

URI Tool Card

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE



Every year on September 21st, people around the world join together to declare peace. Created by the United Nations in 1981, International Day of Peace is also a day of global ceasefire. To inaugurate the day, the Peace Bell is rung at UN Headquarters. This special bell is cast from coins donated by children from all parts of the world, a reminder of the human cost of war. Its inscription reads "Long live absolute world peace." Join us this year in observing the International Day of Peace.



Register your activity!
Go to www.uri.org and click the link for International Day of Peace

URI members send your actions to
newsdesk@uri.org

Observe a Moment of Silence

Join people around the world in one minute of silence for peace at noon on the 21st.

Spread the Word

Tell your friends about Peace Day in person or by email, Facebook or Twitter.

Organize an Event

- Get your friends, family or people in your community together for Peace Day.
- Plant a peace pole, observe a moment of silence at noon, and share stories, poems, and songs.
- Encourage your local schools to organize Peace Day events, such as a parade or talent show, where students get an opportunity to express their ideas about Peace and how to achieve it.
- Organize a concert, dance performance, or play on a topic of peace at your community center or place of worship.
- "Play for peace" by organizing a sports game where everybody can participate, regardless of talent.
- Plan an activity in support of one of the Millennium Development Goals; visit <http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/getinvolved.shtml>.

IDEAS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

Attend an Event

Go to www.internationaldayofpeace.org to find a Peace Day event near you.

Go to URI.org and Take the Pledge to End Intolerance

Promote Peace

- Invite your local place of worship to pray for peace on Peace Day.
- Ask your mayor or other local official to issue a proclamation or make a speech in support of peace.
- Write a letter to a local newspaper about the value of nonviolence.
- Post a peace video on YouTube or blog about what peace means to you.