WORLD YMCA PEACE VOYAGE



21 - 29 March 2015

Japan/Taiwan

An exciting opportunity to be part of THE SCHOOL OF PEACE ON A CRUISE for a Just Peace World



Participants should arrive in Kobe (Kobe airport) on 21 March morning and depart from Hakata (Fukuoka airport) on 29 March evening

Day 1 - March 22

--Opening meditation and peace candle

Introductions and presentation of peace symbols around peace candle

- -- Discussion about identity and conflict
- -- Moving from tolerance to acceptance to engagement
 - -- Discussion and dialogue
- -- Afternoon overview of region's history and tensions
 - -- Evening practice with identity and dialogue





- --Small group reflection on the evening practice with identity and dialogue
 - -- Interfaith quiz (what do you know about other faiths)
 - --Interfaith (perhaps with input from resource person)
- -- Afternoon input by resource person on issues in Okinawa and continued practice in dialogue and engagement
- -- Evening discussions/films on issues in Okinawa (Agent Orange, US bases, etc.)



Day 3 - March 24 - Ishigaki Island (Okinawa) 1

Ishigaki Island is one of many islands in Okinawa. The island is famous for the marine biodiversity and many tourists visit the island to enjoy its natural wonders, including Manta rays. As with many tourist destinations, the island strives to balance economic development and nature conservation.

Day 4 - March 25 - Keelung (Taiwan)

Keelung is located close to the capital city of Taipei as well as many cultural historical and natural sites of significance. Taiwan was once a colony of the Japanese Empire, and is now situated in a location of geopolitical importance. This multifaceted place offers a variety of experiences from walking through towns and enjoying the culture to learning its history.



Hakata (

Keelung (Taiwan)





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Day 5 - March 26

-- Opening meditation and peace candle
--Discussion on just peace
--Afternoon input by resource person on issues in Taiwan and practice
with identity and dialogue
--Evening discussions/films on issues in Taiwan

Day 6 - March 27 - Naha (Okinawa) 3

Okinawa, once called Ryukyu was an independent Kingdom. Dense forests, crystal clear sea, and a unique cultural heritage are some of the multiple faces of Okinawa. The presence of the largest number of military bases in Japan is a learning opportunity. Peace Boat feels a strong sense of responsibility to learn and convey stories of Okinawa



Day 7 - March 28

--Opening meditation and peace candle
--What does just peace mean in Northeast Asia?

Strategies for breaking walls of distrust and building inclusive communities of just peace
 Summarizing the time together and preparing a joint statement for distribution after workshop.
 Evening cultural time.

Day 8 - March 29 - Hakata (Japan) 4

Hakata is a gateway between Japan and East Asia. This cosmopolitan city in the south west of Japan presents a lot of cultural learning for visitors.

Meet the past mine workers and learn the history of "Milke Coal Mine", a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site where many Koreans were forced to work during the war.



Hakata Kobe





PROGRAMME ON BOARD

Main Event

SCHOOL OF PEACE

(organized by the APAY - Interfaith Cooperation Forum)

Side Events

Youth Empowerment Workshop: Young people as Agents of Change

Discussion on Social Inclusion: Towards a safe space

Seminar on Challenges and Opportunities for building a Peaceful World



CABIN TYPES



Pair Economy

Room for 2 - No Window - Twin Bed-Floor 4-7 - Tariff USD \$ 1135



Friendly Standard

Room for 4 - Window - Bunk Bed -Floor 4-7 - Tariff USD \$ 950 **COST** From USD 850,00 *

Cost includes board, lodging and sightseeing tours.

All other costs such as airport transfer, Japan and Taiwan visas, tips, insurance, hotel stay if required are to be borne by the participants.

*Friendly Economy Cabin



Friendly Economy

Room for 4 - No Window - Bunk Bed -Floor 4-7 - Tariff USD \$ 850



Pair Standard

Room for 2 - Window - Twin Bed -Floor 4-7 - Tariff USD \$ 1230



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