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Louisiana Senate

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**World Peace Day
Committee
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*Gandhi, King, Ikeda: A
Legacy of Building Peace*

Opening Ceremonies
September 27, 2009

<http://louisianapeaceday.org>

World Peace Day October 1



Mission :

In 1998, a resolution was adopted by the Institute of All Nations, Inc., stating that **World Peace Day** will be observed on the first of October of every year. In Louisiana, the legislature, by resolution, and the governor, by proclamation, have recognized the observance. With the exception of 2005, Louisiana's **World Peace Day Committee** and other volunteers have worked together to plan and hold events recognizing **World Peace Day** in an effort to eliminate violence and promote peace in individuals, families, countries and nations.

1. To promote awareness in the minds of people all over the world about caring and respect for each other as being in the interest of the individual.
2. To recognize and honor those who have worked and continue to work for these ideas and values.
3. To promote widespread awareness of and increased support against violence.
4. To recognize peacemakers, peace workers, and peace organizations that have worked and continue to work to end violence.
5. To bring greater peace and well-being to communities, families, and individuals in Louisiana and across the world.

Gandhi, King, Ikeda: A Legacy of Building Peace

Mohandas K. Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr. and Daisaku Ikeda, three men from three different cultures and continents, have followed a common path of profound dedication and achievement in improving the lives of all people. “*Gandhi, King, Ikeda: A Legacy of Building Peace*” conveys the themes and pivotal principles in the lives of these giants of the 20th century.

Sponsored by the Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel of Morehouse College and held with the support of Soka Gakkai International USA, this exhibition examines the lives of these champions of peace through non-violence. It is hoped that viewers will be inspired to pursue the lofty ideals and principles depicted in the exhibit in their own lives. This acclaimed, nationally touring exhibition has been viewed by more than one million people in 30 countries. It features photographs, inspiring quotations and historical information about these three champions of the people.

“In the moment of our trial and our triumph, let me declare my faith. I believe in loving my enemies.”

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi



“On the one hand I must attempt to change the soul of individuals so that their societies may be changed. On the other I must attempt to change the societies so that the individual soul will have a chance.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.



“A great human revolution in just a single individual will help achieve a change in the destiny of a society, and further, will enable a change in the destiny of all humankind.”

Daisaku Ikeda



Exhibit Opening Program

Senate Chamber

Facilitator	Jerry Guillot
Song	Dr. Grace Namwamba John Namwamba Grazieddio Osimbo
Welcome	Senator Sharon Weston Broome
Introductions	Nancy Bourg
World Peace Day History (founding member Dr. Rama Mohanty)	Jerry Guillot
Interfaith Services	SEE INSERT
Mission Statement	Nancy Bourg
Chorus	Soka Gakkai International
Legislative Youth Advisory Council	Katie Fredieu
Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Jerry Guillot
Video	<i>Gandhi, King and Ikeda</i>
Keynote Address	Dean Lawrence Edward Carter, Sr.

Rotunda

MC John Moore
Entertainment:

P.J.'s Dance Art School

Juliesu Edwards Brittany Smith
Sydney Jarmon Brittany Roy
Asia Jones Bailei Journet
Taylor Bob

Native American Dancer

Clint Cayou Omaha Nation

Atlas Foundation Turkish Folk Dance

Ebubkir Beyazoglu
Cihan Uzmanoglu

Japan Club

Sachiko Huerta Chinko Hammaek
Takako Dendinger Teruko Bonberger
Mika Huerta Akemi Haigood
Nancy Bourg

Taiko Drummers

Natasha Schmidt
Marianna Paiva
Saravut Phatharasap
David “Freebird” Koeduitz

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Book Donations presented to Louisiana State and Southern Universities' Representatives.

Memorial Hall

Refreshments will be served