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ATOP Meaningfulworld celebrates United Nations International Day of Peace Thursday 22 September 2016, 6-8 PM

New York, NY - On Thursday 22, September 2016, Association for Trauma Outreach & Prevention (ATOP), Meaningfulworld is partnering with like-minded organizations, to celebrate its annual International Day of Peace at the Millennium Hotel. This year the theme is, “*Art for Peace.*” Peace awards will also be given. Reception with food and drinks will be included.

This year Meaningfulworld is also celebrating its 26th Anniversary of healing, peacemaking, transforming pain and generational trauma, and establishing Peace and Forgiveness Gardens globally in over 46 countries and 20 states in the United States of America.

The theme of our silent art auction is called, “Art for Peace.” It will feature world renowned artists: Paul Gerben, Charlotte Sear, and Lenore Anthony.

Paul Gerben, A Native New Yorker, Paul Gerben’s mixed media compositions reflect the raw energy of urban landscape, filtered through a fine-tuned graphic eye.

Charlotte Sear, Bold vibrant colors combined with a strong geometric sensibility dominate much of Charlotte Sear’s work. Over the years, Ms. Sear has developed a unique flat-perspective style.

Lenore Anthony, Leonor Anthony is a contemporary artist born in Havana, Cuba. She immigrated with her family to the United States as a very young child. She resides in Miami, Florida but works worldwide.

Meaningfulworld is featuring a silent auction with these world-renowned artists in an effort to raise fund to support its humanitarian missions promoting peace in: Haiti, the Middle East, Africa, and Armenia. Below is the description of the artist’s that will be featured



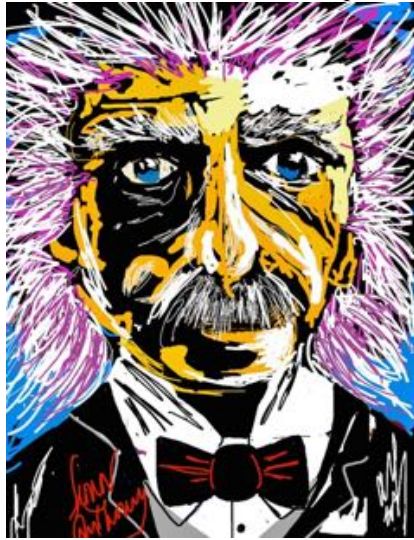


Charlotte Sear

Bold vibrant colors combined with a strong geometric sensibility dominate much of Charlotte Sear's work. Over the years, Ms. Sear has developed a unique flat-perspective style. Acrylic is her primary medium. Much of her work incorporates hard-edged acrylics in a flat semi-naturalistic style. She uses a bright palette and, in some cases, an almost cubist viewpoint to portray people and places of significance to her. In her work she translates momentary encounters with life into an invented narrative visual world. Her rich and exciting use of color and form enhance the mood and emotional content of her paintings.

Charlotte Sear is both an artist and an educator. Her background in education includes teaching elementary school and working with children who have reading disabilities. For the past twenty years she has been an adjunct professor at Long Island University and New York Institute of Technology teaching college reading strategies. These two interests have converged in the creation of her new book "The Runaway Pink Ball"

For the past three years Ms. Sear has been using photo shop to continue exploring her invented narrative and surreal world. Ms. Sear's prize-winning work has been exhibited and sold in museums and galleries.



Leonor Anthony

Leonor Anthony is a contemporary artist born in Havana, Cuba. She immigrated with her family to the United States as a very young child. She resides in Miami, Florida but works worldwide with studios in The Hague Netherlands, Brooklyn, NY and The Bird Road Art District in Miami.

Leonor is an accredited scholar, painter, photographer, and published author. Since 2013 Leonor has held the prestigious title of Artist in Residence of the Florida International University's Honors College and is the founder and curator of the FIU's Honors College Art Collection.

Leonor's preferred mediums are, oil on canvas, charcoal drawings, digital art, photography, mixed media and installations. The imagery of her art is crafted with unprecedented assertiveness characterized by violently expressive color and jarring compositions that elicit vivid emotional reactions. The enigmatic dichotomy of style and mediums is a reflection of the artist's search for freedom of expression and penchant for setting her own rules.

Leonor is best known for using art as a vehicle of activism. Her views concerning human rights, the environment, education and the welfare and empowerment of women throughout the world are the framework of her creations, regardless of medium.

Leonor Anthony has had international acclaimed shows. Her major exhibitions include: Beijing International Art Exposition 2012 and 2013, Seoul Open Art Fair 2013 and 2014, NestGen Ecological Art Exhibit, Frost Art Museum 2014, Le Carrousel du Louvre 2014 and 2015, Biennale Paris 2014, Biennale of Palermo 2015, Da Caravaggio ai Nostri Giorni, Museo Bramante Rome 2015, Expo Milano 2015, Musee du Louvre, Paris 2015, Spectrum Miami 2014 and 2015. Two of Leonor's iconic works are part of the Florida International University's permanent collection exhibited at the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine and at FIU's Washington D.C. Presidential offices.





Paul Gerben

A Native New Yorker, Paul Gerben's mixed media compositions reflect the raw energy of urban landscape, filtered through a fine-tuned graphic eye. His series of abstract work, tribal masks and objects demonstrate his fluid use of color and sharp visual sense. His celebrity portraits cover the spectrum from Hollywood legends such as Marilyn Monroe to rock stars like the Beatles and the Rolling Stones to inspiring athletes & role models such as Muhammad Ali.

Art auctioneers Simone Depury has called Gerben, "A Great Master of Pop Art." He has been commissioned by celebrities, athletes, performers & private collectors to create one of the kind custom artwork. His work has been called, "A great match for upscale interiors, loft and modern contemporary spaces."

His various bodies of series include abstract & surreal to animals & pop culture to fashion & icons of the 20th century. His work has expanded into new material & subject matter from surfboards to large scale interior & outdoor public sculptures. Gerben started painting at the early age of 7 & was always encouraged by his creative artistic mother to pursue a career in the arts. Gerben attended the Rhode Island School of Design and New York Pratt Institute. He currently resides in New York & his work is on display in galleries throughout the country.

ATOP Meaningfulworld

For over 26 years Meaningfulworld has been committed to service of humanity, creating healing, instilling peace, and transforming generational pain and suffering. We have worked in over 46 countries around the globe in 7 regions: Africa, Asia, North and South Americas, Caribbean, Europe, The Middle East, transforming the lives of over a million people. Organized over 70 programs at the United Nations, has over 100 research publications, over 500 local and global healing programs, over 250 National and academic symposia, over 2,000 global educational programs.

Special gratitude to our Co-Sponsors: Association for Trauma Outreach & Prevention (ATOP), Meaningfulworld, The Armenian Constitutional Rights Protective Centre of Armenia, Armenian American Society for Studies on Stress & Genocide (AASSSG), Armenian General Benevolent Union of America, and Voices for Freedom.

Co-Chairs are: Dr. Ani Kalayjian, Rachel Lev, and Dr Leslie Popoff

Special gratitude to our organizing committee members: Dr. Ani Kalayjian, Lorraine Simmons, Irene Tananyan, Rachel Lev, Dr Leslie Popoff, Andre Der-Artinian, Jen Mount, Tigran Rafayelian, Amanda Bradley, Karolyn Velaspegui, Melissa A Bougdanos, Tisha Todorova and Johanna Molotoala.

Registration: Tickets can be purchased on line www.Meaningfulworld.com, for \$150 and for students \$50, for questions kindly e-mail Amanda: info@Meaningfulworld.com.

Founded in 1990, Meaningfulworld, the Association for Trauma Outreach & Prevention (ATOP), affiliated with the United Nations, has achieved international recognition as a leader in training humanitarian outreach professionals as well as responding to two decades of global and local disasters. Meaningfulworld is committed to global education promoting state-of-the-art scientific theory, peace and consciousness research, and the development of technical skills to train mental health professionals, teachers, psychologists, art therapists, nutritionists, alternative medicine practitioners, clergy, nurses, mediators, interfaith ministers, and lay persons committed to service. Meaningfulworld Humanitarian Outreach teams make a daily difference in 45 countries in people's lives helping to transform tragedy and trauma into healing through post trauma growth, guidance, empowerment, mindfulness, and meaning-

mediators, interfaith ministers, and lay persons committed to service. Meaningfulworld Humanitarian Outreach teams make a daily difference in 45 countries in people's lives helping to transform tragedy and trauma into healing through post trauma growth, guidance, empowerment, mindfulness, and meaning-making through a new world view. Ask yourself ...Ask your friends...What makes your world more meaningful?

Our Motto: When one helps another BOTH become stronger