



THE LAST ATOMIC BOMB

Post-Event Special Nagasaki Day Screening
(Producers Robert Richter and Kathleen Sullivan at screening)

DATE & TIME: 8:00PM Thursday August 9th 2007

PLACE: UN Church Center 2F (44th St and 1st Ave)
777 United Nations Plaza New York NY 10017

ADMISSIONS: FREE

THE LAST ATOMIC BOMB documents what happened in Nagasaki, with primary focus on a survivor and young people carrying on her legacy. Interweaving current interviews and rarely seen archival footage, the 90-minute production also includes still controversial topics, such as the decision to use nuclear weapons, the Press Code that barred any media reports within Japan about the bomb or its effects, the Cold War build-up of nuclear weapons, and today's continuing crisis of nuclear proliferation.

"Deeply affecting... An emotional sledge hammer but not a diatribe; its images speak for themselves."

(The New York Times)

*"Impossible not to be moved" [**** four stars]*

(Time Out New York)

"Shedding light on the dark corners of history... fascinating... alarming...compelling...the simple, earnest truth."

(The Villager)

"The Last Atomic Bomb is an affecting portrait of the human costs of war that pairs triumphal archival footage from U.S. news reels with recollections of atomic survivors as they revisit their childhood calamity and reach out to the next generation begging, imploring, demanding a total commitment to nuclear abolition."

(Frida Berrigan, Arms Trade Resource Center, New York)

Peace Boat 3rd Annual People Building Peace CONCERT

A Celebration of Initiatives for a Nuclear-Free World
in Remembrance of Nagasaki Day

Thursday, August 9, 2007

4:00pm – 7:30pm @ Dag Hammarskjold Plaza



Organized by Peace Boat US and the
International Institute on Peace Education

Event Program

- 4:00 Introduction and Welcome
- 4:05 Welcoming Remarks by Cora Weiss
(President, Hague Appeal for Peace)
- 4:10 *Performance by The Blue Vipers*
- 4:35 Remarks by Alice Slater
(New York Director, Nuclear Age Peace Foundation)
- 4:40 *Peace Boat Performance 1*
- 4:50 Remarks by Peter Weiss
(Vice-President, IALANA)
- 4:55 *Performance by Bhangra Dancers*
- 5:05 Remarks by Ambassador Takahiro Shinyo
(Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN)
- 5:10 Joint Youth Statement from Japan, Germany,
Austria and the UK
(Global University students & Bang!)
- 5:20 *Performance by Yuca Seca Band, Latin Rhythms*
- 5:45 Remarks by Michimasa Hirata
(Hiroshima A-bomb Survivor & Peace Activist)
- 5:55 Letters from the Mayors of Nagasaki and Hiroshima
- 6:00 *Peace Boat Performance 2*
- 6:10 Remarks by Betty Reardon
(Founder, International Institute on Peace Education)
- 6:15 *Performance by Pete Seeger & Walkabout Clearwater
Chorus*
- 6:45 Remarks by Rhianna Tyson
(Global Security Institute)
- 6:50 *Performance by ASIKO Band, Nigerian Afrobeats*
- 7:25 Remarks by Felicity Hill
(Women's International League for Peace & Freedom)
- 8:00 **"THE LAST ATOMIC BOMB"**
Post-Event Special Nagasaki Day Screening
followed by a Q&A with the Producers of the film
- VENUE: Church Center Building 2F, 777 UN Plaza
(E44th St on the corner of 1st Ave)

United for Peace and Justice:

NYC- UFPJ is a local coalition affiliated with United for Peace and Justice. One of our current projects is to help set up neighborhood peace groups by providing trainings and resources. Join with us to bring the 70% who oppose this war out into the streets of NYC on Oct. 27 for a massive regional action to END the WAR on IRAQ!

www.unitedforpeace.org/nyc

CODEPINK:

CODEPINK is a women-initiated grassroots peace and social justice movement working to end the war in Iraq, stop new wars, and redirect our resources into healthcare, education and other life-affirming activities. With an emphasis on joy and humor, CODEPINK women and men seek to activate, amplify and inspire a community of peacemakers through creative campaigns and a commitment to non-violence.

<http://www.codepink4peace.org/>

Atomic Mirror:

In the 40th birthday year of the world's first Nuclear Weapons Free Zone, established on Valentines Day in 1967, Atomic Mirror invites you to join the campaign "Valentines to Tlatelolco: The Nuclear Weapons Free Zone Path to a Nuclear Free World" and send your own Valentine Thank You message to the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean. www.atomicmirror.org

Walkabout Clearwater Chorus:

The Walkabout Clearwater Chorus was founded by Pete Seeger in 1984 as a musical arm of the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, which carries groups of school children and adults in its environmental education Classroom of the Waves. The chorus brings Clearwater's message inland with a repertoire of traditional and brand new activist songs. www.walkaboutclearwater.org

Art Refuge:

Art Refuge is an organization that brings Art projects to children in Sri Lanka, a country torn by civil war and tsunami devastation. Peace Boat and Art Refuge are continuously raising money for the Sri Yasodera orphanage in Sri Lanka. The children's paintings are for available as a direct donation to the orphanage. www.artrefuge.org

The Global Security Institute:

The Global Security Institute is dedicated to strengthening international cooperation and security based on the rule of law with a particular focus on nuclear arms control, non-proliferation and disarmament. GSI was founded by Senator Alan Cranston whose insight that nuclear weapons are impractical, unacceptably risky, and unworthy of civilization continues to inspire GSI's efforts to contribute to a safer world. The Global Security Institute works through four results oriented programs: the Middle Powers Initiative, the Bipartisan Security Group, the Parliamentary Network for Nuclear Disarmament and the Disarmament and Peace Education program. www.gsinstitute.org

The World Federation of United Nations Association: (WFUNA):

The World Federation of United Nations Associations, the people's movement for the United Nations, is proud to announce the launch of its new disarmament website: www.disarmament-forum.org. This interactive site is designed with young people in mind. It provides basic information about disarmament issues, a news/articles section for the posting of articles and news stories, as well as a forum dedicated to disarmament and non-proliferation. (www.wfuna.org)

NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security:

About the NGOWG: The NGO Working Group on Women, Peace and Security (NGO Working Group) was formed in May 2000 to advocate for a UN Security Council Resolution (SCR) on women, peace and security. This was achieved collaboratively with the unanimous adoption of SCR 1325 on 31 October 2000. The NGO Working Group advocates for and monitors the participation of women, prevention of conflict and protection of all civilians, to ensure full and rapid implementation of SCR 1325's promises. (<http://womenpeacesecurity.org/>)

Peace Action New York State:

Peace Action of New York State (PANYS) is the New York State affiliate of Peace Action, which, with the Peace Action Education Fund, is the largest grassroots peace organization in the country. We have a dozen chapters in New York and more are forming. Peace Action is dedicated to promoting the non-violent resolution of conflict, the abolition of nuclear weapons, halting the global spread of conventional arms, and advancing new federal budget priorities that support human needs instead of militarism. We pursue these goals through the production and dissemination of educational materials for the public, activists and policy makers, and through community organizing initiatives and Congressional education. (www.panys.org)

The Ribbon International:

The Ribbon International promotes peace, disarmament and care and protection of the earth through the Ribbon project. Ribbons are panels of cloth used in exhibits and/or events (measuring 36 inches by 18 inches with a tie on each corner for joining together in events) in which people have sewn, embroidered or painted on their expressions for a peaceful world. Anyone can use the Ribbon project, crossing cultural and religious barriers the Ribbon project helps people from around the world find common ground. (www.theribboninternational.org)

Femmes Africa Solidarite (FAS):

Femmes Africa Solidarité (FAS) is a women's non-governmental organization (NGO) working to engender the peace process in Africa. Since its inception in 1996, FAS works to foster, strengthen and promote the leading role of women in the prevention, management and resolution of conflicts on the African continent. FAS works by advocating for increased attention to the concerns of African women on issues of peace and security at the national, regional, and international levels. (<http://www.fasngo.org/>)



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR OF NAGASAKI

On behalf of the citizens of Nagasaki, it is my great pleasure to have this opportunity to send a message on the occasion of this Peace Event held at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, which is organized by the participants of the Peace Boat.

On August 9, 1945, the city of Nagasaki was instantly transformed into ruins by a single atomic bomb, killing 74,000 and injuring 75,000. Those who narrowly survived were afflicted with deep physical and mental wounds that could never be healed. It has been 62 years since the atomic bombing, many people are still suffering from radiation-related disorders and anxiety that accompanies them.

In today's world we see that no attempts at nuclear disarmament being made by the nuclear-armed nations, and conversely even more countries are becoming nuclear powers. We cannot help feeling a strong sense of crisis that the world is again moving towards nuclear proliferation and a nuclear arms race. We have continuously appealed to the world for the elimination of nuclear weapons which bring about such inhumane and atrocious results, in the hope that Nagasaki will be the last place on earth to be subjected to an atomic bombing.

In order to achieve the elimination of the nuclear weapons, it is very important for us to understand the preciousness of peace and to share that feeling with as many people as possible, transcending generations and borders. I sincerely hope that this Peace Event will serve to help make many more people aware of the earnest desire for a safe and peaceful world free of nuclear weapons embraced by the citizens of Nagasaki.

Lastly, I send my best wishes for the great success of the event and for the good health and happiness of all the people gathered here today.

August 9, 2007

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Tomihisa Taue
Mayor of Nagasaki

At the Peace Memorial Ceremonies held every year by the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the mayors issue a Peace Declaration directed toward the world at large. The mayors have expressed their commitment to continue the issuance of these peace declarations calling for the elimination of nuclear weapons "as long as the need persists."

To read this year's Peace Declaration, visit:

Nagasaki Peace Declaration: http://www1.city.nagasaki.nagasaki.jp/index_e.html

Hiroshima Peace Declaration: <http://www.city.hiroshima.jp/shimin/heiwa/declaration.html>

Peace Boat / Peace Boat US:

Peace Boat, founded in 1983, is a Japan-based international non-government and non-profit organization that works to promote peace, human rights, equal and sustainable development and respect for the environment. Peace Boat's mission is to raise responsible global citizens committed to action for positive social change. We pursue this mainly through the organization of global educational voyages, which uniquely combine onboard study with in port experiential learning. Peace Boat US, which functions as the New York office of Peace Boat, is a 501(c)3 organization founded in 2006 with the purpose of extending the Peace Boat experience to English-speaking individuals by developing English programs and a framework for English-speaking participants to join the Peace Boat voyages. (www.peaceboat.org/english / www.peaceboat-us.org)

International Institute on Peace Education (IIPE):

The International Institute on Peace Education (IIPE) is a multicultural and cooperative learning experience in peace education that brings together formal and non-formal educators from around the world to learn with and from each other in short-term learning communities that model principles of critical, participatory, peace pedagogy. The IIPE seeks to aid the development of the field of peace education in theory, practice and advocacy and to build strategic international institutional alliances among NGOs, universities and agencies involved in peace education. The International Peace Bureau, in nominating IIPE for the 2005 UNESCO Peace Education Prize described it as "probably the most effective agent for the introduction of peace education to more educators than any other single non-governmental agency." (www.tc.edu/PeaceEd/IIPE / www.c-i-p-e.org/forum)

Hague Appeal for Peace:

Hague Appeal for Peace brought 10,000 people together in May 1999 in the Hague and issued the Hague Agenda for Peace and Justice for the 21st Century, a 50 point plan to get from a culture of violence to a culture of peace. It promotes peace education and lesson books can be found on the website. (www.haguepeace.org)

Abolition 2000:

Abolition 2000, New York Metro, is part of a global network in over 95 countries working for a treaty to eliminate nuclear weapons. This year its working groups are campaigning to establish an International Sustainable Energy Agency, to prevent the US-India nuclear power sharing deal, and to gain support for its Model Nuclear Weapons Convention. (www.abolition2000.org)

International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms (IALANA) The Lawyer's Committee on Nuclear Policy:

"The Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy (LCNP) is the US affiliate of IALANA, the International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms. LCNP is dedicated to the total elimination of nuclear weapons worldwide, not "ultimately", but now. Its program consists of advocacy, information and analysis, with emphasis on the legal aspects. " (<http://www.lcnp.org>)

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation:

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation initiates and supports worldwide efforts to abolish nuclear weapons, to strengthen international law and institutions, and to inspire and empower a new generation of peace leaders, working to build an enduring legacy of peace through education and advocacy. (www.wagingpeace.org)

Reaching Critical Will of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom:

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom created the Reaching Critical Will project in 1999, in order to increase the quality and quantity of civil society at international disarmament fora. We believe that nuclear disarmament will require coordinated and sustained effort on the part of governments, non-governmental organizations, and the United Nations. For non-governmental organizations and concerned individuals to act, they need information, primary documents, and analysis. Reaching Critical Will collects, packages, and often translates disarmament related information into terms ordinary people can understand. (www.reachingcriticalwill.org / www.wilpf.ch)

Global Action to Prevent War:

Global Action to Prevent War is a transnational network of organizations dedicated to ending armed violence and severe human rights violations through policy analysis and collaborative action. Global Action grounds the goal of peace and human security in a phased, integrated 3-4 decade program of steps in the areas of conflict prevention, nuclear and conventional disarmament, and building a culture of peace. This program and its timetable demonstrate concretely how we can move from a global system based on conflict and power relations to one based on international law and multilateral institutions. (www.globalactionpw.org)

NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security:

For more than thirty years, the NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security's distinguished efforts as a conference organizer, network clearinghouse, newspaper publisher and year-round UN liaison, have established the NGO Committee to be the primary ally of the international movement for arms control, peace and disarmament. Visit our website at <http://disarm.igc.org>, read "Disarmament Times", and write to us at 777 United Nations Plaza #3B, New York, NY 10017 for more information.

Mayors for Peace:

Mayors for Peace was established on June 24th 1982, at the 2nd UN Special Session on Disarmament held at UN Headquarters in New York, then Mayor Takeshi Araki of Hiroshima proposed a new Program to Promote the Solidarity of Cities toward the Total Abolition of Nuclear Weapons. This proposal offered cities a way to transcend national borders and work together to press for nuclear abolition. Subsequently, the Mayors for Hiroshima and Nagasaki called upon all Mayors around the world to support this program. Mayors for Peace is promoting our 2020 Vision Campaign to Ban Nuclear Weapons by the year 2020 globally, which will be the 75th anniversary the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. (www.mayorsforpeace.org / www.2020visioncampaign.org)