

PJSA 2024

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PEACE & JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION

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Welcome Letter

Dear Peace & Justice Studies Association Conference Attendees,

We are excited to host the 2024 Peace and Justice Studies Association annual conference at Niagara University! Nestled between the Cataract City of Niagara Falls, rustic Lewiston and the Tuscarora Nation, we are scenically situated at the rim of the Niagara River Gorge overlooking our Canadian neighbors. We hope you have brought your passport so that you can make the most of your visit to Western New York!

Attendees will discover that the conference hotels are all within walking distance of the Wonder of the World Niagara Falls. Saturday night's keynote event will take place at the Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Museum and there are incredible murals outside and displays inside this historic location. If you can take time out of the busy conference schedule we have a listing of attractions and destinations in close proximity to Niagara University and have conference discounts to the newest attraction: the Fallsview Helium Balloon Ride (that hovers 400 feet over the falls... not for those with a fear of heights!).

The conference program is diverse, robust, and chock full of activities:

- 3 plenary sessions
- 2 keynote events
- 4 training sessions
- 49 panels, workshops, roundtables
- 3 spotlight films
- 10+ poster presentations
- More than 100 colleges and universities represented

We hope you will join us for the feature events, including a Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address and Buddhist Monk chant for peace, a plenary event illuminating the conference theme of "We are all connected" through the perspective of Indigenous scholars and activists, a tribute to trailblazer Betty Reardon that includes and discusses women involved in international peacebuilding, an Augusto Boal Theatre of the Oppressed interactive session, a tour of Love Canal with environmental activist Luella Kenny, and much more! For our keynotes we have opted to emphasize a collective discussion approach by bringing together three distinguished contributors for each: Damon Williams and Daniel Kisslinger of Respair Media (a movement journalism and media hub reshaping culture toward liberation) with icon Bill Ayers on the topic of When Freedom is the Question... And Kali Akuno, Matt Meyer, and Sacajawea Hall entitled BUILD and FIGHT: Practical Experiences for a Radical Transformation of Society - from Jackson Mississippi to the World.

In the midst of the conference if you are looking to experience a little of Niagara Falls and Niagara University, or to just take a small break, we have some great options for you.

There will be a coffee and refreshment station in Glynn Hall Room 210 throughout the conference (note that this is the same building as the panel sessions). There is also a food court and a Tim Horton's Café in the Gallagher Center.



If you need an office space to take a call, prepare a presentation, or just to relax, please visit the Vincentian Center for Justice (VCJ) in Bailo Hall. Our building will be open throughout the conference and we invite everyone to make use of it throughout or to come by for a tour. As a primary sponsor of the conference, the VCJ's mission is to Justice House reimagines what is possible for college students in today's world. We believe that a college education should have value and meaning, and we seek to empower students to achieve their dreams. Our mission is to create a learning community centered on the pursuit of justice; to critically examine the meaning of justice and its denial; to impart knowledge of struggles for justice, past and present; to illuminate the intersection and interconnectedness of justice struggles across contexts and levels of human interaction; to provide models and tools that will empower students; to build a just community premised on equality, cooperation, and other shared values; to inspire the members of our community to pursue their vocations as advocates for justice. Stop by to learn about our initiatives, programming, and to meet some of our exceptional students!

The Castellani Art Museum, at the center of the Niagara University campus, is dedicated to the enjoyment and educational potential of artistic creativity. As a major resource for the visual arts in Niagara County, the CAM's permanent collection includes over 5,000 pieces of mainly modern and contemporary art. In keeping with Niagara University's Vincentian mission, the museum recognizes and serves the diverse racial, ethnic, and religious communities of the Niagara region through the organization and presentation of exhibitions which honor and explore their artistic traditions and contemporary output. The Niagara Power Vista is perched atop the Niagara Gorge and directly adjacent to Niagara University. It is free and open to the public with interactive exhibits on the history of electrical power and the Niagara Frontier's role.

If you are looking to walk or hike, the Devil's Hole and Niagara Gorge Trail Loop is walking distance from the campus. This moderately difficult trail (the loop is 2.4 miles, although you can easily do a partial hike, and the steps into and out of the Gorge can be a bit challenging) offers spectacular views of the Niagara Escarpment. The Niagara Whirlpool Rapids, accessible by this trail (note there is also parking at the Whirlpool Park), is a natural whirlpool within the Niagara River located along the Canada-U.S. border between New York and Ontario with a depth of 125 feet. For those looking for a more leisurely walk, there is a trail connecting Niagara University to Reservoir State Park.

We hope that your visit to the Niagara Frontier for the 2024 PJSA conference is fulfilling, informational, fun, productive, and transformational! Please let us know if there are ways we can enhance your experience and we look forward to meeting or reconnecting with you all in a collaborative setting that exemplifies this year's conference theme: We are all connected!

Thank you,

Dave Reilly, Co-Director, Vincentian Center for Justice and Chair of Political Science, on behalf of the dedicated students, staff, and faculty of the Vincentian Center for Justice



Hotels

The PJSA Conference Team has secured negotiated rates at three nearby hotels. Please make your booking as soon as you're able to ensure availability. We will be providing a shuttle service from the DoubleTree and Holiday Inn hotels to the campus daily.

- DoubleTree by Hilton, Niagara Falls:
 - Find us along the Niagara River, within blocks of Niagara Falls State Park and the Seneca Casino. Goat Island and the Rainbow International Bridge are less than a mile from our door. We feature rooms with river views and an indoor pool. Perks include our 24-hour market and a warm DoubleTree cookie at check-in.
 - Use the link to go directly to the hotel's page for the PJSA reservations at \$107/night discounted rate. If you prefer to call, the code is PJS: 716-524-3333, prompt #1 for reservations. This conference rate can be extended from 10/23 – 10/28.
 - Note: For those arriving early for the pre-conference, you can extend the discounted rate by contacting David Carroll, Regional Director of Corporate Sales at (716) 524-3344.
- Holiday Inn Niagara Falls:
 - Our hotel is conveniently located on the New York, United States and Ontario, Canada border. We're undergoing a \$4M dollar renovation to our property! Enjoy free high-speed Wi-Fi, 24-hour Fitness Center, and Business Center with complimentary printing. Relax in our indoor heated pool or unwind in our 2-story arcade. Our restaurant is the Anchor Bar, Home of the Original Buffalo Wing! Come experience the original Buffalo Chicken Wing recipe invented in 1964.
 - Choosing a reservation during the dates of October 24-27, 2024 will lead to the special rate of \$107/night. Or call 716-285-2521 Ext. 2 to reach the front desk. Have them request to make a reservation into the "Peace and Justice Event" room block. Additionally there will be a parking fee listed on the confirmation letter that can be disregarded. The discounted parking fee for the group is \$10.00 per night.
- Hyatt Place Niagara Falls
 - To make a reservation visit this link to the discount landing page or call (716) 285-5000 to reach the front desk.
 - Click the link above > click the > "book" tab > select your dates > enter guest per room> select special rates drop down > select corporate/ group code > enter the code: G-RTG4.
 - Your group can start booking as early as July 23th, 2024 the contracted dates for your group stay is 10/23/2024 -10/28/2024. The cutoff date to book rooms will Wednesday 9/23/2024!
 - If anyone would like to come in starting before the block dates, make a separate reservation and they can be merged at check in.
 - Conference rate of \$127/night for standard king or standard queen room.
 - Note: As of July 17, 2024, 50 rooms remained at this hotel.



Food

Diner Food:

- Mom's Family Restaurant
 - 2410 Military Road #1563, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 283-6667
- 773 North
 - 2749 Grand Island Blvd, Grand Island, NY 14072
 - (716) 773-6678
- Soup Lady at the 412 Diner
 - 412 Oliver St, North Tonawanda, NY 14130
 - (716) 389-2357
- Olympic Restaurant
 - 1601 Military Rd, Buffalo, NY 14217
 - (716) 874-0771
- Dirty Bird Chicken N' Waffles
 - 6004 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 564-7161

Need more diner options?

- https://m.yelp.com/search?cflt=diners&find_loc=Buffalo%2C+NY
- https://m.yelp.com/search?cflt=diners&find_loc=Niagara+Falls%2C+NY

Italian Food:

- Fortuna's Restaurant and Banquets
 - 827 19th St, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 282-2252
- Michael's Restaurant
 - 3011 Pine Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 282-4043
- La Cucina Di Mamma
 - 795 Rainbow Blvd #1313, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
 - (716) 284-9778
- Bella Vista Ristorante
 - 7001 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
 - (716) 299-0344
- Casa Nova Restaurant
 - 3041 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 297-9544
- Casa Antica
 - 490 Center Street, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 854-2581
- Gallo Coal Fire Kitchen
 - 402 Center St, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 405-7596

Need more Italian options?

- https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g60974-c26-Buffalo_Erie_County_New_York.html

Indian Food:

- Dosa Place
 - 7456 Market St, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 524-2144
- Naan-Tastic
 - 1595 Niagara Falls Blvd Suite 700, Amherst, NY 14226
 - (716) 259-8086
- Zaika Indian Cuisine
 - 421 3rd St, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 804-0444
- Bombay Palace Eatery
 - 24 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14303



Need more Indian options?

- https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g48261-c24-Niagara_Falls_New_York.html

Chinese Food:

- Taste Good Chinese Restaurant
 - 1608 Military are, Wegmans Plaza, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 297-9318
- Great Wall
 - 8233 Niagara Falls Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 283-2354
- Chinatown Kitchen
 - 1525 Pine Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 284-1405
- China Garden Restaurant
 - 727 Portage Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 282-8100
- Hong Kong Kitchen
 - 2715 Pine Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 284-0333
- Royal Dragon Noodle Bar & Grill
 - 310 Rainbow Blvd Suite 100, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
 - (716) 255-7777
- Niagara Falls Buffet
 - 7325 Niagara Falls Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 283-1318

Need more Chinese options?

- https://m.yelp.com/search?find_desc=Chinese+Food&find_loc=Niagara+Falls%2C+NY

Japanese Food:

- Fuji Grill Niagara Falls
 - 7310 Niagara Falls Blvd #1, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 283-6888
- Wind Japanese & Thai
 - 7566 Transit Rd, Buffalo, NY 14221
 - (716) 770-0688
- Teton Kitchen Elmwood Tapas, Bar & Sushi
 - 153 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo, NY 14201
 - (716) 405-2599
- Kani Japanese & Thai Cuisine
 - 2297 Niagara Falls Blvd, Tonawanda, NY 14150
 - (716) 743-5435
- Steak Stone & Sushi
 - 1340 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 215-6815

Need more Japanese options?

- https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g48261-c27-Niagara_Falls_New_York.html

Greek Food:

- Acropolis Opa
 - 5429 Main St, Williamsville, NY 14221
 - (716) 278-3074
- Ghada Have It! Mediterranean Home Cooking
 - 2117 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 297-8733
- Olympia Restaurant
 - 3312 Niagara Falls Blvd, North Tonawanda, NY 14120
 - (716) 694-6969

Need more Greek options?

- <https://www.visitbuffaloninagara.com/business-type/greek/>



Vegan Food:

- [Search Yelp](#)
- [Search Trip Advisor](#)
- [Search Happy Cow](#)

Bars & BBQ:

- Griffon Gastropub
 - 270 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304 | (716) 236-7474
 - 115 S Water St, Lewiston, NY 14092 | (716) 405-7291
- Hard Rock Cafe
 - 333 Prospect St, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
 - (716) 282-0007
- Horny Hog BBQ
 - 8662 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 205-8720
- Simply Soul
 - 829 Main St, Niagara Falls, NY 14301
 - (716) 299-7105
- The Mami House
 - 250 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
 - (716) 304-5100
- Brickyard Pub & BBG
 - 432 Center Street, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 754-7227
- Lewiston Stone House
 - 755 Center Street, Lewiston NY 14092
 - (716) 754-7759

Steakhouse:

- Longhorn Steakhouse
 - 1861 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304
 - (716) 297-0347
- Texas Roadhouse
 - 900 Young St, Tonawanda, NY 14150
 - (716) 692-0457
- Adam's Rib
 - 4517 Main St, Snyder, NY 14226
 - (716) 839-3846
- Black & Blue Steak and Crab
 - 5493 Sheridan Dr, Amherst, NY 14221
 - (716) 839-2525

Need more steakhouse options?

- <https://www.visitbuffaloniagara.com/business-type/steakhouses/>

Other dining options:

- Cask & Cow
 - 840 Center St, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 405-7063
- The Silo
 - 115 N Water St, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 754-9680
- Carmelo' Coat of Arms
 - 425 Center St, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 754-2311
- Apple Granny
 - 433 Center St, Lewiston, NY 14092
 - (716) 754-2028



Travel

Getting to Niagara University

Airports

- Regional airport is the [Buffalo Niagara International Airport](#), located 25 miles from the conference hotels and Niagara University's campus.
 - Car transport and ride-share options are plentiful [and can be seen here](#).
- There is more limited service at the [Niagara Falls International Airport](#), which is located 9 miles from the conference hotels and 6 miles from campus.
- [Toronto Pearson International Airport](#) is 78 miles from campus (border crossing required from Canada to US).

Train

- [Amtrak](#) has a station in Niagara Falls, NY USA located two miles from the conference hotels and Niagara University's campus.

Car

- If driving to campus, navigate to "[5795 Lewiston Rd, Lewiston, NY 14109](#)." Parking is available on campus at no cost (navigate to "Dwyer Ice Arena").

Things to do in the Niagara University Area

As a special offer exclusively for attendees of the PJSA conference, you can book a discounted hot air balloon ride with [Air Fallsview Balloon Ride](#), Niagara Falls' newest attraction!

- Retail tickets are: Adult: \$50 | Child (under 11): \$45 | Under 2: Complimentary
- With Discount Code NUPJC24: Adult: \$35 | Child (under 11): \$32 | Under 2: Complimentary

Air Fallsview Balloon Ride is located at 454 Main Street, Niagara Falls, NY and can be reached at 716.513.0001. It is open daily 10am-10pm (weather permitting).

Amusement Attractions:

- [Cave of the Winds](#)
- [Maid of the Mist](#)
- [Canal Side](#)
- [Grand Island Fun Center](#)
- [Adventure Landing](#)
- [Dave & Busters](#)
- [Lasertron](#)

Museums:

- [Buffalo Museum of Science](#)
- [Buffalo History Museum](#)
- [Buffalo AKG Art Museum](#)
- [Buffalo Harbor Museum](#)
- [Iron Island Museum](#)
- [Buffalo Transportation Pierce Arrow Museum](#)
- [The Steel Plant Museum](#)
- [Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum](#)
- [The Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum](#)
- [Explore More Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Children Museum](#)

Historical Sites:

- [Old Fort Niagara](#)
- [Theodore Roosevelt's Inaugural Site](#)
- [Frank Lloyd Wright's Martin House](#)
- [Buffalo Naval Park](#)



Animals & Nature Attractions:

- [Buffalo Zoo](#)
- [Niagara Aquarium](#)
- [Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Garden](#)
- [Olmstead's Speciality Gardens](#)

Music & Entertainment:

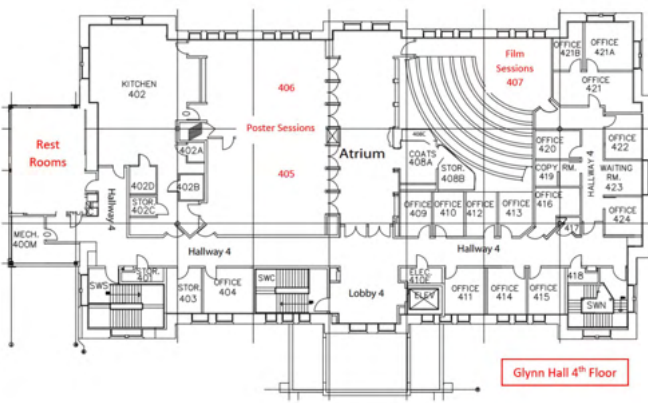
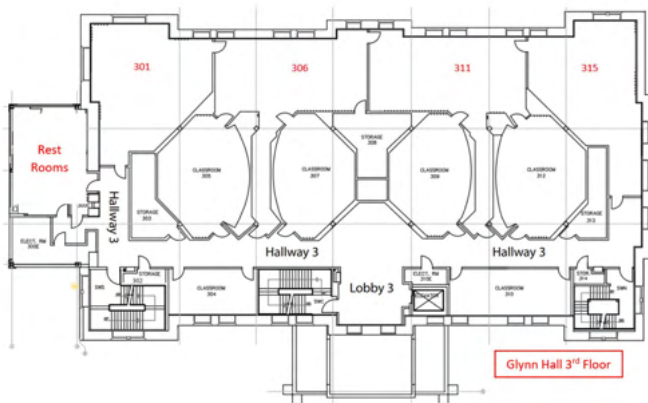
- [Shea's Performing Arts Center](#)
- [Kleinhans Music Hall](#)

Bookstores:

- [Burning Books Buffalo](#)
- [The Book Corner](#)

Need more ideas of things to do?

- <https://stepoutbuffalo.com/wny-attractions/>
- <https://www.visitbuffaloniagara.com>





Overview Schedule

Date	Time	Schedule
Friday, October 25	8:00-9:00	Registration Check-In
	9:00-10:15	Thanksgiving Address
	10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #1
	12:00-1:30	Lunch Plenary #1
	1:45-3:00	Concurrent Session #2
	3:15-4:30	Concurrent Session #3

Saturday, October 26	8:00-9:00	Registration Check-In
	9:00-10:15	Concurrent Session #4
	10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #5
	12:00-1:30	Lunch Plenary #2
	1:45-3:00	Concurrent Session #6
	3:14-4:30	Concurrent Session #7

Sunday, October 27	8:00-9:00	Registration Check-In
	9:00-10:15	Breakfast Interactive Roundtable Workshop
	10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #8
	12:00-1:15	Concurrent Session #9
	1:30-3:00	Lunch Plenary #3



Day 1



Day 1 Overview

Time	Schedule
8:00-9:00	Registration Check In and Breakfast
9:00-10:15	Thanksgiving Address
10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #1
12:00-1:30	Lunch Plenary
1:45-3:00	Concurrent Session #2
3:15-4:30	Concurrent Session #3
4:45-5:15	Poster Presentation & Networking Session
6:00-9:00	Dinner Reception, Keynote, and Awards #1



Day 1 Schedule

Friday, October 25

8:00-9:00 Registration Check In [Glynn 1st Floor], and Breakfast [Dining Commons]

- Coffee, tea, and refreshments offered in Glynn 210 throughout the conference
- Relaxation area and office space in Bailo Hall throughout the conference

9:00-10:15 Thanksgiving Address by Aaron Printup, Buddhist Monk Chant, Opening Welcome [Facing the Niagara Gorge weather permitting]

10:30-11:45 Concurrent Session #1

- [PANEL 1A] Intersecting Identities and Access to Peace & Justice: Perspectives on Reproductive Rights, Economic Security, and Systemic Violence (Chair: Cathy Knowles) [Glynn 201]
 - “Reproductive Justice: Missing Piece in the Conversation,” (Destiny Smith, University of North Carolina at Greensboro)
 - “Care Economy to Caring Society: Women and Girls’ Invisible Contribution,” (Taron Lilly, University of North Carolina at Greensboro)
 - “Missing & Murdered Indigenous, Women, Girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people in Canada,” (Cathy Knowles, University of North Carolina at Greensboro)
- [PANEL 1B] Bridging Academia and Civil Society via Intersectional Feminist Advocacy (Chair: Emily Davis) [Glynn 215]
 - Emily Davis, University of Delaware
 - Eman Sari Al-Drou, University of Delaware
 - Shilpa Pandey, WILPF UN Practicum in Advocacy Program
- [PANEL 1C] Defining and Addressing Disability Justice (Chair: David Whalen) [Glynn 301]
 - Frank Cammarata, Erie County Office for People with Disabilities
 - Erica Rodman, Niagara University
 - Todd G Vaarwerk, Western New York Independent Living
- [ROUNDTABLE 1D] Truth in Numbers: Use and Misuse of Statistics in Social Justice [Glynn 211]
 - Kylee A. Healy, Niagara University
 - Joseph D. Martino, Niagara University
 - Susan E. Mason, Niagara University
- [WORKSHOP 1E] Echoes for Earth: Reading Aloud for Climate Consciousness and Action [Glynn 306]
 - Asma Ahmed, Niagara University
 - Carol Doyle-Jones, Niagara University
 - Courtney Hay, Niagara University
 - Philip Donoghue-Stanford, Niagara University
 - Dean Kurtis-Pomeroy, Niagara University

12:00-1:30 Lunch Plenary #1: Indigenous Reflections – We are all connected [Dining Commons]

- Rowen White
- Jason Corwin
- Rene Rickard
- Michelle Collins-Sibley (Moderator)



1:45-3:00 Concurrent Session #2

- **[PANEL 2A] Research and Writing in the Community: Undergraduate Student Research as Solidarity** (Chair: Geoffrey Bateman) [Glynn 201]
 - Sophia Siong, Regis University
 - Maria Sanchez, Regis University
 - Ellis Langham, Regis University
 - Brianna Flores Chavez, Regis University
- **[PANEL 2B] Centering Intersectionality in PJS Research** (Chair: Garrett FitzGerald) [Glynn 215]
 - Promoting Intersectionality as a Research Method in PJS (Garrett FitzGerald and Emily Welty, Pace University)
 - The Only Way Forward: Disability Justice as a Framework for Conflict Analysis and Peacebuilding (Marlene Thomas, Pace University)
 - Welcome To The Dollhouse: The Final Girl, Intersectionality, and Misogyny in Horror Cinema (Ashley Rosado, Pace University)
 - Doula Activism: Navigating Social Justice in Harmful Systems (Mikayla Meachem, Pace University)
 - An Intersectional Approach to Community-Based Learning in Peace and Justice Studies (Erin Mysogland, Pace University)
- **[PANEL 2C] Just Practice: Reciprocal care from an intersectional lens** (Chair: Joy Meeker) [Glynn 301]
 - Sophia Lee, Saybrook University
 - Sarafina Arthur-Williams, Saybrook University
 - Samantha Wilson, Saybrook University
- **[PANEL 2D] From Violence, to Nonviolence, and Towards Restoration** (Chair: TBD) [Glynn 315]
 - Blurred Boundaries: Understanding the Line Between Violent and Nonviolent Movements in the Chilean Uprising of 2019 (Benjamin Rodriguez Mancini, Berea College)
 - Is Incremental Pacifism still Pacifism? (Edmund Pries, Wilfrid Laurier University)
 - Engaging Amalek: Rediscovering the Tradition of Jewish Pacifism in Dark Times (Elliot Ratzman, Earlham College)
 - Pacifism and Nonviolence in societies at risk from atrocities (Alexandra Bohm, The Open University)
 - Restorative Practices and Human Rights Advocacy as Complementary Approaches (Madison Turunen, University of San Diego)
 - Mobilizing Galtung's Great Chains of Nonviolence in a Divided World (Kelly Rae Kraemer, St. John's University)
- **[ROUNDTABLE 2E] The role of allyship, solidarity and mutual activism in revolutionary struggles** [Glynn 206]
 - Stellan Vinthagen, University of Massachusetts Amherst
 - Kali Akuno, Cooperation Jackson
 - Sacajawea Hall, Cooperation Jackson
 - Matt Meyer, International Peace Research Association
 - Dean Johnson, West Chester University
- **[WORKSHOP 2F] Imagining Black Queer Futures: Intersectional Thought on Decolonial Futurities** [Glynn 306]
 - Allison Rolle, Brock University



3:15-4:30 Concurrent Session #3

- **[PANEL 3A] Narratives of Peace and Global (in)Security: Deconstructing Binaries of Inclusions, Exclusions** (Chair: Stephen Bryant) [Glynn 201]
 - Automation Bias and Acceptable Losses: Targeting Hamas and Increasing Civilian Casualties as Part of the “Mass Assassination Factory” (Stephen Bryant, The University of Cincinnati)
 - Performing Transitional Justice: Queering Frameworks of Binaries of Peace (Prateek Srivastava, The University of Cincinnati)
 - Digitalization, Resistance and Young Feminist Futures: Reclaiming Youth Peace and Security (YPS) narratives of young Congolese involved in the National Action Plan (NAP) elaboration in the Democratic Republic of Congo (Marie-Rose Tshite, The University of Cincinnati)
- **[PANEL 3B] Queering Peace and Social Justice: Activism, Memory, and Intersectional Narratives** (Chair: Geoffrey Bateman) [Glynn 315]
 - Belfast’s Queer and Feminist Arts Activism: Gender/Sexuality and Legacy of Peace and Conflict (Alexis G. Jenson, University of California Irvine)
 - Queering Carcerality: Building an Queer Anti Prison Industrial Complex (Abantee Dutta, George Mason University)
 - Development of Affirmation: Narratives of Queer Affirmation in the United Methodist Church (JT Politzer, Kent State University)
 - Queer young adult perspectives on vaping and energy drinks on Queertok (Cam Marsengill, The University of Iowa)
 - ACT UP and the Embodied Erotics of Queer Nonviolence (Geoffrey Bateman, Regis University)
- **[ROUNDTABLE 3C] Critical Feminist Peace and Conflict Studies: Bridging Critique, Vision and Praxis** [Glynn 206]
 - Sheherazade Jafari, Georgetown University
 - Lisa McLean, King’s University College
 - Julie Marie Hyde, Dalhousie University
 - Jodi Dueck-Read, Canadian Mennonite University
 - Jerica Arents, DePaul University
 - Garrett FitzGerald, Pace University
 - Emily Welty, Pace University
- **[ROUNDTABLE 3D] Women and Peace: Different Spaces in Everyday Peace** [Glynn 211]
 - William Jackson-Monroe, Saint Paul University
 - Peace Mukazi, Saint Paul University
 - Victoria Gachuche, Saint Paul University
- **[WORKSHOP 3E] Values and Competencies of Peace Professionalism: Solidarity, Capacity, and Ethical Practice in Turbulent Time** [Glynn 306]
 - Nathan Funk, University of Waterloo
 - Philip Onguny, Saint Paul University
 - Gordon Breedyk, Civilian Peace Service Canada
 - Evelyn Voigt, The Peace Professionalism Project



4:45-5:15 Poster Presentations [Glynn 405/406] & **Networking Session** [Glynn 4th Floor Atrium]

- The networking session will be hosted by PJSA Board Members Jeremy Rinker (Fundraising Chair) and Susan Cushman (Women, Gender, & Diversity Chair)
- 1. **Integrating Conversation Analysis into Academic Research to Convey the Nuances and Emotions of Lexical and Non-Lexical Cues** (Wasal Faqiryar, University of Notre Dame)
- 2. **Dry Lands Empty Waters, The effects of Climate Change on the Boko Haram Conflict in Northern Nigeria** (Kingsley Doe, Kennesaw State University)
- 3. **Applying the Social Determinants of Learning Framework** (Theresa Puckett, Niagara University)
- 4. **Addressing Mental Health Challenges in War and Displacement Contexts** (Sabaa Abdulrazzaq, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)
- 5. **Co-ops for Peace: Ex-Combatant Solidarity Cooperatives as Social Struggle in Colombia** (Susan Brewer-Osorio, University of Arizona)
- 6. **Women's Resistance, Activism, and Peacebuilding through Art: Lessons from Northern Ireland** (Alexis G. Jenson, University of California Irvine)
- 7. **Unlocking the Power of Play** (Jacob Goodwin, Cooperative Middle School)
- 8. **'No One Cares About Women': (Re)-centering the contributions of southern African women to sustainable peace** (Kgomotso Komane, Centre for Mediation in Africa and University of Pretoria)
- 9. **Meaning as a Social and Political Strategy** (Shawn Graves, University of Findlay)
- 10. **Self-empowerment of Asian American Professionals as Intersectional Model Minority** (Ray Gehani, Kent State University)
- 11. **Disability and Access to Education: Social justice fundamentals** (Dennis Garland and Charles Dieteman, Niagara University)
- 12. **Can Nigeria Rethink its Unity Through Nationally Owned Political Dialogue?** (Adeolu Ojedokun, Kennesaw State University)

6:00-9:00 Dinner Reception, Collective Keynote Plenary and Awards with Kali Akuno, Sacajawea Hall and Matt Mayer "FIGHT: Practical Experiences for a Radical Transformation of Society - from Jackson Mississippi to the World" [Doubletree Niagara, 401 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls, NY]

- Poetry reading and introduction by Desiree McCray



Day 2



Day 2 Overview

Time	Schedule
8:00-9:00	Registration Check In and Breakfast
9:00-10:15	Concurrent Session #4
10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #5
12:00-1:30	Lunch Plenary #2
1:45-3:00	Concurrent Session #6
3:15-4:30	Concurrent Session #7
4:45-6:00	Poster Presentation, PJSA Membership Meeting & Vendor and Organization Tabling
6:00-7:00	Dinner Reception & Poetry Reading
7:00-8:00	Dessert and Tours of the Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Center
8:00-9:30	Dinner Reception, Keynote, and Awards #1



Day 2 Schedule

Saturday, October 26

8:00-9:00 Registration Check In [Glynn 1st Floor], and Breakfast [Dining Commons]

- Coffee, tea, and refreshments offered in Glynn 210 throughout the conference
- Relaxation area and office space in Bailo Hall throughout the conference

9:00-10:15 Concurrent Session #4

- [PANEL 4A] Social Movements and Our Stories (Chair: Robin Cooper) [Glynn 201]
 - Conscription, Conscientious Objection, and Draft Resistance in American History: What the Historians Have Gotten Wrong (Jerry Elmer)
 - Transnational Feminist Solidarity- Revolutionary Internationalism as a Response to the Nonprofit Industrial Complex and Empire (Sarai Richter, Arizona State University)
 - Interconnecting with Empowerment: Reemerging Youth Peacebuilding Protests in U.S. Universities (Ray Gehani, Kent State University)
 - Peace activism and accountability in the war on terror (Loramy 'Mimi' Gerstbauer, Gustavus Adolphus College)
 - How to Become a Soldier in the Black Liberation Army: 16 Tomes (Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford)
- [PANEL 4B] Human Rights and Women (Chair: Susan Cushman) [Glynn 215]
 - Research and Activism Intertwined: Contextual Gendered Racialization (Hafza Girdap, Stony Brook University)
 - Feminist Responses to and Engagements with Nonviolence: From Rape to Ecocide (Selina Gallo-Cruz, Syracuse University)
 - Integrating the Ethics of Care in Peacebuilding Practices Drawing from Women's Experiences in Conflict Affected Zones (Peace Mukazi, Saint Paul University)
 - Homeland in Transition: Afghan Refugee Women Negotiating Belonging (Kinza Fatima, The University of Cincinnati)
 - Reproductive Justice and the ERA: A Solidarity Call to Action (Susan Cushman, Nassau Community College)
- [PANEL 4C] Solidarity at the Intersections for Peace in Colombia (Chair: Susan Brewer-Osorio, Discussant: Sara Koopman) [Glynn 301]
 - The power of unarmed civilian accompaniment in Colombia (Sarah Nahar, Syracuse University)
 - Building peace with parks and people (Beth-Sua Carvajal, SUNY Syracuse & World Wildlife Fund)
 - Appropriating Peace Education: Insights from Colombia's Cátedra de Paz (Provisional) (Leonardo Arevalo, Columbia University)
 - How Ex-Combatants are Building a Feminist Peace in Colombia (Susan Brewer-Osorio, University of Arizona)
- [PANEL 4D] Exploring How Intersectionality and Identity Inform the Work of Peace, Justice, and Equity in Community (Chair: Michelle Harris) [Glynn 315]
 - Michelle Harris, University of Portland
 - Brandon Brown, George Mason University
- [PANEL 4E] Ending Violence Within and Through Education (Chair: TBD) [Glynn 206]
 - The Power of Story: Empowering Multicultural Voices in Early Childhood Education (Meg Starr, Touro College School of Education)
 - Why we are launching the Canadian Peace Museum (Chris Houston, Canadian Peace Museum)



- [ROUNDTABLE 4F] Community Healing through the Art and Storytelling [Glynn 311]
 - Sonja Topalovic Marinkovic, University of North Carolina Greensboro
 - Ali Askerov, University of North Carolina Greensboro
 - Jeremy Rinker, University of North Carolina Greensboro
 - Fatima Asker, Author Aya Maya Short Story

10:30-11:45 Concurrent Session #5

- [PANEL 5A] Intersectionality and Social Justice in Education, Part 1 (Chair: James Coughlin) [Glynn 201]
 - Community Engaged Learning for Peace and Justice (Emily A. Holmes, University of Dayton)
 - Exploring Intersectional Perspectives on Peace Education (Runeela Taskeen, Colorado State University)
 - Conquest and the Perils of Fragmentation: Integrating Peace Education into Diverse Classrooms (Irfan Khawaja, CorroHealth, LLC)
 - Peace in Education: A Complex Systems Approach (Joseph Rayle, State University of New York)
 - Teaching Language with an Intersectional Lens to Promote Peaceful Communication (Nichole McVeigh, Richmond Peace Education Center)
- [PANEL 5B] Decolonial Feminist Praxis: Fostering critical connections in the conflict classroom (Chair: Uddipana Goswami) [Glynn 206]
 - Engaging with Whiteness through Embodied, Decolonial Inquiry (Helen Hobson, Kennesaw State University)
 - Belonging in Between: An Immigrant's Journey Through Duality and Single Stories (Iye Ogbe, Kennesaw State University)
 - The Colonized Researcher's Epiphany (Cathia Moon, Kennesaw State University)
 - Embodied Inquiry, Feminist Peace, Decolonized Knowledge: Reflections from a Conflict Management Classroom (Uddipana Goswami, Kennesaw State University)
- [PANEL 5C] Exploring Conflict Analysis and Intervention Strategies in Kashmir, Yemen, and Ukraine (Chair: Kjerstin Pugh) [Glynn 215]
 - Manisha Munshi, Columbia University
 - Gonzalo Miranda Madrigal, Columbia University
 - Emiliia Komarova, Columbia University
- [PANEL 5D] Shapes of (post-)conflict in Colombia: an Intersectional Approach (Chair: Laura Cortés-Rico) [Glynn 301]
 - Laura Cortés-Rico, Cornell University
 - Natalia Correa Sánchez, Cornell University
 - Ruth Martinez-Yepes, Cornell University
- [PANEL 5E] Technologies of Future Peace Education (Chair: Christopher P. Davey and Sam Budoii) [Glynn 315]
 - "Podcasts, Twitter-Spaces and Youtube Livestreams: The Gambian Truth Commission in the Age of Social Media" (Aminata Ndow, Harvard University)
 - "Build- Up: Transforming Peacebuilding in the Digital Age" (Julie Hawke, University of Notre Dame)
 - "Peace Education and Peace Tech: Notes on a Venn Diagram" (Michael Minch, Education for Global Peace)
 - "Game-Based Learning of Gender for Security Sector Personnel" (Sellah Nasimiyu King'oro, Binghamton University)



[ROUNDTABLE 5F] Special Olympics Coaching and Games Management: Interdisciplinary Student Perspectives on Inclusion of Individuals with intellectual and Developmental Disabilities on a College Campus (Chair: Dennis Garland) [Glynn 311]

- Arianna Bork, Niagara University
- Alexis Hare, Niagara University
- Alanna Cosner, Niagara University
- Meghan Cole, Niagara University
- Charles Dieteman, Niagara University
- Kara Kilinski, Niagara University
- **[FILM] A Piece of Home: The aftermath of the Beirut Port Explosion on Queer Lebanese Expats (Jamal Rajeh, Berea College) [Glynn 407]**
 - The Beirut Port explosion of August 4, 2020, left an enduring impact on Lebanon, resulting in profound loss and widespread displacement. With over 200 fatalities and countless families uprooted from their homes, the tragedy reverberated far beyond the city's borders. "A Piece of Home" endeavors to shed light on the experiences of the Lebanese diaspora, specifically those belonging to the queer community, illustrating their intersectional struggles and resilience in the aftermath of this cataclysmic event. Following the screening, there will be a brief presentation about the background of the film, the current political and socio-economic situation in Lebanon, and finally ending with a Q&A.

12:00-1:30 Lunch Plenary #2: Women and Global Peace – An informal tribute to Betty Reardon [Dining Commons]

- Charlene Howard
- Chloe Breyer
- Mavic Cabrera-Balleza
- Moderator (TBD)

1:45-3:00 Concurrent Session #6

- **[PANEL 6A] Intersectionality and Social Justice in Education, Part 2 (Chair: Hope Russell) [Glynn 201]**
 - What Peacebuilding Can Learn from Art (Paula Ditzel Facci, Eastern Mennonite University and Norbert Koppensteiner, University of Notre Dame)
 - Look Under The Rug: A consideration of how peace educators can reawaken and restore the intergenerational transmission of knowledge to break the cycles of everyday violence (Jennifer Tesoro, University of Manitoba)
 - Reflections on Institutional and Parainstitutional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Shannon Dowd, Niagara University)
 - Incorporating Intersectionality, Isms, and Identity in the Classroom (Sally Anne Perz, University of Alabama at Birmingham)
 - Using Accessible Language in Writing (Mariana Castro Azpíroz, Iowa State University)
- **[PANEL 6B] Teaching in a Justice Studies Major (Chair: Tara Parsons) [Glynn 206]**
 - Designing an Introduction to Justice Studies Course (Tara Parsons and Daisy L. Breneman, James Madison University)
 - Teaching the Social Psychology of Justice (Heather L. Scheurman, James Madison University)
 - Teaching Solidarity to Undergraduates (Melissa Marini Švigelj, James Madison University)
 - Teaching Justice through Research (Gianluca De Fazio, James Madison University)



- **[PANEL 6C]** On Literature, Language and the Written Word (Chair: Michelle Collins-Sibley) [Glynn 215]
 - SolidarSolidarity in the Shadow of War: Albert Camus's The Plague (Francis Shor, Wayne State University)
 - An Analysis of Letters from Death Row Prisoners (Richard Clark, John Carroll University)
 - Peace on the Couch: Exploring the Potential of Carl Rogers' Writings in Promoting an International World Peace PraxisPaper Title (David Hornung, CUNY)
 - To Be a Stranger in My Own Skin: Double Consciousness, Intersectionality & Language in Percival Everett's JamesPaper Title (Michelle Collins-Sibley, University of Mount Union)
 - **[PANEL 6D]** Internationalism, International Affairs and Global Conflict (Chair: Mustafa Gökçek) [Glynn 301]
 - "International" relations as a form of "intergroup" relations: The 1950s transnational debate that divided the U.S. National Conference of Christians and Jews (Anna Fett, University of Missouri)
 - Short Term Mission Trips: Invitation to Solidarity or to Social Obliviousness? (Christopher Ney, War Resisters League)
 - The Ambazonian Coffin Revolution, Citizen Communication and Change in Postcolonial Camerouns (Fonkem Achankeng, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh)
 - The Kurdish Struggle: Multiple Ways of Resisting Historical Oppression (Helin Unal, Clark University)
 - Historical Trauma Transmission in Honduras and Community Building (Matthew Bereza, St. John Fisher University)
 - **[PANEL 6E]** Case Studies in Peace and Justice (Chair: Chris Lee) [Glynn 211]
 - Does security justify the next wave of authoritarianism in Latin America? (Sebastian Restrepo, Cornell University)
 - Portrayals of Roma Emancipation and Resistance (Maria Subert, Cal Poly)
 - Transformative Justice as Environmental Justice: Focus on the Ironbound (and its churches) (Fernando Linhares)
 - Learning to live with my Enemy: A Case Study of Peacebuilding through Storytelling and Critical Human Rights Pedagogy (Allyson Larkin, Western University)
 - Dry Lands Empty Waters, The effects of Climate Change on the Boko Haram Conflict in Northern Nigeria (Kingsley Doe, Kennesaw State University)
 - **[ROUNDTABLE 6F]** How "Connecting" Drives Recovery and Healing for Peacebuilding (Discussant: Roy Tamashiro) [Glynn 306]
 - Identity Transformations on Mentoring Students Toward Environmental Justice Consciousness (C. Holly Denning, SUNY-ESF)
 - Addressing and Healing Legacies of Ancestral and Collective Trauma (Corrine Meier, practitioner)
- 3:15-4:30 Concurrent Session #7**
- **[PANEL 7A]** Health and Social Justice (Chair: Swasti Bhattacharyya) [Glynn 201]
 - Examining Mental Health through the Lens of Intersectionality (Theresa Puckett, Niagara University)
 - The Compounded Indignity of Deafness and Incarceration (Rachel Violanti, Niagara University)
 - Prisoners of a Broken System: Investigating the Relationship Between High Imprisonment Rates and Access to Inpatient Mental Health Care in Maryland (Jamie Pantazi, Georgia State University)
 - Mindful Interconnection: Solidarity in Isolation (Swasti Bhattacharyya, Buena Vista University and Bernadette McNary-Zak, Rhodes College)



- **[PANEL 7B]** International Armed Conflict, War, and Post-Conflict Rebuilding (Chair: Lee A. Smithey) [Glynn 215]
 - Queering War Memory and the Language of Peacebuilding in Bosnia & Herzegovina: Perceptions of Social Justice among Bosniaks, Croats, and Serbs (Mehmet Yavuz, University of Manitoba)
 - Intersectionality at the Crossroads: Grassroot Peacebuilding in Pakistan Amidst Ethnic and Religious Conflicts (Noman Sajjad, University of Waterloo)
 - Peacemakers at the Intersections of Power: Critically Examining Restorative Justice Facilitators and Practices to Navigate Differing Levels of Power and Social Identity in Dialogue (Laura Irwin, University of Washington)
 - Societal Liberation If We Cared: Creating Solidarity Through a Care Ethics Framework (Magdalen Weiss-Vopat, Kent State University)
 - The Kids are Alright? Youth Murals in Post-Violence Northern Ireland (Lee A. Smithey, Swarthmore College)
- **[PANEL 7C]** Migrants and Migrant Communities (Chair: Jeremy Rinker) [Glynn 301]
 - Weaving Inclusive Threads: Understanding Socioeconomic Integration of Migrant Communities through Intersectional Approaches for Peace, Justice, and Liberation (Anthoanette Kommeh and Nadia Narthey, Kennesaw State University)
 - Necropolitics and Democracy: Immigrant Detention in the United States as Zones of Exemption (Meghan Geist, Kent State University)
 - On Environmental and Health Justice: Minority Groups' Perspectives (Mayra Bonet, SUNY Maritime College)
 - The Nation of the Immigrants (Yasmina Benachour, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa)
 - Building Anti-caste Solidarity and Social Movement Understanding of Intersectionality among South Asian Immigrants in the U.S. (Jeremy Rinker, University of North Carolina Greensboro)
- **[PANEL 7D]** The Dynamics of Promoting Peace and Combating Injustice (Chair: Vicki Ross) [Glynn 306]
 - Prefiguring Positive Peace: Governing a 'Leaderless' Social Change Organization (Ashley E. Nickels, Kent State University)
 - Connectedness across Divides: How to stand for justice and de-polarize at the same time (Jennie Barron, Selkirk College)
 - The Politics of Love: Dismantling Regimes of Exclusion (Shawn Graves, University of Findlay and Marlena Graves, Northeastern Seminary)
 - We all Need Somebody to Lean On: Engaging Intersectionality's Black Male Problem (Adebayo Oluwayomi, West Chester University)
- **[ROUNDTABLE 7E]** Sharing Ideas on How to Teach Peace and Social Justice in University Courses [Glynn 206]
 - Tanya Loughhead, Canisius University
 - Mechthild Nagel, SUNY Cortland
 - Janet Gerson, International Institute on Peace Education
 - Gail Presbey, University of Detroit Mercy
- **[FILM]** Behind the Door: Social Change Through One-of-a-Kind Art and Storytelling (Brandon Brown, Maine Prisoner Advocacy Coalition) [Glynn 407]
 - Real stories from real people impacted by systems of inequity and structural violence. Exploring topics from mass incarceration and prison reform to substance use and mental health, the podcast shines the light on marginalized people to engage in the transformation of social narratives that keep people ostracized, stigmatized, and separated as "other". The podcast is built around the repurposing of Hiltz's prison door, the one he was incarcerated behind, into a piece of art and discussion that Brown and Hiltz travel around the country with, to spur conversations that can lead to inspiring people to engage in social change and narrative transformation.



4:45-6:00 Poster Presentations [Glynn 405/406], **PJSA Membership Meeting** [Glynn 407], **Vendor and Organization Tabling** [Glynn 3rd & 4th floors]

- Individual posters are listed at the bottom of the full schedule

6:00-7:00

- Dinner reception at the Niagara University Dining Commons.
- Poetry reading with Desiree McCray and Jasiah Hackett

7:00-8:00

- Dessert and Tours of the Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Center
[[Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Center](#), 825 Depot Ave. W., Niagara Falls, NY]

8:00-9:30 Keynote Discussion with Damon A. Williams and Daniel Kisslinger of Respair Media with icon Bill Ayers on the topic of When Freedom is the Question... [[Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Center](#), 825 Depot Ave. W., Niagara Falls, NY]



Day 3



Day 2 Overview

Time	Schedule
8:00-9:00	Registration Check In and Breakfast
9:00-10:15	Breakfast interactive roundtable workshop
10:30-11:45	Concurrent Session #8
12:00-1:15	Concurrent Session #9
1:30-3:00	Lunch Plenary #3



Day 3 Schedule

Sunday, October 27

8:00-9:00 Registration Check In [Glynn 1st Floor], and Breakfast [Dining Commons]

- Coffee, tea, and refreshments offered in Glynn 210 throughout the conference
- Relaxation area and office space in Bailo Hall throughout the conference

9:00-10:15 Breakfast interactive roundtable workshop: Palestinian-Israeli Peace in a Time of War [Dining Commons]

- Stephen Zunes, University of San Francisco
- Elliot Ratzman, University of Michigan
- Sarah Nahar, Syracuse University
- TBD
- TBD
- Moderator (TBD)

10:30-11:45 Concurrent session #8

- [PANEL 8A] Exploring Political Violence in an Age of Extremism (Chair: Michael Loadenthal) [Glynn 201]
 - Intersectional Hate: A Case Study in Right-Wing Accelerationist Propaganda (Alexandria Grace Olsen, Georgetown University)
 - Examining Incel Culture from a Peace and Justice Standpoint (Wim Laven, Cuyahoga Community College and Christian Schlaerth, Waldorf University)
 - The Intersection of White Supremacy and State Responses to Domestic Extremism: A Case Study of the Patriot Front (Jeannie Shroads, George Mason University)
 - We Are All Conspiracists? (Robert Kane, Niagara University)
 - Look Mom I'm On TV: Crowd-sourced policing, social media, and the prosecution of January 6 Capitol defendants (Michael Loadenthal, The University of Cincinnati and Ellis Langham, Regis University)
- [PANEL 8B] On Climate, Ecology, and Non-Human Animals (Chair: Randall Amster) [Glynn 215]
 - Learning in Bear Country: Reflections on Methods of Peace Research in the More-than-Human World (Matthew Breay Bolton, Pace University)
 - Justice Education for a Changing Climate (Jessica M. Young, University of North Carolina at Charlotte)
 - Climate change adaptation as violence in coastal communities (Greg Oulahan, Toronto Metropolitan University)
 - Intersectional Ecology (Randall Amster, Georgetown University)
 - Cultivating Peace and Sustenance: The Role of Education in Addressing Crises (Juan Salcedo, New York University)
- [PANEL 8C] Cyber, Technology, and Surveillance (Chair: Kevin Hinkley) [Glynn 301]
 - Digital Panopticon: The use of Cyber Space to Surveil, Discipline, Control and Set Agenda in Ethiopia (Alazar Melkamu Bayou and Axumawit Haileselassie, Institute for Peace and Security Studies)
 - The Analog Ethics Project: Historical lessons for mitigating technological injustices (Will O'Brien, University of Notre Dame)
 - Not a big fan!: Conflicts and opportunities in the green energy transition related to offshore wind development (Lorren Ruscetta, University of Delaware)
 - The AI/Digital Revolution: Implications For Democracy & Peace (Linda Groff, California State University, Dominguez Hills)



- [PANEL 8D] Transpersonal and the IntraConnected Collective: Expansive Ontologies and Identities in Peace Scholarship (Chair: Roy Tamashiro) [Glynn 315]
 - “Identity Paradigm Shifts: Transpersonal Presence and CollectiveWe Consciousness” (Roy Tamashiro, Webster University)
 - “Autoethnography of Diasporic Consciousness: Dignity Upheld In Exile” (Noor El-Gazairly, George Washington University)
 - “Co-Witnessing Dialogues as Methodology in Reconciliation Spaces” (Janine Joyce, Edith Cowen University)
- [WORKSHOP 8E] The Secret Sauce: Creating an Anti-Racist Mindset for White Students and Community Members [Glynn 206]
 - Dennis Cornell, Antiracism4u
- [FILM] In the Wake of Loss (Aminata Ndow, Harvard University) [Glynn 407]
 - In the Wake of Loss presents an ethnographic account of twenty-year-old Amie Lowe, whose father – a victim of Yahya Jammeh’s 22-year-long dictatorship in The Gambia – disappeared when she was only three years old. This documentary portrait examines how a young adult child of the forcibly disappeared, in the “post-truth commission era” deals with the ramifications of this violent past after the official channels of mourning have stalled. The personal portrait between Amie in front of the camera and Amie behind the camera illuminates the intimate and small in the interminable wake of unresolved loss.

12:00-1:15 Concurrent session #9

- [PANEL 9A] On the Question of Palestine (Chair: Michael Loadenthal) [Glynn 201]
 - Bias and Double-standards of Implicit Protest: An evaluation of social politics for Palestinian support and perspectives on Gazan genocide (David Bell, Niagara University)
 - Beyond Women and Children: Interrogating Heteronormative Visuals in UNRWA Reporting on Palestine (Sreeparna Das, The University of Cincinnati)
 - Until We are All Free: Zionism, Palestinian Liberation, and Intersectionality in the Women’s March (Francesca Freeman, University of Notre Dame)
 - “āḥnā mawǧūdyn!” Presence as an Index of Respect in Israeli-Palestinian Peacebuilding (Alyssa M. Paylor, University of Notre Dame)
 - Charges of Antisemitism in the Pro-Palestinian Movement: What’s Real, What’s Not, and Why it Matters (Stephen Zunes, University of San Francisco)
 - Implementing the Moral Imagination: The Quaker Approach to Peacebuilding in Palestine (Jonah Rebert, Fordham University)
- [PANEL 9B] On Intersectionality as Education and Peacebuilding (Chair: Pushpa Iyer) [Glynn 215]
 - Intersectional Identities and Community Development: Understanding Minority Participation and Voice (Felix Akinboyewa, Kent State University and Mnguashima Valentina Soomiyol, Rutgers University)
 - Multiple Jeopardy: Intersectionality and Aging (Susan Mason, Niagara University)
 - Re-presenting the Neuroqueer Subject: Intersections of Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Disability (Sinchan Chatterjee, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay)
 - Bridging Divides: Building Solidarity Through Activism (Pushpa Iyer, Nova Southeastern University)
 - Beyond Violence: Building a Trans Peace Studies Scholarship (Caroline Fairheller, Kent State University)
- [PANEL 9C] Anti-Colonial Resistance and Indigenous Claims (Chair: Lori Quigley) [Glynn 301]
 - Red Paint Resistance: Graffiti and a Queen Victoria statue in Settler Colonial Canada (Eric Lepp, University of Waterloo)



- Indigenous Restorative Justice Praxis in South Africa and Hawai'i (Leanne Trapedo Sims, Knox College)
- Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girl in Canada in Connection to Extraction Companies (Deborah Canales, Kings University College)
- Pipelines and Peacebuilding: Conflicting energy sovereignties and environmental knowledge creation along Line 3 (Tiffany Grobelski, Gustavus Adolphus College)
- Canada's Obligation to Search the Landfill (Michael J. Campbell, Western University)
- The Sakulolo Revolution: Solidarity as building international kinship networks and Indigenous Land Claims (Alexandra Scrivner, Syracuse University)
- [PANEL 9D] Reclaiming and Sustaining Peace and Justice: Considering Solidarity from Moral and Philosophical Perspectives (Chair: Jeffery H. Warnke) [Glynn 315]
 - Solidarity in Honneth's Critical Theory: Implications for Sustainable Democratic Education (Jeffery H. Warnke, Walsh University)
 - Solidarity and Axel Honneth's Idea of Socialism: Implications for a Pedagogy of Peace (Dale Snauwaert, University of Toledo)
 - Solidarity and Reclamative Post-Conflict Justice (Janet Gerson, International Institute on Peace Education)
- [VISUAL ROUNDTABLE 9E] Visual Representations of Movements and Resistance [Glynn 405/406]
 - Project 30.1 – Fostering Peace through Perspective
 - Liz Malanaphy, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
 - Intersectionality and Solidarity Through 100 Years of Nonviolent Resistance to War and Injustice
 - Joanne Sheehan, War Resisters League
 - Mandy Carter, University of Massachusetts
 - Frida Berrigan, Southeastern Connecticut Community Land Trust

1:30-3:00 Lunch Plenary #3: Augusto Boal Theatre of the Oppressed [NU Theatre] & Conference Close



Featured Speakers



Kali Akuno

Kali Akuno is a co-founder and executive director of Cooperation Jackson. He was the director of special projects and external funding in the mayoral administration of the late Chokwe Lumumba of Jackson, Mississippi. Akuno has also served as the co-director of the U.S. Human Rights Network, and the executive director of the Peoples' Hurricane Relief Fund (PHRF) based in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. He was a co-founder of the School of Social Justice and Community Development (SSJCD), a public school serving the academic needs of low-income African American and Latino communities in Oakland, CA. Akuno is co-editor, along with Matt Meyer, of Jackson Rising Redux (PM Press, 2023).



William Ayers

William Ayers, Distinguished Professor of Education and Senior University Scholar at the University of Illinois at Chicago (retired) has written extensively about social justice and democracy, education and the cultural contexts of schooling, and teaching as an essentially intellectual, ethical, and political enterprise. His books include *A Kind and Just Parent*; *Teaching toward Freedom*; *Fugitive Days: A Memoir*; *Public Enemy: Confessions of an American Dissident*; *To Teach: The Journey, in Comics*; *Race Course: Against White Supremacy*; *About Becoming a Teacher*; *Demand the Impossible! A Radical Manifesto*; and *When Freedom is the Question Abolition is the Answer: Reflections on Collective Liberation*.



Theatre of the Oppressed

Theatre of the Oppressed was developed by the Brazilian artist and activist Augusto Boal to use the tools of theatre to enable collective action and problem solving. Boal's central conceit is that while artists have skills that enable communication, their goal should not be to give an audience solutions but rather use the tools of theatre to empower audiences to take an active role in imagining solutions and better futures.



Rev. Chloe Breyer

Rev. Chloe Breyer has served as the Director of the Interfaith Center of New York (ICNY) since 2007. During the past decade and a half, ICNY has developed a pioneering curriculum in civics training for grassroots religious leaders, built multi-faith advocacy coalitions preventing bias crimes, and promoted criminal justice and immigration reform. In 2015, Rev. Breyer served as a community adviser to the court-appointed facilitator tasked with finding a remedy for police profiling in the “stop and frisk” lawsuits against the NYPD. More recently, Rev. Breyer was one of the clergy advisors on the transition teams of both the incoming Mayor of New York City and the Manhattan District Attorney. An Episcopal Priest in the Diocese of New York, Breyer has served at Harlem churches for more than two decades, including as Associate Priest at St. Philip’s Church since 2012. In addition to local religious peacemaking work, Rev. Breyer has also participated in interfaith dialogues and humanitarian aid initiatives in Afghanistan and Iran and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. She is the author of *The Close: A Young Woman’s First Year at Seminary* (Basic Books 2000) and her op-eds have appeared in *Slate*, the *NY Daily News*, the *International New York Times* (*Herald Tribune*) and elsewhere. She received her Ph.D. in Christian Ethics from Union Theological Seminary in 2017 and her doctoral dissertation focused on interfaith activism, Christian peacemaking, and Islamophobia.



Maria Cabrera Balleza

Maria ‘Mavic’ Cabrera Balleza is the founder and CEO of the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders. Mavic pioneered the local application of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) on women, peace and security. Her work is regarded as a best practice example and has been applied in at least 20 countries. She initiated the Philippines National Action Plan process on UNSCR 1325 and also served as the international consultant to Nepal’s National Action Plan. Mavic has provided technical support on UNSCR 1325 national action planning in Guatemala, Japan and South Sudan, and facilitated costing and budgeting workshops of national action plans in Georgia, Jordan, Lebanon, and Nepal. She co-authored *From Best Practice to Standard Practice: A toolkit on the Localization of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women and Peace and Security and Costing and Financing 1325*, and edited the 2010 through to 2014 editions of *Women Count: Civil Society Monitoring Report on Security Council Resolution 1325*. In 2014, Mavic led the establishment of the Young Women for Peace and Leadership, a network of young women in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, DRC, Indonesia, Myanmar, Philippines, South Sudan, and Ukraine, who are leading peacebuilding efforts in local communities.



Leslie James Pickering

Leslie James Pickering is a founder and former spokesperson for the North American Earth Liberation Front Press Office, an adjunct lecturer at Niagara University, and a proprietor of Burning Books – a friendly radical bookstore in Buffalo. In addition to writing numerous articles and contributions to edited volumes, he is the author of *Earth Liberation Front 1997-2002*, *Mad Bomber Melville*, and *Conspiracy to Riot in Furtherance of Terrorism: The Collective Autobiography of the RNC 8*. Leslie teaches classes on Animal Liberation, Environment and Social Justice, State Repression, Political Prisoners, and Modern Political Ideologies.



Sacajawea “Saki” Hall

Sacajawea “Saki” Hall is a black feminist activist engaged in the collective struggle for human rights, social justice, and transformation. With over 10 years of experience on the local, national, and international level, saki has provided leadership for political mobilizations, direct actions, conferences, fundraising initiatives, and communications to numerous organizations, coalitions, and networks throughout the United States including People’s Production House, the Malcolm X Grassroots Movement, the US Human Rights Network, and Cooperation Jackson. She is one of the founding members of Cooperation Jackson and currently co-leads their Land and Housing Initiative.



Jason Corwin

Jason Corwin is Assistant Professor of Indigenous Studies at University of Buffalo. He is a member of the Seneca Nation, Deer Clan, and earned both MS and PhD degrees in Natural Resources from Cornell University. Jason was the founding director of the Seneca Media & Communications Center and has produced several short and feature length documentaries. He has extensive experience as a community-based environmental educator utilizing digital media to engage with Indigenous ways of knowing, sustainability, and social/environmental justice topics.



Charlene Howard

Charlene Howard is the Executive Director of Pax Christi USA (PCUSA) a membership organization that rejects war, preparation for war, every form of violence and domination, and personal and systemic racism grounded in the Gospel and Catholic social teaching. As a section of Pax Christi International, PCUSA is a Catholic peace and justice movement that seeks to model the peace of Christ in its witness to the mandate of the nonviolence of the Cross. In her role as Executive Director, Mrs. Howard endeavors to increase the involvement of youth and young adults in the work of the movement, as well as, increasing its visibility and viability among communities of color. She has a master's degree in Catechesis and Religious Education from The Catholic University of America, holds a certificate of preaching from the Aquinas Institute and is a Master Catechist in the Archdiocese of Washington. She is a mother of 4 children and the grandmother of 5 who works with her husband, Evangelist Michael Howard, to spread God's word through catechetical formation, writing curriculum for the University of Dayton virtual classes, leading retreats and facilitating Small Group experiences on-line. Most importantly, Charlene Howard is a child of God working to proclaim the Good News that we are made in His image and greatly loved.



Luella N. Kenny

Luella N. Kenny is a 1958 graduate of Niagara University, earning her bachelors of science degree in Chemistry. After graduation she went to work for Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center, where she spent more than 40 years as a research scientist. Luella and her family moved to the Love Canal neighborhood in Niagara Falls in 1969. In 1978 her seven-year-old son Jon Allen died as a result of exposure to chemicals from Love Canal. Luella became a key member of the Love Canal Homeowners Association, the grassroots movement bringing together residents in response to the Love Canal crisis. Drawing on her scientific expertise, Luella helped to design and conduct groundbreaking epidemiological studies showing the prevalence of miscarriages, birth defects, cancers, neurological diseases, and other serious illnesses among residents of Love Canal. In the midst of the Love Canal crisis, Luella went to California to address the shareholders meeting of Occidental Petroleum to deliver a powerful message: "I am determined that no other child will die because of corporate irresponsibility." Teaching about Love Canal and the dangers of environmental harm has become Luella's mission in life. For more than 40 years Luella has informed and inspired millions of people around the world.



Ellen Owens

Ellen Owens is the Director of the Castellani Art Museum of Niagara University. She was formerly Director of Learning Programs at the University of Pennsylvania's Penn Museum for eight years. Owens also served as Director of Philadelphia's Magic Gardens, a vibrant museum and art gallery. She currently teaches Museum Studies at Niagara University and taught in the University of the Arts Museum Studies graduate program for a decade, leading the Education focus for two years. She is a trustee for The Print Center and Frank Lloyd Wright's Darwin Martin House and held a long-term appointment with the Museum Council of Greater Philadelphia. Owens graduated with honors from Penn State University, earning a BA in Art Education and a BFA in Painting and Drawing. She received her MA in Museum Education from the University of the Arts and Executive Leadership certificates from the Getty Leadership Institute, University of Pennsylvania, and Bryn Mawr College.



Michael Kuzma

Michael Kuzma is a native of Buffalo, New York. He left the region and moved to Southern California to attend college. He graduated with a B.A. in Political Science with High Honors from California State University, Fullerton. He returned to Western New York and attended the University at Buffalo School of Law. While in law school, Mike became politically active. In addition to working on several political campaigns, he was a candidate for Buffalo City Court in 2003 and New York Senate in 2010. Mike also ran as a delegate for former Ohio Congressman Dennis J. Kucinich in his 2004 bid for President. Mike has worked for the City of Buffalo Division of Real Estate, Erie County Legislature, and Buffalo Common Council. In addition, he has served as a Hearing Officer in Buffalo Small Claims Court.

Mike has over two decades of experience as a practicing attorney, with concentrated disciplines and expertise in criminal and traffic law, as well as specializing in Local, State, and Federal government accountability issues. He has successfully litigated various Freedom of Information cases against Federal and State agencies, including the CIA, FBI, U. S. Department of Justice, New York State Department of Correctional and Community Supervision, and the Governor of New York State. Mike is recognized and credited for setting precedents with high-profile reported cases at the State and Federal levels. He is uniquely qualified and selected to conduct FOIA and FOIL continuing legal education classes locally, as well as in various venues throughout the United States and Canada, including as a guest speaker at CUNY School of Law in Long Island City. Mike has been featured in domestic and international print/digital media as a legal consultant for case-specific analysis, including appearances on TV and radio, as well as quoted for summaries and commentaries in newspapers, most notably in the New York Times.



Michael Loadenthal

Michael Loadenthal, Ph.D. serves as the Executive Director of the Peace and Justice Studies Association and is a researcher, trainer, and investigator focused at the intersection of security, technology, and political violence. Michael routinely advises and trains social movement organizations, journalists, researchers, public officials, and other high-risk individuals in areas including threat modeling, operational security, risk management, open-source intelligence methods, counter-repression, and advises as a subject matter expert on political violence mitigations, tracking domestic extremism, and the modern far-right.



Matt Meyer

Matt Meyer is a noted educator, author, and organizer currently serving as Secretary General of the International Peace Research Association. As former national co-chair of the Fellowship of Reconciliation and former chair of the War Resisters League, he is second only to A.J. Muste—“dean of the US peace movement”—being elected to the top position of both historic organizations; he is a member of the Muste Institute’s Board of Directors. Based in New York City, Meyer has led seminars, courses, trainings, and conferences in over one hundred countries throughout five continents and authored or edited over a dozen popular books. Meyer works as Senior Research Scholar at the University of Massachusetts/Amherst Resistance Studies Initiative and is the founding co-chair of the Peace and Justice Studies Association (the main North American affiliate of IPRA).



René Rickard

René Rickard serves as the Tuscarora Director for the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force (HETF). She is responsible for contributing to a culturally-based environmental protection process that is consistent with traditional Haudenosaunee values. Her expertise lies in the areas of water quality and solid waste. René is known for her innovative and creative skills in planning, developing and addressing the environmental concerns of the Tuscarora Nation.



Tish O'Dell

Tish O'Dell is currently the Consulting Director for CELDF (Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund) and has been working as a Community Organizer since 2011 assisting residents to organize rights based initiatives in their communities in order to help them “make real” the just and sustainable communities they envision for the future. CELDF has assisted hundreds of communities across the country to develop “first in the nation” laws recognizing Rights of Nature and others addressing environmental harms, worker’s rights, homeless rights, immigrant rights, fair election rights, including the first in the nation law recognizing the rights of a specific ecosystem, the Lake Erie Bill of Rights in 2019. Tish has conducted workshops, taught CELDF’s Democracy School and given talks all over the country, as well as been featured in the documentaries *We the People 2.0*, *Invisible Hand* and appeared on *The Daily Show* and is one of the editors of the 2021 book *Death by Democracy: Protecting Water and Life – Frontline stories from Ohioans fighting corporate and state power*. She has written articles published in the *Ecologist*, *TruthOut*, *Common Dreams*, the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* and the *Columbus Free Press* and appeared on many podcasts and webinars including *Damages*, *The Julie Rose Show* (NPR), *Living on Earth*, and a 4-part European Parliament webinar “Towards a European Recognition of the Rights of Nature”.



Rowen White

Rowen White is a Seed Keeper/farmer and author from the Mohawk community of Akwesasne and a passionate activist for indigenous seed and food sovereignty. She is the Educational Director and lead mentor of *Sierra Seeds*, an innovative Indigenous seed bank and land-based educational organization located in Nevada City CA. Rowen is the Founder of the Indigenous Seedkeepers Network, which is committed to restoring the Indigenous Seed Commons, and currently serves as a Cooperative Seed Hub Coordinator. She facilitates creative hands-on workshops and strategic conversations in community around seed/food security around the country within tribal and small farming communities. As a farmer, mentor, leader, writer, and storyteller Rowen is deeply committed to a lifelong practice of embodied prayer that contributes to cultivating a culture of belonging in our ways of nourishing ourselves. She is part of a collective movement to reseed imaginations of a more beautiful and nourishing future through uplifting and mentoring emerging changemakers, visionaries, community members, and creative humans who are making nourishing contributions at the intersections of the landscape of food sovereignty and cultural revitalization. She believes that by cultivating creative supportive learning spaces, reclaiming narratives, and practicing radical imagination, we can work together to seed the change for a more equitable and beautiful relational, kincentric food system that centers around a deep sense of belonging and connection.



Dave Peterson

Dave Peterson is an assistant professor of theatre at Niagara University, having joined the faculty in the Fall 2020. Dave teaches courses in theatre history and theory, a graduate course in theatre pedagogy, has overseen projects as part of the Theatre Specialization degree, and teaches a first year seminar on theatre as part of the Vincentian Social Justice course. Dave directs in the NU theatre season, with recent works including *Fun Home*, *Everybody*, *Machinal*, and *Good Kids*. He also currently serves as a co-advisor for the undergraduate theatre group, the NU Players, and has directed NU's professional summer youth theatre touring ensemble, Niagara University Repertory Theatre, which brings free theatre to children across Niagara and Erie county while also providing early professional experiences for NU students. He received a PhD in Theatre History and Performance Studies from the University of Pittsburgh, an MA in Theatre from Michigan State University, and a BA in History and Theatre from the University of Michigan.



Daniel Kisslinger

Daniel Kisslinger is a Chicago-based host and producer who creates dialogue-based media showcasing the stories, voices, and artworks of communities challenging power, reconfiguring public life, and reimagining our world. He is the Co-Founder of Respair Production & Media, and is the Co-Creator of AirGo, a weekly podcast in Chicago that reshapes the culture of the city and beyond for the more liberatory and creative.



Damon A. Williams

Damon A. Williams is a movement builder, organizer, hip-hop performing artist, educator and media maker from the south side of Chicago, Cohost of AirGo, and Co-founder of Respair Production & Media. He is the co-director of the #LetUsBreathe Collective, an artistic activist organization that utilizes cultural production and popular education to redistribute power and resources, eradicate systemic violence, and transform inequity.



2024 Awardees



Organizing for Peace and Justice Award: Stitch Buffalo

- Stitch Buffalo is a textile art center committed to empowering refugee and immigrant women through the sale of their handcrafted goods, inspiring creativity and inclusion through community education, and stewarding the environment through the re-use of textile supplies.
- We believe that our Buffalo community is richer for its diversity, full of unique possibilities, and worth celebrating. Our future depends on how we treat one another today. We share our abundant talents and creativity as we pursue happiness, safety, and belonging.
- Among their programs is Refugee Women's Workshop – a thriving community of women artists from Bhutan, Burma, Nepal, Thailand, Egypt, Afghanistan, and beyond who sew handcrafted goods for sale in the community. Through the creation of handcrafted textiles, each artist nurtures her artistic heritage while affirming her self-worth as a woman and a human being.



Social Courage Award: Geraldine Pointer

- On the night of July 14, 1967, Geraldine Pointer (then Robinson) was helping Martin Sostre close the Afro-Asian Bookshop on Jefferson Avenue in Buffalo. In the early morning of July 15th, plainclothes police and FBI agents raided the store and arrested the two, scapegoating Sostre as the cause of the city's recent uprising.
- Geraldine Robinson became one of the first Black women political prisoners of the Black Power era, yet her struggle remains virtually unknown today. Any dedication to the excavation and dissemination of Martin Sostre's legacy must also acknowledge the importance of Geraldine's struggle and the enduring impact of state repression – a direct result of the illegal FBI COINTELPRO program – on her and her family.
- Martin Sostre and Geraldine (Robinson) Pointer's names should have been cleared after they were framed. Sostre, who the FBI and Buffalo Police targeted for his revolutionary ideas and radical activism, and Pointer, who was guilty by association, were wrongfully arrested and imprisoned in 1967, during the height of the Black Power movement in Buffalo. Pointer continues to fight to have her conviction vacated and to clear her name from falsified and uncorroborated arrests.



Undergraduate Thesis Award

- Nora Sweeney, Swarthmore College, “From Social Justice to Social Conflict: Reframing Abortion Access in the United States”
 - It matters how we think and talk about our lives. Our construction of social factors influences our perceptions of them and subsequent action. Hostility and hatred across the United States is often discussed using the language of “social justice issues.” This liberal framing of “social justice” tends to relegate systemic issues into individual injustices, creating a model of individual solutions with limited avenues for large-scale change. Many of these social justice issues are encompassed within Peace & Conflict Studies definitions of social conflicts. While “social justice” and “social conflict” need not be mutually exclusive, making the distinction between the frames can offer new and different possibilities for resolution. Using reproductive justice in the United States as a case study, my thesis argues for reframing “social justice” as “social conflict.” Changing how we think about conflict can change how we move through conflict.

Graduate Thesis Award

- Helal Khan, University of Notre Dame, “The Role of Regimes of Cooperation in the Well-being of Rohingya Refugees in Chicago, Milwaukee, and Fort Wayne”
 - This dissertation examines agency, cooperation, and well-being in the context of refugee resettlement. Past studies of refugee resettlement have explored fractures, fissions, and conflicts in the complex geopolitics and economics that govern it, often citing mistrust and lack of hope among participants. Yet, millions of refugees have resettled worldwide over the past decades, becoming citizens and legal residents in their new homes. How do refugees survive, adapt and even thrive against the odds portrayed by multiple studies on refugee resettlement? This intriguing question guides my study, looking into dynamic processes and institutions underlying the growth of Rohingya refugee micro-communities in Chicago, Milwaukee, and Fort Wayne. My principal finding is that refugees pursue cooperation and hope as the primary mechanism to attain well-being in a new country, mediated by institutions such as cultural centers and faith-based organizations through place- and space-making practices. I develop two novel theoretical concepts – “the abling refugee” and “regimes of cooperation” – through this study. The abling refugee speaks to refugees’ progressive interactions with people, processes, and institutions in their resettlement locations, guided by the sense of hope undiminished through their journeys. Regimes of cooperation is a spatial behavioral concept encompassing everyday dynamics of cooperation, wherein refugee-led institutions create spaces for interaction between diverse refugees and other actors of resettlement, making cooperation an iterative, ongoing process rather than a formal or policy based exercise. Refugees cooperate to achieve well-being related to education, housing, healthcare, citizenship, and spirituality, closely supported by people and institutions that act as brokers within the larger support networks that connect related providers to their recipients. This approach to studying cooperation invites attention to the importance of everyday peace and well-being and calls for exploring their physical dimensions. It entails observing how refugees become active makers of their new geographical landscapes by accessing various spaces and eventually managing, sustaining, and developing them. The study ties cooperation, hope, and well-being as observable phenomena that people actively engage with and cultivate while seeking to move beyond the traumas of violent displacement and perils of finding homes in far-off lands.



Mini-Grants Award Winners

- Helin Unal, Clark University
 - “How Different Beliefs about Collective Victimization Relate to Support for Various Resistance Strategies,” This research project explores the relationship between beliefs about collective victimization and support for different resistance strategies. (Helin is finalizing a survey and IRB through her university)
- Dr. Kelly Macias, Independent Scholar
 - “Lounġin’: Black Women’s Joy as Freedom Technology;” I had originally envisioned that the photo-elicitation part of my story circles with Black women would come from personal and historical photos I identified. But as I talked with women about the project, they volunteered to share their family photos with me. So, I now have some photos of Black women evoking joy that have been shared with me and some I have gathered through searching (the searching has also been an exciting and iterative process as I’ve discovered a number of photos in flea markets). I have upcoming virtual story circles planned for next month and I continue to have one-on-one conversations which generate learning and insights.
- Rachel Stewart, Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance (OREPA)
 - “Murky Waters: Contextualizing Mercury Contamination in Oak Ridge’s Environmental History;” is still in the data collection phase but I am excited about the prospects of displaying it at the Museum of East TN History. I have taken photographs at East Fork Poplar Creek (EFPC) in Oak Ridge as well as collected historical photographs from OREPA’s archives at Wilmington College’s Peace Resource Center; collected water and soil samples from EFPC; and started recruiting interviewees. My vision is to curate a multi-media museum exhibit that tells the story of mercury contamination due to nuclear weapons production by highlighting the soil and water pollution and the stories of Oak Ridge’s who worked during the height of the Cold War.



PEACE & JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION

International Peace Research Association Affiliation

PJSA's Peace Chronicle seeks a new Editor-in-Chief and Production Manager to begin Fall 2025

The Peace and Justice Studies Association (PJSA), a bi-national professional association for scholars in the field of peace and conflict studies, is seeking to bring on a new Editor-in-Chief (EiC) and a new Production Manager (PM) to support the publication of its quarterly magazine, The Peace Chronicle. The present EiC and PM are transitioning to other roles after five years of service.

The EiC and PM roles would allow an individual to work closely with the members of the PJSA community, its Board of Directors, and an international network of contributors and readers. The roles are detailed below individually.

While the position functions as an unpaid, practicum/internship, there are many benefits to working with our team including:

- Learning magazine production and team-based project management in a supportive environment.
- Networking via a dynamic universe of authors, practitioners, academics, and activists contributing written materials and artwork.
- Producing beautiful and powerful publications to add to a professional portfolio.

Individuals interested in either position should email info@peacejustiestudies.org.

Applicants do not need to be a member of PJSA. In your email, please include:

1. a CV or resume,
2. a recent writing sample, and,
3. a brief cover letter detailing why you are qualified for the role, and your vision for the Chronicle going forward.

POSITION DESCRIPTIONS ARE INCLUDED BELOW

Editor in Chief

The Editor in Chief (EiC) oversees the Peace Chronicle production with the help of the Peace Chronicle team. The EiC manages the annual production cycle of the magazine and coordinates the production of multiple issues simultaneously receiving support from Guest Editors and additional team members.

The EiC roles include:

1. Identification of issue themes and/or guest editors (12 months prior to publication)
2. Write the Call for Submissions (9 months prior)
3. Manage correspondence with advertisers (6 months prior)
4. Solicit submissions from PJSA board members and other stakeholders (5 months prior)
5. Review submissions and help identify reviewers as needed (4 months prior)
6. Lead the revision of submissions (3 months prior)
7. Assist the Production Manager in assembling the issue and getting it online (2 months prior)
8. Manage the issue's launch



The EiC is responsible for executive decision-making regarding the magazine and its content. The EiC can adapt the Chronicle's production schedule, content, aesthetic style, etc. in consultation with PJSA and its stakeholders. The EiC is also responsible for managing staffing needs (e.g., training and supervising interns), and allocating the Chronicle's annual budget.

Benefits

- Free membership with the Peace and Justice Studies Association
- Free admission to PJSA's annual conference
- The opportunity to host a Chronicle-themed panel or workshop annually
- A modest annual budget to allocate and spend

Production Manager

The Production Manager is responsible for the assembly of magazine materials and for the publication of that issue online. Using an existing Canva template the Production Manager lays out each page with an eye toward aesthetic appeal and arranges art and text to produce a reader-friendly final product. Online, the Manager curates the launch of the issue and is responsible for creating the issue's landing page and Table of Contents, and adding articles and artwork.

Other responsibilities of the Production Manager include:

1. Ensuring that all issue material is included and providing final oversight
2. Tracking and placing advertisements within issues
3. Maintaining the Chronicle's informational pages on the PJSA website
4. Assisting the EiC and Guest Editors if questions arise

Benefits

- Free membership with the Peace and Justice Studies Association
- Free admission to PJSA's annual conference



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PJSA is committed to the peace process and accordingly practices an equity of fee scales for membership, self-managed on the honor system

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The PJSA Mini-Grants Program exists to support programs and projects that align with and promote the mission of the PJSA.

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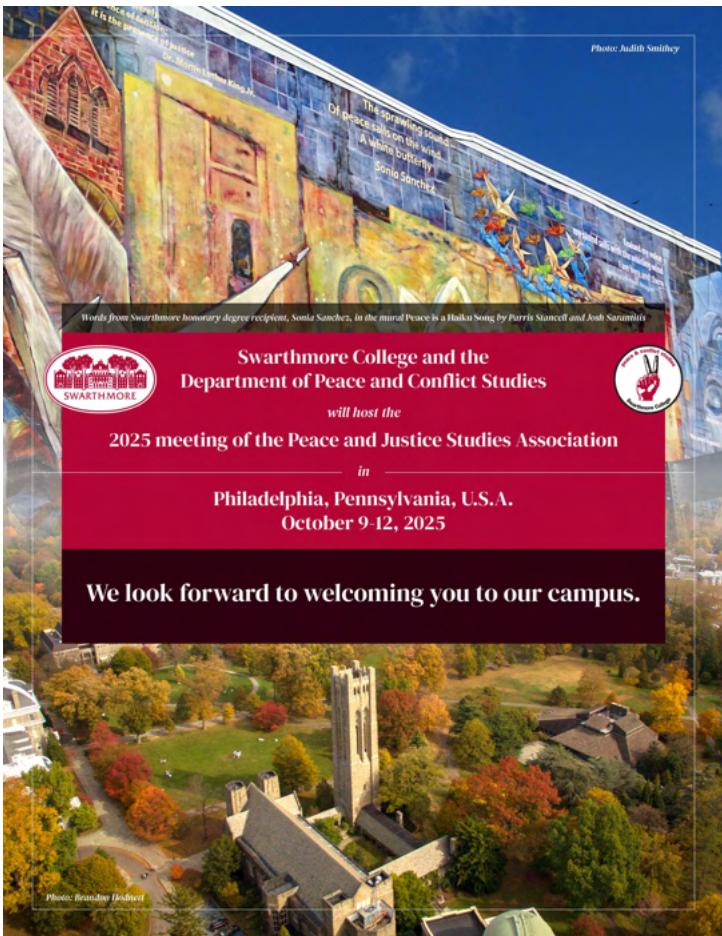


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