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GREETINGS. This is the second issue of the Daniel Pearl Foundation Newsletter, our e-mail update on the Foundation’s activities and projects. Please feel free to forward this newsletter to others who might be interested and contact us with suggestions and ideas. If you would prefer not to receive our newsletter, please follow the "unsubscribe" information at the bottom of this e-mail.

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Musicians and Music Lovers Join the Third Annual Daniel Pearl Music Day - Harmony for Humanity from October 8-17, 2004

Registration is now open to musicians, clubs, schools, concert halls, theaters, radio stations and anyone else who wants to participate in Daniel Pearl Music Day 2004 by dedicating a concert! All types of concerts are welcome – from major symphony orchestras, rock or jazz performances, to small gatherings of friends brought together to enjoy live music in the spirit of Harmony for Humanity. We are extending a special invitation to school and youth groups to join us in promoting tolerance through music.

We are proud to announce that the following distinguished musicians have joined the Honorary Committee for the third annual Daniel Pearl Music Day: Salman Ahmad, Yefim Bronfman, Hamza el Din, Ida Haendel, Herbie Hancock, Elton John, Tania Libertad, Yo-Yo Ma, Zubin Mehta, Mark O’Connor, George Pehlivanian, Itzhak Perlman, A.J. Racy, Mohammad Reza Shajarian, Ravi Shankar, Barbra Streisand and John Williams.

If you know of a scheduled performance or would like to plan an event, join Daniel Pearl Music Day simply by adding a dedication in the printed program or making a declaration from the stage affirming a commitment to the oneness of humanity and the power of music in bringing people together. Participation is free and any size musical event between October 8 th and 17 th is welcome. The registration form, sample dedications, participation guidelines, a new brochure and Music Day video and audio PSAs featuring members of the Honorary Committee are available on our website www.danielpearl.org/musicday04. Feel free to contact us at musicday@danielpearl.org or by calling 1-877-9-MUSIC-9 or 707-861-6010 for more information.

2nd Annual Daniel Pearl Fellowship – Applications Available in June

Applications for the second round of Daniel Pearl Fellowships will be available online in June 2004. This fellowship was established in partnership with the Alfred Friendly Press
Fellowships as an opportunity for promising, mid-career foreign journalists to work for six months in a U.S. newsroom Danny knew. This year we are expanding the program to two Daniel Pearl Fellows from South Asia, the Middle East, or North Africa. Each fellow will work from March – September 2005 in a U.S. newsroom. Applications are due in September 2004. Please visit the Alfred Friendly Press Fellowships for more information.

Daniel Pearl Dialogue for Muslim-Jewish Understanding – to Britain’s House of Lords in June 2004

The Daniel Pearl Dialogue for Muslim-Jewish Understanding was devised by Professors Akbar Ahmed and Judea Pearl out of a shared concern about the deterioration of relationships between the Muslim and the Jewish communities and a shared belief that reconciliation of these two Abrahamic faiths is critical and can only be achieved through the re-establishment of respectful dialogue.

Three highly engaging public dialogue meetings have been held to-date, the most recent was the “Daniel Pearl Dialogue of Acknowledgement and Reconciliation” in Williamsburg, VA on April 18, 2004. Dr. Ahmed and Dr. Pearl will be bringing their Dialogue to London June 21-25, 2004 in recognition of the importance of the Muslim and Jewish communities in Britain. The London Daniel Pearl Dialogue will be launched at the House of Lords and continue at a public program at the University of London's SOAS Brunei Gallery. For more information please contact Marianne Scott at mscott@danielpearl.org.

10 Seeds of Peace Grads Selected for Daniel Pearl Media Internships

The Daniel Pearl Media Internship Program at Seeds of Peace has selected 5 Israeli and 5 Palestinian young adults for intensive, full-time, two-month internships at professional media organizations in the Middle East. Each intern is a graduate of Seeds of Peace who has expressed an interest in journalism. The internship program encourages these young people to spread and amplify their commitment to peaceful co-existence and non-violence by choosing a career in journalism. For more information please contact Eva Gordon at Seeds of Peace eva@seedsofpeace.org or Marianne Scott at the Daniel Pearl Foundation mscott@danielpearl.org.

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The Daniel Pearl Foundation is grateful to you and the many volunteers and supporters who are helping us build the dialogues, the communication and the understanding that can overpower hate. In order to sustain and expand our operation, we have embarked on an ambitious drive to build an endowment for the Foundation. This endowment was launched recently with the kind support of the Wall Street Journal. We hope that you consider giving the most generous gift you can toward this endowment and aid the Daniel Pearl Foundation in a mission that has never been more important. To see our list of major donors and support us with donations, visit our Make a Donation page online.

We also invite you to help spread the word about Daniel Pearl Music Day and the work of the Daniel Pearl Foundation. Sign up to volunteer for Music Day or invite a friend. To receive sample letters to send to local orchestras, schools and others please e-mail musicday@danielpearl.org. Thank you for helping us create a better world.
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