10 Days Free From Violence Fact Sheet

September 21 – 30, 2018

Twin Cities Nonviolent, a new organization dedicated to reducing violence in all its forms, is the conduit through which events are organized. [https://twincitiesnonviolent.org](https://twincitiesnonviolent.org)

Workshops for *10 Days Free from Violence* are being planned on the themes of:

- Peace literacy as a human right and skill set by international peace educator, Paul K. Chappell: [https://www.peaceliteracy.org/](https://www.peaceliteracy.org/);
- Nonviolent practitioners: Disarming the “Hasslers” in life—with help from neuroscience by the St. Paul Interfaith Network’s *Respectful Conversations Project*;
- Policing and mental health forum, with alternatives to violence shared by formerly incarcerated people, by *Friends for A Nonviolent World*;
- Active bystander and peer intervention training to de-escalate violence by Int’l Ethics and Leadership Trainer Michael Quinn;
- STAR-lite training to learn strategies for trauma awareness and resilience for transforming trauma into nonviolent power by the MN Peacebuilding Leadership Institute;
- Potential rally to prevent violence against women and sex trafficking by *Coming Out of Bondage*, a non-profit that heals women transitioning from sex work, with Latriste Graham;
- Panel and readings by authors who write about peace and social justice, including fiction writers, children’s book writers and local authors who have experienced poverty and incarceration;
- Black Storytellers Festival, featuring stories about peace, human connection and moral lessons in our times with local storyteller Nothando Zulu;
- Dialogue with singer/songwriter David Wilcox whose new album, *The View from the Edge*, contains a new song *Chain of Anger* that deals with new ideas of masculinity and choosing not to pass on inter-generational violence between men.
Upcoming Collaborator Meetings

Location: Central Midway Building, 393 North Dunlap Street, St. Paul, MN - 4th Floor Conference (Friends for a Nonviolent World offices - Central Midway Building is located just west of Lexington Ave. Take the frontage road on the north side of I-94 [St. Anthony Ave.] Turn right on Griggs [the first right you can take] - Central Midway is on your right.)

Time: 7-9pm Dates:

- June 7, Thursday
- July 12, Thursday
- August 16, Thursday
- August 28, Tuesday
- September 12, Wednesday
- October 4, Thursday

Current List of Sponsors, collaborators, and supporters of nonviolent activities during 10 days (as of 5/29/18)

- Andrew Gallagher, Muralist
- Come Together
- Coming Out of Bondage
- Community of St Martin
- Discussions that Encounter
- Friends for a NonViolent World (FNVW)
- Growing Communities for Peace
- International Ethics and Leadership Training Bureau, LLC
- LOFT Peace and Social Justice Writer’s Group
- Lorna rockey, photographer: “terrestrial solidarity: an introspective”
- Mark Ristau, Author of A Hero Dreams
- Milwaukee Avenue Homeowners Association
- Minneapolis Park Board
- Nonviolent Peaceforce
- Peace Circle at First Universalist Church
- Rotary District 5960
- Smart Tools for Life
- St Bridget Catholic Church
- Stellus Consulting
- Tenseg LLC
- Twin Cities Prison Ministry
- UST Campus Ministry

If you would like to join as a sponsor, collaborator and/or supporter for this event, please write to us at contact@twincitiesnonviolent.org. Other opportunities include: volunteering, fundraising, building our network or publicity. We welcome your support.