



70 Years Later - Atomic Bombs in Hiroshima and Nagasaki Exhibition

MEDIA ADVISORY

Poster Exhibition

6-10 August 2015 at the main lobby of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON)

Opening Ceremony

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In 2015 the United Nations is celebrating 70th anniversary of its establishment. This year also marks the 70th Anniversary of the atomic bombs in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, as they were dropped on 6 and 9 August 1945, respectively. The UN was established two months after these bombings.

Volunteers across the UN agencies organized this exhibition in order to reaffirm the importance of international collaboration to secure peace, following the footsteps of the United Nations Offices in New York, Geneva and Vienna where permanent exhibition on the same theme are installed.

The exhibition will be a display of 30 posters and streaming of video clips provided by the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. A demonstration of '*origami*' (traditional Japanese paper folding craft) will also take place throughout the exhibition period. Visitors are invited to participate in the making of '*senbazuru*' (one-thousand folded origami cranes)' which will later be donated to the cities of Hiroshima or Nagasaki.

The exhibition aims to support the UN discussion on nuclear weapons, scientific assessment of radioactivity impacts on the environment and human health, as well as the World Heritage concept and the Memory of the World programmes.

The event is supported by United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON), United Nations Information Centre (UNIC), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN), The Embassy of Japan in Kenya, Nagasaki City and Nagasaki University.

We look forward to seeing many of you at this important exhibition.



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Opening Ceremony

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10:30 – 12:00

- 10:30 *Opening of the ceremony*
Silent prayer
- Opening remarks by the **Mdm. Sahle-Work Zewde**, Director General of UNON*
- 10:45 *Voice from Nagasaki by **Mr. Kaori Yasuda**, Organizing Committee*
- 10:50 *Speech by **Ms. Stacey Ngesa**, President of the Children's Government Kenya*
- 10:55 *Poetry reading on Peace by Students of Kasarani School*
- 11:05 *Speech by **Mr. Masakazu Shibata**, Public Information Officer of the UNESCO Regional Office in Nairobi*
- 11:25 *Speech by **Ms. Jacqueline McGlade**, Director of DEWA, Chief Scientist, UNEP*
- 11:35 *Speech by **Mr. Chris Mensah**, Secretary to the Governing Council, and Chief, External Relations and Inter-Agency Affairs, UN-Habitat*
- 11:45 *Closing remarks by **Mr. Mikio Mori**, Deputy Ambassador of the Embassy of Japan in Kenya*
- 11:55 *Origami with the guests*
Signing on the guest book
Photography of the group
- 12:00 *Closure of the ceremony*
Refreshment