

BROOKLYN PARENTS FOR PEACE PRESENTS

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# BROOKLYN PEACE FAIR

2006



A PEACE & JUSTICE EXTRAVAGANZA  
FOR ADULTS AND KIDS OF ALL AGES

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# Welcome

Welcome to the Fourth Annual Brooklyn Peace Fair. This year's event is billed as a *Peace and Justice Extravaganza* – and what an extravaganza it is! We are continually amazed by the wide range of organizations working for peace and justice, in Brooklyn and beyond.

Our keynote theme this year is “Peaceful Resistance to War”. Addressing this theme will be Sonia Sanchez (author, poet, and Granny Peace Brigade activist) and Medea Benjamin (co-founder of both Code Pink and Global Exchange). We are also thrilled to have Evelyn Harris and Talib Kweli join us along with other inspiring performers. Lastly, we are also most appreciative of Long Island University Brooklyn Campus for hosting and co-sponsoring the 2006 Brooklyn Peace Fair.

We are proud on this occasion to honor Congressman Major Owens, as he retires from his Congressional seat. Speaking in Congress on April 2, 2003, Major Owens said: “There will be no rest for those who dare to stand up to the architects of a new world order which camouflages dominance by a new world elite of the greediest. Peace advocates must conjure up the same fervor and determination as our adversaries. We must plan, work and act with relentless vigilance. This is a call for an army of ‘fanatics for peace’.”

We invite all who have come to participate in the 2006 Brooklyn Peace Fair to join us as we go forward, energized by the activities and inspiration of today, better prepared to resist war and wage peace!

Yours for peace and justice,

Amy Cohen  
*Chair, Brooklyn Peace Fair Committee*

Nora Gordon  
*Program Coordinator, Brooklyn Parents for Peace*

Charlotte Phillips  
*Chair, Brooklyn Parents for Peace*

Rusti Eisenberg  
*Vice-Chair, Brooklyn Parents for Peace*

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# About Brooklyn Parents for Peace



## Our Mission

Brooklyn Parents for Peace (BFPF) is a not-for-profit organization committed to helping build a world free of war and the social injustices that are its causes. We seek to educate our community and ourselves on international and domestic

issues so that we can be effective in securing a peaceful future. Brooklyn Parents for Peace is a founding member of United for Peace and Justice, a coalition of more than 1300 local and national groups throughout the United States who have joined together to protest the immoral and disastrous Iraq War and to oppose our government's policies of empire-building and use of military force.

This year we celebrate our 22nd year of working to keep Brooklynites informed about major issues, which impact our lives, and to take effective actions for peace and social justice in Brooklyn and abroad. Because our constituents are now much more diverse than when we first started as a group of friends with children in the same pre-school, we are seeking a new name that reflects this diversity.

## BFPF History

BFPF began twenty-two years ago as a small group of parents who had children in a local nursery school. Our earliest initiatives included organizing local opposition to the Staten Island homeport for nuclear-capable Cruise missiles and the U.S. intervention in Central America. We subsequently mobilized local opposition to the first Gulf War and economic sanctions, which penalized Iraqi children.

In the 1990s, we turned our attention to the deteriorating conditions for children in our city. We fought to preserve the entitlement status of welfare and Medicaid, and supported efforts to strengthen public education in New York City. We believe that every child has a right to a home, to adequate food, to decent health care and to quality education. Moreover, we believe that there can be money available to pay for these things if we address the inequities in the tax structure and a military budget that will exceed \$1.3 trillion in the next five years.

After the terrible events of September 11, 2001, we reached out to affirm our sense of community. We have opposed a military response to this tragedy, while focusing on apprehension of terrorists through methods that respect international law. We have continued to organize for peace

and social justice: ending the Israeli occupation and creating a peaceful solution of the conflict that guarantees the security of both Israelis and Palestinians; opposing military recruitment in public high schools; advocating for an end to the Genocide in Darfur; and fostering global awareness by working with the UNICEF campaign. In recent years, we have helped to organize contingents for several of the major anti-war protests in Washington, D.C. and New York and organized several local protests to press our elected officials to call for withdrawal of American troops in Iraq. After the concerns about the electoral process in the 2004 Presidential election and the subsequent federal regulations, BFPF also has advocated for a fair election process.

BFPF recently helped to create a UFPJ New York City Chapter, and as part of this consortium, we are working to make our city a "Peace Zone" free from military recruiters, war profiteers, illegal detentions and politicians who fail to fight for an end to the war.

## Current BFPF Committees

Committees led and supported by volunteers do much of our work. Committees typically meet monthly, often in people's homes. A list of the dates and times of the meetings are regularly posted on the BFPF website; interested individuals can contact BFPF for the location of the meeting.

**Iraq:** This group uses public education, advocacy and expression of citizen opinion to seek an end to the Iraq war, to and bring our troops home. Recent activities included a local protest in September on the International Day of Peace, call-in campaigns to elected officials, and a forum with Iraqi vets.

**Anti-Militarism/Counter Recruitment:** This committee strives to end the war and prevent the use of military means to solving conflicts by reducing the size of the military forces. The work centers on educating high school students on alternatives to the military, and how to prevent personal information from being shared with military recruiters. The committee leaflets high schools once a month with information on the choice to "opt out" of having personal data turned over to military recruiters. Also, the committee has developed two popular brochures: "How to Go College Without Joining the Military", and "How to Travel and Have Adventures Without Joining the Military". Volunteers visit PTA meetings and high school career fairs, run a workshop for teachers and activists on counter recruitment issues, and regularly meet with elected officials about the NYC Peace Zone resolution in

the City Council. This resolution would keep military recruiters out of the high schools. Finally, committee members are investigating the use of public education money for funding JROTC.

**Darfur Crisis Committee:** This committee works to end the genocide in the Darfur region of the Sudan through public education, demonstrations, and encouraging institutions to divest. The short-term goals of these efforts are to establish an effective UN peacekeeping force, to establish an international human rights monitoring mission, and to provide humanitarian relief. The committee also collects supplies and raises money for Darfurian refugees and internally displaced people.

**Israel-Palestine:** The I-P Committee works to achieve BPPF's stated goal of a two-state solution through public education, protest and advocacy. BPPF condemns the continuing violence on both sides, which provokes an endless spiral of retaliatory violence and destroys chances for a peaceful settlement. Recent activities included two eye-witness reports from Israel/Palestine by Anna Baltzer and Seth Tobocman, a Peace Walk and Vigil calling for a ceasefire in response to invasion of Lebanon, and a group viewing of the play "*My Name Is Rachel Corrie*". The Committee also is currently selling Olive Branch Olive Oil, produced from the olives of many small grower cooperatives on the West Bank in Palestine. The proceeds help support the economy of Palestine; a portion of the price is also contributed to Brooklyn Parents for Peace to support its many programs and activities.

**Peace Fair:** This committee plans the annual Brooklyn Peace Fair, including organizational outreach, selection of speakers, workshops and performers, publicity, coordination of volunteers who work at the event, and much more. Though the group meets monthly, there are many volunteers who offer their skills without regular participation in meetings. Nearly everything you see here today including our wonderful program, publicity materials, and more were done with volunteer labor. The committee will begin planning for the Fifth Annual Brooklyn Peace Fair in a few months and welcomes additional volunteers.

**Brooklyn UNICEF Campaign:** BPPF's UNICEF Campaign strives to bring the "little orange" UNICEF boxes back as a Halloween tradition among neighborhood youth. The campaign is entering its third year and is designed to build international awareness while raising money for children's health and education. The committee reaches out to schools,

merchants and neighbors encouraging their participation, and staffs collection sites at the Park Slope Halloween Parade so that children can turn in their donations. Volunteers are still needed for October 31<sup>st</sup>!

**Fundraising:** Though BPPF is primarily a volunteer-run organization, three years ago we hired our first full-time Program Coordinator. This has made our significant expansion possible. Moreover, events like the Peace Fair always incur costs, despite our efforts to barter and use volunteers. The committee plans BPPF's Annual Sunset on the Barge fundraiser held each spring as well as our membership drive and smaller fundraising events.

**Outreach:** One of the primary ways we distribute our educational materials is by hosting information tables at street fairs and events. The willingness of our volunteers to help out with many tabling opportunities has helped us to broaden our reach throughout the community, encouraging Brooklynites to sign petitions and learn about peace and justice issues.

**Board of Directors (i.e., Executive Committee):** Since our work is primarily educational, we incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation many years ago. Our Board of Directors takes responsibility for determining priorities and programs. Elections for Board members and officers are held annually in the spring, though interested individuals can request to join at any time. The meetings are open to the public and anyone can attend, though only Board members can vote.

## Community Meeting

Find out more about BPPF and how you can participate.

**Community Meeting,  
Thursday November 9, 2006,  
7:30 pm at the YWCA,  
30 Third Avenue at Atlantic Avenue.**

Please call 718-624-5921, e-mail [bpfp@brooklynpeace.org](mailto:bpfp@brooklynpeace.org) or check our website at [www.brooklynpeace.org](http://www.brooklynpeace.org) to confirm the location.

# Featured Speakers

## PEACEFUL RESISTANCE TO WAR

*Kumble Theater, 1:30*

### **Sonia Sanchez**

Sonia Sanchez is a prominent poet and playwright, author of more than a dozen books of poetry, including *Shake Loose My Skin: New and Selected Poems* (Beacon Press, 1999); *Does your house have lions?* (1995), which was nominated for both the NAACP Image and National Book Critics Circle Award; and *Homegirls & Handgrenades* (1984). Her published plays include, most recently, *Black Cats Back and Uneasy Landings* (1995). Among her books for children is *A Sound Investment and Other Stories* (1979). She has also edited two anthologies: *We Be Word Sorcerers: Twenty-five Stories by Black Americans* (1973) and *Three Hundred Sixty Degrees of Blackness Comin' at You* (1971).

Sanchez has lectured at over 500 universities and colleges in the U.S. and read her poetry in Africa, Cuba, England, the Caribbean, Australia, Nicaragua, the People's Republic of China, Norway, and Canada. She was the first Presidential Fellow at Temple University, where she began teaching in 1977, and held the Laura Carnell Chair in English there until her retirement in 1999.

Sanchez, a member of the group Grannies for Peace, currently awaits trial in Philadelphia for "defiant trespass." On June 26, the group tried to enlist at an Armed Forces Recruiting Center, asking the military to take them instead of their children and grandchildren, and were arrested for refusing to leave.

### **Medea Benjamin**

Medea Benjamin, an internationally renowned author and human rights activist, is Founding Director of the international human rights organization, Global Exchange and Co-Founder of Code Pink: Women for Peace. She has been a tireless advocate for social justice for more than 20 years.

Since 9/11, Benjamin has been organizing against a violent response. She helped bring together the groups forming the coalition United for Peace and Justice. In 2002, she accompanied four Americans who lost loved ones in the 9/11 attacks on a trip to Afghanistan to meet people there who lost relatives during the U.S. bombing of Afghanistan. This extraordinary journey received international attention that pressured the U.S. government to discuss civilian casualties and create a compensation fund for Afghan victims. Benjamin has also traveled several times to Iraq and helped establish the Occupation Watch International Center in Baghdad.

Her previous work focused on improving the labor and environmental practices of U.S. multinational corporations and the policies of international institutions.

Last July 26, during Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's address to a joint session of Congress, Benjamin stood up from the gallery and shouted, "Iraqis want the troops to leave, bring them home now! Listen to the Iraqis!" She repeated the statement several times before she was forcefully lifted from her seat, handcuffed, and escorted out by Capitol police.

## SPECIAL GUEST

### **Congressman Major Owens**

Congressman Major Owens, who was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1982 from New York's 11th Congressional District, has been a strong and courageous voice for peace and justice in Washington for over 20 years. As the "Rappin' Rep", Congressman Owens often raps on the house floor about peace and justice. Today he will be a moderate the Youth Peace Contest awards ceremony.



## CLOSING REMARKS

*Kumble Theater, 4:30*

### **Roger Toussaint**

Roger Toussaint, President of Transit Workers Union Local 100, was born in Trinidad and became active early in life fighting against oppression and for the rights of working people. In 1994, after ten years working for the Transit Authority, Toussaint was elected leader of the 1800-member Track Division. His advocacy for workers rattled management and led to his firing on a pretext in 1998. The TA hired private investigators to conduct intensive surveillance of Toussaint. When this became public, union members demanded his reinstatement. In 2000, Toussaint, became the new TWU President and began his term by reforming the union's finances, including cutting his own salary by 25 percent.

In 2005, after negotiations with the TA for a new contract broke down, Toussaint announced a transit strike. The union was fined, members' automatic dues deductions were suspended, and Toussaint received a jail sentence. In April 2006 he served three days, saying, "I am in jail because I preside over a union that is not afraid to stand up to management when the interests of our members and of the riding public are at stake."

# Workshops

Humanities Building, 2nd Floor

## **Afghan Women: More Than Shadows & Veils**

Mirriam Z. Seddiq, Attorney at Law  
H2LG (Lounge), 3:30

Discussion of the facts and myths about women in Afghanistan, pre- and post 9/11, that exists both in Afghanistan and in the United States. Mirriam Seddiq will speak about what people think is happening in Afghanistan and what beliefs they hold about Afghan women in American society, and discuss the facts. She will have available reading materials for participants. Seddiq was born in Kandahar, Afghanistan, and raised in the U.S. She has been studying the myths and misconceptions the West holds about Afghan women since 1993, when no one knew where Afghanistan was or what its impact would be on the world.

## **Brooklyn Development: Perspective from Low-Income Families**

Families United for Racial & Economic Equality (FUREE)  
H203, 12:30

An overview of the 2004 Downtown Brooklyn Plan rezoning, followed by a discussion of its impacts on low-income communities of color in the immediate area and across central Brooklyn, all set within the context of an analysis of gentrification in NYC and beyond. In participatory exercises, participants will use maps of the current built environment to think about history, ownership of space, and community-based planning. Presented by Scherrille Murray, a Downtown Brooklyn resident, member of FUREE's Board of Directors, and active leader in its Campaign for Equitable Development, and Samantha Imperatrice, a FUREE community organizer also working on the campaign. FUREE is a multi-racial, women-led, membership-run organization based in Brooklyn that unites low-income people to build POWER to change the system so that all people's work is valued and all have the right and economic means to choose and live out their destinies.

## **Civilians & War: How You Can Help**

Emergency: Life Support for Civilian War Victims  
H202, 2:30

Dr. Gino Strada, co-founder of Emergency, author and war surgeon, will share his first-hand account of the impact of war on civilians and offer suggestions on how Americans can help. Dr. Strada was a Nobel Peace Prize nominee in 2002 for his work in Kabul, Afghanistan, and has been recognized worldwide for his humanitarian work. Emergency is an independent, non-profit, non-political, humanitarian non-governmental organization that promotes a culture of peace, solidarity, and respect for human rights by providing free high-standard medical and surgical care to civilians in war-torn areas: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Cambodia, Eritrea, Iraq, Nicaragua, Palestine, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, and Sudan.

## **Community Organizing 101**

Americans for Informed Democracy  
H201, 12:30

Based on the belief that town-hall events focusing on constructive dialogue will foster a generation of leaders better able to conduct a more appropriate foreign policy in our interconnected world, Americans for Informed Democracy will conduct a workshop based on their town-hall toolkit, which is designed to help students and young people organize meaningful events for young Americans. Participants will learn about community organizing and how to have a peaceful and lasting impact on their community. Presented by Kira Christie, General Manager of Americans for Informed Democracy, a non-profit organization that equips young people with the tools to organize events in their communities on international issues.

## **Counter-Recruitment**

Anti-Militarism Committee of Brooklyn Parents for Peace  
H206, 3:30

Members of the committee will show excerpts from the new version of the video *Military Myths*, which exposes the military's aggressive recruitment of low-income youth and youth of color. Useful counter-recruitment materials, including information on alternatives to the military, will be shared. Participants will then have the opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences. Presented by Kate Levin, Connie Norgren, and Cesar Rosado of Brooklyn Parents for Peace.

## **Exiting Iraq: Is It Possible?**

Medea Benjamin, Code Pink & Carolyn (Rusti) Eisenberg,  
Brooklyn Parents for Peace  
H206, 2:30

What are the implications of a prolonged occupation of Iraq? If the U.S. pulls its troops out quickly, what will be the impact inside Iraq and within the region? And what can the peace movement do to bring the war in Iraq to a rapid halt? In this facilitated workshop, participants will be able to raise questions and exchange ideas about American withdrawal. Medea Benjamin is an internationally renowned author and human rights activist, Founding Director of Global Exchange and Co-Founder of Code Pink. She recently returned from meetings in Jordan with Iraqi legislators. Carolyn (Rusti) Eisenberg, Co-Founder of Brooklyn Parents for Peace, is a professor of U.S. foreign policy at Hofstra University and author of a book on the American occupation of Germany.

## **Eyewitness Reports from Israel/Palestine**

Jews Against the Occupation (JATO), The Tel Rumeida Project & Wheels of Justice  
H210, 2:30

After a brief history of modern Hebron and a short video on the current situation in the Palestinian neighborhood of Tel Rumeida, JATO member and Tel Rumeida Project participant Aaron Levitt will describe his experiences there in 2005 and 2006. This presentation will be followed by a speaker from Wheels of Justice, a group that tours the U.S. in a brightly-decorated school bus, bringing first-hand witness accounts from Iraq and Palestine to challenge and educate Americans on the effects of war and occupation, here and abroad. (The bus will also be on display outside on Flatbush Avenue.) JATO is a NYC-based

organization of Jews working in solidarity with the Palestinian people to achieve justice and peace in Israel/Palestine. The Tel Rumeida Project is a nonprofit human rights organization that does observation, accompaniment, and advocacy work with and for the Palestinian residents of Tel Rumeida. Wheels of Justice is supported by Voices for Creative Nonviolence, affiliates of the International Solidarity Movement, Veterans for Peace, JATO, and numerous other organizations.

### **Film: A New American Century**

Cousins Productions

*H202, 3:30*

In October 2004, artist Anthony Wilson traveled across the U.S., publicly displaying six paintings of Bush Administration figures. *A New American Century* is a 35-minute film documenting reactions to the paintings and the resulting dialogue during the two-week road-trip. Presented by the director, Anthony Wilson.

### **Genocide in Darfur**

Darfur People's Association of New York, Brooklyn Parents for Peace Darfur Crisis Committee, & Darfur Rehabilitation Project

*H210, 12:30*

A showing of the film *Darfur Diaries* will be followed by a panel discussion and question and answer period with one of the filmmakers as well as Rahama Deffallah, Motasim Adam, and Yahya Osman. Hear first-hand accounts of what is happening in Darfur and learn what you can do to help. The film showcases the voices of the people of Darfur, speaking about their experiences, fears, and hopes. It also probes the history, culture, and heritage of Darfur. Rahama Deffallah and Motasim Adam are from the Darfur People's Association of New York, an organization of Darfurian refugees that advocates for an end to the genocide in Darfur and provides humanitarian aid and support to Darfurian refugees in New York and Chad. Yahya Osman is on the Board of Directors of the Darfur Rehabilitation Project, an organization of Darfurians based in New Jersey that works through education, advocacy, direct services, and research to bring an end to the genocide and to promote democracy and human rights in Darfur. The Brooklyn Parents for Peace Darfur Crisis Committee works to end the genocide through public education, protest, and divestment. It also collects supplies and raises money for Darfurian refugees and internally displaced people.

### **HIV 101**

Project SAFE/Project Reach Youth, Inc.

*H201, 2:30*

Peer educators from Project SAFE will discuss how young people can avoid contracting the HIV virus. They will describe how HIV affects the body and explain treatment options, then show popular prevention methods, including a condom demonstration. Presented by Leonor Perea, a student at John Jay College, who also works at Health Education Alternatives for Teens (HEAT), ensuring that young people get HIV counseling and testing, plus other Project SAFE peer educators. Project SAFE (Speakout on AIDS Facts and Education) trains adolescents as HIV/AIDS peer educators. Armed with life-saving information on safe sex and pregnancy prevention, they promote healthy living habits to thousands of New Yorkers a year through street

outreach, presentations at schools and community centers, and dramatic productions.

### **Iran: Politicians & the Press—Liars or Stupidity?**

NY Veterans Speak Out & Veterans for Peace

*H204, 2:30*

A video of a Fellowship of Reconciliation peace activists' trip to Iran will be followed by a discussion of the group's observations, including government structure, treatment of women and non-Shiia, and other topics. A creative problem-solving session will follow. Presented by Jim Murphy, activist with Vietnam Vets Against the War and Veterans for Peace, and coordinator of NY Veterans Speak Out, which has addressed over 15,000 students in over 80 high schools this year. Veterans for Peace is a national veterans' organization that believes wars are the wrong way to settle international issues. NY Veterans Speak Out is a project sponsored by Veterans for Peace, Vietnam Veterans Against the War, and Iraq Veterans Against the War. They send teams of war vets into NY high schools to counter military recruiters.

### **Iran: The Next War?**

Ervand Abrahamian

*H210, 11:30*

This talk and discussion will focus on the ongoing tensions between the U.S. and Iran and whether these tensions are likely to lead to war before the end of President Bush's term. Ervand Abrahamian is Professor of Middle East History, CUNY Graduate Center and has taught at Princeton, New York University, and Oxford University. As an Armenian born in Iran and raised in England, he is well qualified by education and experience to teach world and Middle East history. He has published *Iran Between Two Revolutions*, *The Iranian Mojahedin*, *Khomeinism*, *Tortured Confessions*, and *Inventing the Axis of Evil*. He teaches at the CUNY Graduate Center, He is currently working on two books: one on *The CIA Coup in Iran*; and another, *A History of Modern Iran*, for Cambridge University Press.

### **Katrina Recovery: A Teen View**

Students Extending Arms to Students (SEAS)

*H201, 3:30*

A brief video documentary of the destruction in the Gulf Coast, made by high school students, will be followed by analysis of pre-hurricane problems, those that arose during the disaster, and the subsequent crisis. The students also will describe the impact of their visit to the area and their decision to create SEAS. The workshop will end with a Q&A. Presented by Luke Byrnes, Stephanie Del Rosso, Isabel Eckstein, Rick Ganz, Laura Mantell, Sarah Scheinman, Tess Sherman, David Warnock, Rebecca Wurwarg, and Matthew Zuckerman. SEAS was created by 15 high school students after a life-changing trip to the Gulf Coast to provide hurricane relief. SEAS is currently planning projects and relief efforts for young adults across the country to learn about the people of the Gulf Coast and to take action by aiding Katrina victims.

### **Medical Care: A Right, Not a Privilege**

New York Metro Chapter, Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP)

*H201, 11:30*

PNHP will present a brief history of health insurance in the U.S.; an overview of health care macroeconomics (expenses and revenues); a critique of for-profit, market-oriented health insurance; and PNHP's proposal for health care reform. Presented by Oliver Fein, M.D., Chair of the Metro-NY PNHP and Professor of Clinical Medicine and Public Health at the Weill Medical College of Cornell University; Carmelita Blake, R.N., Ed.D., M.P.H., PNHP-NY Board member and Professor of Health Care Management at NYU; and David Marcus, medical student at SUNY Downstate College of Medicine. PNHP is an organization of 14,000 physicians, medical students, and other interested health professionals advocating for single-payer, non-profit national health insurance. The NY-Metro Chapter ([www.pnhpnyc.org](http://www.pnhpnyc.org)) holds monthly educational forums for the public, provides speaker training, and publishes educational materials.

### **North Korea: Beyond the Demilitarized Zone**

Nodutdol for Korean Community Development

*H206, 11:30*

This workshop will begin with a video featuring a visit by Korean Americans to North Korea as part of the DPRK (North Korea) Education and Exposure Program (DEEP), a humanitarian and cultural exchange program. Then the presenters will discuss current issues from the perspective of Korean Americans working on Korean reunification issues. Topics will include basic facts about North Korea, U.S. foreign policy and militarism toward the Korea peninsula, and background on the recent North Korea nuclear test. Presented by Joanne Juyeon Rhee, DEEP Coordinator at Nodutdol and a Program Coordinator of Corean Action Network for Unification, along with past DEEP participants. Nodutdol was founded to promote the self-determination and unification of the Korean community through grassroots organizing and community development. Nodutdol seeks to bridge divisions created by war, nation, gender, sexuality, language, class, and generation among Koreans and empower the Korean community to address the inequalities we and other people of color face here and abroad. We work in collaboration with other progressive organizations as part of a larger movement for peace and social change, seeking both to meet our immediate needs and address their root causes by developing long-term solutions.

### **Oaxaca, Mexico: A Lesson in Peaceful Resistance**

UFTers to Stop the War

*H210, 3:30*

A teachers' strike demanding money for salaries, schools, and supplies that began last May in Oaxaca has grown into a mass movement calling for the resignation of the governor and the institution of a new people's constitution. This workshop will offer eyewitness accounts from NYC teachers who visited Oaxaca last summer and excerpts from videos showing aspects of the Mexican teachers' struggle, concluding with a discussion connecting the Oaxaca movement to struggles in the U.S.: privatization of schools, immigrant rights, corporate control of the government, and Bush war policies. Presented by Gloria

Brandman, a NYC public school teacher and long-time union activist; Lisa North, NYC public school teacher and activist in the UFT, the Teamsters Union, and a variety of teacher organizations; Marjorie Stamberg, who teaches in the public schools and at Hunter College and is a member of the UFT and the CUNY Professional Staff Congress; and Tammy Gold, communications professor, documentary filmmaker, Hunter College (CUNY) instructor, and film director. UFTers to Stop the War, affiliated with the Peace and Justice Caucus of the American Federation of Teachers, works in counter-recruitment campaigns, educational events, antiwar demonstrations, and more.

### **Peace Made Easy**

Brooklyn Nonviolent Communication & New Yorkers for a Department of Peace

*H203, 3:30*

"Nonviolent Communication" (NVC), based on Gandhian principles, offers practical, everyday tools to resolve conflict, foster peace, and create harmony and connection even in the most challenging situations. Dian Killian, Ph.D., Director of Brooklyn Nonviolent Communication, will teach participants some NVC techniques. Then Kevin Fagan and Carol Hillson, NY-Department of Peace co-founders, and Liz Gannon-Graydon, NY-DOP state coordinator will discuss the organization's campaign to establish a cabinet-level, federally-funded, U.S. Department of Peace that would promote nonviolent conflict resolution, and they will describe what the local New York group is up to.

### **Peaceful Palate: Why What You Eat Can Promote Peace**

Satya Magazine

*H202, 11:30*

The panel will focus on the source of people's food choices and what questions to ask before getting on the checkout line. Much of the discussion will concentrate on meat, eggs, and dairy and how peaceful those dining choices really are. Starting at the farms, they will follow the food on its journey to our plates, including the workers, land and resource use, monetary costs, and health costs, as well as the real and inexcusable animal suffering. Panel members: Catherine Clyne, Editor-in-Chief of *Satya Magazine*, a vegan who believes in the nonviolent direct action of the plate; Sangamithra Iyer, Assistant Editor, a licensed civil engineer with a focus in geoenvironmental issues; and Maureen Wyse, Circulation Manager, a vegan who has run different animal rights groups. *Satya* is a monthly magazine that focuses on animal advocacy, environmentalism, social justice, and vegetarianism. "Satya" means "truth" in Sanskrit, and the magazine's name is inspired by Mohandas Gandhi's nonviolent Satyagraha or "truth action" movement for social change.

### **Prisons & Justice**

Drug Policy Alliance, Osborne Association, Campaign Against the Death Penalty, and New Yorkers Against the Death Penalty  
*H2LG (Lounge), 2:30*

Americans have more people behind bars per capita than any other nation in the world. Come hear from an expert panel of activists why the death penalty and mandatory sentencing for drug offenders are unjust and discriminatory and how they harm family members and minority communities in New York. Elizabeth Gaynes is Executive Director of the Osborne Association, a 75-year-old non-profit organization that provides

services to individuals and families affected by incarceration. For their work defending the rights of children with parents in prison, Gaynes and her daughter, Emani Davis, were nominated for the prestigious World's Children's Prize for the Rights of the Child. Anthony Papa, a drug policy reform activist who turned to art while incarcerated under New York's Rockefeller drug laws, was a founder of the Drug Policy Alliance, the nation's leading organization working to end the war on drugs. Colleen Eren is the Long Island organizer for New Yorkers Against the Death Penalty, a statewide coalition of organizations and individuals committed to the abolition of capital punishment. She is also a member of the steering committee of Amnesty International's National Program to Abolish the Death Penalty. Vanessa McEnergy is an organizer for the Campaign to End the Death Penalty, a national membership-driven, chapter-based grassroots organization dedicated to the abolition of capital punishment in the United States.

### **Raising Children in Challenging Times**

Parents Helping Parents

*H201, 1:30*

This workshop will offer practical perspectives to help parents provide support and guidance to their children as they make sense of the world around them. Participants will be able to share the joys and challenges of family life today. Presented by Sharon C. Peters, M.A., Director of Parents Helping Parents, which offers individual and family counseling as well as workshops to help participants strengthen family relationships.

### **Samba Drumming & Dance for Peace**

Samba School for Social Justice Project

*H203, 2:30*

This workshop features a brief presentation of the power of samba drum and dance as tools to promote peace and justice while having fun and working out. Taught by Carlos de Oliveira, founder of the Samba School, who became involved in music and social activism from an early age in Brazil, and Leticia Taylor, who teaches samba dance in Brooklyn and the Bronx. Samba School for Social Justice exists to increase awareness of and address educational, economic, and social issues affecting low- and moderate-income Latino, Caribbean, and African-American youth in New York City.

### **Socially Responsible Investing: A Tool for Change**

Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)

*H2LG (Lounge), 11:30*

This workshop will introduce the tactics used by shareholder activists to encourage corporate responsibility and social justice. DeLisa M. White, a Development Associate and the Head of ICCR's Advocate Program, will go over the concepts of ethical investing and techniques used to encourage corporations to achieve a just business model. ICCR seeks to build a more just and sustainable society by integrating social values into corporate and investor decisions. It is an umbrella organization that helps to orchestrate the activities of its 285 member institutions, which collectively control more than \$110 billion in investment assets.

### **Teaching Peace**

Peace Games

*H202, 1:30*

This interactive workshop will outline Peace Games' current work in New York City schools and also provide a participatory experience of this work, in which children share games, laughter, communication, friendship, and conflict resolution—the building blocks for a peaceful future. The mission of Peace Games is to build the capacity of young people to be peacemakers and to form partnerships with elementary schools, families, and young adult volunteers to empower students to create their own safe classrooms and communities. Presented by Rich Cardillo, New York Regional Director, and Sasha Medina, Kate Cavanagh, and Elbert Sanders, New York Peace Games Coordinators.

### **The Spoken Word**

Arab-American Family Support Center & Urban Word

*H204, 3:30*

Youth who participated in AAFSC's poetry workshops, which encourage them to express their views, feelings, and opinions through poetry, will share their work and their views, followed by discussion of the idea that for Arab-Americans everything is political, even peace. Then, teen poets from Urban Word's programs will talk about their poetry work in schools and lead the audience through a poetry-writing exercise. Presented by Tahani Salah, a Palestinian-American poet and Urban Word Youth mentor; Silvia Dutchevici, AAFSC's Director of Programs; and Sharmeen Khan, AAFSC Youth Education Coordinator. AAFSC's programs, services, and activities address the needs of the Arab immigrant population in the New York City area. Urban Word NYC provides thousands of New York City teenagers with free, safe, ongoing, and uncensored writing and performance opportunities.

### **The Storm Over the Israel Lobby**

Michael Massing, Journalist

*H206, 12:30*

A recent academic study, "The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy," argued that U.S. foreign policy has been skewed against the country's own interests by the power of the Israel lobby, and that this lobby has manipulated the media and silenced critics by accusing them of anti-Semitism. In an article in the *New York Review of Books*, media critic Michael Massing analyzed this study and the extraordinary response to it, reporting that its assertions about the power of the Israel lobby were largely correct. Come hear him discuss the entire controversy. Michael Massing is a contributing editor of the *Columbia Journalism Review* and board member of the Committee to Protect Journalists. He frequently writes for the *New York Review of Books*, *The American Prospect*, and *The Nation*.

### **Victory Over Violence**

Felipe Luciano, Broadcaster/Activist & Bedford Stuyvesant

Coalition for Peace

*H203, 11:30*

An interactive session of intrigue and brainstorming. Take a piece of the healing wheel, explore, and awaken to your individual power for positive problem-solving. Well-know TV personality and activist Felipe Luciano and Alexandra Dolce of

Bedford Stuyvesant Coalition for Peace, will lead a discussion on how you can translate your personal power to create peaceful resolutions on community and global levels. Participants will leave with new tools for peacefully resolving conflicts in their daily lives. Felipe Luciano is a former WNBC news anchor, actor, founder of the Young Lords Party, a 60s civil rights group, and advocate for justice for Puerto Ricans, African Americans, and other peoples of color. The Bedford Stuyvesant Coalition for Peace promotes peaceful, cultural, and educational events as a means of resolving vital issues affecting humanity.

### **War on Terror**

American Friends Service Committee Community Relations Unit (Philadelphia)

*H2LG (Lounge), 12:30*

Presenters will show *A Foot in Both Places*, a collection of 25 interviews with community activists in Arab, South Asian, Muslim, and human rights/immigrant rights organizations in Los Angeles, Chicago, and the New York City area. Their testimony brings to life the human experience and community initiatives that have emerged in response to the experience of being targeted as “enemies” in the U.S. government’s “war on terror.” The interviews are complemented by music, photographs, and more. *A Foot in Both Places* is available as an online toolkit designed for individual, classroom, and community use. Presented by Rachael Kamel, CRU’s Education Coordinator, and staff from AFSC’s Immigrant Rights Program in Newark, NJ. The CRU coordinates AFSC’s national work on social justice, including immigrant rights, criminal justice, economic justice, and work against structures of racism and exclusion.

### **Youth Gun Violence**

American Friends Service Committee

*H202, 12:30*

Anne Durston, Project Coordinator, American Friends Service Committee, will offer information related to youth gun use in the New York area and the legislation, from the local to the international level that could curb this use. Then she will invite the audience to share their ideas about why youth carry/use guns and the programs and policies that are most effective in reducing youth gun use. Founded by Quakers in 1917, the AFSC is committed to promoting peace and social justice from the interpersonal to the international level.

### **Youth Peace Contest:**

#### **Rap Performance & Awards Ceremony**

Brooklyn Parents for Peace & Long Island University Brooklyn Campus

*H204, 11:30*

This event will showcase the nearly 200 submissions to the BPPF & LIU sponsored Youth Peace Contest, which invited students in grades 3–12 to submit essays, visual art, or a rap on the topics of peace and justice. Rap entrants will compete live while famed rapper M-1 (Dead Prez) judges the performers. After the performances, entrants in all categories will be acknowledged and contest winners will be announced. Congressman Major Owens (the “Rappin’ Rep”) and Sonia Sanchez will moderate the ceremony.

# PERFORMERS

## Peace Stage

*Kumble Theater, Humanities Building, 1st Floor*

### **Anti-Social Music**

*12:35*

This rabble-rousing collective of composers and performers presents new music by emerging, primarily New York-based musicians. Since 2001, they have presented over 70 world premieres in 10 shows. In the last year, ASM put out two records, “The Nitrate Hymnal” (with the Gena Rowland Band) and “Anti-Social Music Sings the Great American Songbook,” to extensive critical acclaim. Their DIY Commissioning Project, “ASM Sleeps Around,” led to bone-shaking chaos with avant hip-hop collective Dalek and bell-shaking and margarita-drinking joy with Warn Defever from His Name is Alive. This fall sees their Eleventh All World Premieres Show Extravaganza: Climax of the Octopus.

### **Beans**

*3:10*

Beans (aka Mr. Ballbeam), hailing from White Plains, was a founding member of New York’s legendary Antipop Consortium. With his distinctive fast-flowing poetic style, Beans manages to amalgamate witty, thoughtful lyrics with his own productions of “chunky psychedelic electro-hop.”

### **Dancing Peace**

Brooklyn Dance Consortium

*11:10*

A collaborative performance work created by an ad hoc group of children, teens, and adults from Brooklyn dance companies, studios, and public schools. The participants gather to promote peace through dance performance, each group contributing thematic material to the final work. Participants: students from the upper school of Brooklyn Friends, under the direction of Jesse Phillips Fein; Jow-ile Bailar Dance Company from Science Skills High School, under the direction of Patricia Dye; PS 59 students, under the direction of Carolyn Molotch; and Isadora Duncan Dance Collective, Director Marie Carstens. Project coordinator Sandi Stratton-Gonzalez is a dance educator and choreographer whose work addresses social and political concerns.

### **Evelyn Harris**

*1:00*

Evelyn Harris has been singing professionally for over 30 years. For nearly two decades, she sang and composed for the a cappella group Sweet Honey in the Rock, performing all over the world and recording and co-producing ten of their albums on the Warner Brothers, Redwood, and Flying Fish labels. Her compositions include “Battle For My Life,” “Gift of Love,” “Riches,” and “State of Emergency,” which earned her a 1988 Grammy nomination. Harris recorded the soundtrack to Haile Gerima’s work “Wilmington 10—USA 10,000,” narrated Maggi Carter’s film *Voices of Palestine*, and continues to devote her life to social justice issues. Harris also teaches workshops

at the Institute for the Musical Arts, a non-profit dedicated to supporting women in music and music-related business.

### **Talib Kweli**

2:40

Ever since he emerged as a member of Black Star in the late 1990s, Talib Kweli has been one of the few artists making commercially viable music that matters. This Brooklyn-bred rapper's hard-hitting music both educates and entertains. In 2002, his smash single "Get By," the biting political commentary "The Proud," and the insightful examination of America's gun culture on "Gun Music" made "Quality" a landmark recording and Kweli's second gold album. Subsequent recordings in 2004 ("The Beautiful Struggle") and 2005 ("Right About Now") solidified his status as one of rap's most talented and important voices. With "Ear Drum," his 6th album and the first one released on his own Blacksmith Music label, Kweli delivers a polished collection showcasing his advanced lyricism and his penchant for picking music that resonates long after the song ends.

### **Jeffrey Lewis**

3:30

Jeffrey Lewis's life-long love of writing and drawing comic books found a new outlet when Lewis began composing songs and recording homemade cassettes in 1998. He sold them packaged in small comic books at semi-monthly shows at The Fort, home of New York's infamous Anti-folk scene. Lewis's younger brother Jack began playing electric bass and contributing to the shows and tapes. Lewis' shows range from "lo-fi folk to sci-fi punk" as well as occasionally incorporating "low-budget videos" (large ragged comic books displayed to accompany songs). Rough Trade has released three of his full-length albums, and Lewis has done headline tours of England, Europe, and the U.S. Jeff and Jack's latest album, "Jeffrey & Jack Lewis: City & Eastern Songs," was recorded by indie-rock maverick producer Kramer. Lewis' most recent comic book series, *Fuff*, is currently up to issue four.

### **Magnolia**

11:50

Hugo and Zora met in 4th grade, when Hugo moved to Brooklyn from Texas. They both rocked out at Willie Mae Rock 'n' Roll Camp for Girls the following summer and were two-fifths of the camp band Hellish Relish. Magnolia was forged in after-school and weekend practice sessions in a tiny drum closet at a rehearsal space boasting a candy machine with Swedish Fish and Fruit Mentos. Their aggressive, distorted power chords and pummeling beats are not cute. It's not about age, it's about ROCK!!!!!!

### **Mahogany**

4:00

Mahogany is an electric music ensemble from Brooklyn. Their signature sound caught the ear of producer Robin Guthrie (Cocteau Twins). The group worked with Guthrie on three tracks for their new studio album "Connectivity!" including the entrancing single "Supervitesse." "Connectivity!" dovetails thoughts and ideas on architecture, city planning, travels, space, appropriate technology, sustainable energy, transportation, the rural landscape, sex and eroticism, clothing, pattern, color, and light.

### **Peace Parade**

4:30

Make an instrument today and make some noise at the Peace Parade. Join Brooklyn Parents for Peace as we march from LIU through the Fulton Mall. Stand up against the war. Speak out against military recruiters in our high school. Let parents and high school students know that they can keep students' names and contact information from being turned over to military recruiters. Distribute material to passersby on how to opt out and counter the presence of military recruiters in our schools. Musicians from Brooklyn Samba School will accompany us as we march.

### **Jason Trachtenburg**

12:10

In the late '80s Jason Trachtenburg was part of the Lower East Side Anti-folk and performance-art scenes. His early recordings in Seattle included 1993's "Let the Fishes Do the Asking" and 1996's "Lefty's Black Bag." In 1999, Trachtenburg released "Your Favorite Song." His folksy, lo-fi acoustic songs instantly gained him favorable attention from Seattle music fans and from the Orange Recording Company, which released his "Revolutions Per Minute" album in 2000. During this period the Trachtenburg Family Slideshow Players were born. Deriving their song topics from vintage photographic slides, the trio (keyboardist/guitarist/vocalist Jason Trachtenburg, slide projector/costume designer Tina Piña Trachtenburg, and preteen drummer Rachel Piña Trachtenburg) became the first unsigned act to play on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien." Their debut album, "Vintage Slide Collections from Seattle, Vol. 1," was released on Bar/None Records. Jason released "TOGETHER," his latest solo record, in June 2006.

### **Urban Word**

11:30

Teen poets from Urban Word will share their work. Urban Word NYC provides thousands of New York City teenagers with free, safe, ongoing, and uncensored writing and performance opportunities.

### **Youth Peace Contest Winners**

2:30

The winners of the essay and rap components of the Youth Peace Contest, sponsored by Brooklyn Parents for Peace and Long Island University Brooklyn campus, will share their work.

# Justice Stage

Avena Lounge, Metcalfe Building, Lower Level

## Bev Grant & the Dissident Daughters

12:45

Powerhouse women with a strong feminist and social justice repertoire: Bev Grant, Lynn Stabile, and Valerie Andrewlevich.

## Blisstones

1:45

Michael Aguirre (lead guitarist) is an AIDS researcher at the Clinical Trials Unit at Beth Israel Medical Center. Laura Fay Lewis (lead singer) is an award-nominated actress and filmmaker. Ron Moore (bass) is a Libertarian candidate for Comptroller of New York City. April Daly is a devoted mother and master of the beat.

## Brilho de Luz

3:30

“Brilho de Luz” is Brazilian Portuguese for “Shining Light.” This 9-member band takes listeners on an inspirational and melodious journey with their original music composed of Afro-Brazilian beats strongly influenced by the samba, pagode, and frevo music of Bahia, Brazil. Their sound is fused with reggae, funk, soul, rock, rhythm & blues, and hip-hop.

## Brooklyn Women’s Chorus

11:45

This a cappella community women’s chorus, formed in 1997 by activist/singer/songwriter Bev Grant, is open to any woman who wants to sing songs of peace and justice.

## Harmonic Insurgence

4:00

An a cappella vocal ensemble performing music from the U.S., Africa, Europe, and Latin America, on issues from peace to social justice, the environment, poverty, and workers’ rights. All songs feature original vocal arrangements by director Gene Glickman. This multiracial, multicultural ensemble sings in Spanish, Zulu, Yiddish, and other languages.

## Legacy

11:15

Drawing from the legacies of musical artists who have sung for peace and social justice through generations and genres, Zenobia, Jaqué DuPrée, and Ben Silver came together to form Legacy, offering gospelized folk, stylized traditional, and contemporary songs. Zenobia made her Broadway debut at 18 in *Hair*, was featured in The Weather Girls’ “It’s Raining Men”, and has collaborated with Denise Rich and Carol Bayer Sager, and composed, arranged, and produced for many artists as well as her own Grammy-nominated debut CD, “Home.” Jaqué DuPrée is a visual/performance artist and is currently incorporating sounds from the Gullah Islands, where she is researching her family and cultural herstory, into her work. Ben Silver’s career began in his teenage years when he was in the movie *Fame* and the album of the Broadway show *Runaways*. He

has performed and recorded with Pete Seeger, Pat Humphries, and Jay Mankita sang background vocals for Melba Moore, Judy Collins, and Celia Cruz.

## Bruce Markow

12:15

Bruce Markow’s insightful songs of hope and healing inspire audiences to sing along for peace, truth, and love. He has been a singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist forever and a practitioner of holistic bodywork, neo-Reichian therapy, and sound healing for over 25 years. His mission is to increase personal, interpersonal, and global peace so that each of us may joyfully embody and express our true purpose and passion for life.

## Neighborhood Watch Comedy Troupe

2:45

This multi-ethnic standup/sketch troupe will present two sketches and two improv games (in which the action is driven by audience response), on themes of peace and social issues. Performed by Dave Lester (founder), Kevin Davis, Pedro Lee, Gerald King, Simeon Goodson, Alyson Heard, Grant Gordon, Chad Dunda, GreenCard, and Angel Watson. Neighborhood Watch was born of a desire to challenge social issues and take a proactive stand for all people. They use the medium of comedy to inform as well as entertain.

## NYCity Streetsingers

2:15

Songs of peace and freedom, especially those of the peace movement. Performers: Cheryl Lisbin, Marlene Feingold, Rosalie Harman, Ella Obias, Jennifer Hampshire, Miriam Greenberger, and Lily Nass.

## Raging Grannies of New York City

3:00

The Grannies sing parodies of familiar melodies, on the themes of current events and issues such as war and peace, the environment, and civil liberties. They are affiliated with the NYC Metro Branch of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom.

## Shirazad’s Children

1:15

Interactive telling of stories of peace, inclusion, unity, and respect, for the whole family. Shirazad’s Children is an ensemble of four storytellers— Robin Bady, Tammy Hall, Alan Siege, and Joy Kell—who believe that stories can heal, soothe, entertain, and awaken. They celebrate our multi-cultural America, promoting unity and respect for cultural differences.

# ACTIVITIES

Metcalfe Building, 1st Floor, All day

## Cards for Afghan Kids

Kids can create greeting cards that will be sent to homeless children in Afghanistan. The activity is being offered by Acts of Art and Art Without Walls, two organizations that strive to create opportunities for artists to engage in civic activities. Donations will be collected so that art supplies can be sent to Afghani schools.

## Face Painting

Faces by C.C. (Chrisandra Well-Lester) offers creative peace-related face painting for every one free of charge.

## Halloween Bags

Come make Halloween trick-or-treat bags for the third annual Brooklyn Parents for Peace UNICEF Campaign. BPPF's UNICEF Campaign Committee aims to restore the orange UNICEF boxes to Halloween as a way to raise global awareness and help children learn that they can make a difference by helping other people around the world. This year, half of the proceeds will go to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

## Journalism 101

Here kids ages 10-17 can learn how to how to cover peace and justice issues as journalists. Presented by Children's PressLine, a free, non-profit youth journalism organization that gives kids the opportunity to represent themselves in the media.

## Musical Instrument Making

Create shakers, hand drums, and noisemakers to be played in the Peace Parade that ends the Fair. Sponsored by the Social Action Committee of the Park Slope United Methodist Church.

## Peace Offering

An offering made to an adversary in the interests of peace or reconciliation – make one today to give to a friend or relative. Led by artists Darlene Wolfe, Corey Breneisen and Roxy Jordan of Jordan Paul Arts, Inc., an arts management company.

## Spin Art for Peace

Spin some paint and make a peace-themed piece of art. Sponsored by the New York City chapter of Code Pink, a women-initiated grassroots peace and social justice movement.



# ART EXHIBITS

Humanities Building Lobby, Metcalfe Building Lobby & Outside  
Weather Permitting, All day

## Darfur Art & Photos

Large photographs on display from the refugee camps in Chad and art by Sudanese artists for sale, from the Darfur Rehabilitation Project, an organization of Darfurians based in New Jersey who work through education, advocacy, direct services, and research to bring an end to the genocide and to promote democracy and human rights in Darfur.

## Eyes Wide Open New York: The Human Cost of War

A pair of boots representing each member of the U.S. Armed Forces from New York State killed in Iraq, along with civilian shoes representing the thousands of Iraqi civilians who have died. Presented by the American Friends Service Committee of the New York metropolitan region. Founded by Quakers in 1917, the AFSC is committed to promoting peace and social justice from the interpersonal to the international level.

## Groundswell Youth Mural

Photos of murals painted on New York City buildings by participants in the Groundswell Community Mural Project. The Project brings together youth, professional artists, grassroots organizations, and communities to create murals in under-represented neighborhoods.

## Honor the Fallen Memorial

About 170 laminated panels, each bearing color photographs and biographical data of 18 American troops killed in Iraq and Afghanistan since the U.S. invasion of those countries. Presented by North Fork People of Conscience, an activist group based in Southold, NY, that is guided by the belief that change is only possible through action. Actively protesting the Iraq war and informing the public about the consequences of war have been its main focus in 2006.

## Katrina Photos

Photos of New Orleans as people struggle to rebuild their homes and their lives in the first year after Hurricane Katrina by Brooklyn photographer and activist Diane Greene Lent.

## Peace Balloon Arch

A balloon peace arch welcomes you to the Fair. Created by Marvina Queenie, concerned Brooklyn citizen and event coordinator, whose company, Designs by Khatoria, does balloon design, floral design, and beaded flowers.

## Wheels of Justice

Come see the brightly painted converted school bus (it runs on bio diesel) used in the Wheels of Justice Tour. Volunteer speakers travel the country to educate Americans on the effects of war and occupation in Iraq and Palestine.

## Youth Peace Contest Artwork

Children in grades 3-12 were invited to create peace-related artwork. All submissions are on display.

# TABLERS

Metcalfe Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

100 Women for Major Owens  
Acts of Art  
Al-Awda: Palestine Right to Return Coalition  
Alternatees, Inc.  
American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee - NY Chapter  
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Art of Living  
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Arthur Magazine  
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International Socialist Organization  
Iraq Veterans Against the War  
Jews Against the Occupation  
Jews for Racial and Economic Justice  
Just Food  
Left Turn Magazine  
MADRE  
Military Families Speak Out  
Mt. Sinai United Congregation Church, Ripple of Hope Project  
National Coalition for Haitian Rights  
New York Independent Media Center  
New York Civil Liberties Union  
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Park Slope Greens  
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Peace Please  
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Raging Grannies and Their Daughters  
Religious Society of Friends- Quakers  
Resource New York  
Satya Magazine  
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Students Extending Arts to Students  
The Critical Voice  
The Military Project  
Time's Up!  
Transport Workers Union Local 100  
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    United for Peace and Justice New York  
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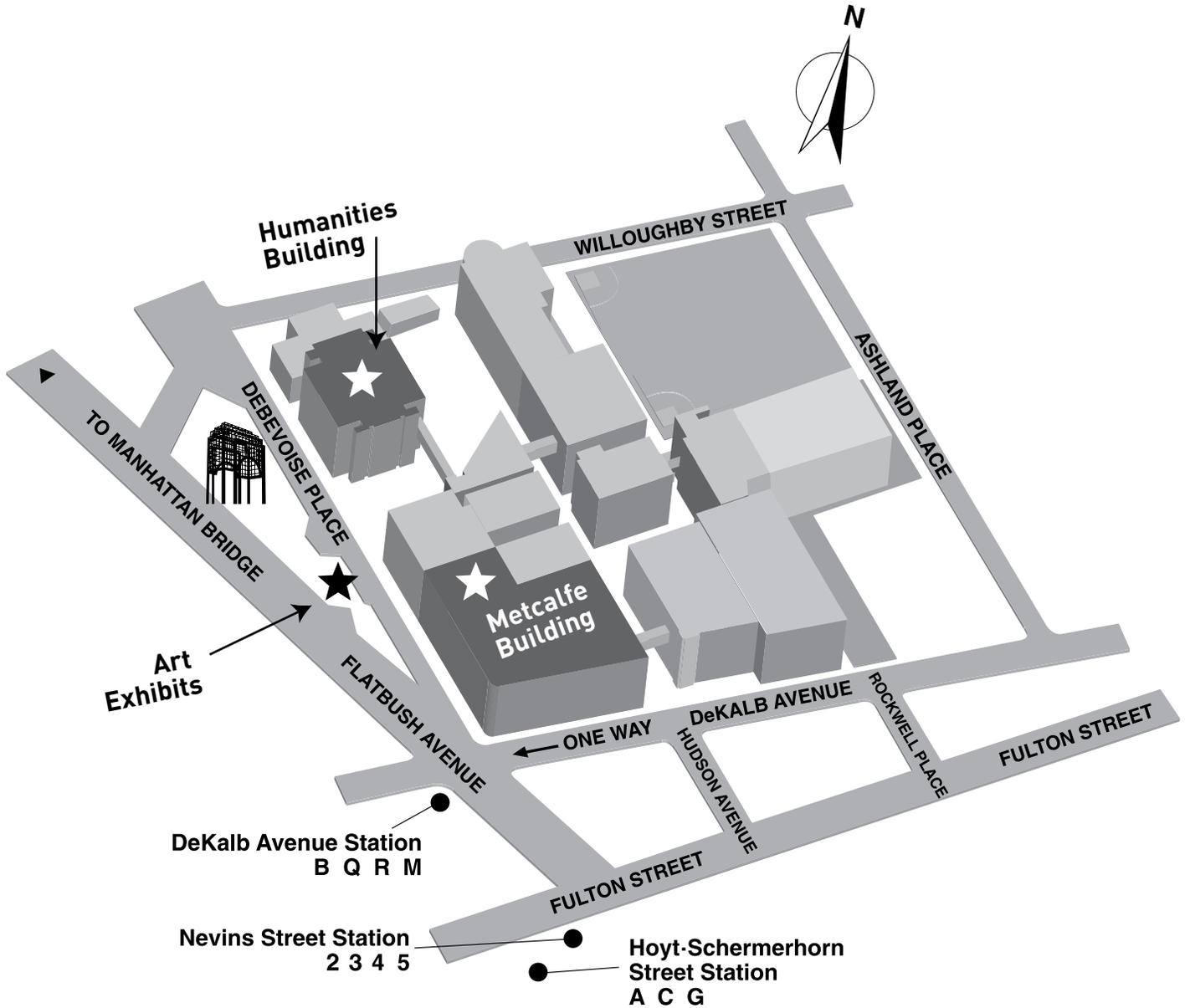
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# LIU Brooklyn Campus Map



# Music/Speaking Out

**1:30 PM**

**Kumble Theater**

**Peaceful  
Resistance  
To War**

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**Sonia Sanchez**

Author,  
Poet & Granny  
Peace Brigade  
Activist

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**Medea  
Benjamin**  
Co-founder,  
Code Pink  
&  
Global  
Exchange

<b>Time</b>	<b>PEACE STAGE • KUMBLE THEATER</b>
11:00	Introductory Remarks, Kim A. Williams Clark, Esq., Director of Institutional Advancement
11:10	Dancing Peace
11:30	Urban Word
11:50	Magnolia
12:10	Jason Trachtenburg
12:35	Anti-Social Music
1:00	Evelyn Harris
1:30	Peaceful Resistance to War: Sonia Sanchez and Medea Benjamin
2:30	Youth Peace Contest Winners
2:40	Talib Kweli (invited)
3:10	Beans
3:35	Jeffrey Lewis
4:00	Mahogany
4:30	Closing Remarks, Roger Toussaint (invited); Peace Parade led by the Samba School of Social Justice

<b>Time</b>	<b>JUSTICE STAGE • AVENA LOUNGE</b>
11:15	Legacy
11:45	Brooklyn Women's Chorus
12:15	Bruce Markow
12:45	Bev Grant & the Dissident Daughters
1:15	Shirazad's Children
1:45	Blisstones
2:15	NYCity Streetsingers
2:45	Neighborhood Watch Comedy Troupe
3:00	Raging Grannies
3:30	Brilho de Luz
4:00	Harmonic Insurgence

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# Workshops and Presentations • HUMANITIES BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR

Location	11:30	12:30	1:30	2:30	3:30
H201	<b>Medical Care:</b> A Right Not a Privilege Physicians for a National Health Program	<b>Community Organizing 101</b> Americans for Informed Democracy	<b>Raising Children in Challenging Times</b> Parents Helping Parents	<b>HIV 101</b> Project Safe/ Project Reach Youth, Inc.	<b>Katrina Recovery: A Teen View</b> Students Extending Arms to Students
H202	<b>Peaceful Palate: Why What You Eat Can Promote Peace</b> Satya Magazine	<b>Youth Gun Violence</b> American Friends Service Committee	<b>Teaching Peace</b> Peace Games	<b>Civilians &amp; War: How You Can Help</b> Emergency Life Support for Civilian War Victims	<b>Film: A New American Century</b> Cousins Productions
H203	<b>Victory Over Violence</b> Felipe Luciano; Bedford Stuyvesant Coalition for Peace	<b>Brooklyn Development: Perspective from Low-Income Families</b> Families United for Racial & Economic Equality		<b>Samba Drumming &amp; Dance for Peace</b> Samba School for Social Justice	<b>Peace Made Easy</b> Brooklyn Non-Violent Communication; New Yorkers for a Department of Peace
H204	<b>Youth Peace Contest: Rap Performance &amp; Awards Ceremony</b> Congressman Major Owens; Sonia Sanchez; M-1 (Dead Prez); Brooklyn Parents for Peace; Long Island University Brooklyn Campus			<b>Iran: Politicians &amp; the Press – Liars or Stupidity?</b> Veterans for Peace; NY Veterans Speak Out	<b>The Spoken Word</b> Urban Word; Arab American Family Support Center
H206	<b>North Korea: Beyond the Demilitarized Zone</b> Nodutdol for Korean Community Developmen	<b>The Storm Over the Israel Lobby</b> Michael Massing, Journalist		<b>Exiting Iraq: Is it Possible?</b> Medea Benjamin, Code Pink; Carolyn (Rusti) Eisenberg, Brooklyn Parents for Peace	<b>Counter Recruitment</b> Brooklyn Parents for Peace
H210	<b>Iran: The Next War?</b> Jed Abrahamian, CUNY	<b>Genocide in Darfur</b> Darfur People Association of NY; Darfur Rehabilitation Project; Brooklyn Parents for Peace		<b>Eyewitness Reports from Israel/Palestine</b> Jews Against the Occupation; The Tel Rumeida Project; Wheels of Justice	<b>Oaxaca, Mexico: A Lesson in Peaceful Resistance</b> UFTers to Stop the War
H2LG (LOUNGE)	<b>Socially Responsible Investing: A Tool for Change</b> Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility	<b>War on Terror</b> American Friends Service Committee NJ		<b>Prisons &amp; Justice</b> Anthony Papa, Drug Policy Alliance; Osborne Association; New Yorkers Against the Death Penalty; Campaign Against the Death Penalty	<b>Afghan Women: More than Shadows &amp; Veils</b> Mirriam Seddiq, Esq.

Please refer to the workshop descriptions for more details.

Location	Activities
<b>METCALFE BUILDING</b> 1st floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information Tables</li> <li>• Activities</li> <li>• Cafeteria</li> <li>• Art Exhibit</li> </ul>
<b>METCALFE BUILDING</b> Avena Lounge, Lower level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Justice Stage (Café style seating; food permitted)</li> </ul>
<b>HUMANITIES BUILDING</b> Lobby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brooklyn Parents for Peace Information</li> <li>• Presenter &amp; Press Registration</li> <li>• Art Exhibit</li> </ul>
<b>HUMANITIES BUILDING</b> Kumble Theater, 1st floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peace Stage</li> </ul>
<b>HUMANITIES BUILDING</b> 2nd floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Workshops</li> <li>• Childcare</li> </ul>
<b>OUTSIDE</b> Flatbush Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art Exhibit</li> </ul>

<b>ALL DAY ACTIVITIES</b>
<p data-bbox="245 1360 686 1402"><b>Make Art / Make Peace</b></p> <p data-bbox="264 1434 667 1465"><i>Metcalfe Building, 1st Floor Gym</i></p> <p data-bbox="225 1514 704 1545"><b>Card Making for Afghani Children</b></p> <p data-bbox="370 1570 560 1602"><b>Face Painting</b></p> <p data-bbox="302 1619 628 1650"><b>Halloween Bag Making</b></p> <p data-bbox="354 1671 574 1703"><b>Journalism 101</b></p> <p data-bbox="245 1724 683 1755"><b>Musical instruments for Peace</b></p> <p data-bbox="412 1772 516 1803"><b>Parade</b></p> <p data-bbox="358 1824 570 1856"><b>Peace Offering</b></p> <p data-bbox="334 1877 594 1908"><b>Spin Art for Peace</b></p>

<b>ALL DAY ART EXHIBITS</b>
<p data-bbox="932 1375 1419 1451"><i>Humanities Building Lobby, Metcalfe Building Lobby and outside</i></p> <p data-bbox="1062 1499 1287 1530"><b>Art from Sudan</b></p> <p data-bbox="1062 1551 1295 1583"><b>Eyes Wide Open</b></p> <p data-bbox="980 1604 1370 1635"><b>Honor the Fallen Memorial</b></p> <p data-bbox="1065 1656 1284 1688"><b>Katrina Photos</b></p> <p data-bbox="1040 1709 1321 1740"><b>Peace Balloon Arch</b></p> <p data-bbox="1045 1761 1304 1793"><b>Wheels of Justice</b></p> <p data-bbox="1005 1814 1354 1845"><b>Youth Peace Contest Art</b></p>



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Responsibility does not only lie with the leaders of our countries or with those who have been appointed or elected to do a particular job. It lies with each of us individually. Peace, for example, starts within each of us. When we have inner peace, we can be at peace with those around us.

— His Holiness the Dalai Lama

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## Fifth Annual Peace Fair Spring 2008

We've decided to make the Peace Fair an indoor-outdoor Spring event.

**Stay tuned for details.**

## How You Can Participate

Our members have many obligations to family, friends, schools and jobs. We encourage people to participate to whatever extent they are able. You can become a member, attend an educational forum, join a working committee, write letters, make phone calls, staff information tables, or join the Board of Directors. Not all our members have their own children; we are united by our concern for future generations.

**Become a member of BPPF today.**

**Join at the sustaining level today and get a free t-shirt.**



## SURVEY

Please let us know what you think of today's Fair and share your ideas for how to make it even better next time.

Surveys available at the BFPF Information Tables.

## New Name for BFPF

Since we have grown to include more than just parents, we are looking for a more inclusive and welcoming name. Submit suggestions at the BFPF Information Tables.

## FREE RAFFLE

The easiest prize you have ever won!

Submit your sign-in card at the Brooklyn Parents for Peace desk in the Humanities and/or Metcalfe Building lobbies and you will be entered into the Peace Fair raffle.

Prizes include theater tickets, t-shirts, Peace Fair bags and more! Winners announced at the closing session.

You do not need to be present to win.



**Brooklyn Parents for Peace** is committed to helping build a world free of war and the social injustices that are its causes. We seek to educate our community and ourselves on international and domestic issues so that we can be effective in securing a peaceful future.

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