



Report: parallel event at CSW61 Young Women’s Leadership for Peace- Learning from “Pilgrimage to Hiroshima”

On March 15, Wednesday, during the CSW61 in New York, the YWCA of Japan held a parallel event “Young Women’s Leadership for Peace- Learning from `Pilgrimage to Hiroshima”” organized by three young women. They shared the experience and learnings from the “Pilgrimage to Hiroshima”, a peace-education program regarding the Atomic Bomb dropped in the city in 1945. They provided virtual experience of the “Pilgrimage to Hiroshima” , including visit to memorial sites through visual materials, introduction of testimonies of the survivors, and sharing of experiences as young women’s leaders who organized the program. During the event, the participants exchanged opinions on various topics such as Hiroshima, war, education, interaction at grass-root level, compensation/ apology for wartime crimes and atrocities etc. in constructive way. At the end of the discussion, they wrote out their idea on how to create, promote and sustain peace. See below to see a report listing a rich set of ideas shared in the discussion, thanks to a very warm and encouraging group of participants.

How to create peace	How to promote peace	How to sustain peace
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop awareness campaigns • Break down the barriers of hatred in people’s hearts • Educate everyone how to live in harmony • Create circles • Talking groups • Compassionate listening • Journals • Writing stories • Drawing stories • Solidarity • Studying • Invitation to visit Hiroshima and Nagasaki to Youth groups in USA • Seek peace! Only peace builds /creates peace. • Listening. Peace teachers must first create INTERNAL recognition of what peace feels like, how to move towards it. Continuous efforts, prepare to strengthen this shifting. Only if 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To promote negotiations between countries when conflicts arise. • Such kind of program is valuable. Opportunities to discuss about war histories or many tragedies occurred. • Make & build the safe space to share the importance of peace! • Teaching our children the story of what occurred during the war and how to prevent it. • Communication exchange one to one to group ideas published ideas social media radio programs education. • give awareness and education for peace • Highly recommend social network medium! Let the world know. Maybe through Facebook and Instagram. • 核兵器廃絶 (abolition of nuclear weapon) • Share our differences of rich 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To sustain the existing system and strongly comply to it + EDUCATION×100000 • Allyship + the benefits of being peaceful = prosperity • Meeting • Through education • Partnership of governments and NGOs • By joining like-minded people to refresh our resolve • Forgiveness • Apologizing • 国境を越えて全人類を尊重する社会を実現し平和を守る (Realize a society that respects all people transcending borders, and protect peace) • Education, Song & Arts. Make the Peace Movement a FUN place to engage. Learn Deep Listening skills. Become a skilled vegetarian. Garden and maintain relationships with

<p>you can generate a peaceful vibration will you be believed, deeply, and followed. International friend and relationships. Real relationships, more than social media. Eat, travel, work together. Live...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 人類を消滅させるような戦いをしない。(Refrain from fights that would destroy humanity) • Campaign • Create peace with each individual we encounter, first starting at home- culture of peace- • Lobbying and advocating • Respect for life • Women should create peace for her children at the political field. • Hearing- hear the people's thinks. • Respecting peace and each other can create peace • Value of life • Countries cannot protect their own interests only • Civil society voices out anti-war desire!!! Impose pressure upon the government! • As women and girls we should rise up and advocate for peace in our own life as an example, listen to family level, nation level and world level. • Telling the story of Sadako and making origami peace cranes for health and peace • Share the voices • Conversation with people from different countries 	<p>culture and our holidays. How we celebrate shows our common humanity. Songs that tell stories. Make peace profitable. Show respect all and bow to the sacredness of everyone. Professionals unions cultural exchange.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • negotiation and reconciliation • Promote through forums, seminars and TV documentaries. • Promote peace by living a culture of peace nonviolently, and sharing this with others. • education • get together • We must raise awareness and not ignore suffering of war • talking about peace with world people • talk about issues that are sensitive and hold public discussions, advertised through various medias • education • promote the values of peace (strength based) • Through social media, peace consultation and through joining in peace related campaigns and activities. • discuss what war is • Awareness raising about adverse effect of war and importance of peace in our life can promote peace. 	<p>Earth & will all as precious.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We must remember so we don't repeat war suffering • Maintain honest and open dialogue between all groups of society. • Open communication sharing stories • Advocacy to Government sector • Sharing about the stories • Monitoring • Watch the Government • Maintain good relationship with others and advocate for peace • People should communicate with catch other all over the world • Remember the past: talk about it, discuss it, learn more about it • With LOVE Compassion Forgiveness(repeat) • Knowing our history • Sharing the stories • Love, Unity, Education of youth ART+Culture • Be open to different ideas • Learn from the "True" of History. Share & Speak about PEACE • Sustain through UN agencies- advocacy groups there various ecumenical organizations and non-government organization, active representation. • NJ_Peace creation is making peace cranes and giving them to our elected legislators in the Senates and House of Representatives.
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