



Women at the Peace Table

Saturday 17 June 2023

2 pm - 3.30 pm | CC Het Perron Ieper

Workshops

Dabke dance workshop from Palestine with Orkidea

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Multifunctional hall

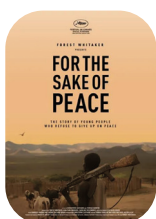


Orkidea is a Palestinian dance group from Ghent. Since 2019, they have been bringing together a dynamic group of people from multiple countries and backgrounds, mainly from Palestine and Belgium. This infectious music, full of dynamism and rhythm, is best discovered by dancing to it.

Documentary 'For the Sake of Peace'

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Amid a civil war that has lasted since 2011, South Sudan is still in the grip of numerous conflicts. As a result, more and more residents are fleeing their country. Despite the increasing misery, some Sudanese continue to fight for peace.

This documentary tells the story of these peacekeepers, such as Gatjang, a referee in a refugee camp in Juba who uses sport to bring children from opposing tribes together, or Nandege, a young mother mediating in the Kidepo Valley in a deadly conflict that has dragged on for decades.

Peace Table India: Empowerment with Françoise Bosteels and Women in Black

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Meeting room
3rd floor



Sister Françoise Bosteels lived in India for almost 50 years and was involved in preventive health and education projects as a nurse. She made dolls depicting women in all kinds of situations, including violent ones, and then started workshops with sex workers and war victims. Women also made their own dolls, which had a great impact on their healing process. Françoise enthusiastically shares her successful working methodology.



Women in Black is a global network of women working for peace, against war, militarism, discrimination, homophobia, racism, injustice and all forms of violence. The women dress in black as a sign of mourning for all victims of violence, discrimination, destruction of people and nature, but also because black is a strong colour and symbolises resistance.

Peace Table Congo on political participation with Annie Matundu Mbambi and the diaspora of Congolese women in Belgium

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Meeting Room
3rd floor



The living conditions of many women in the Democratic Republic of Congo are not rosy. Armed conflicts have been raging in several parts of the country for almost 30 years, in the context of which women and girls are raped, civilians have to flee in large numbers and poverty among the population is increasing. Hunger for resources plays an important role in this. In this workshop, we will explore the living conditions and challenges to human rights and gender equality in the DRC and listen to two women victims of violence, live from DRC. We end with the launch of the 'Groupe Construire la Paix' project as part of the Platform of Women of the Congolese Diaspora in Belgium, listening to the recommendations of the participants.

Workshop on non-violent communication with Pat Patfoort from de Vuurbloem

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De Vuurbloem is an organisation actively working on equality and non-violence. It wants to provide people with tools to integrate a non-violent lifestyle into everyday life. In doing so, it assumes equality for all people and at all levels, both in everyday and crisis situations. **Pat Patfoort** is co-founder of the organisation and brings inspiration with this workshop on nonviolent communication.

Women's walk in Ypres led by Ann Reynaert

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Appointment at the
entrance of Het Perron



During this walk, we discover the city of Ypres from the different roles women played in its development, a unique perspective! Throughout the history of Ypres, not only historical men are featured, but also very interesting and memorable women. We meet noble ladies, religious and mystical women, but also the often forgotten group of poor women, citizens on the run, prostitutes and lacemakers.

We also get more explanation by the Leuven Peace Movement at the statue of "The Unknown War Woman - Peace Needs Women". The statue stands in Leuven and reinforces the hope for peace. Because women power is peace power.

The trail runs for about four kilometres. We start and finish at the Perron.

Artwork making led by Sonja Mazereel

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Lobby



Under the stage name **sonjAMAZEreel**, this artist has won many awards, both at home and at street painting festivals abroad. For the 'Women at the Peace Table' conference, Sonja designed a beautiful pixel drawing. In this workshop you will help put the finishing touches to the artwork and see it come to life.

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