

Vigil of Prayer for Peace

St Martin-in-the-Fields 8th – 9th June 2012

Make a difference this summer - be inspired by the Olympic Truce.

Choose from an exciting line-up of peace-building events throughout the summer: sport, social action, shared meals, exhibitions, walks, training, art, concerts, fundays, women's events, picnics, volunteering, links with activities overseas . . . Plant a seed of hope this year and provide a rich legacy into 2013 and beyond.

Activities listed here and on the London Peace Network website are open to people of all faiths and none. You will be very welcome – just contact the organisers or London Boroughs Faiths Network.

Here's a selection of what's on offer for you and for your community.

Peace Day 21st September

Mark International Day of Peace by celebrating the peace-making in your local community in partnership with your local mosque, by raising awareness about violence against women and girls – or in any other way. www.peaceoneday.org

A Year of Service

Volunteer with an organisation from religious tradition which isn't your own. Lots of opportunities throughout the year. www.ayearofservice.org.uk

Week of Peace 2012

16th - 23th September: Do Something Kind - join thousands of Londoners in doing something small to make Something Big. www.weekofpeace.org.uk

Waterloo Festival - War and Peace

12 – 17 July St John's Church, Waterloo. Action-packed festival of concerts, arts, theatre, talks, tours. www.stjohnswaterloo.org

City Safe Havens

A CitySafe Haven is a public place to seek refuge in a difficult situation. Encourage local businesses and organisations in your neighbourhood to offer their premises as CitySafe Havens. www.citizensuk.org/campaigns/citysafe-campaign

Knife Amnesty Bins

Thinking of putting a knife amnesty bin in your local area? Contact people in the know-www.barkinganddagenhamfaithforum.jigsy.com www.word4weapons.co.uk and your local police.

Youth Refusing Violence

Activities and ideas for encouraging young people (11-18) to refuse the use of violence by harnessing the strength and wisdom within their faith - and by learning from other faiths too. www.stethelburgas.org/themes/youth-refusing-violence

Release The Peace

Encouraging young people to be positive forces within their communities. www.releasethepeace.com

2012 Hours Against Hate

Volunteer twenty hours in a charity of a faith community different to your own. www.faithsforum4london.org

Britain Tastes Great 16-22 July

As the world looks at London this summer, HOPE not Hate encourages us to put on a party to celebrate modern Britain – a kaleidoscope of colours and cultures. Get together with your neighbours, schools, places of worship, community organisations and plan a delicious meal. www.hopenothate.org.uk

Ramadan Festival

An opportunity to bring people together from different faiths, eat supper together in their local mosque during the month of Ramadan and share in the atmosphere that is created at such a special time of year for Muslims. www.ramadanfestival.org

Build The Truce

A ten minute film and interactive display at the Imperial War Museum looking at conflict and truce. Visit the Open Day on 21-22 September to celebrate International Peace Day. www.iwm.org.uk/exhibitions/iwm-london/build-the-truce

Inter Faith Walks 14-15 July

All south London boroughs and some in north London are organising inter faith walks. Join in or organise your own! www.southlondoninterfaith.org.uk/2012-inter-faith-walks

Multifaith cricket and football matches are being planned, twinned projects with those in Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Jamaica and Ghana are in the pipeline – there is plenty to choose from! Check the website, get in touch and get involved!

For details, links and to publicise your own activities, visit the London Peace Network www.londonpeacenetwork.wordpress.com @network_peace Convener@lbfn.org convener@lbfn.org