



Photo above from Kathy Railsback who will speak Sunday March 17 about her work on Trauma Education with South Sudanese Refugees in East Africa. [See event below.](#)

Hello to all Members and Friends of Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (WWFOR)

[Click here for a list](#) of **many upcoming events** for justice and peace. We are highlighting the [March 17 program meeting with Kathy Railsback](#) speaking about her work on Trauma Education with South Sudanese Refugees in East Africa.

The devastating GAZA WAR CONTINUES: WE CONTINUE to press for a Ceasefire as a first step. Stop the killing! There are many events below relating to this war, see [events list](#) as well as actions you can do just below.

INFO: FOOD, CLEAN WATER, HOUSING. The suffering of the Palestinian people (including starvation, disease, lack of shelter) is greatly worsened by US withdrawal of funding for The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA).



- ACTION 1: Urge the President to restore humanitarian funding to UNRWA! There is a webform at <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/> or you can phone 202-456-1111 or write to The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20500
- ACTION 2: If you are able, make a donation at <https://www.unrwa.org/> or the direct donation page at <https://donate.unrwa.org/zakat/~my-donation>

INFO: American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) is a lobbying group which uncritically support Israel's war on Gaza, but it does not directly contribute to candidates. See the Open Secrets page <https://www.opensecrets.org/orgs/american-israel-public-affairs-cmte/recipients?id=D000046963> for a compilation of donations by individuals with close ties to AIPAC. Among Washington State Congress members, Senator Cantwell leads the pack with \$134 thousand in AIPAC-connected donations for the 2024 election cycle. Would this be a disincentive for her to support an immediate ceasefire? [Yes, that is a rhetorical question.]

ACTION: Demand the Democratic Party reject AIPAC! Sign on at <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/reject-aipac/> "If we're going to protect our democracy and Palestinian human rights, we need to reject AIPAC's influence in the Democratic Party." [We would add, why just the Democrats? *All elected officials and candidates should reject AIPAC-associated funding!*] This petition is sponsored or supported by Justice Democrats, Jewish Voice for Peace Action, MPower Action Fund, Jews For Racial & Economic Justice (JFREJ Action), Sunrise, Democratic Socialists of America, Our Revolution, Progressive Democrats of America, RootsAction.org, Peace Action, IfNotNow Movement, and others.

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UPCOMING EVENTS LIST (click on links to fast-scroll to event details)

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WOMEN & WAR VIRTUAL FILM FESTIVAL

Through March 23, online

Marking International Women's Day (March 8), this year's "Women & War" virtual film festival, explores the intersection of women, war, and militarized masculinity.

The film fest begins with the newly released Israelism about the portrayal of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in American Jewish institutions; followed by Naila and The Uprising about the central role Palestinian women played in the First Intifada; and concluding with the 2022 release of Power on Patrol from Women's International League for Peace & Freedom (WILPF) exploring how militarised masculinities play out around the world and the stories of the male allies doing vital work alongside female activists to achieve equitable peace, in Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America.

Sliding scale \$5-75 includes 3 films and 3 live Zoom discussions. Info and tickets <https://worldbeyondwar.org/2024filmfest/>

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TRASH: A POOR WHITE JOURNEY BOOK LAUNCH EVENT WITH PANEL

Sat March 16, 2-4 pm, at Plymouth Church 1217 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101 or online at <https://vimeo.com/event/4152815>

Book launch with panel discussion for “Trash: A Poor White Journey” by Cedar Monroe, with foreword by Liz Theoharis, Co-Chair of the Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival, who will be part of the panel. The author, Cedar Monroe, has been involved with the Poor People's Campaign since its (re)launch in 2018 and has a compelling story to educate us on the realities of the lives of desperate poor people in the Aberdeen area as well as providing a cogent analysis of the underlying causes.

Monroe introduces us to people who are poor and unhoused in a small town in Washington, who eke out a living on land that once provided timber for the nation. On the banks of the Chehalis River, we meet residents of the largest homeless encampment in the county, who face sweeps and evictions and are targeted by vigilantes before bringing their case to federal court. We watch a community grapple with desperation, government neglect, and its own racism. From visits to jails, flophouses, tent cities, and on trips to hospitals and funeral homes, we see leaders forging connections between their people and the global movement to end poverty.

With trenchant insight born of liberation theology, radical politics, and an even more radical hope, Monroe introduces us to people hammering out survival strategies and hope in the abandoned zones of empire. Capitalism and colonialism have stolen land from Indigenous people, forced workers into dangerous jobs, and then left them to die when their labor was no longer needed. But what would happen if poor white folks rejected the empty promises of white supremacy and embraced solidarity with other poor people? What if they joined the resistance to the system that is, slowly or quickly, killing us all? Trash asks us to see anew the peril in which poor white people live and the choices we all must make.

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JOIN REAL RENT AND STAND WITH THE DUWAMISH ON ST. PAT'S DAY

Sat March 16, Real Renters will gather at noon, James St & 4th Ave and proceed at 12:30pm to Jefferson St & 4th Ave, Seattle

Wear your Real Rent and Stand With the Duwamish attire!

Real Rent is a program of voluntarily paying monthly “rent” and it acts to uplift the Duwamish Tribe as First Peoples of Seattle in the face of the U.S. government refusing to honor the Point Elliott Treaty of 1855. Descendants of European settler families continue to benefit greatly from the resources of the land incorporating the city we know as Seattle. Those of us who are not from the tribes of these lands might benefit in different ways from being here, whether we live, work, or visit this beautiful place. As guests to this land, we can create a story of equity and action instead of being complicit in dishonoring the treaties. Often people think of treaties as ancient history, but we know from our Duwamish friends that this story continues to impact all of us. This land has a story. What role will you play? Info and sign up <https://duwamishtribe.networkforgood.com/>

RSVP to duwamishsolidaritygroup@gmail.com if you would like to attend an optional pre-march zoom gathering to talk about parade logistics and learn more about experiences of colonization and solidarity related to the Duwamish Tribe and the Irish diaspora. No need to have Irish ancestry to attend either the march or the zoom gathering.

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CREATION CARE NETWORK SUMMIT

Let Justice and Peace Flow

Sat March 16, 9 am – 4 pm, at Student Center, Seattle University

All are welcome to join the Creation Care Network for its annual environmental justice summit. We will gather to pray, learn, and discern our collective commitment to ecological justice.

The day will include :

- Young Adult Fireside Chat: Responding to Laudate Deum
- Mass with Archbishop Paul D. Etienne
- Update on Lower Snake River
- Workshops on Laudata Deum, Climate Anxiety & Apathy, and Creation Care Team Network Building
- Group reflections and much more

Free in-person event includes lunch. Suggested donation of \$30 to defray food & parking costs. Registration Deadline March 14, at <https://ipjc.org/let-justice-and-peace-flow-registration/>

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REMEMBERING ACTIVIST RACHEL CORRIE

Sat March 16, 2 – 4 pm, at Washington State Labor Council, 906 Columbia St. SW, Olympia

They Are Us - We Are Them: A Community Gathering with Music, Poetry, Film

This day is the 21st anniversary of Rachel Corrie's stand in Gaza to prevent the demolition of a Palestinian home in which she died. Please join us at this community gathering to learn about and remember Rachel, to carry on the critical work that she inspired, and to strengthen our individual and organizational connections for social justice.

We'll view a short film about Rachel, followed by Q&A with her parents; have social time for getting to know one another and each other's work; engage in simple actions that address the current situation in Gaza; and share poetry that centers Palestine. Is there a poet in you? Would your organization like to be represented at this event? Contact us at info@rachelcorriefoundation.org.

This year, March 16th falls during Ramadan. Light snacks will be provided that we hope our fasting guests will take with them to enjoy after sundown.

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FILM "ISRAELISM" SCREENING AND Q&A WITH THE CREATORS

Sat March 16, 7:15 pm, at Tacoma Community College, 6501 South 19th Street, Tacoma, Auditorium in Building 2, off South 12th Street

This is a timely screening of a documentary about the experiences of two American Jews and their subsequent 'unlearning' of unconditional support for Israel and the negation of all things Palestinian.

Following the film, there will be a discussion and Q&A with Erin Axelman, the film's director, and Simone Zimmerman, one of two people featured in the documentary. Zimmerman is also a co-founder of If Not Now.

The Rachel Corrie Foundation is pleased to cosponsor this event, which is hosted and sponsored by our colleagues at Jewish Voice for Peace - Tacoma.

The film and presentation are free and open to the public. For more information, find the event on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1095552248256512/>.

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TRAUMA EDUCATION WITH SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES IN EAST AFRICA

Sun March 17, 6:30-8 pm Pacific time, Zoom

The Seattle, Tacoma, and Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation chapters are pleased to co-sponsor a program meeting with Kathy Railsbeck speaking on Trauma Education with South Sudanese Refugees in East Africa.

Kathy will speak on co-facilitating trauma education workshops at refugee camps in East Africa in 2023. Kathy, who has traveled to East Africa roughly a dozen times over the past 10 years, won a service award to work with trainers in Kenya and Uganda to offer trauma

education workshops for hundreds of South Sudanese refugees in those countries. The teams also trained dozens of new facilitators. Presentation followed by Q&A.

Everyone is welcome!

Info 206-789-5565 or wwfor@wwfor.org

Zoom Meeting Connection Info

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87371368515?pwd=TIVnWllkVExuOFE2elFEaWdOdUVqUT09>

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcUq3njY7S>

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ISRAELI APARTHEID IN ACTION: WATER CONTROL

Sun March 17, noon Pacific Time, Zoom

Controlling the supply, distribution, and cost of water to an occupied people is apartheid in action. Israel, through legal and illegal means, maintains near-complete control over the region's freshwater aquifers, severely restricting Palestinians' abilities to drill wells, install pumps, build water tanks, or even collect rainwater. The average Israeli consumes over 3 times the water used by Palestinian on the water grid in the West Bank (9 times the water used by those off the grid). West Bank Palestinians pay 1/3 or more of their income to Israeli companies for drinking water. Meanwhile, Gazans are now consuming less than 3 liters per day—hardly enough for survival.

VFHL offers three short videos describing the “hydropolitics” and structural water apartheid in the Holy Land. Our panel discussion will explore designed inequalities in water distribution; the physical, economic and regulatory controls; as well as the ecological problems of pollution and over-extraction

Watch the videos for free at your convenience; Join the Q&A Discussion

Speakers

- Nancy Murray – Co-founder of Alliance for Water Justice in Palestine
- Mazin Qumsiyeh – Director of the Palestine Institute for Biodiversity and Sustainability
- Eyal Hareuveni – Author, Parched: Israel's Policy of Water Deprivation in the West Bank
- Jeff Halper - Israeli-American anthropologist, author, lecturer, and political activist; founder of Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions (ICAHD)

Registration is required at

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYuduGuqDkjG9LAHi_Aq9xPl-qVyLQg1Aam

Watch the Trailer at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zpvuPFO6iPA>

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FILM "ISRAELISM" AND POST-FILM TALKBACK

Sun March 17, 2:30 pm, at SIFF Cinema Egyptian Theater, 805 E Pine St, Seattle, WA 98122

Seattle If Not Now, Kadima and Jewish Voice for Peace are co-sponsoring a showing of the film Israelism

Join us for this exciting screening event featuring a post-film talkback with protagonist Simone Zimmerman, who is one of the founders of If Not Now, and Director/Producer Erin Axelman. When two young American Jews raised to unconditionally love Israel witness the brutal way Israel treats Palestinians, their lives take sharp left turns.

Israelism offers a glimpse into the ways that many Jews in the United States are educated about and come to identify with the State of Israel. Enter the story of two young adult Jews raised to defend Israel at all costs only to then join the movement of young American Jews battling the old guard over Israel's centrality in American Judaism, and demanding freedom for the Palestinian people. Screening will be followed by a panel with filmmakers.

Tickets \$10.50 and up, purchase at <https://www.siff.net/cinema/in-theaters/israelism> [click on box that says 2:30]

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DEMAND ADAM SMITH SUPPORTS GAZA CEASEFIRE AT TOWNHALL

Sun March 17, 11 am, at Sammamish High School, 100 140th Ave SE, Bellevue

Registration for Town Hall required at <https://adamsmith.house.gov/contact/events/town-hall-congressman-adam-smith-1>

To join with Seattle If Not Now, starting 10 am, also RSVP at <https://www.mobilize.us/ifnotnow/event/613260/>

We will meet up at 10 am to get signs to bring in, at the Sammamish High School school parking lot right behind the bus stop (on the east side of 140th Ave SE, between SE 1st & 2nd Streets) & head over at 10:30 to be guaranteed we get in. Event starts at 11 am. Congressman Adam Smith, representing Washington's 9th congressional district (including all of South Seattle and parts of the Central District), will be holding his first public appearance since October 7th. Smith is the top Democrat on the House Armed Services Committee and has continued to support unconditional military aid to Israel, allowing it to increase the death, destruction, and humanitarian disaster in Gaza. For over five months he has provided unwavering support for Israel's unrelenting attacks and war crimes on Gaza, along with Israel's brutal cutoff of food, water, power, and medical supplies to the Gaza strip. Despite many of us having repeated meetings with his aides over the last five months, and some of us being arrested in his office on January 26th waiting to speak directly to him, he has not only rejected our pleas but has grossly mischaracterized our requests and intentions (grossly and intentionally calling our demands for a ceasefire equivalent to Israel not doing "anything to try to stop them from doing Oct. 7 again"). This may be our only opportunity to confront Rep. Smith on his moral abdication, cowardice, and his intentional spread of disinformation, while providing Israel with the means to continue the death and destruction.

“We are a movement of American Jews organizing our community to end U.S. support for Israel's apartheid system and demand equality, justice, and a thriving future for all Palestinians and Israelis.” See <https://www.ifnotnowmovement.org/>

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INTERNATIONAL COALITION TO STOP GENOCIDE IN PALESTINE GLOBAL CALL FOR ACTION

Sun March 17, 8 am Pacific time, Zoom

The International Coalition to Stop Genocide in Palestine invites all endorsing organizations to join a global call on Sunday March 17 at 11:00 am Eastern to share ways that groups are working to build public support for an end to Israel's genocidal acts, provide humanitarian aid to Palestinians and amplify the global anti-colonial, anti-imperial movement.

Moderator:

Ajamu Baraka, Black Alliance for Peace

Panelists:

- Lamis Deek - Global Legal Alliance for Palestine
- Marcy Winograd - CODEPINK
- Pawel Wargan - Progressive International
- Fuad Abu Saif - Union of Agricultural Workers Committees - Palestine
- Azhar Sakoor - Palestine Solidarity Alliance Youth League in South Africa

Registration

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_zj25aVvaQjC7b-BiWapmtQ

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CELEBRATING FRAGMENTS OF FRAGMENTS: DEMOCRACY AND THE WEST BANK

Mon March 18, 12:30 pm Pacific time, Zoom

T'ruah, the Rabbinic Call for Human Rights presents:

Join us to honor the publication of *Fragments of Fragments* and to deepen a conversation about the occupation in the West Bank in the context of the present war. Professor Shaul Magid and graduating rabbinical student Aliza Schwartz will be our speakers in an intergenerational conversation that begins with their articles in *Fragments* - --about the legacy of Meir Kahane in Israeli politics and culture, and about Palestinian life under occupation in the West Bank -- - and moves from there to the current war.

Aliza Schwartz is a rabbinical student at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, expecting to graduate this May. She is a member of T'ruah's Board of Directors, and she was a T'ruah Israel Fellow in 2021-2022. She worked for three and a half years at the New Israel Fund as Assistant Director for the New England Region. She has been a strategy coach and trainer for IfNotNow, mostly in the movement's early years.

Shaul Magid is Professor of Jewish Studies at Dartmouth College, Senior Fellow at the Center for World Religions at Harvard, Kogod Senior Fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute of North America, and in 2023-2024 the Visiting Professor of Modern Judaism at Harvard University. His latest books are "Meir Kahane: The Public Life and Political Thought of an American Jewish Radical" (Princeton, 2021) and "The Necessity of Exile: Essays from a Distance" (Ayin, 2023). He is presently working on a book on the political theology of R. Yoel Teitelbaum of Satmar.

Registration <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/join?pwd=upqz4rHdaJC7YBNXUA0u3ybTdbEGFO>

Info office@truah.org

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ONLINE TEACH-IN WITH NORMAN SOLOMON:
MAKE WAR VISIBLE...AND END IT!

Mon March 18, 7 pm Pacific time, Zoom

You're invited to join the World Beyond War California Chapter for an online teach-in with author & activist Norman Solomon. He is a Co-Founder and the National Director of RootsAction. Norman founded the Institute for Public Accuracy in 1997 and is its executive director. Immersed in anti-war, social justice and environmental movements since the late 1960s, he is the author of a dozen books including War Made Invisible: How America Hides the Human Toll of Its Military Machine, which was published last year.

Info macgregoreddy@gmail.com

Registration <https://actionnetwork.org/events/online-teach-in-with-norman-solomon-make-war-visibleand-end-it>

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FOR-USA GATHERING VOICES CONVERSATION

RABBI MAY YE WITH ARIEL GOLD

Tues March 19, 1 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Gathering Voices is a live, monthly Zoom conversation series in which FOR-USA engages with activists and faith and thought leaders.. FOR-USA's Executive Director Ariel Gold will host 2023-2034 Wink Fellow Rabbi May Ye

Rabbi May Ye (she/her) is a Chinese American Jew; a weaver of tradition and fashioner of new liturgy and ritual, she seeks to center and highlight the experiences of those who have been disenfranchised and marginalized from Judaism and Jewish spaces. A passionate activist, she explores how to decouple Judaism from Zionism and is an ardent supporter of Palestinian liberation.

Since October 7, 2023, Rabbi May, has been working tirelessly, often while in handcuffs, with Jewish Voice for Peace and Rabbis for Ceasefire to stop the bloodshed taking place in Gaza and achieve liberation for the Palestinian people. We will discuss with her how this work is aligned with and in the tradition of Christian theologian Walter Wink.

Registration

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZltdu6grzwtHdT2qwCdISFziBky3n9ZHcSt>

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CEASEFIRE AND BEYOND: WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PALESTINE/ISRAEL & ITS IMPACT Q&A

Tues March 19, 6-7:30 pm Pacific time, Zoom

The Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS) invites you to participate in this facilitated Q&A session with Sabrene Odeh and Alice Rothchild, both Pacific Northwest peace advocates with extensive knowledge of the present situation in Palestine and Israel and its history.

Sabrene Odeh is the co-founder of Baladna, an organization created for Palestinian community, organizing, and advocacy. Alice Rothchild is a Jewish activist, author, and retired obstetrician who has supported health care efforts in Gaza and now serves on the Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP) Health Advisory Council. In this moment, it is imperative to recognize our shared humanity and tied liberation. This facilitated Q&A session aims to create dialogue around the ongoing violence in Palestine/Israel. Participants are encouraged to submit questions ahead of time and actively engage during the webinar. Topics up for discussion include but are not limited to:

- Historical and current conditions in Palestine/Israel
- Rise in Islamophobic and antisemitic hate crimes and rhetoric
- The necessary distinctions between people and their governments
- Antisemitism, anti-Muslim racism, and imperialism fueling the United States government's past and current role and support in the genocide faced by the Palestinian people
- Current and lasting impacts of the ongoing violence

Registration https://secure.everyaction.com/OxIfOhRYzUaYahyi_-E2ew2

Info (509) 838-7870

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BANNER ACTION FOR PALESTINE

Weds March 20, and subsequent Wednesdays, 4:30-6 pm (note that there is some uncertainty about the time. We have gotten contradictory messages. Please reply to this message if you know differently!), at Alabama St Overpass between Moore and Lincoln, Bellingham

Join the new weekly banner drops for Palestinian Liberation. Contact the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center to take our new large banner reading: "Biden, We Charge You With Genocide", office@whatcompjc.org or 360-734-0217

[While protests are welcome it is illegal to hang anything off of the railing, so we have adjusted our banners to be held up with bamboo poles, rather than attached to the infrastructure.]

Note that other banner dates and locations are planned; for the latest info, see https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-K4WZXXI31PK7c44oGOmb6dF6OgD2hX_pls-wu_oWLI/edit

Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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PLAY ABOUT RACHEL CORRIE, PALESTINIAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST

Weds March 20, 7:30 pm, at The Erickson Theatre, 1524 Harvard Ave, Seattle

Intiman Theatre Presents My Name Is Rachel Corrie, a staged play reading and panel conversation

On March 16, 2003, pro-Palestinian activist Rachel Corrie, a twenty-three-year-old from Olympia, WA, was crushed to death by an Israeli Army bulldozer in Gaza as she was trying to prevent the demolition of a Palestinian home.

The play My Name is Rachel Corrie is drawn from the writings of Rachel Corrie and was edited by Alan Rickman and Katharine Viner. It has been translated into multiple languages and has been performed in theaters throughout the U.S. and around the world. This staged reading is directed by Kaytlin McIntyre and performed by Cheyenne Barton. The panel following will discuss the role of art in times of war, and our local response to global issues.

Lobby opens at 6:30pm, and the panel will begin at 7:30pm. The lobby bar will be open, including snacks and alcoholic beverages. Runtime: 75mins

Info <https://www.intiman.org/rachel-corrie/>, tickets <https://secure.givelively.org/event/intiman-theatre/share-the-love-2024-spring-campaign/my-name-is-rachel-corrie>

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WOMEN & DEMOCRACY IN COLOMBIA

Thurs March 21, 5 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Alliance for Global Justice presents a webinar, featuring 4 powerful Colombian women on the frontlines of the struggle for peace in Colombia, as we discuss the ongoing repression against defenders of human rights and how women are organizing to fight back.

Our speakers will include:

- Luisa Jaramillo, coordinator for Ubuntpaz and spokesperson for ASOPACÍFICO, organization of farming communities of the Pacific region)
- María Cardona, spokesperson for CPDH (Comité Permanente de Defensa de los Derechos Humanos) and member of the People's Human Rights Observatory
- Darnelly Rodríguez, coordinator for the Centro Pazífico and the Valle de Cauca chapter of REDFIC (Francisco Isaías Cifuentes Human Rights Network)
- July Henríquez, human rights lawyer and co-founder of Fundación Lazos de Dignidad (Links of Dignity Foundation)

Interpretation will be provided

Registration https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_e26F5z--Sfy8ZCqmPJnzmA#/registration

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PREVENTING WAR WITH CHINA

Thurs March 21, 5:30 – 7 pm, discussion starts 6 pm, at Folio: The Seattle Athenaeum, 93 Pike Street #307 Seattle, WA 98101

The US-China relationship is important for the well-being of both countries, but the relationship has grown increasingly tense. The rhetoric between states has led many to worry that a new Cold War, or worse, is on its way. Are we on the road to war with China? What are the risks for nuclear escalation? What can individuals do to help build a more stable US-China relationship?

Join the Quincy Institute and Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility for a free in-person event as we address these questions and talk about the opportunities that exist to build a more stable relationship between the U.S. and China.

About The Speakers:

Michael D. Swaine is one of the most prominent American scholars of Chinese security studies. He comes to QI from Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, where he worked for nearly twenty years as a senior fellow specializing in Chinese defense and foreign policy, U.S.-China relations, and East Asian international relations. He speaks Mandarin and Japanese.

Sean Arent is the coordinator of the statewide Washington Against Nuclear Weapons coalition a 60+ member organization dedicated to peace, nuclear justice, and the defeat of the ~2 trillion dollar nuclear weapons modernization plan, with the eventual goal of abolition. He is also a founding member of Tacoma for All and longtime activist and organizer in the South Sound.

Tori Bateman (moderator) is the Outreach Coordinator and Interim Advocacy Director at the Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft.

Tickets <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/can-china-the-us-avoid-war-seattle-event-tickets-846458689727>

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LABOR AND IMMIGRATION SUMMIT CONFERENCIA 2024 DE TRABAJADORES E INMIGRACIÓN

TRANSFORM & TRANSITION: REDEFINING WORKER JUSTICE
TRANSFORMACIÓN Y TRANSICIÓN: REDEFINIENDO LA JUSTICIA
LABORAL

Sat March 23, 9 am registration, 10 am – 4 pm program, at IAM Local
751, 9125 15th Place South, Seattle, WA. 98108

Washington State Labor Council's (WSLC) 2024 Labor and Immigration Summit. The Summit, which is completely free and will have interpretation in English and Spanish, is the culmination of years of shared work and allyship between Labor Unions and those of us fighting for justice for Washington's Immigrant communities.

Learn about the intersections of labor rights and immigrant rights, and how we will work together to build worker power for all of Washington's workers.

Registration

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd2J9JLKNPWMYGOZ8LF4ztwtCf2g2qO7dqwb3DuteGkx8qSLA/viewform>

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PEACE PILGRIMAGE PHILADELPHIA TO WEAPONS MAKER LOCKHEED

Sat March 24 through Fri March 29 (Good Friday), from the Liberty Bell, Philadelphia, PA to Lockheed Martin headquarters in King of Prussia, PA

As Mary wept over Christ's body, this Lenten season we are all mothers in Gaza weeping over deceased children — over 10,000 killed since October 7, 2023 — senselessly from our bombs, bullets and indifference. Like the people of Gaza today, Jesus was born as a refugee, in the middle of a genocide in an occupied land. This Good Friday, we will demonstrate with our bodies and prayers the urgent cry for a ceasefire. As Christ said: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they are the children of God." Not in our name, not in the name of our Savior Christ, the Prince of Peace!

Between March 24 and March 29, intentionally planned to take place on Good Friday, when Christians around the world remember the crucifixion of Jesus, the Philadelphia Peace Pilgrims will walk 20 miles (almost the length of Gaza), pausing on the way to observe the 'Stations of the Cross,' representing different moments in Jesus' Passion and Death, to Lockheed Martin, the world's largest weapons contractor, complicit in decades of bombings in Gaza, including the current war, and violence and death around the world.

At Lockheed Martin, Philadelphia-based and national theologians and activists, including Shane Claiborne, Lisa Sharon Harper, Ariel Gold, Linda Sarsour, Rev. Mark Thompson, and others will -- armed with the spirit of Jesus and an unflinching commitment to nonviolence -- pray with a focus on the attempt to shut down or delay Lockheed Martin's

production of weapons, and to send a message urging the Biden Administration to stop sending weapons to Israel.

Convened by: Red Letter Christians, Freedom Road, Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR), the Society for Faith and Justice, Rainbow PUSH Coalition, and more.

Info and registration <https://www.redletterchristians.org/events/gaza-ceasefire-pilgrimage-philadelphia/>

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NISQUALLY TRIBE LEADERS SPEAK

Sun March 24, 1 - 3:30 pm, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1515 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia, WA

Learning Right Relations presents Guest Speakers: Willie Frank III, joined by other Nisqually leaders on 50 years since Boldt, & Rights of Nature.

Willie will share what's coming in the near future via the Nisqually Tribe's initiative including a multimillion dollar health healthcare facility to be cooperatively managed with Thurston County, a significant commitment to language education, some examples; Other topics include the Billy Frank Junior statue to be installed in the Hall of statues of the US Congress.

Willie will look back just a few years to share some of the long and hard battles fought to keep the Nisqually river habitat clean and healthy. It wasn't that long ago that we heard him speak about the level of

pollution in this river that came from just tires, for instance. Willie's work within the intertribal community, and intercultural fish management community has been a great example of living, as if earth had her own rights of protection; a watermark of the historic culture of the coast Salish people.

Info learningrightrelations@gmail.com

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OREGON FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION MOVIE SERIES

Sun March 24, 4 pm Pacific time, Zoom or in-person location at Terri's home: 10265 SW Wasco Way Tualatin Or 97062

Oregon FOR Movie series, Fourth Sunday at 4. This months film is The Settlers. This movie has interviews with the founders of the settlements in the West Bank and provides insight into the mindset of those leading that Zionist effort. You can view the trailer at <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt5278914/> The movie is 1hr and 50 minutes.

Following the movie we will have discussion. This movie will bring up much for us and I look forward to sharing our thoughts.

Monthly gatherings now through July. The venue will change each month for those wanting to connect in person, but the Zoom will remain the same (see below).

Info newsletter@ofor.org

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HEALTH CRISIS IN GAZA

Sun March 24, 10 am Pacific time, Zoom

Join the Jewish Voice for Peace Health Advisory Council for a webinar on the Health Crisis in Gaza, featuring Dr. Thaer Ahmad and Dr. John Kahler, who have recently returned from working in Gaza.

Dr Ahmad is an emergency room physician and assistant program director for the Advocate Christ Emergency Medicine Residency Program in Chicago. In Gaza, he volunteered at the Al Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis.

Dr. Kahler is a pediatrician and cofounder of the MedGlobal project in Gaza. He has worked in Shifa Hospital in Gaza City and in hospitals and primary health centers in Khan Yunis and Rafah. He is currently working to set up a primary health center and small clinics in shelters, focused on nutrition.

Registration

<https://uic.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0lcumvrzwqHtM5FLfY2wtrVxSq0VDHqn9m>

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THE STATE OF US ASYLUM

Tues March 26, 10-10:30 am Pacific time

Join Human Rights First for a pivotal webinar briefing titled “The State of U.S. Asylum: Briefing on recent policy obstacles,” featuring insights from our newest discussions on asylum policies in the United States.

Our featured speakers, Eleanor Acer, Senior Director for Refugee Protection, and Robyn Barnard, Senior Director for Refugee Advocacy, will guide you through the latest developments and their implications.

This event aims to unpack the critical updates in asylum policy, exploring the rationale behind these changes, their impact on asylum seekers, and the advocacy strategies employed to promote a more humane approach to immigration.

Free tickets at <https://info.supporthumanrightsfirst.org/event/march-2024-asylum-update/e568487/register/new/select-tickets>

Info <https://humanrightsfirst.org/events/the-state-of-u-s-asylum/>

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THE WAY OF SORROW: WITNESSING THE SUFFERING IN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE WHILE ACTING FOR PERMANENT CEASEFIRE

Fri March 29, 12:30 – 2:30 pm, start at St Joseph Catholic Church, 732 18th Ave East at Aloha, Seattle, end at Cal Anderson Park, 11th Ave between Denny and Pine, Seattle

Good Friday event.

Join IPJC, Pax Christi, St. Joe's parish, and the broader Catholic community to walk the stations of the cross throughout the city of Seattle as we witness to the suffering in Israel and Palestine and call for permanent ceasefire. The stations will feature scriptural reflections on the violence in Israel and Palestine, narratives of directly impacted communities, and invitations to collective action.

Sponsored by Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, St Joseph Parish, and Pax Christie

Registration <https://ipjc.org/registration-the-way-of-sorrow/>

Info 206-223-1138 or ipjc@ipjc.org

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TRASH: A POOR WHITE JOURNEY BOOK LAUNCH EVENT WITH PANEL READING, Q&A, SIGNING

Sat March 30, 4 pm, at Orca Books, 315 5th Ave SE, Olympia

Book launch for "Trash: A Poor White Journey" by Cedar Monroe, with foreword by Liz Theoharis, Co-Chair of the Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival. The author, Cedar Monroe, has been involved with the Poor People's Campaign since its (re)launch in 2018 and has a compelling story to educate us on the realities of the lives of desperate poor people in the Aberdeen area as well as providing a cogent analysis of the underlying causes.

Monroe introduces us to people who are poor and unhoused in a small town in Washington, who eke out a living on land that once provided timber for the nation. On the banks of the Chehalis River, we meet residents of the largest homeless encampment in the county, who face sweeps and evictions and are targeted by vigilantes before bringing their case to federal court. We watch a community grapple with desperation, government neglect, and its own racism. From visits to jails, flophouses, tent cities, and on trips to hospitals and funeral homes, we see leaders forging connections between their people and the global movement to end poverty.

With trenchant insight born of liberation theology, radical politics, and an even more radical hope, Monroe introduces us to people hammering out survival strategies and hope in the abandoned zones of empire. Capitalism and colonialism have stolen land from Indigenous people, forced workers into dangerous jobs, and then left them to die when their labor was no longer needed. But what would happen if poor white folks rejected the empty promises of white supremacy and embraced solidarity with other poor people? What if they joined the resistance to the system that is, slowly or quickly, killing us all? Trash asks us to see anew the peril in which poor white people live and the choices we all must make.

Info <https://www.orcabooks.com/event/author-talk-cedar-monroe>

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EARTH CARE NOT WARFARE MEETING

Weds April 3, and subsequent first Wednesdays, noon Pacific time, on Zoom

Earth Care not Warfare's monthly meeting to connect the peace movement with the climate justice movement. Representatives of local peace and climate groups share their recent actions and plans so that we can support each other's actions. We discuss collective actions such as meeting with our elected representatives, joining marches and rallies, sponsoring meaningful movies and learning events.

Info: Beth, bebrunton@hotmail.com

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WELCOMING THE STRANGER PAST AND PRESENT
By Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice Northwest

Weds April 3, 7-8:30 pm, at North Seattle location to be sent to ticket purchasers.

Join us for an event to benefit the Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice to build efforts to support newly arrived migrants! The event is co-sponsored by Congregation Beth Shalom, and the Program is followed by a Dessert Reception. Register to purchase your ticket today!

Inspired by a true family story set in Seattle, graphic novelist Josh Tuininga examines Sephardic Jewish immigration to the United States and the relationship between Japanese and Jewish Americans living side by side during Japanese incarceration. This is perhaps the first Sephardic Jewish graphic novel and features language in Ladino.

Our speaker panel includes Stan Shikuma Co-Chair of Tsuru for Solidarity Seattle, Japanese American social justice advocates working to end detention and support immigrant and refugee communities; Marlene Motola, a Sephardic Jewish community member who grew up locally, and Andrea Soroko Naar, co-founder of JCIJ.

Join us to examine how ideas of community and solidarity bridge to immigrant communities today. JCIJ will share about efforts to support newly arrived migrants and how we can come together to take action for immigrant justice.

“This book beautifully uncovers a deep emotional connection between our [Japanese American and Sephardic Jewish] communities that is known by few and I promise, will leave you changed forever.” -Tom Ikeda, Founding Director, Densho

The Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice NW is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent permitted by law.

Info and Tickets \$36 at <https://givebutter.com/jcijstrangers>

Info Info <https://www.jewishcoalition.org/events>

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INTERNATIONAL NEUTRALITY CONGRESS

April 4-7, Bogota, Colombia or Zoom

Every year, hundreds of thousands of people are killed and tens of millions displaced by wars and armed conflicts around the world, from Africa to Asia to the Americas to Europe. This increase in violence demands that we urgently reconsider our global strategies and advocate for neutrality as a fundamental tool for building peace.

Colombia, land of diversity and progress, raises its voice to invite all the people of the world to join the International Congress "Neutrality: A Strategy for Global Stabilization".

Congress organized by many organizations including World Beyond War

Info and Registration <https://actionnetwork.org/events/neutrality-congress-april-4-7-bogota-congreso-de-neutralidad-4-al-7-de-abril-bogota/>

Info <https://worldbeyondwar.org/congress-on-neutrality-a-strategy-for-global-stabilization/>

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DEATH PENALTY ACTION WEBINAR

Sun April 7, and most first Sundays, 6 pm Pacific time, Webinar

Join Death Penalty Action for a review of the issues and action opportunities surrounding the next several executions scheduled in the United States. This project of Death Penalty Action recurs (normally) on the first Sunday of each month.

Death Penalty Action works to stop executions and abolish the death penalty through advocacy, education, and action.

Registration https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GQi-Z-U0QyyvyVOoYaL3nA

Info info@deathpenaltyaction.org or <https://deathpenaltyaction.org/>

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INTERNATIONAL URANIUM FILM FESTIVAL

Fri-Sun April 12-14, at Northwest Film Forum, Seattle

Sun April 14, 3-8 pm,schedule

Intro: 3:00 – 3:15

Atomic Bamboozle: 3:15 – 4:00

Ground Zero / Vfp: 4:00 – 4:20

The Nuns, The Priest, & The Bomb: 4:40 – 6:10

Golden Rule: 6:10 – 6:35 Veterans for Peace speakers

Q&A: 6:35 – 6:50

Burial: 7:00 – 8:00

Sponsor: Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility

More details TBA. Info <https://uraniumfilmfestival.org/en/usa-2024>

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY

April 15-22

A series of events opposing military spending and supporting earth care and human needs organized by Washington Against Nuclear Weapons

Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation and our Olympia, Tacoma, and Seattle chapters are members of the WANW coalition.

See <https://secure.everyaction.com/p/VQ10Ljl-OkCrMbsYyAwFZg2> for a list of events

Go to <https://secure.everyaction.com/Laul3naAS00QvC4fCXE26Q2> for more info and to add additional events

Several events are listed below: [April 15 in Renton](#); [April 15 in Tacoma](#), [April 16 in Seattle](#), [April 18 Zoom](#), and [April 20 Anacortes](#).

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INTERNATIONAL URANIUM FILM FESTIVAL

Mon & Tues April 15 & 16 , at Purcell in Evergreen College, Olympia

Sponsor/ Organizer: OCANW (Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons)

More details TBA. Info <https://uraniumfilmfestival.org/en/usa-2024>

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CARE FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET NOT WARFARE
A Tax Day to Earth Day Event

Mon April 15, 10:30 am – noon, at Congressman Adam Smith's office,
15 S Grady Way Bldg, Renton, WA 98057

Starting 10:30 am, Wave your peace, climate and justice signs and send messages to Congressman Adam Smith to invest our taxes spent for education, health , & earth care, not military and war; abolish nuclear weapons. At 11 am Sing, chant, share speeches; then wave signs until noon.

One of a series of events from April 15 to April 22 opposing military spending and supporting earth care and human needs organized by Washington Against Nuclear Weapons

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info Earthcare not Warfare hosts, Beth or Mona, 207-898-5452,
mona_lee@centurylink.net

RSVP at [https://secure.everyaction.com/ 3h-0Wpo-0iSaFDYoJyW0g2](https://secure.everyaction.com/3h-0Wpo-0iSaFDYoJyW0g2)

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TAX DAY RALLY AGAINST THE NUCLEAR BUDGET
A Tax Day to Earth Day Event

Mon April 15, 4:30-6 pm, at Tacoma Federal Courthouse, 1717 Pacific Ave, downtown Tacoma, WA 98402

Join people in Tacoma to demand that our members of Congress stop funding new nuclear weapons and other wasteful programs around the globe! Speakers to be announced

One of a series of events from April 15 to April 22 opposing military spending and supporting earth care and human needs organized by Washington Against Nuclear Weapons

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Info and RSVP at https://secure.everyaction.com/9_0dS4SCn0mGI-9uA4nkXA2

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT

Tues April 16, 11 am – 1 pm, at Henry M. Jackson Federal Building, 915 2nd Ave, Seattle, WA 98174

Veterans For Peace and others will be at the Federal Building in Seattle to demand that Congress disband efforts to spend over \$2 trillion tax dollars to grow and rebuild the entire nuclear weapons arsenal and move the money. More updates as the planning unfolds.

Info and RSVP at

https://secure.everyaction.com/Tv_7jMJhH0O6p4Vn3tCoQA2

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This event Brought to you by: Veterans For Peace, Daniel Ellsberg Chapter, Seattle 92' Fellowship of Reconciliation (FoR) Seattle; Ground Zero for Nonviolent Action

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT
PROTECT OUR PLANET

Thurs April 18, 6-8 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Meaningful Movie & panel: Move our money from war to protect our planet

Meaningful Movies and South Seattle Climate Action Network will stream movie "Dear President Biden" Calling him to declare a climate emergency and take bold action protect our climate. Then panel "What can we do now to move our money from war to protect people and planet? Veterans for Peace, 350Seattle, Green New Deal leaders

One of a series of events from April 15 to April 22 opposing military spending and supporting earth care and human needs coordinated by Washington Against Nuclear Weapons

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Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84322063054?pwd=UWxOQjJIUG53cS9ubXd0MWRHY2ZUZz09>

Registration at <https://secure.everyaction.com/YhDxmWQQ-k6pT6e-R6OJ-g2>

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT

Procession of the Species and Luminary Light Parade

Sat April 20, 4 – 10 pm, Main street in Anacortes, Commercial Ave, Anacortes, WA 98221

In celebration of Earth Day join us for a Procession of the Species, Luminary Light Parade, and a street fair in Downtown Anacortes. The main street will be shut down! Join in with a costume or luminary or simply come and visit! Commercial Avenue will be closed from 4-10 pm. There will be educational and interactive booths happening between the Procession at 5 pm and the Luminary parade at 8 pm. Join us! This event is designed to build community connection through art, music and dance! Honor our connection and the web of life! This event is a partnership among Transition Fidalgo and Friends, the Guemes

Luminary Light Parade, and the Downtown Anacortes Alliance. Because of our shared vision and goals, it is also part of our Tax Day to Earth Day event.

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Registration

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CHURCH COUNCIL OF GREATER SEATTLE ORGANIZING EVENT

Sat April 27, at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, 3001 24th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144

Our Weaving Our Strengths annual organizing event is moving to the spring! Join us for a day of workshops and reflection on the community organizing principles and anti-racism values that ground us in transformational change for liberation and justice.

Stay tuned for a registration link and workshop descriptions.

Info info@thechurchcouncil.org

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OREGON FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION MOVIE SERIES

Sun April 28, 4 pm Pacific time, Zoom or in-person location in Oregon
TBA

Oregon FOR Movie series, Fourth Sunday at 4. This months film TBA.

Monthly gatherings now through July. The venue will change each month for those wanting to connect in person, but the Zoom will remain the same (see below).

Info newsletter@ofor.org

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NATIONAL FOR CONFERENCE: POSTPONED

Originally scheduled for May 3 – 5, in Atlanta GA

Now planned for September 2024

Join FOR-USA the national Fellowship of Reconciliation in a conference
“Forging Peace in a Violent World”

Info <https://forusa.org/2024summit/>

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INTERCOMMUNITY PEACE & JUSTICE CENTER BENEFIT

Fri May 3, 6-8:30 pm, at Seattle University

The Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center acts for justice in the church and in the world. IPJC is sponsored by twenty-four religious communities and collaborates with Catholic, ecumenical, interfaith and other organizations in carrying out this mission. Our story of peace & justice began in 1991 with a vision of our religious communities of collaboration among individuals, churches & organizations to build community & create change for the common good.

More details TBA

Info ipjc@ipjc.org or <https://ipjc.org/>

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WASHINGTON STATE NONPROFIT CONFERENCE

May 14-16, online conference

May 17, 20, and 22, regional celebrations

The 2024 Washington State Nonprofit Conference is brought to you by Nonprofit Association of Washington. This year's Conference will be online May 14-16 with regional celebrations in Central WA (May 17), Eastern WA (May 20), and Western WA (May 22)! There will be powerful keynote speakers, memorable workshops, and other

invaluable content. You can save on the cost of your registration by becoming a member of Nonprofit Association of Washington, purchasing your registration early (earlybird rates until March 15), or applying for a scholarship.

“All access” earlybird conference nonmember rate \$250, see registration site for other options.

Registration <https://nonprofitwa.org/washington-state-nonprofit-conference/pricing-registration/>

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THE AUNTIES – WOMEN OF THE SALISH SEA, EPISODE 2

Thurs May 16, 7:30 pm, at Washington Center Main Stage, 512 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98501

he Aunties – Women of the Salish Sea features stories by Native American and First Nations Matriarchs, told live from stage to be immortalized in an online series of shorts. The term Aunties is an honorific that signifies a woman or non-binary person who holds a place of significance and respect in their communities. This original Indigenous Performance Production features women and non-binary Aunties who have spent their lives dedicated to serving their communities through the creation of hope, opportunity and connection. The Aunties amplifies their life’s work through a once-in-a-lifetime event featuring traditional storytelling, theater and multimedia arts.

We pay tribute to Aunties and the important role they play in Indigenous communities-of which they have long been recognized as vital caretakers of its connection, tradition and cohesion. Through shared storytelling, Aunties provide a space for everyone to gather to collectively reflect on their pasts and shared identity, as they look for ways towards a better future. The Aunties are the Keepers of their Community. We celebrate them now, at an especially important time due to the loss of so many elders from Covid-19. As Native and Indigenous communities bear the burden of those lost including their leadership, guidance and connections, The Aunties honors their contributions and preserves their stories for future generations to come.

In Partnership with Indigenous Performance Productions

Presented By: The Washington Center for the Performing Arts

Info and Tickets <https://www.washingtoncenter.org/event/the-aunties-women-of-the-salish-sea-episode-2/>

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WWFOR SPRING ASSEMBLY

Sat May 18, 9 am-12:30 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Planning for Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation's Spring Assembly is now underway! Theme "Supporting Movements for a Just and Peaceful World."

Everyone is welcome to join us for a Zoom conference with speakers, workshops, and discussion.”

We are delighted to announce that peace activist and pacifist Kathy Kelley will be our keynote speaker. Kathy has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize three times. She cofounded Voices in the Wilderness, which had a major educational and advocacy role in opposing the deadly US sanctions against Iraq. Later she continued her anti-war work with Voices for Creative Nonviolence. She has spent time in war zones and refugee settlements documenting the effects of wars in Nicaragua, Haiti, Bosnia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Gaza, and Pakistan. Kathy has been imprisoned for refusing to pay war taxes, fined for illegal acts of compassion in Iraq, and is now protesting the US-funded war against Palestinian people.

Kathy has also protested the US use of killer drones, training of human rights abusers at the School of the Americas, and US use of torture at Guantanamo. She is currently involved with the Merchants of Death War Crimes Tribunal, highlighting the profit-driven manufacture of weapons and the lobbying by their makers. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kathy_Kelly for an impressive overview of the issues Kathy has worked on.

Info 206-789-5565, wwfor@wwfor.org. Details will be posted at <https://wwfor.org>

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IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION THEN AND NOW
100 Years Since the Doors Slammed Shut

Sun May 19, doors 5:30 pm, program 6 pm, At Temple Beth Am, North Seattle

A look back at the Immigration Act of 1924 and the state of immigration today. A fundraiser for the Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice

Our event program includes remarks by King County Councilmember Jorge Barón, UW History Professor Devin Naar, and Brenda Rodríguez López, Executive Director of the Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network (WAISN). Devin will discuss the history of immigration restriction and impact on Jewish and other communities. Brenda will shine a light on the current experience and needs of immigrants in our state.

We'll feature storytelling by an asylum seeker supported by JCIJ and honor Pastor Jan Bolerjack with JCIJ's Tzedek Justice Award for her leadership in supporting asylum seekers at Riverton Park United Methodist Church. Dinner will be catered by Project Feast, who empower refugee and immigrant cooks through hands-on culinary training and education.

Registration info coming

Info <https://www.jewishcoalition.org/events>

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ONGOING AND WEEKLY EVENTS BELOW

LAKE FOREST PARK PEACE VIGIL

Saturdays 11 am to noon, at the corner of Bothell Way NE (SR 522) and Ballinger Way NE (SR 104) Lake Forest Park 98155

Standing for peace every week since December 2002 with signs including “Abolish Nuclear Weapons” and “Renounce Militarism.”

Info Glen Milner 206-979-8319 or gk_milner@comcast.net

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MOUNT VERNON ABOLISH NUKES BANNERING

Twice monthly, 1st and 3rd Fridays, 3 pm, at the downtown Mount Vernon I-5 overpass, above the Skagit Valley Food Co-op parking lot

Bannering continues in downtown Mount Vernon! We will continue to protest nuclear weapons by bannering with our “NO NUKES” banner plus American, Ukrainian, and Peace flags.

Parking is available North of the overpass on Fulton Street, where the old YMCA was, or South in a parking lot for \$1/hour, or on the street. Bring your own sign, use ours, or simply wave at motorists!

Info <https://www.nomorebombs.org/>

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OLYMPIA FOR VIGILS AND EVENTS

Wednesdays and Fridays

Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter Wednesday Vigils, noon – 1 pm, NW corner of Sylvester Park, at Legion & Capitol Way, Olympia, **PEACE VIGIL**, come for all or part of the hour to witness in a friendly way for peace and nonviolence. We provide plenty of signs. Wear a facemask and stand at least 6 feet apart. **Olympia FOR's** witness for peace and nonviolence is ongoing since 1980. info Glen 360-491-9093, glen@parallaxperspectives.org or Olympia FOR 360-561-3627

Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter Friday Vigils, 4:30 – 6 pm, south end of Percival Landing, south of 4th Ave, just west of Water Street, Olympia; Please join **Olympia FOR** in a friendly **PEACE VIGIL** all or part of the time. Please join us for whatever length of time you can. We provide plenty of signs. Wear a facemask and stand at least 6 feet apart. info Glen 360-491-9093, glen@parallaxperspectives.org or Olympia FOR 360-561-3627

FUTURE OLYMPIA FOR EVENTS will be posted at [Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/groups/OlympiaFOR)
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FIRE MOUNTAIN CENTRALIA VIGILS

Saturdays

Fire Mountain Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter (Centralia-Chehalis area) Saturday Vigils. Every Saturday from noon to 1:00 pm,

on the edge of Washington Park at Locust & Pearl in downtown Centralia, **PEACE VIGIL** is sponsored by Lewis County's "Fire Mountain" FOR chapter. info: Larry Kerschner peacepoet@protonmail.com

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BELLINGHAM WEEKLY PEACE VIGIL

Fridays, 4-5 pm **spring-summer-fall hours resume on Feb 2**
(Mid Winter vigils start 3 pm)

Fridays, corner of Cornwall and Magnolia, Bellingham; Longest running **PEACE VIGIL** in the Nation! Join the weekly Bellingham-Whatcom Peace Vigil, ongoing since 1966

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MEANINGFUL MOVIES PERSISTS!

Ongoing, various dates. Now online, in preson, and hybrid events.

The Meaningful Movies Project started in 2003 as a project of Wallingford (Seattle) Neighbors for Peace and Justice, a neighborhood affiliate of SNOW (Sound Nonviolent Opponents of War) with free weekly showings of films with social meaning, followed by discussion. Other neighborhood groups all over Washington State and beyond joined in this project with film viewings in their neighborhoods. See a list of these groups <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/locations/>

The pandemic motivated the project participants to convert to online formats which continue, along with a partial return to in-person events. See <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/> for scheduled films.

MMP films and discussions, in person or online, are free, but donations are needed and gratefully accepted at <https://meaningfulmovies.org/donate/> or at Meaningful Movies Project, P.O. Box 31005, Seattle, WA 98103

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GLEN'S PARALLAX PERSPECTIVES NEW PROGRAMS MONTHLY

Thurston County TV 3 times a week and on the Web Any Time

Watch on TV: cable TV subscribers in Thurston County WA can watch on cable channel 22: Mondays 1:30 pm, Wednesdays 5:00 pm, and Thursdays 9:00 pm.

EVERY MONTH a new program, see <https://parallaxperspectives.org/> for a list of programs available online as well as the current program available on cable TV in Thurston County.

February 2024 program: Interview providing information, insights, and enthusiasm for **supporting social and economic justice through the Poor People's Campaign**. You can also watch this program at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKQ_hwDF0tw

March 2024 program **"U.S. Empire Hurts the World -- and Hurts Us Too"** can be watched at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jN_ZpQjsz4

Info (360) 491-9093 or glen@parallaxperspectives.org

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Organization Information for Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (WWFOR)

SUBMITTING EVENT INFORMATION: We are always happy to hear about additional events! On request we will consider posting events on our web calendar and in future WWFOR email messages. Please allow as much lead time as possible. We give priority to events by FOR Chapters and will consider all events consistent with FOR values. Submit events by email wwfor@wwfor.org, phone, or postal mail at the contact info below.

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HOW TO MAKE A DONATION:

We welcome checks at our postal address (see above), and online donations can be made through our website [Donate - Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation \(wwfor.org\)](#)

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Best wishes from the WWFOR Office Volunteers