



peacemaking IS possible

Do you want to replace violence with peace --- at home, in your community,
across our country and around the world?

Did you know that YOU have the power to make these changes?

There is a program on the spirituality and practice of
active nonviolence that helps us discover our own power for change and
that teaches peacemaking skills and principles.

The training program is available nationwide.
It offers training to schools, civic organizations, veterans, congregations,
and other groups seeking peaceful personal and social change.

It is coming to our community!

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WORKSHOP HOURS:

Friday: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00am - noon,
2:00 - 6:00pm, 7:00 - 9:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am - noon, 2:00 - 6:00pm

COST:

\$20 per individual

\$30 per couple and

\$10 per youth (ages 14 - 18)

**Creating a Culture of Peace
nonviolence training for personal and social change**

MEALS:

Light refreshments and drinks will be provided during the workshop hours along with Saturday evening dinner. Participants may bring their own lunches on Saturday and Sunday or eat at a local restaurant.

FACILITATORS:

Trained CCP facilitators are talented individuals with experience in working with groups as well as a passion for justice, peace and reconciliation. The facilitators are skilled in the use of interactive and mutual learning techniques that call on the experience, wisdom and knowledge of every participant in the workshops.

Unlike trainings that focus only on anti-war protest, *Creating a Culture of Peace* training is an incubator for participants to raise issues which most concern them --- group controversy and conflict, neighborhood violence, domestic violence, climate change, war and militarism, discrimination, video games, homelessness, peace education, and lack of health care.

The training is highly participatory and does not depend on reading a book or lectures. It draws upon the wisdom, experience and talents of all the participants and on the skills and knowledge of trainers. Mutual learning occurs through storytelling, meditation, small group sharing, brainstorming, role plays, thought-provoking exercises, music and movement. CCP offers training on nonviolence principles, analysis of social change and community-building, skills for peacemaking and resources. Every group chooses and plans concrete projects for change.

Within its first four years, *Creating a Culture of Peace* has traveled to 36 states and Palestine, trained thousands of participants and 300 trainers, and was adopted by national and regional faith groups and Veterans for Peace.

Goal of Creating A Culture of Peace: To build a culture of justice, peace & reconciliation by:

- Grounding participants in the principles, and practice of active nonviolence as a way of life and social change.
- Offering tools and building skills for nonviolent social change.
- Using a popular education approach which values individuals' experience and wisdom, as well as the group's collective learning process.
- Employing a variety of tools to accommodate diverse learning styles.
- Identifying personal and spiritual resources for the work of active nonviolence.
- Building trust and a sense of community to support a commitment to action.
- Planning personal and social nonviolent projects and actions.
- Replacing fear and hopelessness with a sense of empowerment and readiness

The Art of Peace begins with you ... Foster peace in your own life and then apply the Art to all you encounter.

--Morihei Ueshibalf