

Daniel Pearl FOUNDATION

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As we begin our fourth year we would like to share with you this update on recent developments at the Daniel Pearl Foundation. We are grateful to the many donors, volunteers and partner organizations who support us in our mission of promoting cross-cultural understanding, combating cultural and religious hatred, and encouraging responsible and creative journalism. We thank you for your interest in our work.

*Judea Pearl, President
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Global Youth News Service, Inspired by Daniel Pearl, Seeks Aspiring Reporters

Teenagers around the world who are proficient in English and have access to the World Wide Web can participate at no cost in the new internet-based international student-run news service, [the PEARL World Youth News](#). The online [PEARL Reporter Certification Program](#) takes students from writing leads to conducting interviews and teaches about reporting techniques and journalism ethics. Certification as a PEARL reporter enables students to do their own reporting on issues facing them as members of the global community and gain valuable skills in journalism. These articles will be available for publication in student newspapers all over the globe.

Seven schools have volunteered to act as editors for the news service - the Habib Girls' School and Aga Khan School in Pakistan (co-News Editors), Valley International School in Lebanon (Features Editor), Gymnasium Parvoz in Uzbekistan (Music & Performing Arts Editor), Dr. Beheshti Boys High School and Ardeshiri Girls' High School in Iran (co-Entertainment Editors), and the Spokane Valley High School in Washington (Managing Editor).

This initiative is a joint project between the DPF and the International Education and Resource Network (iEARN). We are grateful to the Ethics & Excellence in Journalism Foundation, the Skirball Foundation, the New York Times Foundation

and the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism for their support for this initiative. For more information please contact PEARL coordinator Anindita Dutta Roy at anindita@us.learn.org.

Harmony for Humanity. Daniel Pearl Music Days - October 1-10, 2005

Online registration is now open for [Daniel Pearl Music Days 2005](#) from October 1-10. Join us in our drive to unite people through music. There are new opportunities to share music and messages on the Harmony for Humanity E-Stage. Last October, over 400 Daniel Pearl Music Day events in 39 countries, took place with hundreds of thousands of participants harnessing the power of music to inspire hope and brotherhood across national, ethnic and religious divisions. With your help we will do it again this year. Please visit www.danielpearl.org/music-days or contact Music Days coordinator Andrea Hargrave at music-days@danielpearl.org for more information.

Daniel Pearl Fellows at Los Angeles Times & The Wall Street Journal

We welcome [Daniel Pearl Fellows](#) Walid Al-Saqaf, editor-in-chief of The Yemen Times and Ammara Durrani, assistant editor of The News International in Karachi, Pakistan. Ms. Durrani is in Los Angeles working for Danny's hometown newspaper the Los Angeles Times and Mr. Al-Saqaf is working with the Washington, DC bureau of the Wall Street Journal, where Danny worked; both journalists will be in the U.S. through the summer. This program is run in partnership with Alfred Friendly Press Fellowships.

Interfaith Dialogue

The [Daniel Pearl Dialogue for Muslim-Jewish Understanding](#), featuring Akbar Ahmed and Judea Pearl, was at Duke University in February and continues in Ottawa, Toronto and at UC Irvine in May. Professors Ahmed and Pearl also are discussing the Israeli-Palestinian conflict online via [Naseeb Vibes](#) a literary site for Muslims by Muslims. Naseeb members have added their voices through the TalkBack section. For more information, please visit our [Calendar of Events](#) page.

New CD "Stories from My Favorite Planet"

We are delighted to announce the release of the CD [Stories from My Favorite Planet](#). It is available free to donors of \$100 or more. Composed for the Daniel Pearl Foundation and premiered as part of the second annual Daniel Pearl Music Day with composer Russell Steinberg on piano, Los Angeles Philharmonic violinist Mitchell Newman, and actor Josh Coxx, reader, this piece intertwines music with readings of Danny's articles selected from [At Home in the World](#) into a musical tapestry that portrays his humor and compassion. Please visit www.danielpearl.org for more information.

Other News

Daniel Pearl Award - The school of journalism of leading French university Sciences Po in Paris is inaugurating a new Daniel Pearl Award to be presented annually to a journalism student whose writing best reflects the spirit and excellence of Daniel Pearl's reporting by probing beneath the surface of an issue in the news and treating it with understanding and, if appropriate, a humorous eye. The Award will be presented in June.

Press Under Fire Panel - On March 2, 2005 Daniel Pearl Foundation Honorary Board member Christiane Amanpour of CNN moderated a [Press Under Fire](#) discussion at the London School of Economics marking the 3rd anniversary of Danny's death. The panel, organized by DPF Advisory Board member Kenneth Neil

Cukier of The Economist and Dalit Herdoon, included Kate Clark and Ibrahim Helal of BBC; Gideon Lichfield of The Economist, and Steve Stecklow of The Wall Street Journal.

Judea and Ruth Pearl Peacemaker Award Recipients - On March 9, 2005 Judea and Ruth Pearl were honored with the [National Conflict Resolution Center's 17th Annual Peacemaker Awards](#) in San Diego, CA for promoting cross-cultural understanding. The Daniel Pearl Foundation is NCRC's First Annual National Recipient.

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