

Schedule of Events

Friday, June 17

10:00 AM Hospitality Lounge & Conference registration

Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover (6 Locke Street)

2:30 PM Leave for Raytheon

3:00 – 5:00 PM Vigil at Raytheon

6:00 – 9:00 PM Dinner at Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover

Cost

Registration for the conference is on a sliding scale. Please pay what you can best afford between \$15 - \$100. Registration fee includes three meals on June 17-18. (Suggested fee is \$50, which covers our basic costs.)

Saturday, June 18

8:00 AM Registration at Merrimack College, Cachcia Hall, 315 Turnpike Street

9:00 – 9:15 AM Welcome & Opening Purpose of Conference

9:15 – 11:00 AM Plenary Panel I:

Local Space Organizing Reports from key Global Network activists from around the world

11:15 AM – 1:00 PM Plenary Panel II

Raytheon & the Military Industrial Complex: Consequences of Missile Offense Deployments in Europe and Asia

1:00 – 2:00 PM Lunch in Student Center Lounge

2:15 – 3:45 PM Workshop Session I

4:00 – 5:30 PM Workshop Session II

5:30 PM Move to North Parish Church

6:15 – 8:00 PM Dinner

North Parish UU Church of North Andover (190 Academy Road)

8:15–10:00 PM Concert ~ Tetsu Kitagawa Old Center Hall

Saturday Workshops

- Cyber Warfare, Drones, and other new space directed technologies
- Space as an Environment: From debris to colonization
- Missile Defense in Europe: U.S., NATO and a New Cold War
- Missile Defense Deployments in Asia: Provocative Strategy & a New Arms Race
- Bring Our War \$\$ Home Campaign
- Students Speak Out: Space Weapons Technology Impacts on Social Progress

Sunday, June 19

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Annual Membership Meeting

(Election of board, coordinator's report, budget review, strategy & planning discussion, next meeting decisions, 2011 Keep Space for Peace Week theme)

Concert Sat., June 18 8:15 PM Old Center Hall

Tetsu Kitagawa, one of Japan's leading peace and justice singer/songwriters, has been described as Japan's Bob Dylan – early Dylan, the one engaged with people's movements.

On tour in the U.S. as part of his 100 consecutive concerts for peace, nuclear abolition, and defense of Japan's peace constitution, Kitagawa will be joined by Pat Scanlon and other musical friends for a concert on June 18 at 8:15 PM in Old Center Hall. Open to the community as well as to conference participants, tickets will be available at the conference and at the door for \$10. All proceeds will go to the Global Network.

Housing/Travel/Vigil

Home hospitality will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Let us know if you'd like a local hotel list. (If you live in the Andover area, please contact us if you can provide housing for out-of-town guests.)

Andover is about 25 miles from Boston and can be reached by a commuter train from Boston's North Station. Take the Haverhill line. Let us know when you plan to arrive in Andover, and we will pick you up. Train schedules and maps are available at www.mbta.com.

If you arrive on June 17, we will have a hospitality and early registration lounge at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover (6 Locke Street) beginning at 10 AM. We will hold a peace vigil at Raytheon in Andover from 3 - 5 PM on June 17.



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Conference Registration

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State _____

Postal code _____

Country _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Enclosed is a registration fee of \$ _____

For how many people? _____

(Please send the name and contact information for each person.)

Please check the meals you will eat:

Friday, June 17 Dinner

Saturday, June 18 Lunch

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Please check if you need the following:

Home Hospitality (first come, first served) I need housing on _____ (dates) for _____ (number of people).

A list of hotels in the area

I live in the Andover area and can offer hospitality to _____ guests. Contact me.

Sorry I can't come but here is a donation to help with conference costs.

Return your registration with check payable to:

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Conference Purpose

2011 marks the 19th anniversary of the Global Network's organizing efforts to build an international constituency to Keep Space for Peace. Each year we gather to share the latest international developments on Pentagon and aerospace industry plans for the militarization of space.

We approach this conference with clarity that U.S. "missile defense" programs are actually key elements in overall Pentagon first-strike planning. Thus we have come to call them "missile offense" systems as they are intended to take out any retaliatory capability after a U.S. attack. Sold to the public as defense, these systems create more instability after their deployment.

The Raytheon Company, which had 2009 sales of \$25 billion, is a leading builder and promoter of the missile "offense" program. Headquartered in Massachusetts, Raytheon has a manufacturing plant in Andover that builds the Patriot (PAC-3) system that is now being used by the Pentagon to help encircle Russia and China.

In addition, Raytheon Intelligence and Information Systems (Garland, Texas) recently got a \$30 million contract extension for providing "information assurance services." Raytheon Missile Systems (Tucson, Arizona) won a \$175 million contract from the Missile Defense Agency

(MDA) to continue developing the Standard Missile-3 (SM-3) interceptor that will be deployed on Navy Aegis destroyers. The MDA also gave Raytheon Integrated Defense Systems (Tewksbury, MA) \$190 million to build and test a mobile radar system to help coordinate these systems. Raytheon is a perfect example of a weapons corporation that spreads its contracts across the nation in order to build Congressional support for endless war.

As we spend \$10 billion a month on space-directed warfare in Iraq-Afghanistan-Pakistan, it becomes increasingly important that the peace movement connect the dots between massive military spending and the economic crisis at home. We must increase our efforts to call for the conversion of the military industrial complex to peaceful and sustainable production.

The membership of the Global Network feels it is crucial that we gather together to share information, develop new strategies, and inspire each other to continue our efforts to build a peace with justice for everyone. We are urging our affiliated groups to make special efforts to send a student to this conference so that new generations of activists learn more about the peace in space issue.



Raytheon, Missile Offense & Endless War

19th Annual Space Organizing Conference

June 17-19, 2011

North Andover,
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