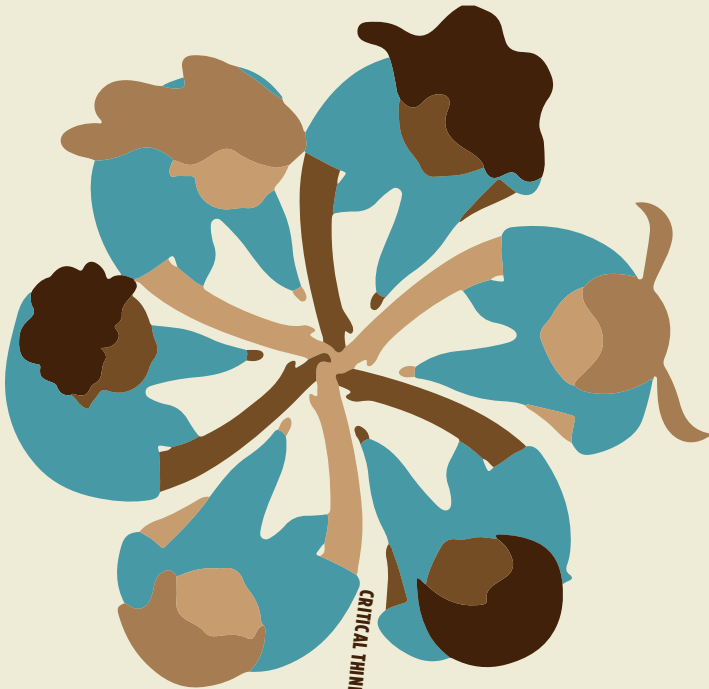


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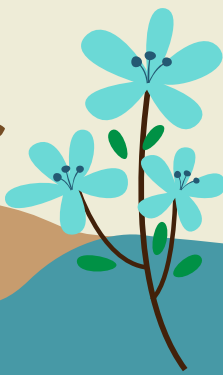


GROWING PEACEBUILDERS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2022 | GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE



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SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

10 a.m. | Planting the “Ceeds” of Peacebuilding Christ Chapel

Presentation by Dr. Soetoro and Dr. Urosevich

Dr. Soetoro and Dr. Urosevich will kick off the conference by deep-diving into their nonprofit’s namesake, Ceeds of Peace.

With a special focus on courage, commitment, and connection, they will help us plant the “ceeds” of peacebuilding within the Gustavus community.

This session will also be livestreamed and archived at gustavus.edu/events/mayday.

2:30 p.m. | Peacebuilding in Education Edwards Atrium, Anderson Hall

Workshop by Dr. Urosevich

This interactive workshop will explore what peacebuilding looks like in educational settings and how it can be nurtured in the early years of human development.

3:30 p.m. | Climate Justice & Peacebuilding Center for Inclusive Excellence

Workshop by Dr. Soetoro

This workshop will take a hands-on approach to considering the ways in which peacebuilding can be a tool in confronting climate injustices.

7 p.m. | The Activist: Staying Steady in the Storm Center for Inclusive Excellence

Workshop by Dr. Soetoro and Dr. Urosevich

To embody social justice and become a peacebuilder is exhausting. In this workshop, both of our speakers will discuss ways in which passion for justice can include the ability to be resilient.

WELCOME SERVICE

Prelude

March in A major

Margaret Vardell Sandresky (b. 1921)

Organist: **Dr. Chad Winterfeldt**, Cantor of Christ Chapel

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Siri Erickson
Chaplain of the College

Invocation

Holy one, known by many names, we gather this morning to deepen our understanding about the ways that make for a more just and peace-filled world. To that end, may we move beyond indifference and complacency so that we might contribute our talents to the world’s renewal. May we lift up visions that inspire peace-making movements, recognize the dignity of human beings, unite the insights and scholarship of many disciplines, and lift up the wisdom of sages, prophets, and saints. Let us commit to becoming evermore impassioned and compassionate people. May we find the courage to be ethical leaders. May we foster behavior to preserve and enhance our communities. As we are enriched by this time together, let us celebrate the times we are co-creators of a better world and the moments when we build a legacy of encouragement and hope. **Amen.**

Greeting

Rebecca M. Bergman
President, Gustavus Adolphus College

Introduction of Speakers

Glenn Kranking '98, PhD
Director of the MAYDAY! Peace Conference
Associate Professor of History and Scandinavian Studies

Planting the “Ceeds” of Peacebuilding

**Dr. Maya Soetoro &
Dr. Kerrie Urosevich '93**

Closing Announcements

Dr. Glenn Kranking

SEEDS OF PEACE WELCOMES YOU!

We welcome your excitement and your trepidation.
Your clear inquiries and your big question mark faces.
We welcome your wide eyes and open hearts right
alongside your side eyes and skepticism.

You are welcome here.

Your culture is welcome. Your ethnic origin is
welcome. Your race, your skin hue, accent, food
preferences, and all of the complexities that make
up your cultural identity are welcome here. The
histories, herstories, and experiences of your
ancestors are honored and welcomed.

We welcome you with all of the connections you
bring in with you to the children in your lives, your
partners, siblings, parents, the animals in your lives,
and other loved ones in your communities.

You are welcome here.

We welcome your spiritual practice, your religious
affiliation, your spiritual walk.
However you hold that aspect of your life is welcomed.

Your love is welcome here. How you love,
who you love, and your understanding of what
love is are all welcome.

We welcome you in all of the ways your sexuality
has and is unfolding.

We welcome you in all of the ways your
gender has and is unfolding.

We welcome you in your ignorance.

We welcome you in your privilege.

We welcome you in your grief.

We welcome you in your guilt and shame.

You are welcome here.

Your quirks and ambiguities are welcome.

We welcome your humor and we welcome your silent contemplation.

We welcome the parts of yourself that you're still figuring out.

We welcome you in your roles as entrepreneurs, activists, healers, feelers,
intuitives, parents, caretakers, students, artists, witches, change agents,
magicians, educators, and warriors.

We welcome you at whatever level of mental and physical wellness
you are currently functioning.

We welcome your introversion and your extroversion.

We welcome all of the experiences that led you to this moment.

Thank you for surviving!

We welcome your wounds and scars.

Your emotions, ALL of them, are welcome as well.

You are welcome here.

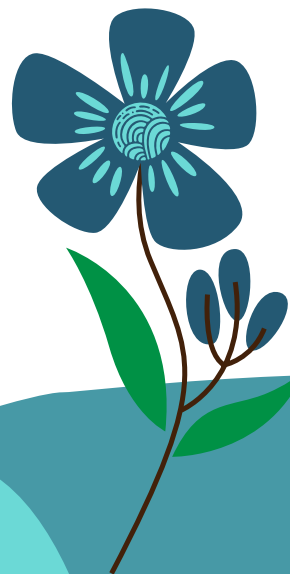
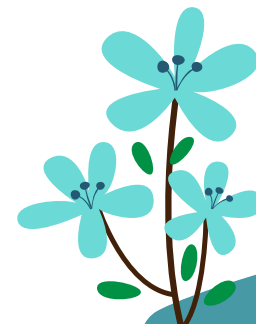
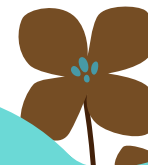
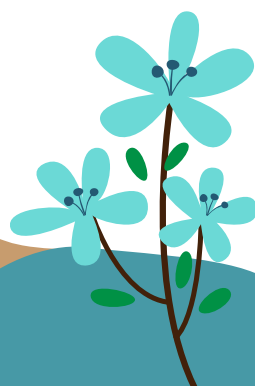
Thank you for bringing your ancestors with you; we welcome them also.

We welcome your sacred connections to the lands on which you were
conceived, the lands that hosted your births, and the lands of your ancestors.
The lands that we are standing upon and all the life that came before us—the
animals, the indigenous peoples of this land—the Dakota people.

We welcome you to this land here, where we have prepped the soil for you to
sow the seeds of your leadership visions. Let your roots sink into this nutrient
dense soil, intertwining with the roots of everyone else here, and connecting to
the root systems of all of the other living things around here as we collectively
build our capacity to lead change.

SETTLE IN.

WELCOME.





CEEDS OF PEACE

THE MISSION OF CEEDS OF PEACE IS TO RAISE PEACEBUILDING LEADERS

This is done by creating community platforms and opportunities for adults and youth, educators, family members, service providers, those in the justice system, business leaders, the faith community, and non-profit professionals to work together in our collective pursuit to build sustainable, just, equal, peaceful communities.

The organization shares and models tools, activities, and best practices to develop leadership skills which we refer to as the “Ceeds”. Hence the name, Ceeds of Peace. We believe peace is more than just a feeling, more than just knowledge, more than just a lofty goal. Peacebuilding is hard. Peacebuilding takes strategy, community-building, investment of time and resources, belief and trust in others, a commitment to the next generation, a collaborative wrap-around approach where all are invested.

Learn more about Ceeds of Peace at ceedsofpeace.org or scan QR code.



CEEDS 7 VALUES

CEEDS 3 PILLARS



ACTION PLANNING

FRAMEWORK



Imagine your most peaceful home, school, or community.
What does it look like?



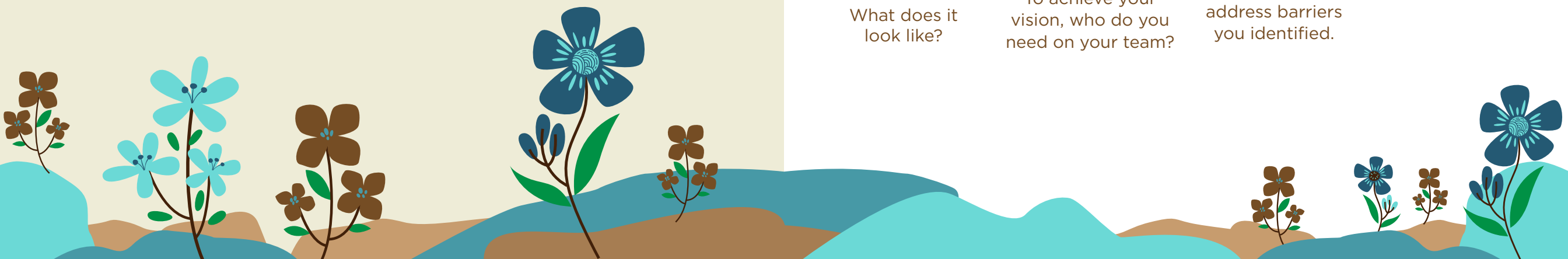
What are the barriers to achieving your vision?
To achieve your vision, who do you need on your team?



Identify the tools, activities, or approaches that may address barriers you identified.



How will you sustain your success?





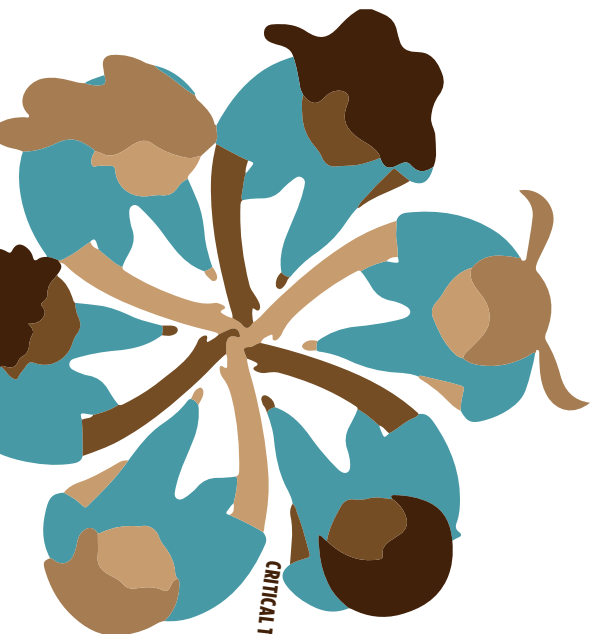
DR. MAYA SOETORO

Dr. Maya Soetoro is a co-founder of Ceeds of Peace, the organization at the center of this year’s MAYDAY! Peace Conference. Soetoro spent her early years in both Jakarta, Indonesia and Hawai`i. She received her BA from Barnard College of Columbia University and her MA in secondary education from the University of Hawai`i. Soetoro taught social studies and history at the secondary level until receiving her PhD in multicultural education from the University of Hawai`i in 2006. Since receiving her PhD, Soetoro has taught courses such as Leadership for Social Change, History of Peace Movements, Peace Education, and Conflict Management for Educators at the Matsunaga Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution at the University of Hawai`i at Mānoa where she previously served as director. She founded the Institute for Climate and Peace as well as another nonprofit, Peace Studio. Both of these nonprofits focus on diverse ways of building peace with the goal of strengthening communities from climate change and other threats. Soetoro also has a passion for writing and has published a children’s book called *Ladder to the Moon*. Her first young adult novel, *Yellowwood*, will be coming out in 2022. Currently, Soetoro continues to promote multiculturalism and peace education as an associate specialist for the Matsunaga Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution. She also serves as a consultant for the Obama Foundation, an organization founded by her half-brother, Barack Obama.

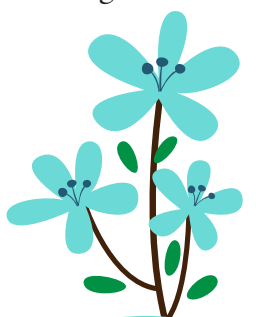
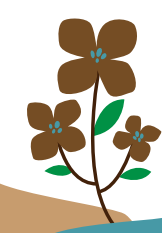
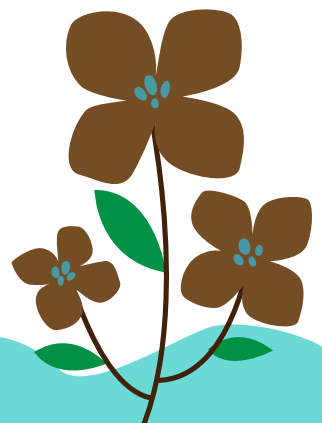
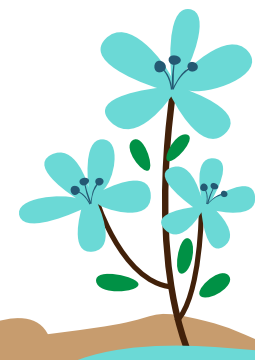
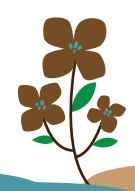


DR. KERRIE UROSEVICH

Dr. Kerrie Urosevich is a co-founder of Ceeds of Peace, the nonprofit that will be featured at this year’s MAYDAY! Peace Conference. Dr. Urosevich graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1993 with degrees in both psychology and Japanese studies. During her time at Gustavus, Urosevich was an avid volleyball player. After graduating, Urosevich went on to receive her MA in international policy and nonprofit management from the Monterey Institute of International Studies in 2000. She then received a PhD from the University of Hawai`i at Mānoa, where she specialized in political science with a focus in conflict resolution and systems design. Over the last 25 years, Urosevich’s work has been rooted in conflict resolution, peacebuilding, policy and violence prevention, including 10 years working with communities and organizations in transition, through her mediation and facilitation consultancy. Kerrie is a member of the competitive Omidyar Fellows Leadership Program, serves as Affiliate Faculty at the Matsunaga Institute for Peace at the University of Hawai`i at Mānoa, and is Co-founder of Ceeds of Peace. Kerrie also serves as a volunteer board member to Hawai`i Appleseed and EPIC `Ohana Inc. and is an appointed Board Member on Hawai`i’s Early Intervention Coordinating Council and the Hawai`i State Early Learning Board. In all her work, Urosevich keeps families and peacemaking at the center. She works towards conflict resolution, systemic change and peacebuilding in hopes of building stronger communities.



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HISTORY

1981	Arms Control—MAYDAY! MAYDAY!
1982	The Response of Faith to the Nuclear Dilemma
1983	Seeing Through and Beyond the Mushroom Cloud
1984	Making Peace in a War-Keeping World
1985	To Negotiate a Peace
1986	Schooling for Peace
1987	Wages of War, Profits of Peace
1988	Building on Hope: Working for Peace
1989	Other Voices – Global Perspectives on the Arms Race
1990	Making Peace with the Earth
1991	U.S. Policy in the Middle East: What Roads to Peace?
1992	Food for a Peaceable World
1993	Overcoming Violence in Our Lives
1994	Building Community from the Inside Out
1995	The Challenge of Building a Non-Violent Global Community
1996	Land Rights, Land Use, and Social Justice
1997	The Family and Public Policy
1998	Immigration and Social Justice
1999	Toward a Worldwide Ban on Landmines
2000	Vietnam: 25 Years On
2001	Revisiting the Treaty of Traverse des Sioux after 150 Years
2002	Sanctions and Beyond: What is the Human Price?
2003	World Religions: Waging War or Promoting Peace?
2004	The United Nations at the Crossroads
2005	Energy for Peace
2006	AIDS + AFRICA: The Unfolding Crisis
2007	Community Food Security
2008	Troubled Water
2009	Tiananmen + 20 Years
2010	Imagining Peace
2011	Executing Justice: Debating Capital Punishment
2012	Multicultural Sweden
2013	Decision: Roe v. Wade
2014	Tibet: Finding Hope in Exile
2015	The War Within: Can the Soldier Be at Peace
2016	Divestment & Reinvestment: Making Money Count
2017	What Would You Do? Mass Surveillance and the Citizen
2018	Mighty Be Our Powers: Gender, Justice, and Peacebuilding
2019	War on the Press
2021	Voices of Change: Our Generation of Student Activism

The annual MAYDAY! Peace Conference was established at Gustavus Adolphus College in 1981 with funding by the late Florence and Raymond Sponberg. It was established to inspire attendees to work for justice and peace throughout the world.

THE MAYDAY! PEACE CONFERENCE PEACE POLE

Painted in 2018 by Lois Peterson, professor emerita in art and art history, and constructed by the Gustavus Facilities team. A peace pole is a handcrafted monument displaying the message and prayer, *May Peace Prevail on Earth*. There are thousands of peace poles in over 180 countries across the world. They are dedicated as monuments to peace and serve as a reminder to visualize and pray for world peace.

