

## **World Peace Day**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: 9.21.18

CONTACT: LORI MARTINEZ

PHONE: 225.342.0651

## ANNUAL LOUISIANA WORLD PEACE DAY CELEBRATION SET FOR SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Each year, Louisiana youth, community groups, officials and residents come together at the Louisiana State Capitol to celebrate and promote world peace. This year's event is <u>Sunday, September</u> 30 at 2 p.m. in Memorial Hall of the Louisiana State Capitol.

## **LOUISIANA WORLD PEACE DAY**

Sunday, September 30, 2018
2 p.m.
Memorial Hall
Louisiana State Capitol
Baton Rouge, LA

The event, sponsored by the Louisiana World Peace Day Committee in partnership with the Louisiana Youth Advisory Council, is a youth driven effort and will feature student artwork, entertainment, speakers, and presentations.

The celebration kicks off with a performance by SGI-New Orleans Jazz Taiko drummers. Hrilina Ramrakhiani of SummerStone Academy and her father, Rajiv, will perform a duet in two different languages.

Students will present artwork describing world peace and presentations will be made by various individuals, including - Legislative Youth Advisory Council President Madeline Malbrough, Houma Christian School; and Subbah Mir, LSU International Cultural Center and Student Association President. Dancers from Episcopal High School Dance Ensemble and SGI-USA Ikeda Youth Ensemble Team will perform at the event. An Interfaith Candle Lighting Ceremony will also be held at this year's World Peace Day celebration.

An exhibit of student artwork, essays and other expressions of peace from students around the state will be on display in Memorial Hall of the State Capitol Building throughout the event and

through the month of October. The artwork may be viewed daily between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Since 1998, Louisiana has recognized October 1 as World Peace Day. The legislature recognizes the day by resolution and the governor by proclamation. Louisiana's World Peace Day Committee and other volunteers work together to plan and hold events recognizing World Peace Day in an effort to eliminate violence and promote peace in individuals, families, countries and nations.

The event is free to the public and all citizens are invited to attend.

###