

PROGRAM AGENDA as of APRIL 02, 2015

All speakers and performers are confirmed except those listed as pending.

Friday evening, May 1st Program

Time	Activity	Notes
7:00p - 7:30p	Dessert & Coffee	
7:30p - 9:45p	PROGRAM	<p>HONORING OUR ELDERS The evening will be one of music, poetry, celebration and reflection to honor those 80 years or older who showed major leadership, courage and commitment to advance the Peace Movement and who worked to end the war in Vietnam.</p> <p><u>Confirmed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dan Ellsberg 2. Dick Fernandez 3. Judith Lerner 4. Staughton Lynd 5. Marcus Raskin 6. George Regas 7. Cora Weiss <p><u>Pending:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dolores Huerta 2. Dave McReynolds <p>WELCOME <u>Emcee:</u> Phil Donahue</p> <p>REMARKS by Congresswoman Barbara Lee (pending)</p> <p>MUSICAL PERFORMANCE <u>Artist:</u> Peter Yarrow, Bethany Yarrow & Rufus Cappadocia</p> <p>POETRY READING <u>Artist:</u> Bill Ehrhart</p> <p>TRIBUTES Young activists reading tribute statements about the work of each of these elders.</p> <p><u>Confirmed:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Becky Bond (Credo Mobile) 2. Stephen Miles (Win Without War) 3. Jo Comerford (MoveOn) 4. Jonathan Hutto <p><u>Pending:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Luis Cardenas 2. Juan Pacheco 3. Raed Jarrar 4. Alice Markham-Cantor <p>CONVERSATION AMONG THE ELDERS <u>Moderator:</u> Phil Donahue</p> <p>CLOSING & MUSIC Phil Donahue, Peter Yarrow and all participants on stage.</p>

Saturday, May 2nd Program

Time	Activity	Notes
7:45a - 8:45a	Registration	
8:45a - 9:00a	CULTURAL OPENING	Music by _____(TBD)
9:00a - 9:10a	WELCOME	Set the scene for this event. _____(TBD)
9:10a - 10:10a	MAJOR PANEL DISCUSSION that frames the war and anti-war movement from various perspectives	<p>WHAT WE DID, WHY, AND WHO WE WERE <i>Moderator: Juan Gonzalez (confirmed)</i></p> <p><i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anti-War Activist – Tom Hayden 2. Veteran – Ron Kovic 3. Civil Rights to Vietnam – Ron Dellums 4. View from Inside the System – Pat Schroeder
10:10a - 11:00a	AUDIENCE Q&A	50 MINUTES FLOOR RESPONSE
11:15a - 12:15p	SIMULTANEOUS BREAK OUT SESSIONS	Small Groups (15-18ppl)...WORKING LIST BELOW
12:15p - 1:15p	LUNCH	Time to see friends old and new
1:30p - 2:45p	8 SIMULTANEOUS MINI-PLENARIES <u>Each plenary includes:</u> 40-45 min panel discussion 30-35 min audience Q&A	<p>1 - AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY: FROM THEN TO NOW <i>Moderator: Michael Klare</i> <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Phyllis Bennis 2. Daniel Ellsberg 3. Larry Korb 4. Marilyn Young <p>2 - OPPOSING OUR COUNTRY'S AGENDA: ACTIVISM IN SOCIAL CHANGE <i>Moderator: Taylor Branch</i> <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anti-War Activist – Todd Gitlin 2. Vietnam Moratorium – David Hawk 3. Peace Activist – Judith LeBlanc 4. Chicano Moratorium – Rosalio Munoz <p>3 - THE PERSONAL IMPACT OF OUR ACTIONS: REFLECTIONS <i>Moderator: Myra MacPherson</i> <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kent State Survivor – Alan Canfora 2. War Resister – David Harris 3. Weather Underground – Mark Rudd 4. Veteran – Susan Schnall

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1:30p - 2:45p	<p>8 SIMULTANEOUS MINI-PLENARIES (continued....)</p> <p><u>Each plenary includes:</u> 40-45 min panel discussion 30-35 min audience Q&A</p>	<p>4 - VIETNAM TO 9/11: GOVERNMENT IN OUR MEETINGS & IN OUR LIVES <i>Moderator:</i> Betty Medsger <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Liz Holtzman 2. Cointelpro subject – Bernadine Dohrn 3. Media, PA participant – Bonnie Raines 4. Rep. John Conyers <p>5 - THE MEDIA AND WAR - LESSONS FROM THE VIETNAM WAR: WHAT WE GOT WRONG, WHAT WE GOT RIGHT, HOW TO COVER THE NOW <i>Moderator:</i> Amy Goodman <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Frances Fitzgerald 2. Don North 3. Margaret Prescod 4. _____TBD) <p>6 - LEGACIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: THE US AND INDOCHINA TODAY <i>Moderator:</i> John McAuliff <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Impacts on Veterans – Rick Weidman, VVA 2. Agent Orange, Landmines, UXO Susan Hammond, War Legacies Project with Channapha Khamvongsa, Legacies of War 3. Education & Cultural Exchange: Vietnamese Americans Return Home – Nguyen Nguyet 4. Common Interest in Business and Security – Andre Sauvageot <p>7 - CREATING A COALITION <i>Moderator:</i> Ron Young <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clergy – Dick Fernandez 2. People of Color – Gerald Horne 3. Women – Vivian Rothstein 4. Labor – Bob Muehlenkamp <p>8 - OPPOSING CURRENT WARS <i>Moderator:</i> Stephen Miles – Win Without War <i>Panel:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leslie Cagan 2. Jo Comerford – MoveOn 3. Jodie Evans – Code Pink 4. Raed Jarrar – American Friends Service Committee 5. Michael McPherson – Veterans for Peace (pending)
3:00p - 3:20p	CLOSING PLENARY	Full conference to convene for SYNTHESIS OF THE DAY AND LESSONS LEARNED – Tom Hayden

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3:20p - 3:30p	Call for Commemorative Walk to MLK Memorial	Words and Music _____(TBD)
3:30p - 3:45p	Organize/Gather Participants for Departure from Church	
3:45p - 4:00p	DEPART CHURCH	
4:00p - 5:15p	COMMEMORATIVE WALK TO MLK MEMORIAL followed by personal visits to THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL and THE VIETNAM WOMEN'S MEMORIAL	Commemorative Walk to be led by Members of Congress, Clergy and Veterans
5:15p - 5:45p	Brief Program at Memorial	5 minutes each: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prayer – Rev. Dr. George Regas 2. Reading – Julian Bond 3. Remarks - Margaret Prescod 4. Remarks – Elizabeth Holmes Norton (pending) 5 minutes <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CLOSING Music by Holly Near
6:30p - 9:30p	GROUP DINNER & CULTURAL EVENT	6:30p Reception 7:15p Dinner - featuring cuisine from Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam with toasts by representatives of each embassy. 8:00p Program EMCEE _____(TBD) MUSICAL PERFORMANCES <u>Artists:</u> Holly Near David & Jeff Morris (pending) Emma's Revolution (pending) Barbara Williams READINGS <u>Artist:</u> Luis Rodriguez – poet Judy Gumbo reading from “Mme. Binh”

Evolving List of Breakout Sessions (Max. total 15 – 16)

Facilitators are to be determined.

An opportunity for people with similar experiences and self-identifications to reflect on what was accomplished and what was learned: strengths and weaknesses, implications for current and future wars.

Moderators or co-moderators will help bring key activists to their session and facilitate the flow of conversation.

1. Public Outreach and Political Action: vigils, letter writing, Vietnam Summer, the Moratorium, legislation, peace candidates, Indochina Peace Campaign, Coalition to Stop Funding the War
2. Dealing with the draft: counseling, COs, resistance, the prison experience, exile, amnesty
3. Students and universities: SDS, teach-ins, strikes, Kent State, Jackson State
4. Religious communities: CALC, NCC, Bishops, Berrigan inspired direct action
5. Organizing and Participating in Mass Actions: SDS march, Pentagon, National Mobilizations (East and West Coast), Chicago Convention, May Day, March Against Death, Oakland
6. Active Duty Military and Veterans and their relation with the civilian movement: coffee houses, newspapers, ASU, FTA, VVAW, Winter Soldier, GI Press Project
7. People of color: SNCC, SCLC, Chicano Moratorium, Black Panthers
8. Vietnamese, Laotians and Cambodians living in the US (during and after the war)
9. Direct engagement in Indochina: volunteers in South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia; meetings in Europe and Canada; trips and humanitarian aid to North Vietnam; Medical Aid to Indochina
10. The war and the women's movement
11. Research and education (Indochina Resource Center, NARMIC, IMEP, Viet Report, Liberation, "underground" papers)
12. Curriculum on the war, Pentagon veterans history project in secondary and middle schools
13. Vietnam Era authors and poets
14. Full Disclosure project of Veterans for Peace
15. TBD – HOLD FOR ATTENDEE SUGGESTIONS
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Moderators and facilitators include: Jorge Marisal, Martha Prescod Noonan, Frank Smith, Wayne Smith.