

"No one did more to bring an end to America's cruel and unjust war in Vietnam than the patriotic GIs and veterans who turned against it. This extraordinary history of their struggle should inspire all of us who seek to end the ongoing and interrelated threats of war, nuclear doomsday, and environmental catastrophe."

—Daniel Ellsberg

Waging Peace in Viet Nam



US Soldiers & Veterans Who Opposed The War Exhibit on display Sept 28 - Oct 28

North Lobby in Allen Library, University of Washington

During the United States' invasion and occupation of Viet Nam, tens of thousands of GIs and veterans created a robust movement in opposition to the war. The movement grew so strong that it forced the US to withdraw from Viet Nam, yet this history has largely remained unknown. It's time to set the record straight.

Conference:

GI & Veteran Resistance in the PNW

October 6 9:30AM-5PM HUB 332
It's rare in human history for soldiers to choose humanity over uniform and through their resistance, to change the course of a war. That's what American soldiers did, in staggering numbers, during the US war against Viet Nam. This conference will localize and personalize the exhibit by focusing on North West veterans, GI resisters and the lawyers who defended them, along with civilian supporters. What did we learn, and what did we do about it?

Reception

October 6 5PM-7PM HUB 334
Join us immediately following the conference for a hosted reception.

War, Peace, & Resistance in Poetry and Song

October 18 6:30PM HUB 145
Come celebrate resistance in all its forms with an evening of poetry and music hosted by Percy Hilo, featuring Jim Page, Paul Nelson, and others.

Fall Library/Exhibit Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9am - 8pm
Friday 9am - 5pm
Sunday 1pm - 8pm
CLOSED SATURDAYS

FREE Film Screening Series

Sir, No Sir

October 13 6PM Thomson 101
What do you do when you find yourself on the wrong side of an unjust war? This is the definitive, award-winning movie about GI resistance to the US war in Viet Nam. Director David Zeiger is scheduled to attend for Q&A following the screening.

The FTA Show

October 20 6PM Thomson 101
This rare film is part anti-war political vaudeville, part "making of" documentary. With Jane Fonda, Donald Sutherland, Holly Near, it also features American soldiers & sailors opposed to the war. Randy Rowland, who helped organize the original live FTA show when it played in Tacoma, will be in attendance for Q&A.

The Boys Who Said NO

October 27 6PM Thomson 101
Award-winning documentary about the massive anti-draft movement during the Viet Nam era. Featuring Joan Baez and a host of draft resisters. Now that Congress is considering extending the draft to women, this timely movie is both inspirational and a guide to action.

For more info: VFP92.org, wpvv@vfp92.org

Exhibit sponsored by Seattle Veterans For Peace and the UW's SE Asia Center at the Jackson School of International Studies.

Cosponsored by UW Dept. of History and the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies.



\$500 Prize Student Essay Contest

Seattle Vets For Peace is offering a \$500 prize for the best essay on a topic related to the exhibit and ancillary events. Contest is open to high school or college students.

Deadline for submission October 28.

Submit your essay of 500 to 650 words to: Michael Walstrom, Managing Director of SE Asia Center, mwal7@uw.edu

The guest judge for the student essay contest is Nick Ut, the Pulitzer Prize combat photographer who 50 years ago this year took the iconic photo of a young girl who had been severely burned by US napalm. (He took the photo as she ran toward him and then saved her life.) Prize money donated by Howard Zinn fund of VFP.

