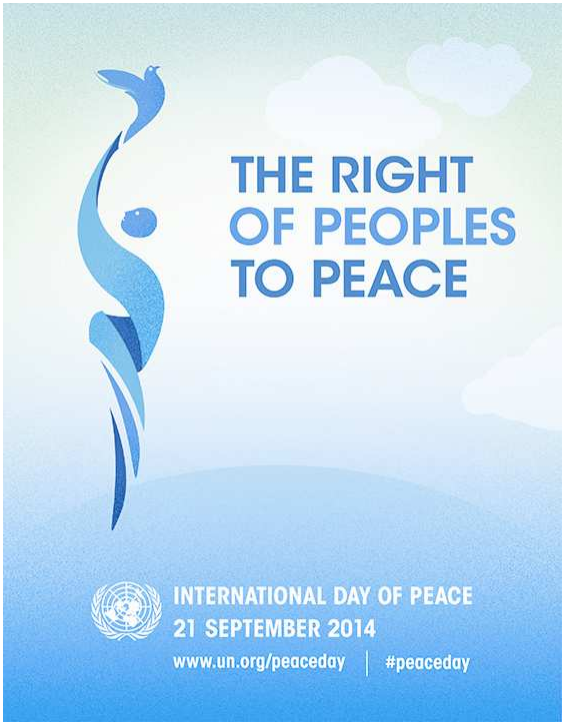

International Day of Peace 2014
The Right of Peoples to Peace

The 2014 theme – The Right of Peoples to Peace – marks the 30th anniversary of the General Assembly Declaration on the Right of Peoples to Peace.

This anniversary offers a unique opportunity to reaffirm the Declaration's central message that humanity's sustainable progress and the realization of fundamental rights and freedoms depend on peace and security.

In his message for the Day, the Secretary-General states: "History has shown that, no matter how fierce, conflict can end, peace can prevail and reconciliation can triumph."

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UNHQ Programme of Activities
Friday, 19 September 2014

The programme of activities will be webcast live

Peace Bell Ceremony, Rose Garden
9:00 -9:25 a.m.

- United Nations singers
- Children's orchestra
- Remarks by the Secretary-General
- Minute of silence
- The Secretary-General rings the Peace Bell
- Remarks by the President of the General Assembly
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- Photo opportunity and release of doves

Participants

- Messengers of Peace Jane Goodall, Midori and Yo-Yo Ma, and UN Foundation 'Girl Up' Champion, Ms. Monique Coleman
- Permanent Representative of Japan
- Diplomatic community, senior UN officials
- Flag-bearing students and their chaperones

Student Observance, Conference Room 3, Conference Building
9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Programme

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.

- Remarks by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

9:45 – 9:55 a.m.

- Musical performance by Messenger of Peace Yo-Yo Ma

9:55 – 10:25 a.m.

- Master of Ceremonies: Mr. Maher Nasser, Acting Head of the Department of Public Information
- Remarks by Messengers of Peace Jane Goodall, Midori, and Yo-Yo Ma, and UN Foundation 'Girl Up' Champion, Ms. Monique Coleman
- Q&A session

10:25 – 10:40 a.m.

- United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO) - Introduction
- Screening of MONUSCO video
- Interaction between college and high school students and students connected via video conference from MONUSCO

10:40 – 10:45 a.m.

- "Little Pitchers", presentation by Verma Mukoro, from Kenya, winner of the My MasterPeace Moment story-telling competition

10:45 – 11:00 a.m.

- Remarks by Assistant Secretary-General Ivan Šimonović [TBC]
- Q&A session

11:00 – 11:05 a.m.

- Musical performance by Messenger of Peace Midori

11:05 – 11:20 a.m.

- Presentation of student peace projects, New York
- Interaction between students at UNHQ and MONUSCO remote site

11:20 – 11:25 a.m.

- Remarks by Ahmed Haggagovic, world traveller for peace

11:25 – 11:30 a.m.

- Musical performance by UNIS Student Choir "Imagine"

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11:30 – 11:35 a.m.

- Presentation of the winners of *The Little Prince* contest: François Bouda, International Organization of la Francophonie [with slides of winning drawings on screen and short extracts of winning essays]

11:35 – 11:55 a.m.

- Presentation of student peace projects, New York

11:55 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.

- Lead up to Minute of silence by the Co-Chairs of the International Day of Peace NGO Committee: Michael Johnson, Pathways To Peace, Deborah Moldow, World Peace Prayer Society, Shawn Sweeney, Roots and Shoots, and Monica Willard, United Religions Initiative.
- Minute of silence observed
- Ringing of a Peace Bell - Mrs. Ban will preside over the ceremony
- World Peace Flag ceremony

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