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JOURNALISM

2011 DANIEL PEARL JOURNALISM FELLOWS AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION

The Daniel Pearl Journalism Fellows come from countries in the Middle East, North Africa and South Asia, which Danny covered as a journalist, to work for six months at major U.S. newsrooms and experience the dynamics of a free press. Each Fellow also spends one week at The Jewish Journal of Greater Los Angeles. The fellowship is run in partnership with Alfred Friendly Press Fellowships.

THE 2011 FELLOWS

Aatekah Ahhmad Mir (30) from Pakistan, is currently working in New York at the Wall Street Journal. In Lahore, she is a senior sub-editor for The Express Tribune, a partner of the International Herald Tribune, based in Pakistan.

Read her fellowship blog.

Emal Naweed Haidary (31) from Afghanistan, is currently working at the Los Angeles Times. In Kabul, he is a reporter for the Bokhdi News Agency and recently started working as editor for Afghan Voices, an organization that trains young Afghan journalists.

Read his fellowship blog.

On August 25, 2011, Aatekah and Emal will participate in an open public discussion, where they will share their personal experiences and shed light on how America is viewed from abroad. The discussion will be held at the Los Angeles Press Club's Steve Allen Theater and will be moderated by Rob Eshman, editor-in-chief of The Jewish Journal. For more details, click here.

UPDATES ON PAST DANIEL PEARL FELLOWS

We are very proud of the achievements and courageous choices made by our Daniel Pearl Fellows. They have attained high level positions, received prestigious awards, made courageous stands that involved personal risk, and impacted their communities. For updates on our fellows from Yemen, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, UAE/Jordan, Nepal, Malaysia and Pakistan click here.

PEARL YOUTH NEWS - HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM

PEARL Youth News is a web-based journalism course and international youth news
service for high school/secondary school students, who aspire to be PEARL Youth Reporters and publish articles on the PEARL Youth News Website. The course places an emphasis on truth and integrity in reporting, with Daniel Pearl serving as a role model. It also provides the students with the opportunity to interact with other student reporters worldwide. Students may register to become PEARL Youth Reporters by successfully completing an online certification course and publishing their first article on the PEARL Youth News website. The certification course aspires to take students beyond media literacy and help them get started as international correspondents by introducing them to the ethics of journalism and reporting techniques, such as writing leads, finding sources and conducting interviews. The class is offered multiple times throughout the year, with the first one to be launched shortly. For further information, visit \[www.pearlyouthnews.org\].

**MUSIC**

**10th ANNUAL DANIEL PEARL WORLD MUSIC DAYS - OCTOBER 1-31, 2011**

As we approach the 10th Annual Daniel Pearl World Music Days, we reflect on the power of music in bringing people together and the role of Danny's legacy in promoting peace and understanding. Each year, we mark Danny’s October 10th birthday with a month-long global network of concerts empowering audiences with a sense of unity, hope and purpose in the common theme of “Harmony for Humanity.” In October 2010, a record of 1,644 music events were dedicated in 84 countries. This year, we hope to increase the outreach of this program and invite our friends and supporters to help spread the word and get their personal networks and communities involved!

Led by an Honorary Committee of world-renowned musicians, World Music Days is open to amateurs, professionals, student groups, embassies and religious institutions who register their performances -- whether already planned or specifically organized. This is an effective awareness-raising program, not a fundraiser, which involves making a simple dedication to “Harmony for Humanity” either from the stage or printed in the program.

To register an October performance or learn more about the benefits of this unique initiative, please visit \[www.danielpearlmusicdays.org\].

**DANIEL PEARL MEMORIAL STRING INSTRUMENTS**

This is the ninth year where talented young musicians are awarded with instruments at the Mark O’Connor String Camp in tribute to Danny. The instruments, crafted by Jonathan Cooper, are loaned to exceptional young musicians each year for one year to memorialize Danny's vision to promote harmony and unity through music. Last week, Gracie Hays (age 16) from Gulfport, MS and Philip Glen (age 23) from Santa Fe Springs, CA were selected to receive the Daniel Pearl Memorial Violins. This week, additional musicians will be awarded the Daniel Pearl Memorial Cello and the newly crafted Daniel Pearl Memorial Viola at the conclusion of the Berklee Summer String...
LECTURES AND DIALOGUES

9th ANNUAL DANIEL PEARL MEMORIAL LECTURE AT UCLA

On February 10, 2011, Leon Wieseltier, literary editor of The New Republic, delivered the 9th Annual Daniel Pearl Memorial Lecture to a full capacity audience at UCLA on the topic “Peace Process or War Process? The Defeat of Reason in the Middle East.” Speaking during a period of transition and uncertainty in the Middle East (on the day President Mubarak resigned,) Wieseltier focused his lecture on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, the two-state solution, the concept of nationhood, and presented thought-provoking insights on the current stalemate. He also addressed recent events in Egypt and the Middle East in a lively Q&A session with the audience. Wieseltier concluded the lecture with a moment of hope, stating that peace, while sometimes elusive, is possible. Press coverage and video and audio of the full lecture are available here.

JUDEA PEARL LECTURES, AWARDS AND OP-EDS

Judea Pearl, President of the Daniel Pearl Foundation, continues to deliver public lectures throughout the country on topics ranging from interfaith dialogue to the Middle East peace process.

In July, Judea will receive the 2011 David E. Rumelhart Prize from the Cognitive Science Society for his research in artificial intelligence. The prize, which carries a $100,000 monetary award, is given to researchers who have made the most significant contributions to understanding how the mind works. Judea will donate a portion of this prize to the Daniel Pearl Foundation. As in the past, all proceeds from lectures, book royalties of "I Am Jewish" and Op-Eds are donated to the Foundation.

TRIBUTES AND AWARDS

DANIEL PEARL ANNUAL AWARD FOR COURAGE AND INTEGRITY IN JOURNALISM - LOS ANGELES PRESS CLUB - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

On June 26, 2011, Richard Engel, NBC News Chief Foreign Correspondent, received the 2011 Daniel Pearl Award for Courage and Integrity at the 53rd Annual Southern California Journalism Awards at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles. Recently, Engel was with Libyan rebels south of Benghazi when they came under fire by Gaddafi forces. The inaugural presentation of this annual
award was given posthumously to Daniel Pearl in 2002.

**DANIEL PEARL PRIZES - WALL STREET JOURNAL AND SCIENCES PO - PARIS FRANCE**


**DANIEL PEARL BERKSHIRE SCHOLARSHIP - NORTH ADAMS TRANSCRIPT AND BERKSHIRE EAGLE - PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS**

Zachary S. Robarge was awarded the 9th Annual Daniel Pearl Berkshire Scholarship. This $1,000 scholarship is given annually to a Berkshire area high school student who intends to follow one of Daniel Pearl’s twin passions of music and journalism. Zachary plans to major in music and music education at the University of Massachusetts and hopes to use this universal language to "broadcast messages of peace to people from all over the world." This scholarship was established by Danny’s friends and the *North Adams Transcript / Berkshire Eagle*, where Danny started his journalism career.

**DANIEL PEARL INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM INITIATIVE AWARD - MOMENT MAGAZINE - WASHINGTON DC**

Emily Keeler Alhadeff, Assistant Editor for JTNews in Seattle, was awarded the inaugural Daniel Pearl Investigative Journalism Initiative Award by *Moment Magazine*. This award is designed to provide young journalists with the opportunity to research and write in-depth stories about modern manifestations of anti-Semitism and other deeply-ingrained prejudices. The winner is assigned a mentor for eight months and receives a $5,000 stipend.

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