6- from 6:30 to 7 PM ET, gather outside Homewood Friends Meetinghouse, 3107 N. Charles St. to call for an end to Johns Hopkins University's weapons contracts

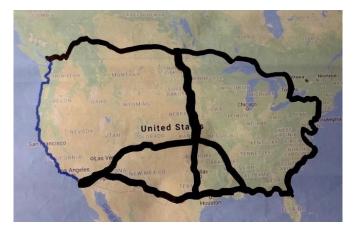
The university is the #1 School of Mass Destruction as it receives the largest amount of research dollars for nuclear weapons contracts. Inside Homewood, you must wear a mask and do social distancing.

August 9 from 5:30 to 6:30 PM ET, there will be a vigil to commemorate the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, again outside Homewood Friends Meetinghouse.

Afterwards, the assembled will go into the meetinghouse. Dr. Gwen DuBois, with Chesapeake Physicians for Social Responsibility and Prevent Nuclear War/ Maryland, will do a presentation on the Back from the Brink campaign, five steps towards the abolition of nuclear weapons. Testimonials and statements condemning nuclear weapons will be read. Finally, some participants will go to Busboys and Poets, 33rd and St. Paul Streets, to break bread and enjoy a community meal.

Contact: Max Obuszewski, mobuszewski2001@comcast.net, Tel: 410-323-1607

Lynn Salvo's Continental Peace Sign Bike Project



Cyclist Lynn Salvo will be completing the final leg (the USA west coast) of a continental-sized Peace Sign, her goal to promote peace and peace awareness in the world. She has many followers and supporters, including the <u>Canadian Friends</u> <u>Service Committee</u> (CFSC) and the <u>American Friends Service</u> Committee (AFSC). We pursue this

goal in solidarity with Antiatom's goal for a Nuclear Weapon-free, Peaceful and Just World – for the Future of the Humankind and Our Planet. Thank you for including our information in the "Peace Wave News" to publicize globally.

Contact: Mary Ellsworth, SAG (Support and Gear) driver for Continental Peace Sign Bike Project, Washington, DC

"From Nuclear Journey of Death to Nuclear Weapons Abolition: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki, August 6 – 9, 1945, Historic Banner and Picture Display at Lockheed Martin, PA, August 7, 12 Noon US EST

Hiroshima - Nagasaki Anniversary Remembrance, historic anti-nuclear weapons banner and photo display on hillside in front of Lockheed Martin complex in King of Prussia. The display and vigil will be followed by protest demonstration and nonviolent resistance.

Contact: Robert M. Smith, Brandywine Peace Community, brandywine@juno.com

URL: <u>www.brandywinepeace.com</u>

Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart: "We Choose Life. We Choose Peace", August 6, Philadelphia, PA

- 1. We will write to our respective Senators and Representative asking them to support, sign and ratify the Treaty on the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. We will enclose in the letters Hiroshima and Nagasaki photos.
- 2. At 8:15 p.m. on Aug. 6 we are inviting everyone in the apartments where we live to step outside with lighted candle or flashlight for three minutes of silent prayer to end the fear that holds us hostage to the belief that nuclear weapons will make the world safe.

Contact person: Diane Bardol, <u>dbardol@greynun.org</u> URL: https://www.greynun.org

Film premiere: Atomic Cover-Up with Filmmaker, August 7, Pittsburgh, PA

Remembering Hiroshima, Imagining Peace will organize a film premiere "Atomic Cover-Up" followed by Q&A with the filmmaker Greg Mitchell on Zoom at 7 pm, August 7. The film won the First Prize in the 2021 International Uranium Film Festival, Rio de Janiero. Free to the public.

Contact: Jo Schlesinger, rhip1945@gmail.com URL: www.rememberinghiroshima.org

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Commemoration, August 6, 8 and 9 in Columbus, Ohio

Columbus Campaign for Arms Control (CCAC) will host a series of events including public protest, August 6, 2021, concert, August 8, 2021, and teach-in August 9, 2021 in Justice Garden, local church, and local campus. More details to come but first rehearsal of musicians is taking place this weekend. Local composer (David) is writing a new organ piece with some church singers based on the theme of Hiroshima and nuclear disarm, seems to be a powerful work to open with...To close we will have a new work called BEING, a kind of prayer to the peace idea for solo violin played by Devin Copfer. In between these pieces, Paul Strawser will play the revised SARCASMS in a polished state. And I will conclude with the New POSTLUDES with rooms. URL: http://www.columbusfreepress.org Contact: Mark D. Stansbery, CCAC, walk@igc.org

The Snake River Alliance, Hiroshima/Nagasaki Memorial, Boise, ID

On August 7, 1-3pm MST, at Esther Simplot Pavilion in Boise, Idaho, <u>The Snake</u> <u>River Alliance</u> will be folding paper cranes and handing out information about the UN Nuclear Ban Treaty

Contact: Leigh Ford, <u>Iford@snakeriveralliance.org</u>

Hiroshima Names and Remembrance Ceremony, August 6, Oak Ridge, and Peace Lantern Ceremony remembering Nagasaki, August 7, Knoxville, TN

During the Names and Remembrance Ceremony (6-9 am, Aug.6), names of victims and first-hand survivor accounts are read publicly; a bell is tolled for each name; a peace crane is tied to a fence opposite the entrance to the Y-12 Nuclear Weapons Complex (where the Little Boy HEU was produced). During the Peace Lantern Ceremony (8-9:30pm, Aug. 7, Sequoia Peace Park), a Litany for Peace is read, traditional Japanese folk dancing is taught; a shadow puppet presentation of the bombing of Nagasaki, followed by the launching of peace lanterns in the Tennessee River. We will also have a rally for nuclear abolition, a march to the bomb plant and an action highlighting the ban treaty and the appeal of *hibakusha* on Saturday, August 7 during the day in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Contact: Ralph Hutchison, Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance, orep@earthlink.net URL: www.orepa.org



Outlaw Nation: United Nations Outlaws Nuclear Weapons 2021. US Business and Usual, August 8, Fayetteville, AR

The nations of the world have outlawed these weapons of mass destruction, but the United States clings to its hegemony as the largest holder of nuclear weapons and the only nation that has used them against another nation. <u>Omni Center for Peace,</u> <u>Justice & Ecology</u> will meet at 7:00 pm at our building at 3274 N. Lee Ave, Fayetteville to remember the victims of nuclear weapons and inform ourselves about the new nuclear weapons ban that our nation is still ignoring. Kelly and Donna Mulhollan will play music. Mayor Lioneld Jordan brings a proclamation of the day and

delivers remarks, Abel Tomlinson keynotes on the weapons ban, Gladys Tiffany will comment on Omni activities over the past year, and plans for this uncertain future we're all enduring. Because of covid we will be live-streaming the event for people to safely observe the event from home, and also entertain a small group at the Omni Building for those who choose to attend.

Contact: Dr. Dick Bennett and Gladys Tiffany, <u>omni@omnicenter.org</u> URL: <u>http://omnicenter.org/</u>

Border Peace Presence -- Peace Vigil on August 6, El Paso, TX

Border Peace Presence and Pax Christi El Paso will hold a Peace Vigil "Hiroshima: Never Again" in observance of the 76th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, at downtown from Noon to 1 pm, August 6, at the corner of Campbell and San Antonio between the Federal and County Courthouses El Paso, Texas. Contact: Mary Gourdoux, maregourdoux@icloud.com

<u>A Call to Action, Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki From Testing to</u> <u>Trident to Treaty, August 7-9, Poulsbo, WA</u>



The planned activities have been scaled down due to the COVID-19. But some of the activities were held, including the blockade of the Naval Base Kitsup-Bangor on August 9. Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action planned various activities from August 7th through 9th to remember and to rededicate ourselves to the struggle to abolish nuclear weapons. The culmination of the weekend will be Monday morning's vigil and nonviolent direct action. For details, please click the link of our <u>event page</u>. The Ground Zero Center also put up the paid <u>public service announcement on the August 6 issue of the Kitsup Sun: Remembering the Atomic Bomb Victims of <u>Hiroshima, Japan</u>.</u>

Please also note these other important events around Puget Sound (and beyond):

• Weekly Bannering in Seattle on Monday mornings (currently on the NE 45th

overdressing, over Interstate 5); <u>contact Rodney Brunelle</u> for information

- Pacific Northwest Peace Walk for a Nuclear-Free World 2021(that will finish at Ground Zero Center)
- <u>Mitigation Hearings</u> for Mother's Day Resisters in Kitsap District Court on July 27th
- <u>Peace Fleet</u> on Seattle's Elliott Bay on August 4th
- From Hiroshima to Hope lantern ceremony at Seattle's Green Lake on August 6th



Contact: Leonard Eiger, <u>Outreach@gzcenter.org</u> and Rodney Brunelle, <u>rodney.brunelle@gmail.com</u>

Nuclear Weapons & Climate Change: Shine a Light, Stop the Hate, Lower the Heat, Livermore, CA

Time/Date: August 6: 9:00-10:45 am (Live) and August 9:00-10:45 am (Pre-recorded) PDT

For the virtual rally on August 6, the following speakers will be filmed live at the gate to the Livermore Nuclear Weapons Lab: Daniel Ellsberg, prominent whistleblower; Nobuaki Hanaoka, a Nagasaki hibakusha; Marylia Kelley, Tri-Valley CAREs; and John Burroughs, Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy and Western States Legal Foundation. They will be followed with pre-recorded presentations by Marcina Langrine and Benetick Kabua Maddison, Marshallese Education Initiative; Tsukuru Fors, Pacific Asian Nuclear-Free Peace Alliance; and Nell Myhand, California Poor People's Campaign. Music by Betsey Rose and Benjamin Mertz. The entire program will be rebroadcast on August 9 from 9:00–10:45 am.

Organizer: Tri-Valley CAREs, Western States Legal Foundation, San Francisco Bay Physicians for Social Responsibility, and many other organizations Contact: Marylia Kelley: <u>Marylia@earthlink.net</u>; Jackie Cabasso: <u>wslf@earthlink.net</u> URL: <u>http://www.facebook.com/AugustAction</u>

Veterans For Peace Nuclear Abolition Working Group calls for public commemoration on August 6-8

The Veterans For Peace Nuclear Abolition Working Group calls upon VFP Chapters and individual members to commemorate *publicly* the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on the weekend of August 6, 7, and 8 and also encourages members to join the actions organized by one of the many allied organizations that address nuclear issues. "After the action, please send pictures and a brief description to the VFP Communications Director, Colleen Kelly, at <u>colleen@veteransforpeace.org</u>. Wage Peace!"

WILPF-US Section member groups are planning to join the Peace Wave in the following states: (Information from Ellen Thomas, WILPF-US Disarmament Coordinator, et@nucnews.net)

CALIFORNIA

Fresno, CA. WILPF Fresno: 8am 6th August at the Peace Garden, CA State University Fresno with speakers & 11am 9th August at the Shinzen Friendship Garden, Woodward Park, Fresno, with speakers. 17th Annual Hiroshima-Nagasaki Remembrance and Peace Lantern Ceremony Sat, Aug 7, 2021, 7pm-9pm Pacific Time Lovers Point Beach Cove, **Pacific Grove, CA**, Keynote speaker, Joe Aki Ouye, artist, hibakusha. **WILPF Monterey County._** <u>PDF flyer here.</u>

Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Livermore CA: Co-sponsored by WILPF

Gather outside main gate of Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Livermore CA at 9am PDT on 6 & 9 August, featuring nuclear analyst and whistleblower Daniel Ellsberg, Nagasaki A-bomb survivor Nobu Hanaoka, and an amazing line-up of speakers and musicians dedicated to the abolition of nuclear weapons.

Arcata Lantern Floating Ceremony, August 7

The WILPF **Humboldt** branch is again joining the city of Arcata, Humboldt Buddhist peace fellowship, Vets for Peace, and more in a lantern floating ceremony on Saturday August 7 starting at 7pm. We will be particularly remembering our member Jene McCovey, Yurok, who was an activist of many causes and who spoke at our ceremony last year.

Peninsula/Palo Alto CA

WILPF members and community peace activists vigil with signs and banners at the busy

intersection of El Camino and Embarcadero in Palo Alto every Friday from noon-1pm, and on August 6 stand in silent vigil from noon to 2pm commemorating the Hiroshima/Nagasaki bombings, and our signs urge the U.S. and other nuclear powers to sign the TPNW and transfer funds from the military to human needs. We will be displaying some of the 1000 remaining paper cranes from our July/August 2020 installation of 2080 paper peace cranes outside a local art gallery. We will garland trees and crossing poles at the busy corner with cranes and hand others out to pedestrians with a flyer about WILPF. <u>Watch this video</u> to learn how 2080 cranes were made and displayed by local residents. Contact: Judy Adams, <u>wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com</u>

IOWA

Moving Beyond Suffering to Hope - No More Nukes. Friday, Aug. 6; 7:00 PM at the Japanese Bell (just south of Capitol in Des Moines) A remembrance & memorial service co-sponsored by WILPF, to include reflections, poetry, music, and the traditional ringing of the bell & placement of flowers. Please bring your own flower & chair. Rain location is Wesley United Methodist Church, 800 E. 12 Des Moines.



Sun. Aug. 8; 1:30- 3:00 PM *Teach-in & Action session,* First Unitarian Church, 1800 Bell Ave. DM. Zoom presentations to be followed by local responses. *Global Zero* will share their campaign to secure international commitments to a *No First Strike* policy. The *National Iranian American Council* will present an update on the status of the reinstatement efforts of the JCPOA. The presentation will include information about the impact of sanctions on the Iranian people.

MAINE

Movie: The Atom: A Love Affair: In commemoration of Hiroshima/Nagasaki (From Hiroshima to Fukushima) WILPF's MAINE branch offers, online, the movie *The Atom: A Love Affair*, exploring the Legacy of the Nuclear Industry. Answering Gensuikyo's call for #PeaceWave2021, the screening will be held Aug. 2 - Aug 9. A sweeping story of technological obsession, political imperatives and powerful, conflicting passions, *'The Atom: A Love Affair'* is an ambitious international feature documentary spanning more than 7 decades and 5 different countries, exploring the West's rollercoaster love-hate relationship with nuclear power since the end of World War 2. <u>Register and view</u> on your own time: (https://fb.me/e/1yC0tZBUP)

NORTH CAROLINA

Vigil to Commemorate the Victims of the Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Sponsored by **WILPF** and the Western NC Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility. Date/Time: Friday, August 6th, 4:00-6:00pm; Location: site of Vance Monument In Downtown Asheville

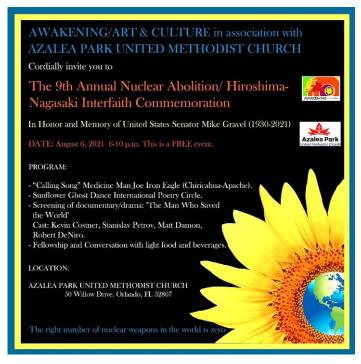
VERMONT

The WILPF Burlington Branch: Vermont International Film Festival, and Burlington City Arts is sponsoring a Hiroshima and Nagasaki commemorative event on Thursday, August 5th at the City Hall Park between College St. and Main St. in Burlington, VT. The event will start at 1 pm, and there will be activities for both youth and adults, including painting for peace, origami crane folding, sidewalk chalk drawing, a penny spending survey, the telling of the Sadako story, and information & resources table. At 7:30pm Dr. John Reuwer will lead a discussion on the risks of nuclear weapons and the possibilities for eliminating them. From 8:15 to 10:00 pm, we will show the classic film, Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb.

Sunflower Ghost Dance Poetry Circle: 9th Annual Nuclear Abolition/Hiroshima-Nagasaki Interfaith Commemoration, August 6, 6:00-10:00 PM (EST)

People are invited--from anywhere in the world-- to read/recite poetry about the nuclear age, peace, human survival or courage and inspiration. Poems can be read in any language with English translations if available.

Organized by AWAKENING/Art & Culture and Azalea Park United Methodist Church Contact: Nelson Betancourt, leafstormpictures@yahoo.com



The Mindful Peace Building, August 7, 2:00-3:30 pm PST





This Mindful Peacebuilding gathering is part of Peace Wave 2021. The U.S. and other nuclear-armed states continue to

compete for global military hegemony, developing new types of nuclear weapons and modernizing their arsenals. Despite the grave crises the world is facing-- the COVID-19 pandemic, climate crisis, poverty, race inequity, disparity in wealth, gender-related problems--countries do not stop pouring vast resources into military confrontations and buildup. These Peace Wave events urge the U.S. to join the International TPNW, calling for the total elimination of nuclear weapons. Jun Hamamoto will be offering on Zoom an origami workshop folding paper cranes, as she has for many years at San Quentin (pre-Covid). There will also be a small in-person gathering in the garden at 3130 Claremont Ave, Berkeley, 2pm PST

Contact: Jun Hamamoto, jjhamamoto@gmail.com



76th Commemoration Event of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 7

The <u>American Society of Hiroshima and Nagasaki</u> <u>Atomic Bomb Survivors</u> will hold the 76th Commemoration Event of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on Saturday, August 7th 2021 at 5:00 pm PT. Abbot Matsumoto of Koyasan Betsuin Buddhist Temple in Los Angeles will provide prayer and blessings. Mr. Ernest Satoru Arai is the guest speaker in the webinar.

The Physicians for Social Responsibility

The PSR is compiling the list of actions planned to commemorate the 76th anniversary of the Hiroshima/Nagasaki Days. See: https://www.psr.org/calendar/tag_ids~111/

International

International Fast to Commemorate Hiroshima-Nagasaki, August 6-9

Vigils, workshops, speeches and demonstrations in support of the International Fast are being planned currently in France, Germany, New Zealand, Togo, U.K. and U.S.A, on the 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th August 2021. Call of the international fasters can be found: <u>http://tridentploughshares.org/call-of-the-international-groups-of-fasters-2021/</u> In U.K., the fast will be held at Victoria Embankment Gardens, London, organized by Trident Ploughshares and London CND. An estimated 20 people will be taking part in the International Fast in the U.K. throughout the 4 days, liaising closely with the hundred+ fasters around the world. We will be supported and joined by hundreds of people taking part in associated actions: workshops, die-ins, vigils ad commemorative events. Other locations for the fast in the UK include: Castle Park, Bristol, BS1 3XB, (see <u>https://www.facebook.com/xrpeacebristol/</u>), Iona in Scotland, Barnstaple and Plymouth in Devon.

Contact: Marc Morgan, marcwmorgan@btinternet.com URL: https://www.londoncnd.org/events

International Peace Bureau supports the "Peace Wave 2021"

Please watch the video message from Reiner Braun, Executive Director of the IPB in support of the "Peace Wave 2021" and calling for participation in the global grass-roots actions.

<u>Co-President Philip Jennings</u> was the featured speaker at the Nagasaki Rally of the 2021 World Confeence on behalf of the IPB.



Contact: IPB Berlin Office, info@ipb-office.berlin URL: http://www.ipb.org/

Abolition 2000 Global Network welcomes the "Peace Wave 2021"

At its annual general meeting held in May, the Gensuikyo representative made the

proposal to support and join the "Peace Wave 2021" and the 2021 World Conference against A and H Bombs, which was warmly welcomed by the participating organizations in the global network of peace movements working for the abolition of nuclear weapons.

Information on the <u>Peace Wave and Hiroshima/Nagasaki commemoration events</u> were collected and publicized through the Abolition 2000 website, inviting the member organizations to organize and join the commemorative events calling for a nuclear weapon-free world.

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