



SUMMARY

UN International Day of Peace (Peace Day)

On September 21, The International Day of Peace is observed each year on the opening day of the regular session of the United Nations General Assembly. It is customary, Messengers of Peace will participate in the ceremony. It is an annual official commemoration declared by the United Nations where all countries and people are invited to cease hostilities and open a constructive dialogue to promote greater public awareness or otherwise commemorate the day through education on the need for peace in our world. The first Peace Day was observed in September 1982. Nowadays, innumerable cities in the world celebrate the Peace Day by spreading peace voice through social media, hold various outdoor celebrations such as peace gatherings, peace walks and dove releasing, as well as diverse neighborhood peace workshops and family activities.

Hong Kong Peace Festival 2014

This year's Hong Kong Peace Festival bears the powerful theme of 'Right to Peace - Anti-bullying and Nonviolence, which underscores the need for us to provide our children with a safe and comfortable learning environment to ensure that their emotional, academic and social development can be free of harassment, ridicule and violence.

PEACE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (PIF)

Peace International Foundation (PIF) is a Hong Kong based non-profit organization with a charity status 88, which actively promotes and implements the United Nations peace initiatives through youth-centred education and community involvement. PIF adopts a non-sectarian, non-political stance and advocates the understanding of peace, with a focus on freeing humanity from suffering, violence, discrimination and poverty.

PIF is a recognized global peace promotion platform and is a member of the International Day of Peace NGO Committee at the United Nations, which works closely with the UN Department of Public Information to promote Peace Day observances in the UN and around the world.

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UN International Day of Peace Hong Kong Peace Festival 2014 Schedule

Hong Kong Peace Festival 2014 19/09 – 25/09

The inaugural Hong Kong Peace Festival was held in 2010. The Peace Festival represents Hong Kong's contribution to the worldwide celebrations of the UN International Day of Peace and was designed to promote cultural diversity and unity, as well as to provide an educational forum to inspire Hong Kong youth to help achieve peace, both locally and internationally.

The Peace Festival offers a variety of activities that connect people of all ages, cultures, faiths and ethnic backgrounds. The event is also attended by a high profile delegation of international speakers and official UN and foreign representatives.

2014 marks the 30th anniversary of the General Assembly Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace. The general theme of "Right of Peoples to Peace" for this year's UN Peace Day serves to commemorate the occasion and, in support of the general theme, PIF has chosen "**Right to Peace - Anti-bullying and Non-violence**" as our focus for the Hong Kong Peace Festival 2014 and Youth Forum. This focus is to underscore the need for our society to grow in awareness of the problems of intolerance, discrimination and conflict, and the imperative to provide all people with a safe and comfortable environment in which to learn and prosper.

Bringing Hope, Changing Lives



UN International Day of Peace Ceremony & Performances 19/20/09

Friday 19th September

The UN Peace Day will be observed at the United Nations headquarters, beginning with the Secretary-General's ringing of the Peace Bell and a flag ceremony at the Rose Garden, followed by a student conference with celebrity Messengers of Peace and live satellite connections to UN Peacekeeping sites.

One Minute Silence Observance in Schools

Universally, schools are invited to participate the Global Student Observance of the Peace Day, on Friday, 19 September at Noon. PIF is reaching out to local schools, youth groups, organizations and local media to promote the peace activities. For more information, please visit www.Peace-Int.org

Saturday 20th September

For the 7th year, the Peace International Foundation will again be co-hosting the annual Peace Day Ceremony/the Hong Kong Peace Festival with the United Nations as part of our efforts to spread the message of peace and love to the community and people of Hong Kong. Guests consists of diplomats, government officials, representatives from associations/organisations, NGOs, educationists, students leaders, and faith groups.

Sunday, 21st September

The actual date of the UN Peace Day Observance, the worldwide celebrations for peace will take place at all levels. Peace International will hold an Observance of One Minute Silence at Noon with the participants of Peace Day Youth Forum.

Peace International Youth Orchestra

This year, the Peace International Youth Orchestra, a collection of talented young musicians selected from various Hong Kong schools, will debut at the customary performances of the Peace Day Ceremony to share their passion for music and their love for peace with the world, with a hope that others will be inspired to do the same.



Mission

To empower and engage today's youth to actively create a better world through peace education and sharing the joy of peace.

UN Peace Day Youth Forum Right to Peace – Anti-bullying and Non-violence 20/09 – 21/09

Peace Education provides an opportunity to involve children and youth, as well as adults, in open dialogue to learn and discover more about peace and non-violence. Over the one and half days, exclusive film screenings and forum presentations by educationists, NGO representatives, student and other distinguished guests will take place.

- 20 September, Saturday - Opening of the Forum (13:00 – 17:003) -
 'Youth for Peace'
 'Environment for Peace'
 'Peace Consciousness'
- 21 September, Sunday - Talks, Workshops &
 Closing of the Forum

UN Peace Day Benefit Concert 'Ode to Peace' 2014 22/09

Peace International Foundation leads you on an inspirational journey of music featuring dazzling performances from renown international artists from across the world, our outstanding local talent, as well as the brilliant young musicians from our Peace International Youth Orchestra, who will be making their debut.

Join us for a captivating event and help us spread the message of peace.

The Concert will raise funds towards establishing the first Peace International Centre in Hong Kong

For further information and Reservation, please visit www.Peace-Intl.org

The concert program and our all-star performers have been carefully selected to deliver a diverse musical evening, featuring performances from multi-award artists, including:

- Colleen Lee – pianist, PIF Peace Music Ambassador
- Esteban Alvarez, Shum Kinwai - Steinway Artists & PIF Goodwill Music Ambassadors
- Katie Targett-Adams – Singer, harpist & PIF Goodwill Music Ambassador
- Philip Chu - Chorus Master, PIYO Principal Conductor & PIF Peace Artistic Ambassador
- Shirley Lo – pianist & PI



Global Feast for Peace 22/09



The **Global Feast for Peace** which takes place during the festival week, encourages people from all cultural backgrounds to come together and share food in celebration of friendship and common interest. Enjoy a meal in the name of peace. The breaking of bread creates a neutral setting for people to gain understanding and resolve differences

The celebration of peace meals can be held in homes, schools, organizations, public eateries, picnics and charity events. In schools, students will be encouraged to make cookies, sandwiches and various snacks as ways to share their joy of peace and friendship among peers.

The Feast will also feature talks about the importance of food from nutrition, sustainable and responsible agriculture, cultural cuisine, awareness of world hunger and more. Please look out for the participating restaurants.

Peace Garden Dedication 23/09

The Peace Garden dedication in schools is a symbol of peace and community. We hope to encourage greater environmental awareness, while promoting global friendship and international understanding through cultural activities.

By cultivating a small garden, the schools are planting wishes for peace and care for the environment, as a first step to spread peace and love to every corner of the world.



Peace Cultural Activities 23 & 24/09

The Hong Kong Peace Festival also features a number of social, cultural and intercultural activities held throughout the communities of Hong Kong which will connect people of all ages, cultures, faiths and ethnic backgrounds. Activities include peace drawing, yoga practice, poem composition contest, etc.

'Building Peace' Panels Road Show Opening 25/09

A miniature travel peace museum will present the history of peace and the global peace movement in its broadest sense.

Photographs capturing memorable moments from the Hong Kong Peace Festivals, peace projects in schools, and winning works of art, music and essay competitions will also be displayed.

Hong Kong Peace Festival 2014 Closing Ceremony & Celebration Party 25/09

To round out the festivities, there will be a Closing Ceremony and a Celebration to conclude the whole event.



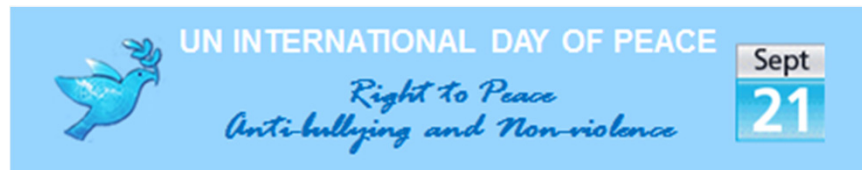
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19 – 25 September 2014



Event Proposed Schedule

(Program - subject to change)

20 August – Thursday		30 Day Countdown to UN International Day of Peace
19 Sept – Fri	Noon Evening	Global One Minute Peace Observance and UN Peace Day Celebration in Schools Peace Day Youth Forum - Launch of 'East meets West' video conference with overseas students
20 Sept – Sat (by invitation only)	Noon	UN International Day of Peace Ceremony , Celebration Performances Launch of Peace International Youth Orchestra – debut performance
	3.00 pm – 5.00 pm	Opening of Peace Youth Forum – 'Right to Peace – Anti-bullying and Non-violence'
21 Sept – Sun	10.00 am - 6.00 pm	Peace Youth Forum talks and workshops • 'Youth for Peace', 'Environment for Peace', 'Peace Consciousness'
22 Sept – Mon	7.00 pm - 9.00 pm	UN Peace Day Benefit Concert – 'Ode to Peace' 2014 at City Hall. Major Donors/Sponsors & Premium Ticket holders 'Meet the Artists' Supper (after concert)
	One week event	Global Feast for Peace – celebration in homes, schools, organisations, restaurants, picnics & charity events.
23 Sept – Tues	5.30 pm - 6.00 pm	Peace Garden Ground Breaking Dedication & Peace Poles Planting Ceremony in Schools
	7.00 pm onward	Peace Cultural Activities (held by organisations) – Hong Kong, Kowloon & New Territories
24 Sept – Wed	5.00 pm - 8.00 pm	Cultural Evening (held by schools) – Hong Kong, Kowloon & New Territories
25 Sept – Thurs	4.00 pm - 6.00 pm	'Building Peace' Panels Road Show Opening & Reception – Exhibition of peace photos, work from artists, photographers, music composers, essay writers etc.
27 Sept – 2 Oct		9 th International Youth Peace Fest – IYPF 2014 - India (for student participants) www.peacefestindia.in