

Daniel Pearl FOUNDATION

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We are pleased to share with you the latest news about the [Daniel Pearl Foundation](#). We welcome your comments, suggestions and ideas. Please feel free to forward this newsletter to others who might be interested in the activities of the Foundation.

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Fifth Anniversary of Daniel Pearl World Music Days

The Fifth Annual [Daniel Pearl World Music Days](#) will take place October 6-15. [Registration](#) for this global network of concerts is now open, and we invite musicians from around the world to participate by dedicating a live performance or by submitting materials to the Harmony for Humanity e-Stage; an internet radio station. Many exceptional events are already scheduled this year, including the world premiere of acclaimed composer Steve Reich's "Daniel Variations" at the Barbican Centre in London on October 8.



The Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival in San Francisco will kick off its annual three-day event on October 6 by dedicating a Student Day to Daniel Pearl. The 2005 winners of the [Daniel Pearl Memorial Violin](#) - Samantha Robichaud, 19, of Canada, and Alex Hargreaves, 13, of Oregon - will perform for thousands of Bay Area middle school students. Prior to the concert, teachers will be given class lesson materials about Danny's life, his love of bluegrass, and the purpose of Music Days as a means to bridge cultural differences. We are grateful to Warren Hellman for conceiving and sponsoring this incredible tribute.

To register your event, or learn more about how you can participate, please visit www.musicdays.org.

Judea Pearl Speaks at the United Nations

On January 26, in observance of the International Day of Commemoration and in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, Daniel Pearl Foundation President Judea Pearl spoke at a United Nations Briefing on the theme of "Remembrance and Beyond." Judea began by honoring the memory of his grandparents, who perished in Auschwitz in 1942, and his son Danny, who was killed 60 years later in 2002, by the same forces of bigotry and intolerance. He stressed the importance of educational programs to prevent future acts of genocide. See a [full transcript](#) and [webcast](#) of the speech.

Larry King Delivers the Fourth Daniel Pearl Memorial Lecture

Talk-show host Larry King was the speaker at the Fourth Daniel Pearl Lecture in Journalism and International Relations. King told personal stories of his life as a broadcaster and answered questions on topics ranging from the politicians and celebrities he has interviewed in his 49-year career to his signature suspenders. The lecture series is a joint project of Hillel at UCLA and the Daniel Pearl Foundation. Past speakers have included journalists Thomas Friedman, Daniel Schorr, and Jeff Greenfield. In October 2006, an additional lecture series will be launched at Stanford University.

Akbar Ahmed and Judea Pearl Receive Peace Award From Pakistan

Professors Akbar Ahmed and Judea Pearl received the first Daniel Pearl Peace Award from the World Tolerance Forum for "promoting understanding and interfaith harmony." The World Tolerance Forum is an organization in Faisalabad, Pakistan, committed to religious tolerance. The organization has published a 24-page Urdu-language magazine featuring Daniel Pearl's work and mission and is distributing it to schools and libraries across Pakistan.

PEARL High School Journalists Work Together From Around the World

Fresh from their online training experience, high-school age [PEARL Certified Reporters](#) for the [PEARL World Youth News](#) are writing on topics as widespread as the countries where they live. [Sarah Tull](#) (U.K.) wrote about climate change; [Yaroslav Ovcharenko](#) (Uzbekistan) shared his experiences at a journalism camp; [Nguyen Long](#) (Vietnam) explained how teens in Vietnam are turning away from the traditional New Year; and [Heather Vale](#) (U.S.) told of the MySpace internet phenomenon. All worked via the internet with student journalists from other countries for editorial feedback and research work.

PEARL World Youth News is a unique student news service developed through a partnership with the International Education and Research Network ([iEARN](#)). Supported by a network of more than 20,000 schools in 109 countries, high school students write collaboratively, serving as correspondents for school newspapers around the world. By encouraging this kind of cross-cultural communication, the Foundation hopes to forge a new generation of unbiased reporters and world citizens.

Daniel Pearl Fellow Defends East-West Cooperative Training

2005 Daniel Pearl Fellow [Walid Al-Saqaf](#) recently spoke out against the [Arab Journalists Union's decision](#) to reject training and assistance in journalism from Western and non-Arab media. Walid called the decision outrageous, saying "This merely represents a common stance by many totalitarian regimes, which work to diminish the influence of the Arab media, particularly the free media, in any way." We are proud that the experience Walid obtained as a Daniel Pearl Fellow working at the Wall Street Journal, Washington Bureau, provided him with the skills and

courage to offer journalism workshops in his native Yemen in the face of opposition from isolationists. This Daniel Pearl Fellowship is run in partnership with the [Alfred Friendly Press Fellowships](#).

This year our 2006 [Daniel Pearl Fellows](#) are Ghanashyam Ojha of Nepal and Shahid Shah of Pakistan. Ghanashyam began his journey by writing his impressions of America. His first article, U.S. Brings Surprises in First Weeks, will be part of an ongoing series written for The Advocate, The Berkshire Eagle and North Adams Transcript, where Daniel Pearl started his career. Shahid Shah is working at the Washington bureau of the Wall Street Journal; his first article, [G-7 Ministers Warn of Risks to Global Growth](#), was published on April 21.

Los Angeles Press Club Announces Daniel Pearl Award Winner

On June 24, this year's Daniel Pearl Courage and Integrity in Journalism award will go to freelance correspondent Kevin Sites, whose reporting for CNN and NBC, as well as his "In the Hot Zone" blog and videos on Yahoo News, have provided millions of viewers with insight into the lives of everyday people in the world's most violent areas. Past recipients include the late Michael Kelly, who died while on assignment in Iraq, Michael Weisskopf and Jim Nachtwey of Time Magazine and Jesus Bancornelas, editor of Mexico's leading investigative newspaper, Zeta.

Documentary on Daniel Pearl Premieres

"[The Journalist and the Jihadi: The Murder of Daniel Pearl](#)," a documentary that premiered at the Tribeca Film Festival, will be shown by HBO on October 10, on what would have been Danny's 43rd birthday

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