

The Practice of Peace

"Peace of the sort that brings wholeness, harmony, and health to our lives only happens when chaos, confusion, and conflict are included and transcended."

—Harrison Owen, Author and originator of Open Space

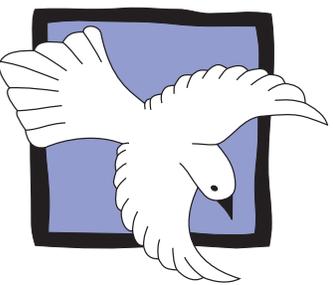
This stimulating and heartening three-day conference invites young people, adults, elders—anyone with a life long passion or who is newly-interested in peace and justice issues to take part in open conversation, dialogue, and exploration. Experiences of peace and conflict included in the conference may have roots close to home or far across the globe, they may reside within ourselves or between neighbors and nations.

Inspired by outcomes from the first Practice of Peace Conference held in 2003, initiated by the Open Space Institute (www.practiceofpeace.com)

"Each time I enter into an Open Space event I remember the possibilities, the wonder, and the magic of life lived to its fullest. The excitement of the union of Open Space and Practice of Peace is people who desire to learn, share, and be peace. I am one of many who stand as part of this congregation. My question is what will it

require of me to live the peace I most desire? Each time I remember I live in Open Space, I remember all things are possible and every one of us is part of the possibility."

—Kate Miller, ProcessWorks



We invite you to join us to:

- **Explore** ideas, share insights, and create new projects and networks with participants and invited guests who are "opening space" for peace.
- **Self-organize** using "Open Space" for maximum learning, creativity, and synergy.
- **Embrace** the grief and joy integral to the search for peace and justice.
- **Surface** innovative ideas through co-creative methods.
- **Unleash** creative thinking, passion and commitment and locate other members in the learning community who share your interests.
- **Learn** to use methods in one's own communities and organizations to promote and encourage peace and justice.

We are pleased that Harrison Owen and past participants of the earlier conference will be joining us, bringing their unique international perspective.

Open Space

(www.OpenSpaceWorld.com)

or www.OpenSpaceWorld.org is a self-organizing process that invites participants to initiate and convene sessions on topics that matter most to them and about which they feel impassioned. This exciting and transformative process creates an environment for innovation, problem solving, and community building. Experience "opening of the space" and the engagement and full energy of those present.



"I am deeply grateful that ProcessWorks is sponsoring the Practice of Peace in New Mexico. Just as the Open Space process first spoke to me many years ago as a most natural expression and facilitation of human learning, the Practice of Peace offers what I long for most in these times—the opportunity to come together across differences, to communicate deeply, and vision heartfully. I know that I am not alone in this need to hope and dream together with others, that peace is not only possible—peace is within us."

—Carolyn Kinsman, ProcessWorks

Our conference is located in the expansive and ever-changing landscape of New Mexico—a place as diverse as the vision of this gathering. We will meet at Los Poblanos Inn and Cultural Center—a historic site in the beautiful North Valley of Albuquerque, New Mexico. (www.LosPoblanos.com),

The fee of \$200 covers conference fee and materials, welcoming reception and all lunches. We have a deep commitment to making the "Practice of Peace" conference available to all people—scholarships are available.

There is limited lodging on site; contact Los Poblanos directly if you want to arrange for accommodations (505-344-9297). Other lodging is readily available nearby in the northwest region of Albuquerque.

We encourage you to register as early as possible. The conference is limited to 100 people and we would like you to be able to join us!



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Peace in a World
of Conflict: Moving
Beyond What We Know



September 21, 2005
5:00 pm thru
September 24, 2005
12:00 noon

Albuquerque
New Mexico
USA

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"In this moment leap into open space and practice peace—wherever you are, whatever you are doing—don't wait until the conference. Release connecting to these words and run into the arms of longing for peace and well-being for all creation! There are lots of us gathered in that embrace. And if you can, join us in September to share, learn, and serve together in the name of, and for the sake of, peace—deep peace—for all of creation."

— Sharon Colby, Wellspring Associates

"What is peace? More than simply a noun, peace to me is a continual practice. Practicing peace is something that can occur in the midst of differences, disagreements, even conflicts and wars. The container in which peace is found is large enough to hold all these things and more. And so I take myself to the well of the practice of peace and I drink."

— Suzanne Maxwell, ProcessWorks

"My promise for the world is that people and our planet live in harmony. That is my life's purpose, the gift that I have been given and the challenge that shapes my path. When I heard about the Practice of Peace conference convened at Whidbey Island, I recognized the ripple effect of the powerful conversations for peace. Thus, my participation on our New Mexico Team is as natural as breathing and as fundamental as eating."

— Vickie Peck, Global Abundance Alliance

I love being among these voices that calm my heart, open my mind and bless my spirit.

— Evey Jones, Artist



Registration Form

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Send registration, including full payment (\$200.00 US), no later than 8/19/05 to:

A confirmation letter/email will be sent.

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