

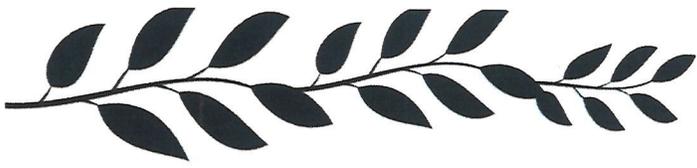


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Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Awards



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Application Postcard direct mailed to middle and high schools across Oregon, emailed to past winners who may be at different locations or retired:



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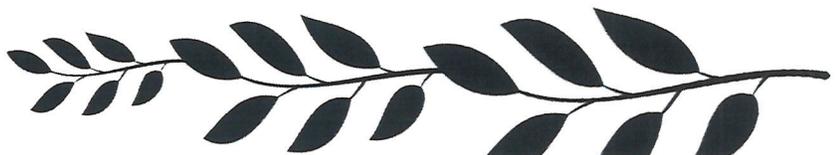
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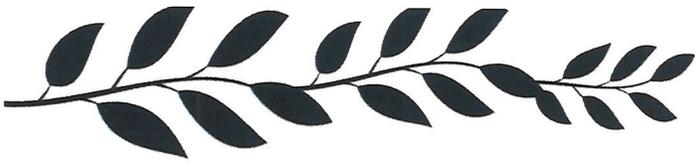
EARN A \$750 GRANT TODAY TO HELP IN THESE AREAS:

- Initiating Peer Mediation and Conflict Resolution
- Using Non-violent Means to Make Your Point
- Lifting Up Nobel Peace Laureates as Leadership Models
- Promoting Human Rights, Peace Agreements, and Civil Rights
- Taking Steps to Create a Culture of Peace in Your School

Educating for Peace, the Wholistic Peace Institute is offering the Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Awards for the 16th consecutive year through a grant provided by the Harold & Arlene Schnitzer Family to our world-renowned Student Peace Education & Leadership Program. Applications for Student peace projects that focus on ways to interrupt violence and embrace peace or Nobel Peace Prize winners as leadership models (eg., International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, Elie Wiesel, Mother Teresa, World Food Program, Dimitry Muratov or Maria Ressa, President Jimmy and Rosalyn Carter, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Physicians for Social Responsibility). Past projects that won this award include: model United Nations; student peer mediation or peace advocacy; Thousand drops of kindness; humanitarian service projects local or abroad; virtues or character building; language to increase peace of mind and mental health; or music, art, drama, or sports regarding a peace making of our history.

To apply, provide the information listed below by June 15, 2024 . Looking for Ideas? Call Nancy: 503-701-9987





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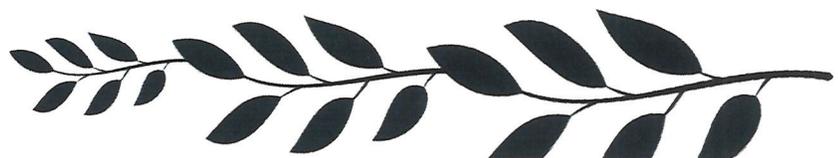
APPLICANT/CONTACT INFORMATION

- Name of The School (Applicant) & School Mailing Address
- Teacher & School Contact Information: (1) Teacher Name & Phone: Work Phone; Cell Phone; FAX; Email. (2) Student Name and Contact Information for the Student Peace Leader(s)

PROJECT INFORMATION

- Specific Name of the Project or Club (Could Also Be A New Club You Start During This School Year)
- Purpose of the Project & What Goals Your Project Intends to Accomplish
- Budget for Your Project (Specify General Expense Categories - Printing, Event Costs, Materials, etc.)
- For Existing Programs: When Did It Start? How Many Students Are Involved? Please provide some photos.
- For New Programs: How Many Students Will Be Involved? Will It Last More Than One School Year?
- What Will Be Your Final Product/Program/Report or Event? How Will You Evaluate Your Peace-making Effectiveness?
- Award Winners Will Present their Winning Ideas at an Awards Ceremony during 2024/2025 school year

SUBMIT TO: Nancy Spanovich ED - WPI | PO Box 597 West Linn, Oregon 97068| by email to: educatingforpeace1@gmail.com





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*Bringing Nobel Peace Laureates Together with Northwest Students,
Communities, and Faculty to Inspire, Educate, and Transform Our World*

January 12, 2025

Portland Jewish Academy
6651 SW Capitol Hwy
Portland, OR 97219

RE: **Elana Cohn-Rozansky Annual Middle School Shelter Feed Wins
the Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Award 2024-2025**

Dear Ms. Hendin,

The Wholistic Peace Institute has so much to be grateful for this year. Our agency was recognized for the Educating for Peace programs that will be one arm of the upcoming Andrew Young Foundation Institute. The Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Awards are presented to deserving schools that are working toward creating a culture of peace. Portland Jewish Academy Work for the World is such a program.

WPI recognizes PJA as a model school to promote peace and unity in our community and around the world. "Through love, humility and compassion, we forge unity, harmony and peace" This phrase is roughly translated to the Spanish 'a traves de amor, humildad y compassion, nosotros construimos unidad, harmonia y paz'. WPI encourages you to translate it to Hebrew as well.

As we celebrate the dawning of a new year, we can let go of the things that do not serve us and embrace the hope that lies ahead. Your contribution to the Portland community is an essential part of the mission of promoting peace and unity and cultivating a culture of peace that resonates and shines through our communities out into the world.

Thank you for continuing your school's tradition of creating a culture of peace in your school and community.

Very truly yours,

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Nancy Olmsted Spanovich, Executive Director

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October 22, 2024

Governor Tina Kotek
State Capitol Building
900 Court Street NE, 160
Salem, OR 97301

Friday, November 15, 2024 at 1:25pm – 2:15pm in the Auditorium at McDaniel High School

Come celebrate the 16th Annual Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Student Peace Awards presented by Wholistic Peace Institute (WPI) Educating for Peace

Address: Auditorium at Leodis V. McDaniel High School | 2735 NE 82nd Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97220

Keynote: Marcus Nobel, Great nephew of Alfred the originator of the Nobel Prizes and Director of United Earth a 30 year agency that lifts an ardent voice for Saving the Amazon, South America and Climate Action through the Amazonian Awards

Dear Governor Kotek:

Please join us for the Spirit of Unity Student Peace Awards Friday, November 15th; Leodis V. McDaniel High School, Portland, Oregon as our special guest.

Student peace leaders will tell how and why they feel they make their communities, the world a better and more peaceful place. We would be honored to have you come meet our speaker and these students' inspirational messages.

WPI believes that the solution to school hate crimes, anger and gun violence is multifaceted; we advocate for "peace education" in our schools as an aspect of the solution. Teaching conflict resolution skills; projects that embrace diversity and promote tolerance; projects that focus on Nobel Peace Laureates as leadership models; projects that focus on mediation to solve conflict; and tools of peacemaking are all a part of the solution.

Thanks to the generosity of Harold, Arlene and now Jordan Schnitzer, we have awarded 175 grants to school peace clubs since 2008. Currently, all these Oregon schools continue to teach mindfulness, social justice, tolerance, peer mediation and the language of peace as part of their school culture. Please RSVP to me at educatingforpeace1@gmail.com or text/call 503-701-9987.

Sincerely yours,

Nancy Olmsted Spanovich, Executive Director

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October 22, 2024

Adam Skyles, Principal
Leodis V. McDaniel High School
2735 NE 82nd Avenue
Portland, OR 97220

RE: Congratulations on Winning the 2024/2025 Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Award

Dear Mr. Skyles:

Spirit of Unity Awards are given to Oregon schools to acknowledge students outstanding work in initiating peace action in their schools or service projects in their communities that help create a safer and a better place for all. Thank you for devoting your students time to this noble endeavor. We also want to Thank Dr. Marisol Rodriguez for developing an award-winning teaching program for her language classes with your school and PSU.

Here is your invitation and thank you for being a host school:

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Sincerely yours,

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Nancy Olmsted Spanovich, WPI Executive Director

17th ANNUAL SCHNITZER SPIRIT
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Presented by Wholistic Peace Institute

at

McDaniel High School Auditorium

November 15, 2024 1:25-2:10PM



*Community, Respect, Education,
Equity, Diversity*

1:25pm WELCOME – Adam Skyles, Principal

1:30pm PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Address to Teachers and Staff - Nancy Spanovich, Executive Director of WPI

Presentation of the Awards -

Portland Jewish Academy

McDaniel High School

Introduction Why Did Alfred Nobel Establish the Peace Prize Nancy Spanovich

1:45pm KEYNOTE Marcus Nobel Show Kindness to the Earth and Each Other, Q&A

2:10pm CLOSING

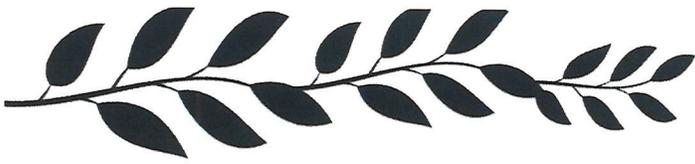
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Reminder: Apply to WPI Next Year Spirit of Unity Prize 2025/2026



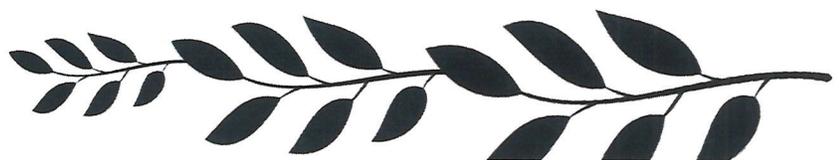
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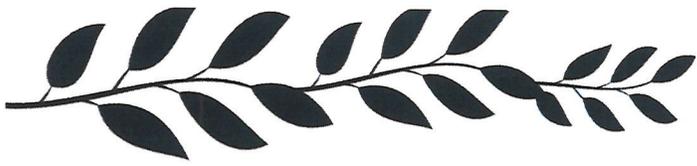


Keynote Speaker



Marcus Nobel is the **President & Executive Director of [United Earth, Inc.](#)**, a 501(c)3 NGO **promoting Women Empowerment, Earth Ethics and Universal Peace.** Programs include the Earth Prize, dubbed by CNN as **The Green Nobel Prize**, The Earth Ethics Award, Earth Ethics curriculum and the **BIKE*PEACE*MUSIC** Festival.





Featured speaker at AREDAY 2018 Snowmass/Aspen, **America's Premiere Renewable Energy Networking Event featuring Clean Energy World Leaders in Finance, Investment, Government, Solar, Biofuels, Geothermal**, from the Public and Private Sectors. Presenter and speaker at the **National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS), Washington, DC 2018, Educators of Distinction Award Ceremony**. Featured Speaker and Presenter of The **Earth Ethics Award** to the Roots of Peace CEO, Ms. Heidi Kuhn, at the United Nations International Day of Peace during the Sustainable Development Goals Finance Summit 2018. Marcus also worked with Heidi Kuhn of Roots of Peace to clear explosives in the minefields of the Quong Tri province in North Vietnam, personally detonating 50 year old mortar shells.

Marcus has worked as Executive Recruiter for Management Recruiters International, recruiting for executive search projects in Los Angeles, New York, London, Cairo and Sydney. Director of Project Management for Global E-Tutor, Inc., a K-12 distance learning E-commerce website based in Atlanta, GA. Financial News Network, Inc. Assistant Director, Santa Monica, CA. **Project Management Professional Training and Certification: Project Success**, Young, Clark and Associates, Atlanta GA.

In 2023, in Manaus Brazil in partnership with LCTM Brandbuilders, Marcus launched the **United Earth Amazonia Awards** to use the power of Music and the Humanities to unite people and reward the preservation of the Amazon and the protection of indigenous people. Also in 2023 Marcus received The **Heart of Gold Award** from the Wholistic Peace Institute for his life time of work for Peace and the Environment.

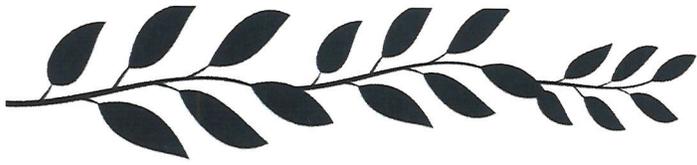
Marcus has been recognized in **Reuters News** for creating a "Green Nobel" prize to recognize environmental work in the Amazon Rainforest and received a front cover story in the English/ Indian weekly **The Hill** stating: Marcus Nobel, How he crafted a supreme environmental distinction as the worlds pinnacle of ecological honor: The United Earth Amazonian Award.

Marcus graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. **BA Journalism/BAG-4, 1982**. Marcus received a **Cinematography Fellowship** from the American Film Institute in Los Angeles, and is an experienced writer, producer and director. He holds dual citizenship in the **U.S. and Sweden**. He is the **Publisher and Editor** of the [Earth Ethics Forum](#), advancing Earth Ethics, World Peace and Sustainable Development.

Currently Marcus is the Executive Producer in Los Angeles on two Musicals: **Azusa the Revival**, with Mickey Stevenson International, and **Dog Park** with I-Stage Studio Productions.

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Responses by High School Students

Leodis V. McDaniel High School

(*McDaniel Newspaper*) publication of the Peace Assembly - LINK: [ORACLE - McDaniel High School - Peace Assembly 2024.](#)

<https://mhsnews.org/4117/showcase/mcdaniel-advanced-spanish-students-recvie-hollistic-peace-award/#>

[Student Newspaper Article November 2024](#)

