

We are delighted that peace and justice activist Kathy Kelly will be the Keynote Speaker at WWFOR's 2024 Spring Assembly on May 18. See [event webpage](#).



Registration is now open at <https://wwfor2024sa.brownpapertickets.com/>

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. Note: there is so much going on, you may be seeing only part of this message. Check for a “view entire message” link at the bottom.

We are highlighting our upcoming [Spring Assembly. May 18 by Zoom](#) and have just opened [online registration](#).

The devastating GAZA WAR CONTINUES

ACTION: Go to Global Exchange's site <https://globalexchange.salsalabs.org/NoMoreWeaponstoFuelIsraelisSlaughterinGaza/> to send a letter to the President, your 2 Senators, and your House Rep. Use their wording calling for an END TO WEAPONS SALES to Israel, or revise it, or write your own.

ACTION: Go to Jewish Voice for Peace's site <https://www.jewishvoiceforpeace.org/resource/tell-congress-end-us-military-funding-to-israel/> for an easy way to phone your Congress members and tell them STOP FUNDING THE ISRAELI MILITARY. You just enter your info on a short form and then JVP will phone you and

connect you to the Congress people's lines. They will provide a suggested script, or use your own words.

INFO: WHO SAYS THE PEOPLE IN GAZA ARE STARVING? A post by a UW Professor whom I will not name said “There is no truth to the mass starvation claims ...” Well, that’s not what is reported by Doctors Without Borders, Amnesty International, Oxfam, AmeriCares, World Central Kitchen, UNICEF, UNRWA, World Health Organization, World Food Programme, and many other organizations and agencies.

See [April 11](#) and [April 13](#) events that will benefit Palestinian Children. Donations can help, but there is no way to deliver the food that is needed until the bombing stops, until the borders are opened to aid shipments.

ACTION: PROTECT THE RIGHT TO VOTE by signing the petition at <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-now-stop-voter-suppressive-id-laws> sponsored by RISE and about 20 other justice organizations.

Our [organizational information](#) such as how to contact us is at the end.

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

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- [Meaningful Movies, in person and online](#)
- [Parallax Perspective Programs, online or Thurston TV](#)

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PEACEFUL PROTEST IF RAFAH IS ATTACKED

Day After any attack is launched, 5 pm, Heritage Park, Olympia

A Rally and March to protest an invasion of Rafah

PASS (Palestine Action of South Sound) invites everyone to show up to march, rally, and protest if Israel begins an invasion of Rafah, where hundreds of thousands of Palestinians in Gaza have fled to with nowhere else to go.

This is intended to be a peaceful, nonviolent, family-friendly event.

Info Palestine Action of South Sound

<https://palestineactionsouthsound.ghost.io/>

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DAILY VIGILS PROTEST CONDITIONS AT IMMIGRANT PRISON

Ongoing, daily vigils weekdays 6 pm, weekends 1 pm, at Northwest Detention Center, 1623 East J Street, Tacoma 98421

Protest ICE's human rights abuses. Although the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Torture and many human rights groups consider solitary confinement for longer than 15 days (or even shorter for certain vulnerable people) to be torture, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and its subcontractors hold immigrant prisoners in solitary for years.

At the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC), the death of Charles Leo Daniel in years-long solitary confinement has ignited a call to action. La Resistencia leader Maru Mora Villalpando and Tsuru for Solidarity Founder Michael Ishii, alongside 3 Tsuru for Solidarity members, are

engaging in a fast to support the 300+ individuals on hunger strike inside the facility, protesting the inhumane conditions. T

You can also help amplify efforts on the ground by taking the suggested actions at La Resistencia and Tsuru for Solidarity's joint digital action toolkit at

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ESXGDb94wwOROpLNTUrsTfKasvcaEuAH3CKGbORHPH8>

INFORMATION about NWDC from University of Washington's Center for Human Rights at

<https://jsis.washington.edu/humanrights/projects/human-rights-at-home/conditions-at-the-northwest-detention-center/> . INFORMATION about solitary confinement in ICE Prisons by Physicians for Human Rights at <https://phr.org/our-work/resources/endless-nightmare-solitary-confinement-in-us-immigration-detention/>

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CEASEFIRE NOW GRASSROOTS ADVOCACY DAYS

April 9 – 19, Washington DC & online

Congress is hearing from the pro-peace, pro-ceasefire majority and is still dragging its feet – even as the war continues to claim tens of thousands of Palestinian lives, life-saving aid is impeded, innocent people die from starvation and the International Court of Justice has warned that urgent and immediate actions must be taken to protect Palestinians from genocide. This is unacceptable – we must stand up for peace and justice.

We have to make Congress act! Please join Peace Action and many other groups for meetings on Capitol Hill, or online, to educate Members of Congress and their staff and to advocate for pathways to peace and justice.

Info <https://www.peaceaction.org/2024/03/20/grassroots-advocacy-days-spring-2024/>

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BANNER ACTION FOR PALESTINE

Weds April 10, and subsequent Wednesdays, 4:30-6 pm, 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

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Note that other banner dates and locations are planned; for the latest info, see <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-K4WZXXl31PK7c44oGOmb6dF6OgD2hX pls-wu oWLI/edit>

Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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CANCEL RIMPAC WAR EXERCISES CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

Weds April 10, 5-6:30 Pacific time, Zoom

The Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercises are the largest joint war exercises in the world, conducted biannually in Hawai'i. The US uses RIMPAC to strengthen the abilities of 26 of its allies' militaries to wage wars of aggression around the world, as threats of war between major military powers continue to rise. Through weapons testing and war-making, defense contractors and fossil fuel corporations reap hundreds of millions of dollars in profits. The US military occupation of Hawai'i is a violation of native Hawaiian sovereignty and turns Hawai'i into a place where "future wars are in development." RIMPAC leads to environmental destruction, violence against women, and a gross neglect of the day to day needs of people all over the world by advancing US-led wars.

Join the International Women's Alliance, BAYAN, and Resist US-Led War Movement for a campaign unity call as we launch our international campaign to converge in San Diego, where many of the Naval ships in RIMPAC launch from, against the 2024 RIMPAC exercises.

Registration

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZErceisrTwjHtO4eNKGdP-dv-BX8Kg915Gq>

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AIPAC IS TOXIC FORUM

Weds April 10, 4-6 pm Pacific time, Zoom

AIPAC (the American Israel Public Affairs Committee) has committed tens of millions of dollars to demolishing progressive candidates. Former Ohio State Senator Nina Turner, lost a very winnable election when AIPAC spent \$millions so they could silence another working class champion who speaks truth to power.

Come hear Nina tell that story at our AIPAC Is Toxic Forum. She'll join Linda Sarsour (Palestinian-American political activist) and Beth Miller (Political Director, Jewish Voice for Peace Action) to discuss how AIPAC works against our democracy and what we can do to prevent it from succeeding.

We'll also hear from special guests Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (subject to availability) and Rep. Jamaal Bowman about how AIPAC has impacted them personally.

Note: Fellowship of Reconciliation is a 501c3, and we cannot support or oppose candidates for office. However, we can work against a system in which money corrupts democracy, and we can support our values of peace and justice.

Co-Sponsored by: Jewish Voice for Peace Action, Jews for Racial & Economic Justice, Muslims For Progress, National Iranian American Council, NY Working Families Party, Peace Action New York State, and others.

Registration <https://actionnetwork.org/events/anti-aipac-forum-fighting-back/>

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FILM, PRESENTATION AND FOOD TO BENEFIT GAZAN CHILDREN

Thurs April 11, Doors open 6 pm, film 7 p.m. at Capitol Theater, 206 5th Ave SE, Olympia

The Olympia Film Society, in conjunction with the Rachel Corrie Foundation for Peace and Justice, will screen the documentary film "Foragers" by Palestinian artist & filmmaker, Jumana Manna

The film event will mark and celebrate the 45th birthday of local activist Rachel Corrie, killed by the Israeli military in 2003 as she stood to prevent the demolition of a Palestinian family's home in Gaza. Rachel's mother, Cindy Corrie, will introduce the documentary.

With "wry humor and a meditative pace," the film depicts the dramas around the Palestinian custom of foraging for wild edible plants, and the impact of Israeli nature protection laws on these customs. The film's director, Jumana Manna, is a Palestinian visual artist and filmmaker whose "work explores how power is articulated, focusing on the body, land and materiality in relation to colonial inheritances and histories of place."

The 64-minute documentary will be followed by a post-film presentation and Q&A with Savvina Chowdhury, Political Economy and Environmental Justice Professor at The Evergreen State College, and by Peter Bohmer, representing the recently formed Palestine Action of South Sound (PASS).

Proceeds from the film screening will benefit Palestinian children in Gaza. Olympita, the Palestinian owned food truck, will have a pop up, serving Za'atar pie and other delicious food!

\$13 General Admission & \$10 for OFS members. Tickets are available online now at <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?actions=19&p=5> or go to <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?ticketing=ofs> to select date, and at the box office 60 minutes before showtime.

All Proceeds Benefit Palestinian Children in Gaza.

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WASHINGTON AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS MONTHLY MEETING

Thurs April 11, 6 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Washington Against Nuclear Weapons (WANW) is a statewide coalition that aims to reduce and eliminate all components of the 2 trillion dollar rebuild of the US nuclear weapons arsenal. Our ultimate goal is to prevent nuclear war and abolish nuclear weapons worldwide.

David Vine, Professor of Anthropology and American University and Author of Base Nation: How American Military Bases Abroad Harm America and the World will speak at this WANW meeting.

Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation and several of our chapters are members of WANW.

Registration

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlceyrqjooGNNPzPxUmDewUJiXWPGBjH88>

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GLOBAL DAYS OF ACTION ON MILITARY SPENDING

April 12 – May 15, everywhere War is costing us the Earth.

As we anticipate yet another increase in global military expenditure, our efforts during the Global Days of Action on Military Spending will be more critical than ever. The 2024 GDAMS include:

- April 15: Tax Day in the USA
- April 22: SIPRI's release of new data on military spending (figures for 2023) + Earth Day
- May 9: Europe's Day of Peace
- May 14 and 15: C7 Summit, organised by Civil Society to confront the G7.

Info https://demilitarize.org/media_news/save-the-dates-for-gdams-2024-april-12-to-may-15/

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INTERNATIONAL URANIUM FILM FESTIVAL

Fri-Sun April 12-14, at Northwest Film Forum, 1515 12th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122, (206) 329-2629, <https://nwfilmforum.org>

For 13 years, the International Uranium Film Festival (IUFF) has presented cutting edge films on nuclear issues around the world, including Brazil, Germany, India, Canada and United States. Founded in 2010 by the Brazilian social scientist Márcia Gomes de Oliveira and the German environmental journalist Norbert G. Suchanek, the International Uranium Film Festival (IUFF) is dedicated to all nuclear topics and the entire nuclear fuel chain, from uranium mining to nuclear waste, from nuclear war to nuclear accidents.

Friday, April 12

7pm | Opening remarks

7:15pm | IUFF trailer

7:30pm | The Atomic Cafe (Kevin Rafferty, Jayne Loader & Pierce Rafferty, US, 1982, 88 min, in English)

Saturday, April 13

4pm | Introduction

4:15pm | Tribute to Klee Benally

4:45pm | Transmutations: Visualizing Matter | Materializing Vision (Jesse Andrewartha, 2022, 69 min, in English)

6:15pm | Hanford Challenge panel

6:35pm | Richland (Irene Lusztig, US, 2023, 93 min, in English)

8:05pm | Q&A

Sunday, April 14

3pm | Introduction

3:15pm | How Far from Ground Zero (Brian Cowden, US, 2022, 30 min, in English)

3:35pm | Atomic Bamboozle: The False Promise of a Nuclear Renaissance (Jan Haaken, US, 2023, 60 min, in English)

4:50pm | The Nuns, the Priests, and the Bombs (Helen Young, US, 2018, 87 min, in English)

6:50pm | Making Waves: The Rebirth of the Golden Rule (James A. Knight, US, 2018, 25 min, in English)

7:15pm | Burial (Emilija Škarnulytė, Lithuania & Norway, 2022, 60 min, in English & Lithuanian with English subtitles)

8:15pm | Q&A

Sponsor: Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility

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

Full Seattle schedule https://uraniumfilmfestival.org/files/1_-_2024_iuff_seattle_program_final.pdf

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STANDING TOGETHER JEWISH AND PALESTINIAN CITIZENS OF ISRAEL

Sat April 13, 2:30 pm, at Columbia branch Library, 4721 Rainier Avenue South, Seattle

Please join Seattle Anti-War Coalition to hear from Uri Weltmann, a National Field Organizer for Standing Together--a progressive grassroots movement of Jewish and Palestinian citizens of Israel against the occupation and for equality, peace, and social and climate justice.

Currently, leaders of Standing Together are in the US & Canada as part of a speaking tour, in which they engage with crowds in various cities, sharing their experience and insights from the struggle towards ending the war and achieving Israeli-Palestinian peace, and how they are doing so through bringing Jews and Palestinians together, from within Israeli society, around shared mutual interests.

You can hear two National Co-Directors of Standing Together interviewed by Reverend Al Sharpton, in his MSNBC program:
<https://twitter.com/AlonLeeGreen/status/1771969224354783261>

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FUNDRAISER FOR THE PALESTINIAN CHILDREN'S RELIEF FUND.

Sat April 13, 4 pm, at Presence Studio, 1412 Cornwall Ave, Bellingham, WA 98225

Join Us for an Afternoon of Arts and Fundraising for the Palestinian Children's Relief Fund.

Whatcom Peace and Justice Center (WPJC) is proud to host an event inspired by the renowned poem “On this Land” by Mahmoud Darwish, featuring captivating live Palestinian music and poetry, Dabke dancing, soul-stirring drumming by Sikh Ragis, enchanting performances by Rena Priest and more.

In a unique convergence between the global day of action on military spending, Tax Day, and Earth Day, this benefit will invite reflection and solidarity with Palestine through diasporic art. Darwish’s poignant words echo themes of resilience and resistance, emphasizing “the tyrant’s fear of songs” and our theme “That which makes life worth living”. Drawing from this inspiration and other forms of art, WPJC aims to cultivate a space of community care and accountability, fostering the solidarity needed to sustain impactful work.

Attendees can also learn about upcoming grassroots action opportunities and participate in an art and baked goods auction, with proceeds going towards the Palestinian Children's Relief Fund.

Sliding scale donations will be encouraged both online and at the door, no one will be turned away due to financial constraints. Attendees are encouraged to bring masks, indoor dance shoes or socks, and a keffiyeh or head covering for a special performance by our Sikh friends. For those unable to bring their own, masks and head coverings will be provided.

Please note that the venue requires the ability to walk up two sets of stairs. To ensure inclusivity, we will be livestreaming the performances on the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center's Instagram account (@whatcompjc). For accessibility requests, please contact office@whatcompjc.org.

For and to RSVP with a sliding scale donation, visit <https://www.whatcompjc.org/benefit.html>

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BANNER ACTION FOR PALESTINE

Sun April 14, and subsequent Sundays, 4-5 pm, at Railroad Trail pedestrian overpass, 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

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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

Volunteers needed to help pickup and setup banners, if available contact [mjacobson57@yahoo.com](mailto:mjacobsen57@yahoo.com)

Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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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/Laul3naAS0OQvC4fCXE26Q2> 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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COORDINATED ECONOMIC BLOCKADE TO FREE PALESTINE

Mon April 15, global actions including New York & New Jersey;
Minneapolis & St Paul; Chicago, IL; Philadelphia, PA; Houston, TX;
Phoenix, AZ; San Antonio, TX; San Diego, CA; Seattle, WA; Detroit,
MI; Indianapolis, IN; Long Beach, CA; Sacramento, CA; Oakland, CA;
Orange County, CA; Miami, FL; Eugene, OR; Tallahassee, FL;
Providence, RI; Taipei, Taiwan; London, United Kingdom; Catalonia,
Spain; Athens, Greece; Montreal, Canada; Melbourne, Australia

A coordinated multi-city economic blockade to block the arteries of
capitalism and jam the wheels of production that facilitate colonialism
& genocide.

As of 3/31/24, very little detail is at the website. Info
<https://www.a15action.com/> or A15EconomicBlockade@proton.me

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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.

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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>

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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

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THE ATOMIC AGE CINEMA FEST IN OLYMPIA

Mon April 15, 5:30 - 8:30 pm, Pacific time, at Purce 1, Red Square, Evergreen State College, Lewis Road Dogtooth Ln, Olympia, WA 98505

Two films of the International Uranium Film Festival, Atomic Cover-Up (Hiroshima & Nagasaki classified footage (1945/2020) and Sea Gypsies: The Plutonium Dome of Marshall Islands will be shown with speakers and Q&A to follow

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Sign Up at <https://secure.everyaction.com/GidcGoCU9UKo9bylvSojdg2>

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VANCOUVER WA TAX DAY RALLY

Mon April 15, 5:30 – 7 pm, meet at Home Depot parking lot, 8601 NE Andresen Rd, Vancouver, WA 98665

Rally with signs to demand that our federal taxes are spent on our needs and not on nuclear weapons. Call to action that people contact their representatives to oppose the National Defense Authorization Act and other absurd nuclear weapons and military programs. We will walk over to rally at the major intersection at Padden Parkway and Andresen.

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Sign up at <https://secure.everyaction.com/arOdSKMrZkyf5QPDCxLSkA2>

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TAX DAY RALLY

Mon April 15, 4:30 – 6 pm, at Wall Street, Between Westmore And Oakes Avenues, Everett, WA 98201

We will meet with Representative Larsen's Congressional District 2 Director, Casey Ryan, at 4:30 pm. Afterwards, we will rally from 5 – 6 pm. Bring signs. Carmen Alik from the North Puget Sound Marshallese Community Association will speak. We want tax dollars spent on social and environmental needs, not warfare and nuclear weapons. Join us!

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USCPR TAX DAY MASS MOVEMENT CALL:
NO MORE MONEY FOR ISRAEL'S CRIMES!

Mon April 15, call 4 pm Pacific time & strike all day, Zoom

Join us on Tax for the launch of the US Campaign for Palestinian Rights (USCPR) Mass Movement Calls on ending U.S. military funding to Israel.

In a moment where we're all fighting for a total and permanent ceasefire, we understand that the only way this genocide can end is if we stop funding the systems that have been fueling Israel's massive violence against Palestinians.

This call will be the first of an ongoing series of mass movement calls, in which action takers and allies of the Palestinian movement can plug into the ongoing work, including national calls to action and local organizing centered on divesting from militarism and investing in our communities. Participants will hear from cross-movement leaders who will outline just how we can organize within our different movements toward a liberated future for all.

Registration

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/6817116088576/WN_JS-PoihzS5Wdke1JieYTeg

USCPR and many other groups are calling for an ALL DAY STRIKE, no work, no school, no spending on April 15, see <https://strike4gaza.org/>

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT

Tues April 16, noon – 1 pm NOTE time change, at Henry M. Jackson Federal Building, 915 2nd Ave, Seattle, WA 98174, Meet near the southeast corner of the building, look for the banners.

Veterans For Peace, alongside the Fellowship of Reconciliation Seattle, Ground Zero for Nonviolent Action, the Seattle Anti War Coalition, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, and Washington

Against Nuclear Weapons, 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 to housing, health care and the climate crisis. Meet at noon near the southeast corner of the building, look for the banners.

Info and RSVP at

<https://secure.everyaction.com/0577WK4uTUusGZqW04TIIQ2>

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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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THE ATOMIC AGE CINEMA FEST IN OLYMPIA

Tues April 16, 5:30 – 8 pm, at Purce 1, Red Square, Evergreen State College, Lewis Road Dogtooth Ln, Olympia, WA 98505

Two videos of the International Uranium Film Festival, Atomic Bamboozle: The False Promise of a Nuclear Renaissance (2023) and Making Waves: The Rebirth of the Golden Rule (2017) will be shown with speakers and Q&A to follow.

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Sign up at <https://secure.everyaction.com/tpwyMI5ezE6qosjd6gHWVg2>

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GATHERING VOICES CONVERSATION SERIES
ARIEL GOLD WITH REV. FAHED ABUAKEL

Tues April 16, 1 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Fellowship of Reconciliation’s monthly series Gathering Voices hosted by FOR-USA Executive Director Ariel Gold.

One of the most prominent Palestinian Christian leaders in the world, Rev. Fahed Abuakel was born in Kafr Yasif, in the Galilee. He was ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church USA in 1978 and in 2002 became the first Arab-American to lead a major U.S. denomination.

He has a BA from Southeastern University, a Master of Divinity from Columbia Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Divinity from the McCormick Theological Seminary. He has served the Presbyterian Church in numerous executive capacities, including Moderator of its 214th General Assembly, General Assembly Commissioner, board member of the National Middle Eastern Ministries Committee, and

member of the Outreach, Christian Education, and Peacemaking Committees of the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta. Rev. Abuakel was instrumental in mission trips to Kenya, Haiti, Brazil, Egypt, Israel, and Palestine.

FOR-USA is proud and honored to work with Rev. Abuakel and count him among our core team.

Registration

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

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contact mjacobsen57@yahoo.com

Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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MARTIN LUTHER KING AND THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN, THEN AND NOW

Thurs April 18, 12:30-1:30 pm, at WA State History Museum, 19th and Pacific Ave. Tacoma

Professor and UW Bridges Chair of Labor Studies emeritus Michael Honey, author and historian of labor and civil rights history, Introduces the exhibit on Martin Luther King and The Poor People's Campaign, Then and Now

In conjunction with the exhibit, "Solidarity Now! 1968 Poor People's Campaign." Guided tours of the exhibit 10:30 am and 1:30 pm

In 1968, thousands of people built a protest community and, for nearly six weeks, inhabited "a city of hope" on 15 acres of the National Mall in Washington, D.C., to call the nation's attention to the crippling effects of poverty for millions of Americans. The protest site was called Resurrection City.

This traveling exhibition illuminates the often-overlooked history of the multicultural movement to confront poverty that redefined social justice and activism in America.

Solidarity Now! 1968 Poor People's Campaign by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service in collaboration with the National Museum of African American History and Culture and supported by the CVS Health Foundation.

Free admission. Find parking on the lot next to the museum or on Pacific Avenue.

Sponsored by the University of Washington Retirement Association. Co-sponsored by the UWT Labor Solidarity Project and the Pacific Northwest Labor History Association

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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

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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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REIMAGINING SAFETY PANEL AND FILM DISCUSSION SYSTEMS OF POLICING AND INCARCERATION

Thurs April 18, 5:30-6:30 pm, at MH 138, WWU, Miller Hall 138
Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225

Join us for a screening & discussion on Reimagining Safety.

Reimagining Safety (2023) explores the nature of policing, especially following the murder of George Floyd at the hands of police. It discusses how policing and incarceration create more harm than good, why the system persists, and what changes can be made to make everyone safe. Panelists include: Director Matthew Solomon, Tacoma Black Panther Party Organizer Bunchy Carter, local organizer Beth Girma, and other Whatcom County community members We hope to

draw connections between systems of policing and incarceration nationally and locally in Whatcom County. Brought to you by the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center & the Whatcom Civil Rights Project.

Sign up at <https://secure.everyaction.com/LYFRVb-W3U2SGsP5KFitwA2>

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TAXDAY2EARTHDAY - IT'S YOUR TAX DOLLARS

Thurs April 18, 3:30 PM - 4:30 pm, Outside Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, Issaquah, WA 98027

Community engagement to increase awareness of how our tax dollars are spent.

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Registration

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, RACIAL JUSTICE & BELONGING:
A Community Conversation with Local Leaders

Thurs April 18, 6-8 pm, In-person at Thurston County Board Meeting Room, 3000 Pacific Avenue, S.E., Olympia, WA 98501 & On Zoom

What local jurisdictions are doing to create a more equitable Thurston County. Action, Accountability, Coordination & Community Engagement

Learn what Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Thurston County jurisdictions are doing to address barriers to racial equity, inclusion and belonging throughout Thurston County. Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters Thurston County, APIC/SPS and Hispanic Roundtable

Limited seating, registration recommended.

Info and registration link <https://www.lwvthurston.org/> info info@LWVThurston.org

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DUWAMISH ALIVE EARTH DAY WORK PARTIES

Sat April 20, 10 am – 2 pm, Seattle. Tukwila, and area

A community effort to improve the health of our Green-Duwamish Watershed

We will celebrate Seattle's only River, the Duwamish in a community effort to improve the health of our Green-Duwamish Watershed by

promoting awareness about it, and coordinating efforts to improve and enhance native habitat health and water quality so that people and wildlife can thrive in our urban community.

Our forested areas such as the Duwamish Greenbelt, one of the largest in the lower section of the river, provide important air and water filtration of pollution, especially storm runoff one of the major sources polluting our waters. Tree canopy cover also reduces our summer heat domes, unequally affecting low income, communities of color to a greater degree. Duwamish Alive Coalition continues to nurture and expand tree canopy within our local communities which suffer the effects of pollution and heat domes.

The river ecosystem supports 5 salmon species including the threatened Chinook salmon which is a critical food source for our Southern Orcas; along with wildlife that includes river otters, beavers, bald eagles, and blue herons. Each of our habitat sites supports this web of life while providing important environmental benefits to our communities.

We will be working at the multiple sites for this event, a special link is provided for each volunteer site registration. This is a family friendly event, all ages welcome. Tools, instruction and snacks are provided.

Info and registration <https://www.duwamishalive.org/>

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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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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY

Sat April 20, 11 am – 1 pm, at Main Bothell Intersection, All 4 Corners
NE Bothell Way (Hwy) And Bothell Way NE, Bothell, WA 98011

Holding signs at the corner. Put our tax dollars towards climate change solutions, not weapons, war, and destruction. Bring a sign or come as you are. Your sign tells what you're passionate about - the money, the weapons, the Earth - or all of these interrelated issues.

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TOWARDS A SAFER WORLD: NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Sat April 20, 11 am – noon Pacific time, Zoom

Towards a Safer World is a zoom program featuring two long-time peacemakers in their opposition to nuclear weapons: Dr. Ira Helfand, a two-time winner of the Nobel Peace Prize for his work with Physicians for Social Responsibility both internationally and in the US, and James Thomas, a dedicated advocate for nuclear disarmament speaking about the urgent task of citizens to demand nuclear disarmament.

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Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83329721595?pwd=eUEvSUhYYlIEcWZHVFdGNVQzK085QT09>

Info <https://www.wanwcoalition.org/taxday?pn=2>

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3-CHAPTER FOR PROGRAM:
DISCUSSION OF BOOK ON AUTOCRACY

Sun April 21, details including Zoom connection info coming soon

The Olympia, Seattle, and Tacoma Fellowship of Reconciliation chapters are pleased to co-sponsor a program meeting with Carolyn Barcliff who will be talking about David Peppers book "Laboratories of Autocracy".

See info about this book and several reviews at

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/59359827-laboratories-of-autocracy>

More details about this program soon! Everyone is welcome!

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

Zoom Meeting Connection Info will be added soon

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Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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MARCH FOR FARMWORKER JUSTICE!

Sun April 21, 10 am, starts at Edgewater Park, 600 Behrens Millet Road,
Mt Vernon WA

La Lucha Sigue con la Marcha Campesina 2024

Community to Community Development and Familias Unidas Por la
Justicia invite you to the Annual Marcha Campesina!

Watch this great short video of the 2023 March at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6xJYJApH3o>

March with us to learn about critical issues Farmworkers are facing now
and what actions you can take with us! March with us to celebrate the
strength and resilience of farm worker families working towards a
better food system.

We invite our friends and allies working for food and economic justice.

We need volunteers! If you are interested, contact us:
marchacampesina87@gmail.com

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CHURCH COUNCIL OF GREATER SEATTLE ORGANIZING EVENT

Sat April 27, 9 am – 4:30 pmat 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.

Info <https://www.thechurchcouncil.org/wos-2024>

Registration

<https://thechurchcouncil.ourpowerbase.net/civicrm/event/info?id=1&reset=1>

Info info@thechurchcouncil.org

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“JOHN LEWIS: GOOD TROUBLE” ONLINE SCREENING & PANEL

Sun April 28, 4 – 6:30 pm Pacific time, online

The Meaningful Movies Project along with Fix Democracy First proudly presents an exclusive, free online screening of the thought-provoking documentary, John Lewis: Good Trouble by Dawn Porter. John Lewis: Good Trouble isn't just a film; it's a powerful call to action and a reminder why it's important that we exercise our right to vote.

This documentary film provides an intimate glimpse into the extraordinary life and enduring legacy of legendary U.S. Representative John Lewis. Spanning over six decades of remarkable activism, the film portrays Lewis's evolution from a bold teenager at the forefront of the Civil Rights movement to a formidable legislative force. It begins with Lewis's courageous plea to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for assistance in

integrating a segregated school in his hometown of Troy, Alabama, a pivotal moment that cemented their close bond. From organizing Freedom Rides amidst violence and imprisonment to standing steadfastly at the forefront of historic marches in Washington and Selma, Lewis displayed resilience and determination. Throughout his journey, he championed the spirit of "good trouble," inspiring fellow Americans to confront injustice fearlessly. As the film chronicles Lewis's unparalleled commitment to justice and equality until his passing on July 17, 2020, it underscores his enduring message of hope and perseverance.

Join us for a panel discussion after the film:

- Barbara Arnwine is the President & Founder of the Transformative Justice Coalition, an organization focused on systematic change that achieves racial justice, gender, economic and social justice and human rights.
- The Rev. Dr. Derrick Harkins is a senior advisor with Raben, a public affairs and organizational consulting firm, where he uses his extensive political and ministerial experience to help advance the firm's Faith Strategies Group.
- Cinthia Illan-Vazquez is the Executive Director at The Washington Bus, a movement building organization that increases political access and participation for young people across WA.

Donations to cover costs of showing films gratefully accepted. Info and free tickets at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/john-lewis-good-trouble-online-screening-event-tickets-864265149327>

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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

ZOOM INFO: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84727562968?pwd=TWZRWi9HVTgxTTdueUdzM0ZsVzV5QT09>

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcZMWMSs3a>

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EARTH CARE NOT WARFARE MEETING

Weds May 1, 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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BOOK CLUB WARHEADS TO WINDMILLS

Thursdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, noon Pacific time, Zoon

World Beyond War will be holding a weekly discussion each of four weeks of Warheads to Windmills: Preventing Climate Catastrophe and Nuclear War with the author Timmon Wallis.

The author will send each participant a signed paperback or ebook or pdf -- your choice. We'll let you know which parts of the book will be discussed each week along with the Zoom details to access the discussions.

Timmon Wallis is National Coordinator of the Warheads to Windmills Coalition, which is campaigning to abolish nuclear weapons and use the resources to address the climate crisis. He has a BA in Human Ecology and a PhD in Peace Studies, and has campaigned and written extensively on the issues of climate change and nuclear disarmament.

Info david@worldbeyondwar.org

Info and registration \$75 at <https://worldbeyondwar.org/book-club-warheads-to-windmills-with-timmon-wallis/>

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National War Tax Resistance Gathering & Coordinating Committee Meeting

Fri – Sun May 3 – 5, On Zoom

Join National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee (NWTRCC) on Zoom for our spring gathering. The program is still being determined, but the conference will begin with a social hour on Friday evening. There will also be panels and workshops on Saturday morning and afternoon. As usual, we will have our business meeting on Sunday.

Registration at <https://nwtrcc.org/gathering-logistics-registration/>

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INTERCOMMUNITY PEACE & JUSTICE CENTER BENEFIT

Fri May 3, 6-8:30 pm, at Pigott Auditorium, 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.

Reception 6-7:30, program 7:30-8:30

Tickets \$60 and info at <https://ipjc.org/spring-benefit-registration/>

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

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ONLINE DEBATE: CAN WAR EVER BE JUSTIFIED?

Sat May 4, 3-4:30 pm Pacific time, Webinar

Join World Beyond War for a free Online Debate: Can War Ever Be Justified? Is Large-Scale Violence Ever a Better Choice Than Nonviolent Action?

Participants will be able to suggest questions for the moderator to ask.

Arguing the affirmative will be David Swanson, an author, activist, journalist, and radio host. He is executive director of World BEYOND War and campaign coordinator for RootsAction.org. Swanson's books include War Is A Lie. He hosts Talk World Radio. He is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee, and U.S. Peace Prize recipient.

Arguing the negative will be Jared Ball, a Professor of Communication and Africana Studies at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland, and author of The Myth and Propaganda of Black Buying Power. Ball is also host of the podcast “iMiXWHATiLiKE!”, co-founder of Black Power Media which can be found at BlackPowerMedia.org, and his decades of journalism, media, writing, and political work can be found at imixwhatilike.org.

Moderating will be Youri Smouter, host of 1+1, a topical history and current affairs program on his YouTube channel 1+1 hosted by Youri Smouter. He is based in Southern Belgium and is a left-wing media critic, NGO critic, anti-imperialist, an advocate for Indigenous solidarity and a Native Lives Matter movement and socially liberal thinker.

Info and registration <https://worldbeyondwar.org/debate2024/>

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VOTER ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGN

Sat May 4, 9-11 am Pacific time, Zoom or in person at University Congregational UCC, 4515 16th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105)

“Cast Your Vote Washington”

Join Earth Ministry/ Washington Interfaith Power & Light (WA IPL) and community partners at University Congregational United Church of Christ of Seattle to learn more about the launch of our 2024 Voter Engagement Campaign.

- Learn faithful advocacy skills to take back to your community.
- Learn about upcoming Ballot Initiatives that would impact environmental justice across Washington State.
- Network with other faithful and conscience-led advocates!

Register at <https://earthministry.org/cast-your-vote-washington-ucucc-event/>

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DEATH PENALTY ACTION WEBINAR

Sun May 5, 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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VETERANS FOR PEACE MAINE TO WASHINGTON DC PEACE WALK

May 7 – July 5, Maine to DC

PeaceWalk 2024 is an opportunity to expose and discuss the enormous costs and causes of war with our fellow citizens, and to explore ways to nonviolently create a peaceful and truly prosperous society for all. We will draw attention to the existential threats to life on our planet—nuclear war and destruction of our environment—and highlight the connections between militarism, the weapons manufacturers that profit from it, and climate change.

The initiating organization, Veterans For Peace, is composed of veterans and allies dedicated to abolishing war and all its connected evils. Many veterans have seen war up close or have been trained for war. But everyone, veteran or not, is affected adversely by war and the industry that profits from war. Besides the terrible human cost of war, our precious environment and climate are impacted most negatively.

People are welcome to join the Peace Walk for any parts or the whole distance. See a list of sponsors and endorsers at <https://peacewalk2024.org/sponsors/>

Info <https://peacewalk2024.org/>

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WASHINGTON AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS MONTHLY MEETING

Thurs May 9, 6 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Washington Against Nuclear Weapons (WANW) is a statewide coalition that aims to reduce and eliminate all components of the 2 trillion dollar rebuild of the US nuclear weapons arsenal. Our ultimate goal is to prevent nuclear war and abolish nuclear weapons worldwide.

Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation and several of our chapters are members of WANW.

Registration

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlceyrqjooGNNPzPxUmDewUJiXWPGBjH88>

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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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ANIMALS' LAWSUIT AGAINST HUMANITY

Thurs May 16, 7-8 pm, at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Bloedel Hall,
1245 10th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102

Gather for a book reading and panel discussion with Rabbi Anson Laytner, where we will delve into and highlight the complexities of the Human vs. Animal Kingdom dichotomy in Rabbi Laytner's book The Animals' Lawsuit Against Humanity.

This multifaith, multicultural book will be a lovely, connective event where we can reflect and discuss not only relationships with each other, but also among the difference species that share our Earth and are harmed by our actions.

Sponsored by Earth Ministry/Washington Interfaith Power and Light and Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral

Register free at

<https://secure.everyaction.com/Tz3h8DtaUkCMOy61M2cBcQ2>

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WWFOR SPRING ASSEMBLY

Sat May 18, 8:45 am-12:45 pm Pacific time, Zoom

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

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

Keynote Speaker Kathy Kelly
"Ring the Bells that Still Can Ring:
Movements, Worldwide, to End the Scourge of War"

Kathy Kelly is board president of World BEYOND War and a co-coordinator of the Merchants of Death War Crimes Tribunal. Since the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan, she has volunteered with an international network to assist young people forced to flee from Afghanistan.

Kathy has been incarcerated in federal prisons for nonviolently resisting militarism and war. As a war tax refuser, she successfully avoided payment of federal income taxes for the past four decades.

With Voices in the Wilderness companions, she broke economic sanctions against Iraq 27 times. The Iraq Peace Team then remained in Iraq throughout the Shock and Awe bombing and the initial weeks of the invasion. Having lived alongside ordinary people during wars in Iraq, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Afghanistan and Nicaragua, she believes women and children enduring such conflict have been her finest teachers.

Suggested donation \$0 to \$20. Registration
<https://wwfor2024sa.brownpapertickets.com/>

Info <https://wwfor.org/spring-assembly-2024/> or 206-789-5565,
wwfor@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)
[<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 person, 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.

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

The April 2024 program provides fresh information and insights into **prison sentences**. Besides discussing several problems about prison sentences, we also discuss some solutions that deserve more public awareness, support and implementation.

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 \(wwfor.org\)](http://www.wwfor.org)

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Best wishes from the WWFOR Office Volunteers