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Columbus Outdoor Event
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75 TH ANNIVERSARY HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI COMMEMORATION

DATE: Thursday, August 6, 2020
TIME: Poster display opens at 2 pm; **program starts at 6 pm.**
LOCATION: Washington Gladden Social Justice Park
Next to the First Congregational Church, 444 E. Broad Street
at the corner of Cleveland Avenue.

VISIT THE MEMORIAL HISTORIC DISPLAY

Weather permitting, 30 large posters with photos telling the story of the people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki on those fateful days in 1945 will be on display at the park starting at 2 pm.

SPEAKERS

- Pat Marida will speak about how the atomic bomb was developed and subsequently used.
- Yoshie Furuhashi will speak about the effects of the bombing on the ground and what happened to the Japanese people.
- Mark Stansbery will speak about nuclear weapons treaties and the UN International Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
- Fujio Hayashi from the Interfaith Association of Central Ohio will tell the story of his family's home in Tokyo being firebombed.
- Elaine Fujimura will tell the story of her parents being interned during WWII.

Other speakers will talk about how their organizations are working for peace and social justice:

- Dkéama Alexis, Black Queer & Intersectional Collective
- Ginnie Vogts, Showing Up for Racial Justice
- Tarunjit Butalia, Executive Director, Religions for Peace USA
- Mayo Makinde, Progressive Democrats of America

STATEMENT

WE ARE A DIVERSE GROUP of people who share the common goals of ridding the world of the threat posed by nuclear weapons and bringing justice to communities affected by nuclear weapons testing, production and use. We recognize that people of color were the target of the 1945 bombs and subsequent bomb testing. We acknowledge the suffering of Japanese Americans ripped from their homes and placed in internment camps during the war.

WE CELEBRATE the United Nations International Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the 39 nations that have ratified it since it was adopted in 2017. We eagerly await the treaty entering into force when 50 nations have ratified it, which will not be long. Parties to the treaty will prohibit all activities related to nuclear weapons when the treaty comes into force. Nuclear weapons will be stigmatized and individual nations protected from retaliation.

WE RECOGNIZE THE CONNECTION between the obscene budgets for weapons and warmaking and the lack of funding for education, housing, health care and other public services. We acknowledge

our common understanding that inequality can only be maintained through the use of violence and coercion. We recognize the humanity of every person and vow continue to work together to end inequality in whatever form it takes.

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Hiroshima 75 Sierra Club Twitter: <https://twitter.com/SierraClub/status/1288476634924953600>

Hiroshima 75 Sierra Club AddUp:

https://addup.sierraclub.org/campaigns/honor-the-75th-anniversary-of-hiroshima-by-asking-for-a-total-ban-on-nuclear-weapons?fbclid=IwAR1tGfJWlrmrCzGq_kNxToAx-VNagkFhd_ANX8443RyqrE6TJxjwa_I_1cl

Paul Becker's excellent photos. https://www.facebook.com/pbecker/media_set?set=a.10102413594599090&type=3

Trane DePriest's video. Sound is not great. <https://www.facebook.com/wgrnlp94.1/videos/306438850411368>

Pat Marida Dispatch Op-Ed 8-6-20:

<https://www.dispatch.com/opinion/20200806/column-reflections-on-hiroshima-and-nagasaki-75-years-later>