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## Update from Dayton and Other International Cities of Peace

Much progress! ICP has added new global cities of peace and is partnering with other inspiring local, national and international organizations. We've documented and provided resources and encouragement for citizens committed to self-defining their community as a city of peace. Indeed, peace is the consensus value for families, neighborhoods and villages around the world. Act Local, Connect Global.™

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### Peace Corridor Defines 1/6 of Dayton as a Community of Peace!

The Salem Avenue Peace Corridor™ is a grassroots vitalization effort that has established Dayton's historic Salem Avenue and adjacent neighborhoods as communities of peace. A collaboration of civic, business, arts, wellness, government, academic, faith-based, and service groups, the Peace Corridor is intentionally cultivating safety, prosperity, and quality of life in this gateway to Downtown Dayton: City of Peace.

**To celebrate progress, the Peace Corridor is sponsoring three free summer concerts featuring great local blues, jazz, and reggae music:**

#### First Friday, August 5: Puzzle of Light

(Next month: First Friday, September 2: Seefari Reggae - mark your calendar!)  
When/Where: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Grace United Methodist at Harvard and Salem

[Website](#) [Facebook](#)



The Salem Avenue Peace Corridor is home to many thriving communities, including the Mount Vernon Neighborhood.

### ANNOUNCING: Global "Summer of Peace, 2012"

In an collaborative alliance with the Shift Network's Summer of Peace, 2012, International Cities of Peace will support Peace Ambassadors from all over the world to mentor new cities of peace.

**Vision:** Add 50 new cities of peace during 2012 with a special signing in Washington D.C. on September 21, International Day of Peace. Details to come!



Button for Eugene, OR: City of Peace; Logos from Dayton International Peace Museum and Salem Avenue Peace Corridor; Athens, Greece-based AthensArt chose Dayton to host its international art exhibition in 2014!

### TWO NEW INTERNATIONAL CITIES OF PEACE ORGANIZATIONS

#### Makati City, Philippines: City of Peace... From Paula Zayco Aberasturi

"I am a mother of two beautiful children: Ainara (6) and Domeka (3). I am also a lawyer although for the last 2 years, I have put my profession on the back burner, as I yearn for a more transformative justice system- one that recognizes our common humanity and heals rather than condemns. I would like to see my work unfold in transforming our justice system for juvenile delinquents (ages 14-17). We call them Children in Conflict with the Law.

[More on this amazing story of commitment!](#)

#### Pathumthani, Thailand: City of Peace... From Ping Ping Worakate

Program Director of Peace Revolution/World Peace Initiative Foundation

The Peace Revolution Program was started in 2008 as a pilot project with the intention of helping people realize that World Peace could be achieved through each person seeking their own Inner Peace. One person at a time! Ping Ping "Will attend Global Youth Assembly in Edmonton, Canada, from July 26- August 5, 2011...PIPO!"

[Watch this gathering on the island of Mookwan, Thailand, of youth from all over the world!](#)



Photo from "Hiroshima" film; biking paths expanding in Dayton; peacemakers abound; committing to a culture of peace.

#### Dayton International Peace Museum

Current Exhibit: Going Green!

Simple lifestyle changes and awareness of our own impact on our immediate and global environment can and does make a difference.

[For details: DIMP website](#)

#### Dayton: City of Peace

Holbrooke Memorial Bridge dedicated!

The late Richard Holbrooke brokered the Dayton Peace Accords in 1995 and gave \$10K to help the Dayton International Peace Museum. The dedication is a great boon to the Salem Avenue Peace Corridor and Dayton!

#### Berkeley, CA: Imagine Peace Conference

Sept. 10-11  
Wheeler Hall,  
9 am-6 pm

Founded by Eric Kasum, creator of PeaceDog, a website that empowers people to find their passion and change the world.

[Conference Website](#)

This is an opportunity to reflect: If you could do ONE thing to change the world, what would it be? What do you care about more than anything else? What is the Future You will Create? Imagine.

**Check website for latest on money-saving offers.**

#### Barcelona, Spain

7th Annual Conference  
International Network of Museums for Peace

Held at the Barcelona International Peace Center, Montjuic Castle, in May 2011, conference papers will soon be available. Topics: The Role of Museums in the Transformation of

a Culture of War & Violence to a Culture of Peace & Nonviolence.

"Museums for Peace are non-profit educational institutions that promote a culture of peace through interpreting, collecting and displaying peace related material.

The international network of museums for peace (INMP) also includes peace related sites, centres, and institutions which are involved in peace education through exhibitions, documentation and other related activities."

[www.museumsforpeace.org](http://www.museumsforpeace.org)

#### Hood River, Oregon

Op-Ed from Patrick Hiller [see more](#)

"My visit to Juarez showed that all people I talked to there simply want peace and are fed up with the violence. The peace caravan that came all the way from Cuernavaca was warmly and cheerfully welcomed. The people of Chihuahua and Juarez were nonviolently and hopefully taking back the streets."

#### Eugene, Oregon

David Hazen has a bee in his bonnet! [read more](#)

#### Do-It-Yourself Resilient Neighborhood

"Recently, I got a bee in my bonnet to go door-to-door to ask my neighbors to come to my house and watch a video on disaster preparedness borrowed from our city's office of Risk Management as part of the [Map Your Neighborhood](#) program. The response has been overwhelmingly positive. We had an exciting evening of face-to-face connection! To me, this is how a City of Peace begins, at the neighborhood level, and I hadn't seen it until a few weeks ago..."

#### Kyoto, Japan

"Hiroshima" New Release

An updated, high-quality version of the 1953 film, "Hiroshima," based on "Children of the Atomic Bomb," published by Iwanami Shoten, will soon be available for screening. Physicist Richard Feynman, who watched the film on August 15th 1945, said, "I am one of the scientists who were involved with the production of the atomic bomb. I really felt the terrible tragedy that the atomic bomb had caused. I don't want to repeat it again."

Thanks to Kazuyo Yamane and all the other ICP Advisory Council members for providing updates. Join the dynamic ICP facebook page:

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#### Pakistan Interfaith Peace Education Program

"This is very important in Pakistan," says peace traveler Steve Fryburg, "especially now because the fundamentalist element is making it even more difficult for religious minorities to live peacefully in Pakistan. There have been attacks on Christian communities that have accounted for the destruction of complete communities and many deaths."

[More on this program and how you can help.](#)

Interfaith rocks!

#### What are you doing for International Day of Peace?



All Free. All Week. All New.

International Cities of Peace and The Shift Network will be cross-promoting the good work being done by thousands of individuals and groups across the globe.

[For Information](#)

#### Missing Peace Art Space

Exhibited Artist: Mehri Dadgar

Aug. 5 - Sept. 30

Also see Mehri Dadgar's work in August at the Cannery in Dayton; she spent 5 years in an Iranian prison for handing out pro-democracy newspapers in Tehran. Watch for September's Dayton Printmakers Cooperative show, "Dayton Patented Prints for Peace".

[Missing Peace Art Space](#)

## Announcing! AthensArt 2014

Friendship through art

In September, 2014, the U.S. City of Dayton, Ohio will host the 5th annual international art festival and exhibition "Friendship through Art", a global collaboration sponsored by AthensArt, a nonprofit network based in Greece, and the Missing Peace Art Space.

Dayton, Ohio will follow cities in Greece (2010), Russia (2011), China (2012), and Brazil (2013) in hosting the "Friendship Through Art" Festival and Exhibition. Sponsored by AthensArt and the Center for the Arts 4 Seasons, the Festival includes artists from five continents and 105 countries with nearly 2000 members.

The goal of the AthensArt collaborative is to promote democracy through friendship and artwork. With the theme of "Friendship through Art can Change the World", the nonprofit organization's first Festival was in Athens, Greece in 2010. The global festival will return every three years to Athens.

[Contact Gabriela Pickett: info@missingpeaceartspace.org](mailto:info@missingpeaceartspace.org)

Greetings! We now have groups in thirteen areas of the world and know of other cities that have begun to think, "Why not self-define our community as a City of Peace!" Organizations are now forming in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Dallas, Texas, Lake Country, California, Los Angeles, California, and many other places. We've had contact with potential organizations in Mexico City, Dublin, Ireland, and Vicenza, Italy. Check our website and Facebook pages. Get involved. Grassroots organizing is bound to do more for peace than top-down methods. It's up to us! Thanks to everyone, especially our Advisory Council members.

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