Reconnecting with Nature and Community to Transform Ourselves and the World: Twelfth Youth Peace Ambassador (YPA12) Training Workshop

San Carlos Apache Nation, Arizona, USA

23 - 27 July 2016

Cosponsors include: American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN); Eubios Ethics Institute; Youth’s UNESCO Club; Youth Peace Ambassadors International; Youth Looking Beyond Disaster. Others are being sought.

Draft Agenda (Date 6 July 2016 – suggestions and additions welcomed)

22 July

Check in to Apache Gold Resort Hotel
5 US-70 AZ 85550 San Carlos US (5 miles East of Globe, Arizona, on US Highway 70)
[PO Box 1210, San Carlos, Arizona 85550]

23 July

8:00 Registration
8:30 Opening Session
Welcome - Prof. Wendsler Nosie/Mr. Fred Ferreira, members of San Carlos Apache Tribal Nation Council;
Peace through Youth and Civil Action (YPA) - Prof. Darryl Macer, President, AUSN; Former UNESCO Regional Adviser for Asia & Pacific;
9:00 Ice-breaking and Self-Introductions
Facilitated by Ms. Laura Ramnarace, New Mexico;
10:30 Peace, Conflict and Decolonization
The Peace Process in Nepal through and after the Nepal Civil War - Hon. Jhalanath Khanal, Former Prime Minister and Member of Parliament, Nepal
The Meaning of Peace and Decolonization - Prof. Wendsler Nosie, member of San Carlos Apache Tribal Nation Council;
Violence Against Children on Reservations - Ms. Nydja Mercer-Bey, AUSN Sovereign Nations Scholar (MBGPH Thesis Defense)
12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 14:30 Hands-on Activism Arts Workshop
Re-imagining the Gila River - Ms. Debaura James, Silver City, New Mexico, Campaign to End Sacrifice Zones;

14:45 – 17:30 Peace-making and Actors
Peace and the United Nations - Prof Govindan Parayil, Vice-President, AUSN; Former Vice-Rector, United Nations University;
Roles of Third-siders (peacemakers and other activists) - Ms. Laura Ramnarace, New Mexico
Why were my coauthors murdered? Fundamentalism versus Academic freedom in Bangladesh - Dr. Ahmed Raihan Abir, Bangladesh
Peace through Sports - Mr. Upendra Poudel, National Sports Council central member, Nepal
Re-thinking and Re-dignifying the sense of diversity of the human race – Ms. Parivash Malekshamran Garza, Monterrey, Mexico
Introduction to the History of San Carlos Apache Nation - Ms. Lian D’Avignon, San Carlos Apache nation; Apache Stronghold member
Youth Mobilization for Decolonization in United States - Ms. Naelyn Pike, San Carlos Apache Nation
The Role of the 21st Century Youth Leaders towards a Sustainable Planet - Mr. Rogie Nico Aquino, Youth Peace Ambassador, the Philippines

Welcome Dinner

24 July

8:30 – 10:30 Workshop on Applying Gandhian Non-Violence for Renewal of Communities
Mr. Fernando Ferreira, Director, Satyagraha Institute, Monterrey, Mexico

10:30 – 12:30 Peace through Education
Concept of a Sports University in Nepal - Mr. Gopal Prasad Acharya , Mr.Anil kumar Rijal, Mr. Meghraj Ghimire Ms. Harikala Lamsal, Ms. Lasmi Likhim Limbu, Nepal
Stopping bullying in Native American communities with International Comparisons, and Teacher Training - Prof. Lara López-Hernáez, International University of La Rioja, Spain
The Impact of Foster care on Children - Ms. Lata Sitake, Dakota Nation; Tonga (MBGPH Thesis defense)
Student Stress in Elementary and Middle schools - Mrs Lalitha Murali, Wisconsin Teacher the Year 2015 (MBGPH Thesis defense)
Empowering Youth through Love of Learning - Mr. Mo Jo Ghani, Founder, The Genius Factory, Phoenix;
Title to come - Dr. Dale Fredericks, Sac & Fox Nation; Former Superintendent, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 17:30 Disaster Resilience and Youth Looking Beyond Disaster
Youth Looking Beyond Disaster: Ethics of Tsunamis, Earthquakes and Hurricanes – Professor Darryl Macer, President, AUSN
Construction of Memorial Park in Name of Departed Souls of Gorkha Earthquake 2015 - Mr. Rimesh Khanal, Mr. Ramji Sapkota, Mr. Bibek Adhikari, Mr. Nirmal Karki, Mr. Ranjan Aryal and others UNESCO Youth’s Club, Nepal
Youth’s UNESCO Club in rehabilitation and use of easy scientific methods during the disaster - Mr. Nirmal Karki, Secretary, Youth’s UNESCO Club, Nepal
Living with Tornadoes - Ms. Endreya McCabe, Delaware Tribe, AUSN Sovereign Nations Scholar
Role of United Youth Organization after the Disaster of April 2015 - Mr. Mahesh Pande, United Youth Organization, Nepal
Medical Disasters and Ethics [Tentative title] – Ms. Angelica Cabello Araujo, Mexico
17:30 Field Trip to Old San Carlos Memorial, San Carlos Lake and Coolidge Dam

25 July

8:30 – 11:00 Indigenous Knowledge Systems
Ancestral Food Systems: The Agrarian & Desert Harvesting Traditions of the O’otham - Ms. Renee Jackson, Akimel O’otham
Traditional Medicine Use Around the World – Professor Mihaeala Serbulea, M.D., Ph.D., AUSN Visiting Professor of Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicines, Romania
11:00 – 12:00 Group Work on Developing Action Plans

12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00 – 16:00 Disaster Resilience and Youth Looking Beyond Disaster
Indigenous Movements in Nepal - Mrs. Dolma Lama, President, Rural Development Fund, Nepal (MBGPH Thesis Defense)
Soles4Souls Project (YPA Action Plan) - Mr. Rogie Nico Aquino, Youth Peace Ambassador, the Philippines
Measuring Human Security in Nepal (Working title) - Professor Mrs. Ravi Lakshmee Chitrakar, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal

15:45 – 17:30 Peace and Civil Empowerment through Policy making and Economic Development
Situation of Youth after the New 2015 Constitution of Nepal - Mr. Nirbhik Chitrakar, Nepal
Disaster Recovery and Peace building through Hospitality and Tourism - Mr. Amrit Kumar Dhimal, Nepal
Tourism for Peace and Development - Mr. Dibakar Babu Bhattarai, Nepal

26 July

8:30 – 11:00 Water Ethics, Environment Ethics and Colonization of Nature
The Social, Economic and Health Ramifications of the Disenfranchised: Land Loss among Community stewardship and regional empowerment – Mr. Peter Rankin, Aldo Leopold Charter School, New Mexico
International Ethical and Legal Principles for Water Management – Professor Darryl Macer, President, AUSN
World Student Championship for Reforestation 2016 – Mr. Rimesh Khanal, President, UNESCO Youth’s Club, Nepal
American Indian and Alaska Native Communities – Ms. Carmela Marie Roybal, Tewa Nation, University of New Mexico; AUSN Sovereign Nation Scholar, USA
11:00 – 12:00 Group Work on Developing Action Plans
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00 – 15:00 Presentation of YPA Action Plans

15:30-17:00 Conclusions, Certificates
Farewell Dinner
(Check out of Accommodation)
All day field trip to Grand Canyon and Navajo Nation (Check out of Accommodation)

There may be other visits on 28 July, inquire with the organisers.

**Notes:**
Many youth peace ambassadors will join as peer mentors. There will be many people from different communities.

**Activities include:** Sessions on **Effective Mobilization Strategies, Bioethics, Environmental Ethics, Water Ethics; Rural development, Meditation, Disaster Resilience, Community Engagement, NGO development, Psychology in Action.**

**Participants:** People of all ages are welcome, especially if you would like to be more involved in your own and the global community. For this Training Workshop individuals and representatives of countries and organizations will come from many Peoples and all faith communities and interests. Participation also counts as 3 credit hours for American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN) Graduate Degrees and Certificates (see [http://www.ausn.info](http://www.ausn.info)).

Since 2010, Eubios Ethics Institute in cooperation with partner institutions including American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN), UNESCO, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation and others have organized eleven Youth Peace Ambassador (YPA) and eight Youth Looking Beyond Disaster (LBD) Training Workshops across the world with 900 youth and young professionals from over 50 countries. No matter what your circumstances or age you are welcome to join. Together, the participants identify issues that can promote a culture of peace. So far they have developed 350 action projects promoted at making a difference in their communities.¹ YPA9 included a one day visit to San Carlos Apache nation on 28 August 2014, and YPA12 will be based in San Carlos Apache nation, with trips to see the lands of some other Peoples, including the Grand Canyon.

**Outcomes:** Participants will benefit most from developing their own action plan during the workshop. This could be an activity that you are already involved in, or something new. The facilitators will assist everyone to develop an achievable plan. We hope all participants will also present a LBD or YPA action plan developed with the mentoring of the facilitators at the Workshop during the event. In the presentation of the action plan that you can develop you can join together with other person(s) up to 3 per team. You will be able to change during the workshop, as you learn from the examples of previous action plans, and make new connections with people from other countries. People who report on previous action plans can become a youth ambassador.²

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¹ The action plans are on the Eubios Ethics Institute website http://eubios.info/youth_peace_ambassadors_international
² [http://www.eubios.info/youth_ambassadors](http://www.eubios.info/youth_ambassadors)