



Nova Scotia Voice of Women for Peace

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To commemorate the 81st anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki -

Hiroshima-Nagasaki Poster Exhibit **Halifax City Hall**

6-7 August, 9:30am to 4pm

Please join us for the upcoming exhibit and showing of the film *The VOW from Hiroshima* both afternoons. Friday at noon, the Peace Flag will be raised with a brief peace ceremony including reading the HRM Proclamation "Day of Peace." If you'd like to help welcoming visitors or with refreshments and activity guidance (creating butterflies and paper cranes), please contact Fatima Cajee or kathrin winkler at nsvoiceofwomen@gmail.com

Hiroshima Memorial Day **Sydney, Cape Breton**

6 August, 10am

Each year since 2020, Peace Quest Cape Breton and the Cape Breton Regional Municipality (CBRM) will be observing a Hiroshima Memorial Day commemoration on Thursday 6 August at 10am outside City Hall in Sydney. After remarks from Peace Quest, CBRM's Hiroshima Memorial Day Proclamation – due to be adopted on July 30 – will be read by Councillor Steven MacNeil, followed by a minute's silence and shared reflections.

Sean Howard

Event: Peace Poppy Making

Fatima Cajee 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.

Hiroshima & Nagasaki: Nuclear Bombs Never Again

4 August 2026, 9pm (8pm Eastern)

Cross-generational voices at the intersection of Japan-Korea-US policy and militarization will share their lived experiences, nuclear impacts in these contexts, anti-war strategies, and actions you can take to advocate for a world with Nuclear Bombs Never Again. This 75-minute event is co-hosted by WILPF US and Korea Peace Now.

Register:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/4kLp9mJ4QRucqWAa1TKOtw-/registration>

Remembering Nagasaki: Youth in Conversation for a Nuclear-Free Future

9 August, 8pm (4pm Pacific)

This online Youth Summit hosted by IPPNW Canada will give participants of all ages and experience levels the opportunity to deepen their understanding of nuclear non-proliferation.

Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfPgZNN0GOHqu3sX8F5WK7RlCvyeCcy6Rq2EJVDZfGdATx7gw/viewform>

Watch

Daniel Ellsberg speak about the threat of nuclear war in the film *An Ordinary Insanity*. Ellsberg leaked the Pentagon Papers and specialized in "problems of the command and control of nuclear

weapons, nuclear war plans, and crisis decision-making.”¹

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xofgctP2hTY>

More information on the film and nuclear facts are [here](#).

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?](#)

Watch

On 26 June 2026, Hibakusha Setsuko Thurlow gave the keynote address at the Vienna School of International Studies as part of a timely and deeply moving discussion entitled *Learning from*

*Nuclear Catastrophe: Human Experience, Ethical Responsibility, and the Future of Nuclear Security.*²

Other speakers were: Prof. Markus Kornprobst, Professor of International Relations; Angela Kane, former UN High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and UN Under-Secretary-General for Management; Nadja Schmidt, Director of ICAN Austria; and Aigerim Seitenova, Kazakh human rights professional and Co-Founder of the Qazaq Nuclear Frontline Coalition.

Check Out Resources, Events, and Links

From ICAN <https://rise.icanw.org/live>

From <https://www.worldpeace.org/>
Live from Hiroshima

5 August 8-10pm (7-9pm Eastern)

World Peace Prayer Flag Ceremony

Global Silent Minute

Join us on Zoom [here](#)



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)

¹ <https://www.anordinaryinsanity.com/about-daniel-ellsberg>

² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQl7x3wA9lk>