

## BLUE MOUNTAINS PEACE SYMPOSIUM & PICNIC

Hosted by the Blue Mountains Peace Collective & the Blue Mountains Planetary Health Initiative

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2025, 10.00am to 4.00pm

Planetary Health Centre, 33-39 Acacia Street, Katoomba NSW 2780

	<b>ADVOCATING FOR PEACE</b>	
10.00am	Welcome by Dharug man, Chris Tobin	
10.10am	Japanese journalist Harumi Hayakawa	Harumi will speak on the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki 80 years ago this month, and <b>actions for peace in Japan</b>
10.25am	Rotary: Jennifer Scott AM	Jennifer will speak on Rotary's work for <b>social justice and positive peace</b>
10.45am	Quakers: Rowe Morrow OAM	Rowe will speak on Quakers' action for Peace including <b>social justice, divestment, conflict resolution, direct action and conscientious objection.</b>
11.05am	Screening of Indonesia Calling (20mins)	The inspiring 1946 <b>Documentary in which trade union seamen and waterside workers refused to service Dutch ships containing arms and ammunition</b> destined for Indonesia to suppress the country's independence movement.
11.30am	Youth Voices	Presentations by young people in the Mountains.
12.00pm	How do we respond to a world at war?	The <b>Blue Mountains Peace Collective</b> and the <b>Blue Mountains Planetary Health Initiative</b> . The conversation will be a starting point for the community to respond and chart a way forward.
12.30pm	<b>COMMUNITY PEACE PICNIC</b>	Food, exhibition, stalls, badge making, Origami crane making, and live music with the Bearded Ladies Community Choir
2.00pm	<b>FORUM: BAN THE BOMB, SIGN THE TREATY</b>	Responding to the 80th Anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and ICAN's Week of Action.
	MC: Nick Franklin	
	Mayor Mark Greenhill: Mayors for Peace	Blue Mountains City Council is a signatory for <a href="#">Mayors for Peace</a> .
	Blue Mountains Peace Collective and Blue Mountains Planetary Health Initiative	A brief introduction by the organisers of the event, sharing ways for everyone to get involved.

	<b>Robert Tickner AO: ICAN's Ambassador</b> discussing the <b>Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW)</b> and its significance to regional and global peace	Robert Tickner is a former Australian Minister in the Hawke and Keating Governments; author, humanitarian campaigner, and nuclear weapons ban and prison reform advocate.
	H.E. Dr Siswo Pramono: Indonesian Ambassador on the <a href="#">Indonesian government's support for and ratification of the Treaty in September 2024</a> .	Australia and Indonesia are close neighbours and strategic partners. Our collaboration plays a crucial role in promoting stability and security in the Indo-Pacific.
	The Hon. Susan Templeman MP on the Australian Government's position on the Treaty	Susan Templeman is the Member for Macquarie in the Australian House of Representatives and is Australia's Special Envoy for the Arts.
	<b>Q &amp; A session</b>	An opportunity to engage with the panel.
3.30pm	<b>PLENARY SESSION AND CLOSING REMARKS</b>	
4.00pm	<b>CLOSE</b>	

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