

# The Ribbon International www.theribboninternational.org

Ribbon 2020 – Tangible Hope for No Nuclear War

Please Join The Ribbon International on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2020, for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Nuclear Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Follow us on Instagram "theribbon2020" or look for us on Facebook.

For Zoom invitation and more information, contact us: info@theribboninternational.org

The Ribbon International was founded by **Justine Merritt** in 1982, after she visited the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum in Japan. It was in the middle of the Cold War between The United States and The Soviet Union. She decided to have a Ribbon event for the 40<sup>th</sup> Memorial Anniversary of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The event would express, in her words,

"what I cannot bear to think of as lost forever in a nuclear war."

On August 4<sup>th</sup> 1985, 15 miles of Ribbons encircled the Pentagon and other important monuments. On the same day, The Hiroshima Atomic Bomb Dome was encircled with Ribbons.

# The Ribbon International will hold a Ribbon 2020 event by Zoom on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 at 10:00 am (EDT) for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Hiroshima Peace Ribbon, Ribbon Minnesota, Ribbon Washington DC, Frederick MD, and other Ribbon groups around the world are also planning to have the Ribbon events.

Please join us with your friends/family or by yourself.
Hold your Ribbon in front of the Zoom screen, and pray for a nuclear free world.
And let's upload the photos/videos on Facebook and on Instagram "theribbon2020".

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New York City, 2018

#### How to make a ribbon:

Cut a panel of sturdy cloth, double thickness, of any color finished size: one meter by a half meter (or one yard by a half yard).

Sew 20cm (9 inch) pieces of ribbon to each corner so the panels may be easily tied together.

Gito express what you most love about the world and what you cannot bear to think of as lost forever in a nuclear war. If you wish, write your name and/or any message on the back of the panel.

## Please see our website: www.theribboninternational.org

### Co-Sponsors (As of July 16, 2020)

- \* Anti-Nuclear-War Japanese Actors: Minako Osanai, Yoshie Ohashi, Masumi Ohara, Atsuko Kawaguchi, Toshie Takada, Michie Terada, Tomoe Hiiro, Keiko Yanagawa, Karin Yamaguchi, Misako Watanabe
- \* Coalition for Peace Action
- \* Girl Scouts of Hiroshima Prefecture, The Fifteenth Division and Volunteers
- \* Hiroshima Peace Ribbon
- \* IHAN (International Health Awareness Network)
- \* JFOR (Japan Fellowship of Reconciliation)
- \* Kathleen Burkinshaw (Author of "The Last Cherry Blossom")
- \* Kulturel Information and Koordination, Denmark
- \* Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives
- \* Manhattan Project for a Nuclear-Free World
- \* Morningside Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
- \* New York Quarterly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
- \* NYC War Resisters League
- \* Pax Christi Metro New York
- \* Peace Action New York State
- \* Peace Boat US
- \* We, The World
- \* World Friendship Center