



HOW MAY WE CREATE AN INDEPENDENT AND PEACEFUL AUSTRALIA?

HOW MAY WE PROMOTE A FOREIGN POLICY WHICH BUILDS PEACE AND NONVIOLENT RESOLUTIONS TO CONFLICT IN OUR REGION AND BEYOND?

If these questions are close to your heart, come to Canberra and join in a **national convergence of peace advocates and activists** this Easter-Anzac.

Expect this extended gathering of peace activists and peace makers to reflect on the state of peace in our times, **to build movement and to plan action for peace** in this time of escalating militarism, government lies and preparations for war.

PROGRAM CANBERRA PEACE CONVERGENCE 2014

MONDAY 21-26 APRIL FROM 11 AM

Peace Activist Camp

Aboriginal Tent Embassy, Old Parliament House Lawns

The Embassy will serve as free camp and a venue for meetings and organising actions. Showers and toilets are near by. Elias Alias Camp Catering from Tasmania will provide basic vegetarian/Vegan catering meals by donation. Help with set up will be appreciated, contact:

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MONDAY 21-26 APRIL FROM 11 AM

Peace Convergence @ Silver Wattle

Silver Wattle Quaker Centre, 1063 Lake Road, Bungendore

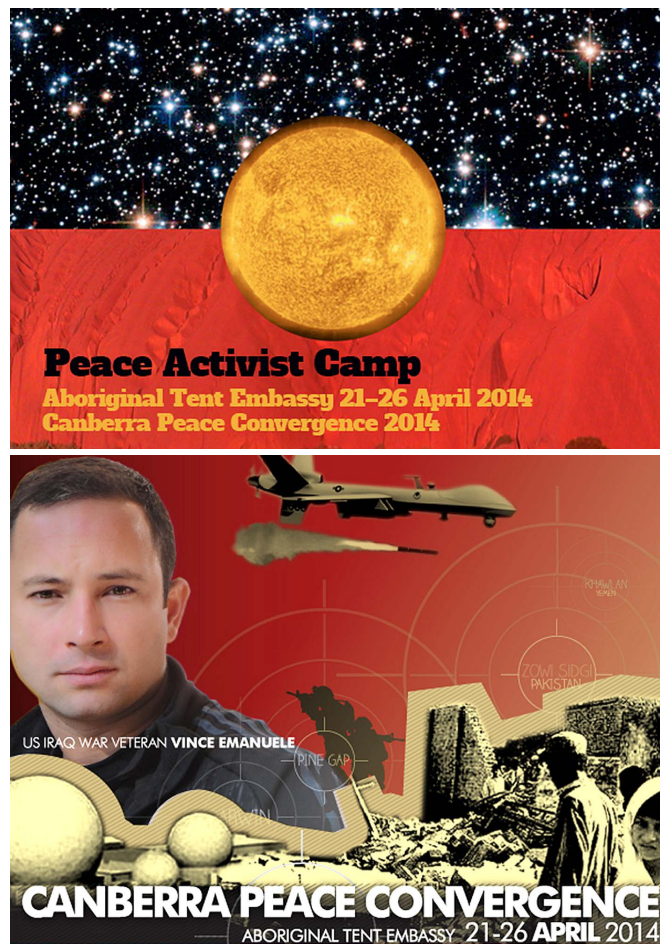
Silver Wattle will be hosting Quakers and others sharing stories of despair, hope, action and witness underpinned by faith, compassion and commitment to justice. Some of us will share in peace actions, community building and the IPAN conference, while others will elect to hold a space of reflection, spiritual sharing and discernment about faith-based peace witness. Transport can be arranged for those wishing to attend the IPAN conference on Tuesday 22 April, activities at the Tent Embassy on Wednesday 23, and the Peace Vigil on Anzac Eve.

CONTACT: FOR ACCOMMODATION DETAILS CONTACT SILVER WATTLE ON 02 62380588 OR OFFICE@SILVERWATTLE.ORG.AU

MONDAY 21-26 APRIL

Peace Convergence Special Guest - VINCE EMANUELE

Speaking at the IPAN Conference, at the Peace Activist Camp at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, and also during the Waging Peace on War Day of Actions. Vince Emanuele is a former US Marine who served two tours of duty in Iraq and who refused to do a third. He is now the organiser for the Michigan chapter of Veterans for Peace, and a Chicago area organiser of Iraq Veterans against the War.



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CANBERRA PEACE CONVERGENCE

ABORIGINAL TENT EMBASSY 21-26 APRIL 2014

MONDAY 21 APRIL FROM 11 AM

Inaugural annual meeting of the Independent and Peaceful Australia Network
Conference Room, Unions ACT, 189 Flemington Road, Mitchell

A meeting of national delegates; interested citizens welcome. A report on past actions, present status and strategising for the future. Preparation for next day's Conference.

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TUESDAY 22 APRIL FROM 8.30 AM

National Peace and Independence Conference: "Towards a Peaceful and Independent Australia"
Conference Room, Unions ACT, 189 Flemington Road, Mitchell

A one day conference hosted by IPAN on 22 April covering such themes as militarism and sustainability, the cost of the US alliance, the Asian Pivot and US bases. Downloadable Conference program: <http://tiny.cc/yjg4bx>

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. \$50 REGISTRATION FEE WITH GENEROSITY FOR THE UNWAGED. CONTACT: ANNETTE BROWNLIE 0431 597 256
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WEDNESDAY 23 APRIL FROM 9.30 AM

Peace Activist Open Space
Aboriginal Tent Embassy, Old Parliament House Lawns

A day of peace movement searching and peace movement building. A facilitated meeting process aimed at hearing all the voices of all the Peace Convergence participants and at identifying the issues that have brought us forth and the campaigns of peace current and yet to come.

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THURSDAY 24 APRIL FROM 6 AM

Waging Peace on War - a Day of Action in Canberra
Assembling at Aboriginal Tent Embassy

A social media, race for peace. A world record attempt for the most protests by a single group in a single city in a single day. Hosted and organised by the Melbourne based Whistleblowers, Activists and Citizen's Alliance (WACA). Expect this to be a dash by a small and disciplined convoy which, starting at the Sacred Fire of Peace and Justice at 6 am, will hurtle around Canberra to the selected targets - peace offending government and defence offices, embassies and armaments manufacturers, you name it - to display placards, speak out, dance a protest and take selfies.

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THURSDAY 24 APRIL 10 AM TO 4 PM

Silver Wattle Day of Reflection and Sharing
Silver Wattle Quaker Centre, 1063 Lake Road, Bungendore

Anzac Eve and the Silver Wattle Quakers invite those who want

to reflect and focus on spiritual preparedness for witnessing against war to come and share with us at Silver Wattle, in preparation for the Peace Vigil that evening. At 4.30 pm we will travel to Mt Ainslie for the Peace Vigil at the War Memorial. Please join us - we ask for a contribution of \$20 towards lunch or bring something to share.

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THURSDAY 24 APRIL 5.30 PM FOR 6.15 PM

Anzac Eve Peace Vigil
Assembling on the top of Mt Ainslie @ sunset for a lantern-lit procession to the Australian War Memorial and beyond.
FURTHER INFORMATION ANZACPEACEVIGIL.ORG

THURSDAY 24 APRIL 8 PM

A Canberra Conversation: "Remembering war. Seeking peace"
Around a campfire outside West Block Cnr Constitution and Anzac Parade

This will be an inclusive continuation of the Canberra Conversation begun at Manning Clark House on 15 April. Details: <http://tiny.cc/d79ydx>. For those who want to stay awake through the night the Peace Vigil will be a presence in Anzac Avenue when those assembling for the annual Dawn Servicer arrive and depart.

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FRIDAY 25 APRIL FROM 10 AM

"Lest We Forget the Frontier Wars" Anzac Day March
Assembling outside West Block, Cnr Constitution and Anzac Parade, Reid.

Led by Nyoongar Ghurradjong Murri Ghillar (Michael Anderson), an original founder of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy and now a leading voice on Aboriginal Sovereignty issues, participants will be invited to carry flags, banners and massacre naming placards and join the March and its call for recognition by the Australian War Memorial of the dead of Australia's undeclared Frontier Wars. *Please wear black. Make and bring a placard which records the colonial massacres in your district. If you can't come in person, email Graeme Dunstan graemed01@gmail.com the details and he will get the placard made up and carried.*

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FRIDAY 25 APRIL FROM ABOUT 2 PM

Treaty-ing for Peace
Sacred Fire of Peace and Justice at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy
Not just remembering the Frontier Wars but ending them. Make a personal dedication to peace with First Nation peoples of Australia. A Natural Law Treaty which recognises Aboriginal Sovereignty will be offered for signing. It's a contract between willing individuals and the Tent Embassy. **Treaty text downloadable at: <http://tiny.cc/b8ybcx>**

