

3rd Annual
Midwest Peace and Justice Summit
April 13-14, 2007 IUPUI Campus
Indianapolis, IN



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Program Schedule

Who We Are

The Third Midwest Peace & Justice Summit is brought to you by:

Summit Sponsoring Organizations: IUPUI Students Advocates for Global Equality; Plowshares Consortium of Peace Studies Programs; Indiana Peace and Justice Network; IUPUI Center for Service and Learning; Indianapolis Peace and Justice Center; and IUPUI Office of Campus and Community Life.

Participating Organizations (in alphabetical order): American Civil Liberties Union of Indiana; Central Indiana Jobs with Justice; Code Pink; Common Cause/Indiana; Community Faith Labor Coalition; Deconstruction Literature; Democratic Education Consortium; Department of Peace; Employee Free Choice Campaign; Friends of the Third World; Global Gifts; Hoosiers Concerned About Gun Violence; Hoosiers for a Common Sense Health Plan; Hoosiers for Obama; Illinois Coalition for Peace and Justice; Indiana Greens; Indiana Information Center for the Abolition of Capital Punishment; Indiana Palestine Action; Indiana Peace Institute (Formerly Peace House); Indiana Socialist Fellowship; Indy Healthcare—Now!; IPFW Student Peace Action; Mankind Project Indiana; Midwest Pages to Prisoners Project—Indianapolis; North Meadow Circle of Friends; Old Mole Distro; Progressive Indiana/Hoosiers for Peace; Refugee Resource & Research Institute; School of Metaphysics; The World Can't Wait; and Venezuela Solidarity Network.

"The Midwest Peace and Justice Summit is a nonpartisan conference for activists and others interested in promoting the interrelated causes of peace and social justice. The Summit does not endorse candidates or political parties."

Our History

The all-volunteer organizers of the 2007 Midwest Peace & Justice Summit hope to build on the success of the 2005 and 2006 summits at IUPUI when more than 400 people each year attended series of workshops, lectures, art exhibits, cultural performances, and public demonstrations on the need to promote nonviolent conflict resolution and social, economic and environmental justice. The 2007 summit is striving to bring together students, community activists and concerned citizens to share ideas and work cooperatively for positive social and political change. As in past years, the Midwest Peace and Justice Summit is free to all persons to attend. Summit organizers also are endeavoring to feed and lodge all participants without charge.

Indiana is a state with an abundance of academic programs and religious, community, and activist groups committed to peace and justice causes. For the past two years, students, staff and faculty from more than twenty Indiana colleges and universities, as well as activists from numerous organizations have participated in a wide variety of programs at the summit. This year, we seek to broaden participation throughout the state and to surrounding areas of the Midwest. Indianapolis is centrally located and the IUPUI campus has generously volunteered its facilities. We hope that this annual summit will play an important role in energizing peace and justice activists throughout the Midwest.

A valued feature of the summit is the Plowshares Distinguished Lecture series, sponsored by the Plowshares Consortium of Peace Studies Programs. In 2005, noted sociologist and activist Michael Parenti lectured on "Democracy v. Empire." In 2006, anti-war activist, Ann Wright, a retired U.S. Army colonel, lectured on "Uncovered: The Truth about the Iraq War." The 2007 summit is privileged to have two plowshares featured speakers, Cindy Sheehan and James Yee, to add to this distinguished list.

3:30-4:45 WORKSHOP SESSION III

1. "A Direct action Workshop," by Lori Perdue/ Code Pink IT 155
2. "Supporting Our Seniors: - Enhancing Quality of Life for All as We Age" by United Seniors Action/Matt Greenwood IT 163
3. "Peace is active, the motion of silence, of faith, of accord, of service" by School of Metaphysics/Amy Pawlus & Linda Profitt IT 164
4. Americans' Rights at Work: the Employee Free Choice Act" by Eric Brooks IT 157
5. Healthcare Truth Hearing by Indy Healthcare Now!/Joyce Flight IT 162

5:00-5:15 Break with snacks available

5:15-6:45 "Guantanamo Bay: The Struggle for Human Rights" by James Yee

7:00-7:30 Book signing by James Yee (Books available for purchase)

7:30-9:30 Performance by Kristin Lems, singer-songwriter, including a 30 minute break for dinner on site

Friday, April 13, 2007

- 10:00-11:00 Registration and Light Breakfast IT 152
10:00-11:00 Film: "When I Came Home" IT 152
11:00-11:30 Welcome IT 152
11:45-12:45 Lunch and Networking
12:00-12:45 "Far Away" by Caryl Churchill IT 152

1-2:30 PM WORKSHOP SESSION I

1. "The September Project" by Kevin Howley IT 252
2. "Fair Mart vs. Mall Mart" by Friends of the Third World/Jim Goetsch IT 159
3. "A Renewable Electricity Standard and Energy Efficiency" by Dave Menzer IT 164
4. "U.S. Department of Peace: A Step toward Inner and Global Peace" by Indiana Campaign for a U.S. Department of Peace/Kathryn Hessler IT 155
5. "Human Security, Human Rights, and Women's Citizenship in Iraq?" by Valentine Moghadam IT 162

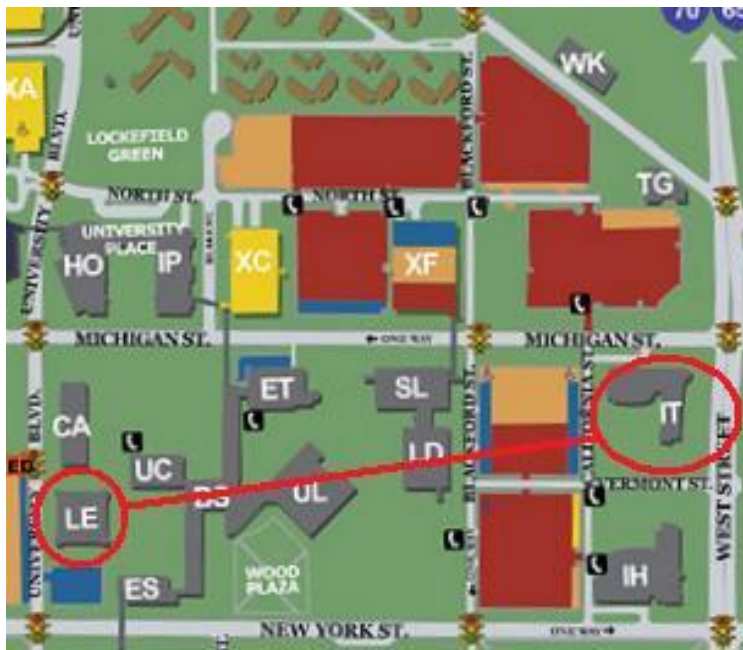
2:45-4:15 WORKSHOP SESSION II

1. "Sold for Profit: Workers' Rights/Human Rights" by Central Indiana Jobs with Justice/ Roberta Schonemann IT 163
2. "Connecting the Dots: Peace, Environment, Labor, Globalization, Human rights—Thinking Holistically" by Harold Donle IT 155
3. "Can Democratic Public Schools Help Bring Peace and Justice to Society?" by John Loflin IT 164
4. "Sacred Activism—Hope in Darkness" by Richard Brendan IT 162
5. "The Death Penalty" Too Flawed to Be Fixed?" by Indiana Information Center on the Abolition of Capital Punishment/Debby Peddie IT 159

5:00-6:00	Statewide Peace Rally	
6:00-7:00	Break for dinner (found independently)	
7:00	Cindy Sheehan books on sale at IUPUI's Lecture Hall (325 University Blvd.), 3 blocks from IT Building	
7:30	"Weapons of Mass Distortion: Music as a Form of Protest" by George Wolfe	LE 101
8:00-10:00	Plowshare Keynote Address: "Speaking Peace to Power" by Cindy Sheehan	LE 101
10:00	Informal reception and book signing	LE Lobby

Saturday, April 14, 2007

8-9:00 AM	Registration and Light Breakfast	
8:00-9:00	Indiana Peace and Justice Network Affiliated Groups and Friends	
9:00-11:00	Plenary: Working Together for Democracy and Human Rights	
11-12:15	WORKSHOP SESSION I	
	1. "Tao of Peace" by Jim Wolfe	IT 164
	2. Plowshares Prize Student Papers on Peace and Justice	IT 155
	3. "Rapture Revealed: A Nonviolent Understanding of 'Apocalypse'" by George Wolfe	IT 163
	4. The Contemporary Ferment in Pop Music" by George Fish	IT 159
	5. Healthcare Truth Hearing by Indy Healthcare Now!/Joyce Flight	IT 162
12:00-1:30	Lunch and reports from all groups	
1:15-1:30	"Step It Up" Climate Action Demonstration, facilitated by Greg Buck	
1:45-3:15	WORKSHOP SESSION II	
	1. "A year in Bil'in: Non-violent Palestinian Direct Action" by Jessica Neisler	IT 163
	2. "Grass Roots Multi-State Organizing" by Illinois Coalition for Peace and Justice / Andrew Lehman	IT 159
	3. "Nuclear Power and the Weapons Complex" by Christopher Williams	IT 155
	4. "Pete Seeger: Troubadour for Peace and Social Justice" by Harry Targ	IT 157
	5. "A Language of Life, Sustainability, and Transformation" by Albert Schinazi	IT 164
	6. Healthcare Truth Hearing by Indy Healthcare Now!/Joyce Flight	IT 162



Left circle: Lecture Hall, with Cindy Sheehan; Right circle: IT building