



First Annual Film Festival Honors And Celebrates World Interfaith Harmony Week

In the spirit of achieving a culture of peace, The World Interfaith Harmony Film Festival has been created to promote and celebrate harmony between all people regardless of their faith tradition or country of origin.

Recognizing the imperative need for dialogue amongst different faiths and religions to enhance mutual understanding and cooperation, this film festival encourages a gathering of people from all across the United States and from nations around the World.

We invited filmmakers from near and far to share their interfaith based film stories with us so that we can be inspired to learn from one another. We had filmmakers arrive from India, Germany, Italy, Canada, and from all across the United States to celebrate this first annual global dialogue.

The Festival Program was successful in showcasing the works of independent filmmakers who are striving to make a difference in our world by creating interfaith films on themes of peace, non-violence, social justice, and environmental balance as these themes pertain to interfaith harmony.

One of our favorite film competition categories was YOUNG VOICES FOR HARMONY, which invited filmmakers from the 4th-12th grades to submit films on interfaith themes. The youth winners for 2013 were four young men from the FIRST DROPS INTERFAITH YOUTH GROUP who live in Southern California. The young boys made the film "AN INTERFAITH CAROL", a story about a religious "Scrooge" that is visited by an interfaith guide who educates him so that he transforms from a Scrooge to a man of religious understanding, tolerance and love. Very innovative for young interfaith advocates!!