



Nova Scotia Voice of Women for Peace

Summer 2026

Number 11

Hiroshima-Nagasaki Poster Exhibit

Halifax City Hall

August 6 and 7 from 9:30am to 4pm

Please join us for the upcoming exhibit. We also need your help with welcoming visitors to the exhibit, and with refreshments and activity guidance (creating butterflies and paper cranes). For further information, please contact Fatima Cajee or kathrin winkler at nsvoiceofwomen@gmail.com

Watch

Here's a 10 minute video of students from Dartmouth High School and Auburn who participated in the [Science of Peace and Disarmament Youth Conference](#) held in Pugwash in September 2025.

A Heartfelt Thank You

To Fatima Cajee, Azza Badawi, Dalal Aljaj, and Celine Leduc for keeping us supplied with beautifully crocheted white peace poppies. We continue to hand them out for free as part of our awareness campaign about excessive and increasing military spending in Canada. Fatima has graciously offered to do a Peace Poppy Making session this autumn for all NSVoW members interested in learning how make them. Time and place to be announced.

Canadian Research for the Advancement of Women

Since 1976, this not-for-profit member-based research institute has been researching and documenting the economic and social situation of women in Canada.

We provide tools and information to help organizations take action to advance social justice and equality for all women. We recognize women's diverse experiences and perspectives; create spaces for developing women's knowledge; bridge regional isolation; and provide communication links between/among researchers and organizations actively working to promote social justice and equality for all women. Check out the website.¹

Support

The Raging Grannies led by Elizabeth Eve gave a very well received vocal performance on June 18 on Spring Garden Road at noon. Performances will continue with no specific times planned but please keep your eyes on the Halifax Raging Granny Gaggles² for more information.



¹ <https://www.criaw-icref.ca/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/61583610193431/posts/>

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An Invitation...

Be part of the banner artwork *Lifting Peace off the Ground* by [making a butterfly](#) to be added to this banner, which was created by members of Nova Scotia Voice of Women for Peace, the Muslim Women's Study Group and the Halifax Raging Grannies. These textile butterflies (maximum size 8 cm x 8 cm) can be felted, embroidered, patch work, quilted, crocheted, etc.

All butterflies received by the end of 2026 (or beyond) will be added to the banner, but please note that 6 August 2026 is a soft deadline for receipt of your butterfly art. Thank you all!

Send your butterfly by post to
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We have plans to display the banner at local events memorializing upcoming anniversaries of the 1945 Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings, during the autumn Nocturne event in Halifax, and possibly at other venues including the Canadian Peace Museum and the Hiroshima Memorial Museum. [Would you like to exhibit this banner in your community?](#)

Read and Support

A new edition of *Yes! To Canada: When Grampa Refused to Fight in the Vietnam War* has been released by Halifax-based author Roger Davies (former Vietnam War draft resister who immigrated to Canada in 1968). Written for young readers, the book tells the true story of Americans who said no to war and found refuge and community in Canada. Illustrations are by award-winning Halifax watercolour artist Inae Kim.

The re-release comes at a moment when war, militarism, and authoritarianism are once again on the rise globally. Unlike most children's books about conflict, *Yes! To Canada* centres conscience, refusal, and ethical courage—offering a people's history that feels especially relevant today for families, classrooms, and libraries.

Davies is available for interviews and can speak to:

- Canada's role as a place of refuge
- Teaching children about war, peace, and moral choice
- Why stories of resistance matter now more than ever

Contact Robin Grant - media bookings:
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Did You Know?

That the world's largest torch relay passed through Windsor on 5 June as it continued its peace journey through Atlantic Canada. This Sri Chinmoy Oneness-Home Peace Run³ is a global run that began in 1987 travelling to more than 70 countries each year to promote international friendship. The Canadian Peace Run started 19 May and in Nova Scotia it visited the Windsor Elementary School and the Cobequid District Elementary School in Noel.

Membership Reminder

If you wish to join, renew, or donate, please visit [Join Us – NS Voice of Women](#) (PayPal) or mail a cheque to Nova Scotia Voice of Women for Peace 2898 Doug Smith Drive, Halifax B3L 3T7

Newsletter Contributions

Please send peace-related news/events from Atlantic Canada to me at jlc5440@gmail.com
Thank you, J. (Julie Cormack)

³ <https://www.peacerun.org/ca/>