

# Network *for* Peace



Continuing the work of the National Peace Council

August 2024

Dear Friends

Summer is here at last. And there are lots of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Day events listed here. Sorry if you're receiving this by post as it will be too late for some of the events, again this newsletter is delayed due to holidays. NfP also has a 'new' computer (thank you to our kind donor!) so that has taken some time setting it up with software etc.

Don't forget; get your events in early — avoid clashes (as much as possible).

If there is a sub renewal letter with this newsletter, please make sure the person who pays the bills gets it. If you would like to pay by standing order, contact me and I will send you a form (or you can download one from the website). If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let me know. **If you are not renewing, please let me know.**

Thank you for your continuing support.

In peace

*Claire Poyner, Co-ordinator*

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## News

### Job opportunity - Remembrance Project Internship

Closing Date for Applications - Sunday, 1 September 2024.

Location - London.

Salary - £28,770 p.a. pro rata - four days per week (80%).

Job Details - Seven-week contract.

Would you like to work for the PPU? We are looking for an organised and enthusiastic intern to help run the Peace Pledge Union's white poppy and remembrance project over

the remembrance period.

Every year the Remembrance Project Intern plays a vital role in our campaigning at our busiest time of year. The internship is an exciting opportunity to work for a peace organisation within a focussed, committed team.

See website for details: <https://www.ppu.org.uk/vacancies>

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## Events

### Until 15 September

**LONDON.** A Say in the End of the World: Solidarity and Nuclear Defence in the Cold War. Curated by guest Gareth Bryant (PhD student, Open University), the exhibition explores networks of solidarity between groups campaigning on peace, nuclear weapons and national self-determination. Mainly from point of view of peace and anti-nuclear groups such as the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND) and the Campaign Against Arms Trade (CAAT), the exhibition also includes items from the opponents of nuclear disarmament, such as Women for Families and Defence. LSE Library, 10 Portugal St, WC2A 2HD <https://www.lse.ac.uk/library/whats-on/exhibitions>

### 3 August

**BROMLEY.** Hiroshima Vigil opposite the Churchill Theatre then leafleting in Bromley High Street and procession to

Church House gardens lake Give Peace A Chance play extracts.

**LEEK.** South Cheshire & North Staffordshire (SCANS) CND will mark the anniversary of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima with a stall in Leek town centre, with music from the Leek Peace Choir and Rick Ford. 11am – 1pm. For any queries please contact 07778 913528 or email [scanscnd@gmail.com](mailto:scanscnd@gmail.com)

**LONDON.** National march for Palestine – Tell Starmer Stop Arming Israel! Assemble on Park Lane from 12 noon. For any queries please phone the CND office on 020 7700 2393 or email [information@cnduk.org](mailto:information@cnduk.org)

**ST ALBANS.** Hiroshima Event. Join St Albans CND to commemorate the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima with the St Stephen's community. Tea and cake will be served after the commemoration. 3-4pm. For any queries please contact 01727 569574 or email [stalbens.cnd@gmail.com](mailto:stalbens.cnd@gmail.com)

**TAVISTOCK.** Tavistock Peace Action

Group will have a stall commemorating Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Bedford Square, Tavistock, from 11am to 1pm.

### 4 August

**BRADFORD.** Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Join Bradford and District CND to remember the hundreds of thousands of lives lost in the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings. All welcome for readings, song and reflection. 1 – 1.45pm. For any queries please contact [bradford@cnd.rocks](mailto:bradford@cnd.rocks)

**CHICHESTER.** Hiroshima Day information stall. Members of the now disbanded SouthDowns Peace Group, with other CND national members will hold an information stall, with leaflets, badges, petition and banners in North Street, Chichester in commemoration of victims of Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings.

### 6 August

**WORLDWIDE.** Hiroshima Day.

**ONLINE.** Every year Christian CND and the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship team up to run an online service of remembrance and witness. This year we remember the 79th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Join us for reflections, prayers and music as we remember not only the tens of thousands killed in Japan but all those who died and continue to suffer as a result of nuclear weapons use. 8pm. Register:

<https://christiancnd.org.uk/events/>

**BARROW.** South Lakeland and Lancaster District CND and others plan to be on the Michaelson Road Bridge, Barrow-in-Furness (overlooking BAE System's dock) from 13.30 to 15.30 on Hiroshima Day (6th August 2024) and invite people to bring relevant readings, thoughts and songs or simply themselves. More information from gilliganphilip@gmail.com

**CHESTER.** Hiroshima and Nagasaki Flower Memorial. Meet at 8pm at the bandstand at The Groves for readings, a period of silence and the dropping of white flowers on the river, then walk over the bridge to the Hiroshima memorial tree. The first part only of this event is wheelchair accessible.

**COVENTRY.** Hiroshima Day Service. Lord Mayor of Coventry's Committee for Peace and Reconciliation invite you to a service of reflection for Hiroshima Day 2024. There will be poetry, music and making Cranes of Peace. After the Remembrance there will be a simple meal of food from Japan in the Coventry Priory Visitors Centre – £10 on the door. 6pm at Coventry Cathedral, Priory Street CV1 5FB.

**GREENWICH.** Hiroshima Day Peace Picnic. Sydenham and Forest Hill CND will hold a peace picnic at Charlton House (SE7 8RE) between 6pm-9pm for a picnic – bring food and drink to share. 6pm – Picnic on the lawn. 7pm – Peace Garden for poetry and a minute's silence. 7:30pm – Music on the terrace. For any queries please contact 020 8690 6117 or email [goteamgini@hotmail.com](mailto:goteamgini@hotmail.com)

**KEIGHLEY.** Vigil for Hiroshima. All welcome at Keighley Town Hall Square for a vigil to remember the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima. 8.30 – 9.30pm. We will be receive the Hiroshima Mayors 2024 message. For any queries please contact 07985 102580

**KINGSTON.** Commemoration of bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. 12 noon to 2pm opposite the Bentall Centre Entrance, Kingston. A silent

vigil with boards and leaflets. All welcome – please join us. 8 to 9.15pm Canbury Gardens, Kingston. We shall hold our usual riverside candle-lit commemoration near the bandstand. The Mayor, Cllr Liz Green, will attend. Please bring white flowers to float on the river and lanterns to line the path.

**LITTLEBOROUGH.** All welcome to join Rochdale and Littleborough Peace Group for an event at Hollingworth Lake to remember the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima. 7-8pm. For any queries please contact 01706 370117 or email [patsanchez@phonecoop.coop](mailto:patsanchez@phonecoop.coop)

**LONDON.** London Region CND's annual Hiroshima Day Commemoration at the commemorative cherry tree in Tavistock Square, noon-1pm. Followed by a Peace Picnic in the square.

**MANCHESTER.** The Councillor Paul Andrews will be at this commemorative event to remember the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima. Arrive for a prompt 1pm start, a minute of silence will take place at 1:15pm at Peace Garden on Lincoln Square, Brazennose Street. For any queries please contact Greater Manchester & District CND on 0161 273 8283 or email [gmdcnd@gn.apc.org](mailto:gmdcnd@gn.apc.org)

**REDHILL.** Hiroshima commemoration. Reigate and Redhill CND will be holding a stall between 10am-12 pm near The Harlequin Theatre & Cinema – please pop by to show your support. For any queries please contact 01737 771007 or email [reigateandredhillcnd@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:reigateandredhillcnd@hotmail.co.uk)

**ROMFORD.** Remember Hiroshima. A commemoration for light and peace. Refreshments afterwards. Organised by Essex Christian CND. 7pm at Romford Salvation Army Church. RM1 1JJ.

**SALISBURY.** Hiroshima Day candle float. Salisbury CND's annual remembrance of the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which we mark by floating candles and lanterns on the River Avon each year. The event will be held at 8.45pm, at Fisherton Street Bridge, SP1 2ND. For any queries please contact 01722 321865 or email [c.lanyon@btinternet.com](mailto:c.lanyon@btinternet.com)

**WIMBLEDON.** Remember Hiroshima. Wimbledon Disarmament Coalition/CND and friends will remember the victims of the atomic bombs with poetry, music and quiet reflection followed by a simple ceremony of launching symbolic lighted boats in the Japanese tradition. Please join us to remember and to work for a

world in which nuclear weapons have no place. At 7.15: Fold origami boats to float with candles after a short ceremony starting 8:15 [info@wdc-cnd.org.uk](mailto:info@wdc-cnd.org.uk) – 07910 215651.

**WOKING.** Hiroshima and Nagasaki commemoration. Gather to socialise and have a meal in the pub garden at 7pm. This will be followed by readings and songs on the canal towpath followed by the floating of tealights in grapefruit skins on the canal as dusk falls, in a traditional Japanese ceremony that honours the dead. Wey Navigation towpath behind the New Inn pub in Send Road, Send GU23 7EN. For any queries please contact [keithsc\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:keithsc_2000@yahoo.com)

## 8 August

**LONDON.** An evening remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki. THE PRIEST'S TALE with Michael Mears and Chihiro Ono. Newly revised and staged for live performance, THE PRIEST'S TALE by actor/playwright Michael Mears is his adaptation of one of the atomic-bomb survivors' accounts from John Hersey's remarkable book HIROSHIMA. 7.30pm. Sands Films Studios, 82 St Marychurch St., Rotherhithe, SE16 4HZ. This event is supported by CND, with all donations being shared by Sands Films and CND. No admission charge. Register here: <https://sandsmusic.eventive.org/schedule/667d39806749e300a686d8c1>

## 9 August

**WORLDWIDE.** Anniversary of the execution of Franz Jägerstätter.

**BROMLEY.** Peace picnic in the Archbishop Tutu Peace Garden, Chinbrook Meadows, Grove Park SE12 1.00 – 3.00pm. Statements, poems and singing + Give Peace A Chance play extracts.

**LEWISHAM.** Nagasaki Day picnic. Join Lewisham and Greenwich CND for a Nagasaki day picnic in Chinbrook Meadows. 1-2pm. For any queries please contact 07447 915102 or email [LewishamGreenwichCND@gmail.com](mailto:LewishamGreenwichCND@gmail.com)

**LONDON.** Grief and Goodness: A Conversation between Camille Sapara Barton and Sanah Ahsan. 7pm at Housmans Bookshop, 5 Caledonian Road, N1 9DY.

<https://tinyurl.com/ytr76mrv>

**LONDON.** Nagasaki Day. Pax Christi service at Holy Apostle Catholic Church in Pimlico then walk to London Peace Pagoda in Battersea Park. 6.30pm. Nagasaki Day ceremony with Lantern- Lighting Ceremony(the

lanterns will not floated on the Themes) at the Pagoda; Battersea Park, Carriage Dr N, London SW11 4NJ.020 7228 9620.

[londonpeacepagoda@gmail.com](mailto:londonpeacepagoda@gmail.com)

**MANCHESTER.** Nagasaki commemorative event. Please join the Lord Mayor of Manchester and Vice-President of Mayors for Peace, Councillor Paul Andrews, at this commemorative event to remember the nuclear bombing of Nagasaki. Arrive for a prompt 10:45am start, a minute of silence will take place at 11:02am. The Western Pleasure Grounds Heaton Park. For any queries please contact Greater Manchester & District CND on 0161 273 8283 or email [gmdcnd@gn.apc.org](mailto:gmdcnd@gn.apc.org)

**WORTHING.** Nagasaki commemoration. Worthing Peace Group event 11.15am at the Worthing Peace Tree, Homefield Park.

### 10 August

**FINCHLEY.** Hiroshima and Nagasaki memorial ceremony. All welcome at a memorial ceremony to remember the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Meet Saturday 10 August 11am at Victoria Park Ballards Lane, N3 1LY. For any queries please contact Gardi Vaswani on 020 8445 6312

**GLOSSOP.** Hiroshima and Nagasaki vigil. All welcome to join Glossop Peace Group for a vigil in Norfolk Square to remember the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. 10.30-11.30am. For any queries please contact 0161 273 8283 or email [gmdcnd@gn.apc.org](mailto:gmdcnd@gn.apc.org)

**LEYTONSTONE.** Fascinating Aspects of India. Speaker: Janine Eagling. Janine will speak about the origin of Dr Graham's Homes, a school in India's West Bengal state, that provides education, shelter & nurture to children from deprived backgrounds. Set in the foothills of the Himalayas, it was founded in 1900 for children of European men & Indian women. 7.30pm: Entry. Buffet. Please bring an item if you can: vegetarian or vegan only. No entry before 7.30pm. 8pm: Talk & discussion till about 10pm; back to buffet. Free entry. Donations invited. Raffle. To confirm the talk will be as shown: [roskane@btinternet.com](mailto:roskane@btinternet.com) Open to all. No booking, just turn up. St John's Church Hall, High Road, Leytonstone E11 1HH. <https://news-fromnowhereweb.wordpress.com/>

### 26 August

**BROMLEY.** Bank Holiday Nuclear

Ban campaign stall in Bromley Market Square 12.00 – 3pm.

### 27 August

**LONDON.** An evening of chess with CND. Join Kate Hudson, CND General Secretary, and Amba Malekin-Goneni, MA Art and Politics student, for an informative evening of discussion and celebration over a game of chess. 6.30 – 8pm at The Cartoon Museum, 63 Wells Street W1A 3AE. See website for registration and more details. <https://cnduk.org/events/an-evening-of-chess-with-cnd/>

### 9 – 14 September

**ABUJA.** Global Alliance for Ministries and Infrastructure for Peace - in Partnership with NOUN - National Open University of Nigeria. Keynote Speaker: HUFUD Founder & President, (& NfP member) Alberto Portugheis "The HUFUD Perspective". <http://gamip.org/>

### 14 September

**LEYTONSTONE.** Priscilla Wakefield: Mother of Microfinance, and The Remarkable Anna Kingsford. Speakers: Margaret Burr and Ros Kane. Part of the Leytonstone Festival. 2023 was the year when only the third woman won the Nobel Prize for Economics, the 225th anniversary of the publication of Priscilla Wakefield's only volume for adults, Reflections on the Present Condition of the Female Sex in which she became the first woman to respond to Adam Smith's failure to include women in his economic theory. Ros will talk about another exceptional, brave innovator, Anna Kingsford (1846-88), born in Stratford. [www.priscillawakefield.uk](http://www.priscillawakefield.uk) 7.30pm. See 10 August for venue and contact details.

**LONDON.** Movement for the Abolition of War Day Conference with speakers: Paul Rogers, John Gittings, Diana Francis, Jonathan Cohen, Tanya Hubbard, Gwen Burnyeat and Andrei Gomez-Suarez. As well as talks and discussions, there will be time for participants to network. 10.30 – 4. Sands Film Studio, 82, St Marychurch Street, Rotherhithe, London SE16 4HZ, or online. More information at <https://abolishwar.net/Alternatives-to-war>

### 14 September

**LONDON.** Peace & Justice Project International Conference 2024. The second annual International Conference of the Peace & Justice

Project, featuring panels on the issues we face as a planet and speakers from world politics. Tickets:

<https://tinyurl.com/4dxv6tyr> Blizard Building, Queen Mary University of London, 4 Newark St, E1 2AT

### 16 – 22 September

**DERBY.** Derby Peace Week. Events around the city. Includes a Music for Peace Concert at MultiFaith Centre, University of Derby Fri 20 Sept 6pm-9.30pm. <https://www.facebook.com/derby-peaceweek/>

### 21 September

**WORLDWIDE.** International Day of Peace. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-peace>

### 26 September

**WORLDWIDE.** The International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons. See more at: <https://www.un.org/en/observances/nuclear-weapons-elimination-day>

### 27 – 29 September

**STONE.** Building Peace in a World at War. FOR Peace Conference. What does it mean to build peace in a world at war? We're finalising our program for our annual residential conference. What we can say is that we'll have workshops, worship, conversation and fellowship. Yarnfield Park Conference Centre, Yarnfield, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0NL. Book: <https://www.ticket-tailor.com/events/jointpeaceconference/1302384>

### 2 October

**WORLDWIDE.** International Day of Nonviolence. Marked on 2 October, the birthday of MK Gandhi. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence-day>

### 5 October

**ONLINE.** CND AGM and Policy Conference. Attendance is free of charge, but registration is essential. <https://cnduk.org/events/cnd-agm-and-policy-conference/>

### 10 October

**EVERYWHERE.** Anniversary of the 1957 Windscale Fire.

### 12 October

**LEYTONSTONE.** CLR James: An Unexpected Life. Speaker: John L. Williams. John will be talking about his new biography of the great Trinidadian historian, radical & cricket-lover: CLR James. His book brings this extraordinary 20th century life into brilliant

focus as it moves from Trinidad to London to Lancashire to the USA & back again. 'CLR James was decades ahead of his time in challenging our thoughts about empire, colonialism, black history &, not least, in writing brilliantly about cricket. He finally has the biography his extraordinary influence deserves' (Barney Ronay). See 10 August for venue and contact details. **LONDON.** CND annual conference. Details tba. <https://cnduk.org/about/cnd-conference/conference-2023/>

### 13 – 20 October

**COUNTRYWIDE.** Week of Prayer for World Peace. <https://weekofprayerforworldpeace.co.uk/>

### 24 October

**WORLDWIDE.** United Nations Day. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/un-day>

### 24 – 30 October

**EVERYWHERE.** Disarmament Week. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/disarmament-week>

### 9 November

**LEYTONSTONE.** The Biografiend's Tale. Speaker: Frances Wilson. Knowing how tawdry the biographical process can be, many writers & artists on their deathbeds, including biographers themselves, refuse their executors to allow a biography to be written. So how do biografiends, as James Joyce described the species, defend themselves? Speaking from her 30-year experience as a writer of biographies, teacher of biographies, & reviewer of biographies, Frances Wilson explores the moral quagmire. Frances is a critic & author of six biographies including, most recently, *Burning Man: The Ascent of D H Lawrence*. She is currently writing a life of Muriel Spark, who famously fell out with her first biographer. See 10 August for venue and contact details.

### 11 November

**COUNTRYWIDE.** Remembrance Day. Nearest Sunday is Remembrance Sunday.

### 14 November

**LONDON.** Concert for Peace. We are absolutely delighted to announce the return of the MPD Chamber Orchestra to St James's Church Piccadilly under the baton of our long-time supporter and Patron, Dame Jane Glover. She will be joined by two outstanding soloists, tenor Nicky Spence OBE and

horn player Ben Goldscheider. 7.30pm at St James's Piccadilly, 197 Piccadilly, London, W1J 9LL. See web for booking details: <http://www.mpdconcerts.org>

### 25 November

**WORLDWIDE.** International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. <http://www.unwomen.org/en>

### 29 November

**WORLDWIDE.** International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-of-solidarity-with-the-palestinian-people>

### 1 December

**EVERYWHERE.** Prisoners for Peace Day. <http://www.wri-irg.org/co/01dec.htm>

### 10 December

**WORLDWIDE.** Human Rights Day. The Day marks the anniversary of the Assembly's adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948. <https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day>

### 14 December

**LEYTONSTONE.** The Great Survivors: Valence House Museum. Our Speaker: Mark Watson. Dagenham's Valence House is a treasure trove of local history. Mark has been there for 32 years as interpretation & outreach officer, running the education service for schools in Barking & Dagenham & surrounding boroughs, looking at national history subjects through the lens of local history, using play-acting, role-play, giant room-sized board games, art, music, cooking, old-style object handling & dressing-up See 10 August for venue and contact details.

### 14 – 25 April 2025

**LAKENHEATH.** Lakenheath Alliance for Peace peace camp. Save the dates to join the Lakenheath Alliance for Peace for a peace camp from April 14th-25th – details TBC. Contact [lap@gn.apc.org](mailto:lap@gn.apc.org) if you're interested in getting involved or for more information. <https://cnduk.org/events/lakenheath-alliance-for-peace-peace-camp/>

## Regular events

### Weekly, monthly events in UK

#### Second full weekend of every month

**ALDERMASTON.** Aldermaston Women's Peace Camp(aign) Second full weekend of every month. Women welcome to join us in protesting at the UK's nuclear weapons factory. Camp or visit for the day. 07946676761 or on Facebook.

#### Every Friday.

**Brighton.** Women in Black vigil 1-2pm at War Memorial, Old Steine, Brighton [brightonwib@11qp.co.uk](mailto:brightonwib@11qp.co.uk)

#### Every Wednesday

**LONDON.** Women in Black Silent vigil against militarism and war. 6-7pm Edith Cavell Statue, St Martin's Place, London WC2. [womeninblack.london](http://womeninblack.london)

#### Every Friday

**LONDON.** No More Fukushimas! Weekly vigil, 10am-12.30pm, outside the Japanese Embassy 101-104 Piccadilly, London W1, in solidarity with Japanese anti-nuclear protestors. Organised by Kick Nuclear, and Japanese Against Nuclear UK. Held every Friday since August 2102. Info David, 020 7607 2302 or [www.januk.org](http://www.januk.org)

#### Every Tuesday MENWITH HILL.

Witness and protest Tuesday evenings at the Nessfield Gate of the Menwith Hill surveillance base, from 6pm to 7.30pm. <https://theMHAC.uk> Contact Sarah Swift for further details [sswift64@gmail.com](mailto:sswift64@gmail.com) or ring 07902173148.

#### First Saturday of every month

**NORWICH.** Vigil for Peace. 12noon. Outside St. Peter Mancroft Chantry Rd, NR2 1QZ.

#### Third Thursday each month

**Online.** London CAAT meetings. 6.30pm. Currently they are organising around the #StopArmingSaudi campaign. For more information about the group, to request to be added to their group email list, or to confirm details of the next meeting, please email [london-caat@riseup.net](mailto:london-caat@riseup.net).

*Let us know if you have any event not listed here.*

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