

# PEACE DAYS

FROM SEPTEMBER 21 TO OCTOBER 2, 2025

**BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE: UNITING FOR PEACE**

**11th edition**

## PRESS RELEASE

### 12 DAYS, 1 UNIFIED PROGRAM, 90+ ACTIVITIES

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The 11th edition of [Peace Days](#) will be held from September 21 to October 2, 2025, under the theme “Building a Better Future: Uniting for Peace”.

The [program](#) includes more than 90 initiatives presented by 110 partners, creating tremendous opportunities for connection, exchange, learning and awareness raising.

The 12-day event, developed and implemented by the [Peace Network for Social Harmony](#), launches on the UN International Day of Peace and closes on the UN International Day of Non-Violence.

### A PROGRAM GROUNDED IN SOLIDARITY, UNITY AND INCLUSION

Covering an extensive range of topics (immigration, social justice, interculturalism, prevention of hate crimes, inclusion, human rights, etc.), the 2025 Peace Days program offers a variety of formats for its activities and initiatives: workshops, discussions, exhibitions, projections, family and artistic activities, webinars, podcasts, guides and tools. The programming is almost entirely free, with the majority of activities taking place across the city of Montreal. Of note, several dozen online offerings help make Peace Days accessible to a wider audience.

“It is truly encouraging that despite these difficult times, our partners are organizing a panoply of activities in line with the theme of the 11th edition of Peace Days, “Building a Better Future: Uniting for Peace”. This fact bears witness to a shared conviction which I am delighted to see: that together we can build the peaceful society to which we aspire.”

— **DJÉMILATOU BELEM**

Coordinator, Violence Prevention and Peace Promotion  
Peace Network for Social Harmony

Peace Days, which originated and was developed mainly in the Montreal area over its first ten years, is now expanding to other cities in Quebec and in the rest of Canada, with numerous activities offered online as well.

## BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE: UNITING FOR PEACE

The theme “Building a Better Future: Uniting for Peace” encourages us to reflect on the years to come, with the conviction that a peaceful future can only be built collectively. It emphasizes the need for action, and it suggests both a crucial first step – to unite – and an objective and vision for the future – to build.

It is also a reminder of the power that each of us possesses: to take action. Whether individually or jointly, we have the capacity to identify solutions and choose to act in order to implement the changes today that will lead to the type of world we want tomorrow and into the future.

“What do the multitude of grassroots, cultural, educational, philanthropic and other stakeholders who are presenting Peace Days activities have in common? As reflected in our theme for 2025, they are all building a better future by uniting for peace. In these times of division, hatred, insecurity and increased violence, nothing could be more appropriate or urgently needed than the objectives outlined in this theme. The Peace Network for Social Harmony – which has long recognized the power of collaboration to effect social change and has always focused on solutions to our societal ills – aims to mobilize the public as fellow peace builders by having them take advantage of the discussions, webinars, exhibitions, workshops, lectures and interfaith, artistic and family activities being offered over the 12-day period that makes up Peace Days. We invite you to be part of an 11th year of collective action and solutions, as we unite to create the future that we all deserve: one that is grounded in peace, justice and social harmony.”

— **BRIAN BRONFMAN, C.M., O.Q.**  
President and Co-Founder  
Peace Network for Social Harmony

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### ABOUT THE PEACE NETWORK FOR SOCIAL HARMONY

Undertaking each mandate in an inclusive and collaborative manner, the [Peace Network for Social Harmony](#) focuses its efforts on three fields of activity: diversity and inclusion, violence prevention and peace promotion. The Network is uniquely positioned to generate cross-sectoral collaboration and engagement, with collaborators that include NGOs, academic institutions, artistic and cultural organizations, researchers, government and many others. The organization's approach is guided by evidence from current research. Partnering with a multitude of stakeholders on a variety of initiatives related to its three fields of activity, the Network's goal is to bring its expertise to these projects, to accompany its partners, to promote their work, and to facilitate collaboration as a way to avoid working in silos while maximizing the impact, reach and effectiveness of each individual and collective action. The Network contributes to social harmony and peace in innovative ways.

The Peace Network for Social Harmony is a charitable organization created in 2009 whose membership consists of various philanthropic foundations and businesses.

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