

## September 2006 Volume 3, Edition 2

We are pleased to share with you an update of the latest activities of the Daniel Pearl Foundation. and invite you to participate in the fifth annual Daniel Pearl World Music Days from October 6-15. Feel free to share and forward these newsletters to friends.

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### Music

#### **Fifth Annual Daniel Pearl World Music Days**

We are inviting all musicians and music lovers to participate in Daniel Pearl World Music Days, an international network of musicians and music events dedicated to using the power of music to diminish hatred, respect differences and reach out in friendship. Registration is now open. Please visit [www.musicdays.org](http://www.musicdays.org).

#### **World Premiere of Steve Reich's "Daniel Variations" in London**

The fifth annual Daniel Pearl World Music Days will feature the premiere of Steve Reich's "Daniel Variations" on October 8 at the Barbican Centre in London. "Daniel Variations" is a 30-minute choral work based on texts from the Book of Daniel alongside Danny's own words; it was commissioned for the Daniel Pearl Foundation by Richard Goodman through Meet the Composer as a tribute to Danny. A group of 20 musicians from the Steve Reich

Ensemble and Synergy Vocals will perform the piece. Other performances of this work dedicated to World Music Days will take place in New York, Portugal, and France. The West Coast Premiere of "Daniel Variations" will be presented in January of 2007 by the Los Angeles Master Chorale at Disney Hall.

### **World Premiere of Avner Dorman Violin Concerto in Jerusalem**

The world premiere of Avner Dorman's Violin Concerto will be performed on October 18 and 19 by the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra (conducted by Gisele Ben-Dor) and Ittai Shapira, soloist. Avner Dorman is one of Israel's most widely performed living composers. He dedicated this concerto to Danny.

### **Young Winners Selected for the 2006 Daniel Pearl Memorial Violin**

Canadian twin fiddle sensations John and James Abrams and violinist Phoebe Hunt are the winners of the 2006 Daniel Pearl Memorial Violins. The winners were announced at the Mark O'Connor Strings Conference in San Diego. The violins were crafted by Jonathan Cooper of Maine in honor of Danny and are given for one year to promising young violinists.

### **Paris to Hold Counter-Terrorism Concert**

On November 6, at the Casino de Paris, several prestigious French artists, including Chimene Badi, Corneille, Diam's, Sinclair, Grand Corps Malade, and Daniel Levy will perform in Harmony for Humanity concerts as a stand to counter terrorism.

### **Downloads for World Music Days Public Service Announcements**

Jazz icon Herbie Hancock, rock legend Elton John, Hamza el Din (the late father of modern Nubian music) and classical violinist Ida Haendel are featured in a series of public service announcements (PSA) to promote Daniel Pearl World Music Days. Their video message to professional and amateur musicians: Join us in using the universal language of music to diminish hatred, respect differences, and reach out in friendship by dedicating performances for Harmony for Humanity. Our gratitude to the National Association of Broadcasters for providing downloads of the PSA . Television PSAs will be available on September 15th from 11:30 am – 12:00pm ET. Stations can uplink at C-Band, AMC01, Transponder 22, Downlink Frequency 4140 MHz, Vertical Polarity, Audio 6.2 and 6.8. Radio PSAs are available for download at [www.musicdays.org](http://www.musicdays.org).

### **World Music Days eStage**

Running hand in hand with the global network of live concerts is the World Music Days eStage, our on-line radio station and gallery showcasing words and music that affirm our common humanity. Radio Highlights include:

**Music from Earthdance** - A global music festival for peace. DJs and dance artists from around the world have contributed tracks to these amazing sets.

**Danny's Jams** – A chance to hear some of the wonderful music Daniel Pearl created as he traveled around the world.

**Lullabies for Free Children** - A global collaboration of young poets and international composers.

**With Honors** – Music from the eclectic World Music Days Honorary Committee. Send us music, poetry, song lyrics, articles, and your dedications to peace and tolerance. Help us make World Music Days a voice for humanity, a stand for tolerance, and a hope for the future. We hope you'll join us.

To participate in World Music Days or to learn more visit [www.musicdays.org](http://www.musicdays.org), or contact us at [musicdays@danielpearl.org](mailto:musicdays@danielpearl.org) or [estage@danielpearl.org](mailto:estage@danielpearl.org).

## Dialogue & Communication

### **Professors Ahmed and Pearl Win Purpose Prize for the Daniel Pearl Interfaith Dialogue**

Judea Pearl and Akbar Ahmed have been awarded the first-ever Purpose Prize, acknowledging the social innovation of individuals over the age of 60. The \$100,000 prize is given for their work on the Daniel Pearl Dialogue for Muslim Jewish Understanding. (Judea will donate his share to the Daniel Pearl Foundation.) The Civic Ventures Purpose Prize program was funded by the Atlantic Philanthropies and The John Templeton Foundation.

### **Juliet Hollister Award for Interfaith Understanding Given to Daniel Pearl**

Judea Pearl and Mariane Pearl will accept the Juliet Hollister Award to be presented posthumously to Daniel Pearl on October 18. The award was created in 1996 to honor the founder of The Temple for Understanding and to support the secular and religious people whose life work has helped to create interfaith understanding. Two violinists from the Ilona Feher Foundation will dedicate their performance in this event to the Daniel Pearl World Music Days.

## Journalism

### **Journalism Fellowships Expand to Include Editors**

DPF expanded its fellowship program by partnering with the International Center for Journalists (ICFJ), to add to their International Journalism Exchange (IJE) two Daniel Pearl IJE Fellows, editors selected from South Asia and The Middle East. From October 7 to November 11, 2006, Jumana Al Tamimi, editor for the Gulf Coast and Middle East sections of the Gulf News Newspaper, the largest English-language newspaper in the Gulf region, and Shams Ahsan Saifi, a native of India and National Editor of The Saudi Gazette, will spend five weeks learning all aspects of editing a newspaper in the United States. The program ends with two days of professional development sessions in New York, touring the city and visiting The New York Times and other media organizations. They will also discuss implementing what they have learned and how to become an effective trainer.

Ghanashyam Ojha and Shahid Shah, 2006 Daniel Pearl Fellows respectively at the Berkshire Eagle/North Adams Transcript and the Washington DC Bureau of The Wall Street Journal, spent a week at The Jewish Journal of Greater Los Angeles. The Daniel Pearl Foundation and the LA Press Club co-sponsored an event with Rob Eshman, editor-in-editor of *The Jewish Journal*, who moderated a panel session with Ojha and Shah; they pledged to apply the principles of free press in their home countries.

### **PEARL World Youth News Expands**

The PEARL Certification Course, in partnership with iEARN, is offered by eight schools in Israel as part of English-language classes. In addition, a Johannesburg, South Africa teacher from the American International School is launching a 10-week journalism curriculum for 14-year-old students based on the course. Yaroslav Ovcharenko, PEARL reporter from Uzbekistan, will give a presentation at the iEARN international conference in the Netherlands in October, and PEARL Coordinator Anindita Roy will speak on the project at the National Educational Computing Conference in San Diego.

### **Christiane Amanpour to Inaugurate Daniel Pearl Memorial Lecture**

Christiane Amanpour, CNN's chief international correspondent and member of the Daniel Pearl Foundation Honorary Board, will deliver the first Daniel Pearl Memorial Lecture at Stanford University on October 17. Sponsored by the office of the President of Stanford

University, the Daniel Pearl Foundation, and Hillel at Stanford, the annual lecture will honor Danny's commitment to the improvement of the human condition.

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#### **HBO to Premiere "The Journalist and the Jihadi"**

On what would have been Danny's 43rd birthday, October 10, HBO will premiere the documentary film "The Journalist and the Jihadi: The Murder of Daniel Pearl." Narrated by Christiane Amanpour, the film will air 8 pm/7 pm central.

#### **News Correspondent Time Traveler eBay Auction**

Artist Richard Zakroff has created a unique work of art made from over 3,000 watches ranging in age from the mid-1800s to the present; he named it News Correspondent Time Traveler. It will be auctioned off for the benefit of the Daniel Pearl Foundation. Bidding on eBay started October 6, 2006 and ends October 13th to coincide with Danny's birthday and the fifth annual Daniel Pearl World Music Days.

#### **Daniel Pearl Foundation Granted NGO Status by the UN**

On July 7 the Daniel Pearl Foundation became an associate of the Department of Public Information of the United Nations. A non-governmental organization (NGO) is a not-for-profit, voluntary citizens' group, which is organized on a local, national or international level to address issues in support of the public good..

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