



One Planet PEACE Forum

“Foundations of Global Harmony & Planetary Peace”

Friday, October 6, - Sunday, October 8, 2023

Green Acre, Eliot, Maine

One Planet Peace Forum (OPPF) is pleased to announce that its 4th annual gathering will be held October 6-8, for the first time in-person at historic Green Acre on the Piscataqua River in Eliot, Maine. The weekend will include two hybrid sessions on Saturday afternoon that will be live streamed worldwide and a special world music celebration Saturday evening with Randy Armstrong and friends.

This year’s theme, *Foundations of Global Harmony and Planetary Peace*, explores the questions: Why is race amity a prerequisite to world peace? How do inner harmony and fierce civility build peace? How is truth telling foundational to peace? How are contemplative and activist roles complementary in peacebuilding?

Initially funded by grants from United Religions Initiative (URI) and Maine Humanities Council, OPPF was created as an annual event to offer a universal platform for people of all backgrounds to co-create solutions to humanity’s most challenging issues. Its mission is to facilitate cooperative action toward building the future envisioned by the world’s spiritual and wisdom traditions.

One Planet Peace Forum was inspired by the vision of Sarah Farmer. After attending the first Parliament of the World’s Religions in 1893, she founded the Green Acre Conferences at the resort hotel on the Piscataqua River where she was a partner and invited Swami Vivekananda and

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other spiritual teachers from the East and West to speak. The first program was dedicated to the ideals of peace. She raised the world's first known Peace Flag at Green Acre in 1894.

With a holistic approach to peace making, OPPF strives to build bridges that will unite the human family. Since humanity must heal its ailments before it can achieve wholeness, unity, and peace, the path to peace is seen as crossing many steppingstones as prerequisites for the age-old vision of peace on earth.

This universal vision of the world's sacred traditions will be the result of a steady and committed process of applying unitive principles to create infrastructures on all levels of society, from local to global, that will sustain lasting peace in the world.

Co-produced by Good of the Whole and the Connection Field, with Dr. Julie Krull, host of All Things Connected, as moderator and emcee, the program starts Friday, October 6 at 5pm and concludes Sunday, the 8th after lunch. It will include special musical performances Friday and Saturday nights. For complete details on the program and presenters, more information about OPPF, and to register, please go to: www.oneplanetpeaceforum.org

Presenters for 2023 include:

- **Ervin Laszlo**, world renowned systems thinker and author of 100 books
- **Jude Currivan**, leading cosmologist, and author of *The Story of Gaia*
- **Sherri Mitchell**, Indigenous rights activist, and author of *Sacred Instructions*
- **Swami Tyagananda**, head of the Vedanta Society of Boston, and author
- **Philip Goldberg**, interfaith minister and author of *American Veda*
- **William Smith**, founding director the National Center for Race Amity
- **Joe Weston**, author, consultant, and director of the Fierce Civility Project
- **Robert Shetterly**, artist and founder, *Americans Who Tell the Truth*
- **Betty Burkes**, peace educator and activist for racial justice and peace
- **Tim DeChristopher**, environmental and climate justice activist

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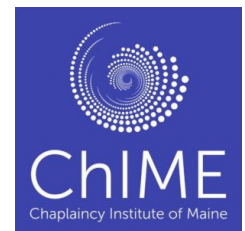


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One Planet Peace Forum is committed to bringing people of all backgrounds together to experience unity in diversity and take action steps that cultivate harmony and peace across traditions. OPPF shares the perspective of the Parliament of the World's Religions, as stated in their Declaration, A Global Ethic, "We consider humankind our family... We commit ourselves to a culture of non-violence, justice, and peace... to make a just and peaceful world, we must first change the consciousness of individuals..."

While we do have costs to cover, we want everyone who is interested to participate. If cost is a barrier, please reach out to OPPF at connect@oneplanetpeaceforum.org to enquire about our scholarships.

Registration opens in late July for the October 6 - 8 in-person event: <http://oneplanetpeaceforum.org/register>

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