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WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

BRINGING THE GLOBAL LOCAL WITH CAWA AND CEDAW

Saturday, August 27, 2016



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Join the conversation. Shape California Women's Agenda (CAWA).
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Saturday August 27, 2016
African American Art & Culture Complex

3:45 pm **Jazz Vocalist** Thuy Linh

Arrival, Registration, Networking with refreshments

Welcome, Acknowledgements: Elmy Bermejo and Charlie Toledo

WIN Circles of Courage Award to Kathleen Cha.
Introduced by Elmy Bermejo

Conversation #1: “Breaking the Cycles of Violence
- Intersection of family violence and community violence – Locally and Globally” moderated by Kathleen Cha

Conversants: **Andrea Turner**, A Safe Place Board President, **Judge Lillian K. Sing** (retired), Comfort Women Justice Coalition (CWJC) Co-Chair and **Judith Mirkinson**, CWJC Education Committee Co-Chair

WIN Circles of Courage Award to Elmy Bermejo.
Introduced by Julianne Cartwright Traylor

WIN Circle of Courage Award to Soon-Young Yoon
— Streaming from LA



Previous WIN Award Winners

2015
Circle of Courage Award
Esta Soler
Patti Chang
Joanne Hayes-White

Jedi Knight Award
Dan Bernal

2014
Circle of Courage Award
Marily Mondejar
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Jedi Knight Award
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2013
Princess Leia Award
Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi

Circle of Courage
Lys Anzia

2012
Circle of Courage Award
Lynne Woolsey
Graciela Martinez
Roma Guy
Carol Norberg

Jedi Knight Award
Mark Norberg

2011
Jedi Knight Award
Hon. Willie L. Brown

2010
Circle of Courage Award
Elisa Maria Sanchez
Elahe Amani
Madeline Duckles

Jedi Knight Award
Jeff Adachi

2008
Circle of Courage Award
Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi

2007
Circle of Courage Award
Yuri Kochiyama
Dian J. Harrison
Dr. Raye Richardson
Gracia Molina de Pick

Jedi Knight Award
Jerry Flynn
Steven Graves
Reginald Major

2006
Circle of Courage Award
Aileen C. Hernandez

2005
Circle of Courage Award
Billie Heller
Olivia Puentes
Reynolds

2004
Circle of Courage Award
Congresswoman
Barbara Lee

2003
Circle of Courage Award
Senator Barbara Boxer

2016 WED Circle of Courage Winners

Live Streaming from Los Angeles



Soon-Young Yoon

Soon-Young Yoon's Linked-in profile says "I work for the UN and sometimes I get paid". As the UN representative for the International Alliance of Women and Chair of the NGO Committee on the Status of Women/NY and First Vice-President of the Conference of NGOs in consultative relationship with the UN, she helps to organize the world's women in support of CEDAW and the Beijing Platform for Action.

In 1995, she served as the UN Liaison for the NGO Forum held in parallel with the UN Fourth World Conference on Women, an event that hosted more than 30,000 NGO participants. Ms. Yoon is a board member of the Global Advisory Council at the Harvard AIDS Initiative, Women's Environment and Development Organization and the International Foundation for Ewha Womans University. A former columnist for the EarthTimes newspaper, she works as a senior advisor/consultant for the World Health Organization. She received her PhD in Anthropology from the U of Michigan and earned a certificate in computer graphics from Pratt Institute of Art.

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Conversation #2: "Bringing the Global Local: with CAWA & CEDAW - Implementing CEDAW locally and globally, a tool for equality, development and peace"
moderated by Robin Endres

Conversants: Julianne Cartwright Traylor, Associate Director of International Programs at the University of San Francisco School of Law and **Lenka Belkova**, WIN Associate Director

WIN Circle of Courage award to Rona Popal, Afghanistan Circle Introduced by Charlie Toledo

LocoBloco Dancers— is a youth and family organization focused on the development of children and youth through exploration of the arts.

#3 Conversations at Your Tables: Selfie Videos for Action! "What is YOUR Priority ACTION?" Everyone asked to videotape themselves or someone at the table on one priority ACTION and to posts on Facebook or Twitter

Connect: Networking and conversation continues

7:00 pm **Adjourn with Peace**

Special Acknowledgment and appreciation to videographer Michael Fleming, Helynna Brooke, Lenka Belkova, and Margo

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Elmy Bermejo

Elmy Bermejo's serves as the Region Nine Representative of the Secretary of Labor. Prior to this position, Elmy served as Director of intergovernmental Affairs at the Department of Labor in Washington DC. Dedicated to public service for over 25 years, she was California Deputy Secretary for External Affairs and Consumer Services Agency and served as Special Assistant to Senators Don Perata and John Burton.

Elmy Bermejo's community and civic involvement includes Chair of the California Commission on the Status of Women and of the Women's Foundation of California. She co-founded HOPE – Hispanas Organized for Political Equality. She serves on the board of MALDEF, Complete Count for Census 2010, Feed the Hunger and Transparent Democracy.



Kathleen Cha

Kathleen Cha is a professional editor, published author, documentarian and an immediate past co-chair of Women's Intercultural Network (Win). She is A Safe Place Board Member/Vice Chair. Kathleen Cha is currently Director of Communications for the League of Women Voters Oakland and newly elected Director at Large of the League of Women Voters Bay Area. As a member-leader of the American Association of University Women (AAUW). Cha is a past national Director-at-large/Executive Committee (six years) and award-winning past AAUW California State President, and part of an AAUW Leadership Research Advisory Board, as well as part of the California Coalition for Older Working Women, a spin off from the Department of Labor/Women's Labor Bureau Blue Ribbon Task Force.

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Rona Popal

Rona Popal is a recognized community leader and champion of Afghan women's rights locally, nationally and internationally. She has represented the northern California Afghan community in international conferences and summits and had the honor of serving as the Northwest United States delegate to the Loya Jirga in Afghanistan. Rona Popal was voted International Woman of the Year by the Silicon Valley Women's Organization in 2002. On October, 2007 State Assembly Member Alberto Torrico honored Rona Popal with the 20th District Unity Award. A tireless community Organizer and outspoken proponent of civil liberties and human rights, Rona Popal has worked in social services for over 15 years as an employment counselor and social worker and has headed the Afghan Women's Association and as executive director for Afghan Coalition for the past 20 years. Rona was on the Women's Intercultural Network delegation to Afghanistan in 2003, a partnership with the US Department of State.