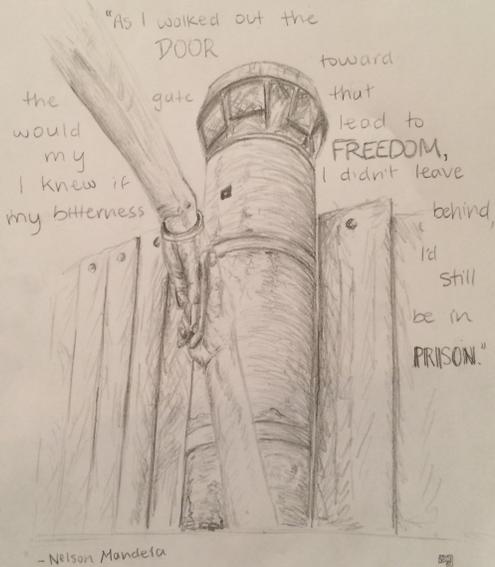


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JustVision

JustVision is another organization that promotes peace and awareness of the Palestinian- Israeli conflict. Through award-winning films and education, JustVision is able to project the truth of the conflict, undermine stereotypes and promote nonviolence and freedom. This organization spreads education to audiences of Americans, Palestinians and Israelis, showing the courageous acts of ordinary people and nonviolent leaders making a big impact for peace. JustVision is the only organization that documents a widespread of Palestinian and Israeli nonviolent leaders and peacebuilders and

creates media content in Hebrew, Arabic and English. From this, they try to generate a network of support in American, Jewish and Palestinian communities. Located in Washington D.C., JustVision is composed of Palestinian, Israeli, South and North American human advocates, filmmakers, journalists, and conflict resolution experts. You can watch some of their award winning films' on their website <http://www.justvision.org/> plus interviews and more to increase awareness of the conflict and to foster peace.

By: Kylie Han

A Song of Peace

*Come on people now
Smile on your brother.*

**You know we've got to find a way
To bring some loving here today**

**We got to have peace
To keep the world alive.**

**Imagine all the people
Living life in peace**

**Peace in the valley,
People gotta be free**

**And I think to myself
What a wonderful world.**

But I still haven't found what I'm looking for.

What's going on?

The answer is blowing in the wind.

Give peace a chance.

By: John Schmisek

Niagara Foundation

As I was searching through various websites of peace-focused organizations, I stumbled upon the Niagara Foundation, and discovered that its mission relates strikingly to that of Hands of Peace. There seems to be a universal of idea of how peace can be achieved. The common denominator found in many peace-organizations is using dialogue to create collaboration and progress. When separate from one another, it is easy to make assumptions and judgments about the other, but when together, is become apparent that we are more alike than different. The Niagara Foundation's main goal is to help initiate civic conversations and new relationships among people of diverse backgrounds, cultures and faiths. In order to promote its core values of hospitality, enrichment, and leadership, it organizes forums, dinners, conferences, lectures, community service, and international trips.

believe the challenge humanity faces as it moves into the future is in understanding that speaking out is critical, while listening to the other is what just might change the world. Being heard, expressing one's own pain and simply knowing that someone is genuinely listening, well, there is not a remedy quite like it. Somewhere between speaking out and being heard, there exists a harmonious balance, and through peace organizations like Niagara Foundation and Hands of Peace, this balance is becoming more and more attainable. And as this is occurring, relationships are being formed, and the global family can begin to embrace its diversity of cultures and minds.

The title "Niagara Foundation" emerges from an idea that inspires me to continue to hope for a world of peace.

After all, the organization was named after Niagara Falls, "where two great lakes become more magnificent together than they could be separately" (NiagaraFoundation.org).

By Mary Cormier

The time has come to create a family, an international family that is, because a strong global community which embraces dialogue is the key to striving toward peace. The definition of "dialogue" is twofold. I

