



ANNUAL REPORT PEACE BOAT US 2022



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About Peace Boat US

Peace Boat US is a non-profit organization founded in 2006 in New York City that works for sustainability and peace around the world. Located next to the United Nations Headquarters, we are guided by the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) with emphasis on:

- **#13 Climate Action**
- **#14 Life Below Water**
- **#16 Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions**
- **#17 Partnerships for the Goals**



We focus our work on four areas:

- **Ocean Conservation**
- **Climate Action**
- **Disarmament**
- **Youth Engagement**

Our main partner organization is the Japan-based International NGO Peace Boat, with whom we work toward the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and educational programs onboard Peace Boat.

PEACE BOATUS

Greeting

Dear Friends, Colleagues and Partners,

2022 was an important year for us! We are pleased to present to you in this report our extensive work in pursuit of advocacy for ocean and climate health, building opportunities for young people to get involved, and expanding partnerships as we strengthen the voice of civil society at the global level. Highlights include our participation in the Our Ocean Conference in Palau, COP27 in Sharm El-Sheik in Egypt, and our advocacy at the United Nations headquarters in New York City.

Our efforts in 2022 have given us great momentum heading into 2023. We are excited that our Japan-based partner Peace Boat is restarting its Global Voyages and Peace Boat US will resume onboard our annual “Youth for the SDGs” scholarship programs.

We hope you find this report informative and inspiring. And most of all, we want to thank our partners who make it all possible.

Thank you, and full steam ahead in 2023!

Peace Boat US

Our work in 2022

- Hosted over 23 interns from Hollins University, University of Michigan’s Global Scholars Program, UNC-Chapel Hill EcoStudio, Pace University, Philosophische Hochschule Munich and other academic institutions.
- Held or co-organized over 30 online or hybrid events working for ocean and climate health that reached tens of thousands of people.
- Engaged hundreds of young people from the US and around the world, including our program alumni and partner organization members in education, development, and advocacy work.
- Worked with 20+ partner organizations, fostering collaborations and strengthening the reach and impact of our actions.

Partnerships

Our key partners this year include (in alphabetical order):

- Blue Planet Alliance
- Downtown Community Television (DCTV)
- Earth X
- Friends of UN World Oceans Day
- Future Horizon
- Global Kids
- International Alliance to Combat Ocean Acidification (OA Alliance)
- March for Science
- NGO Major Group
- Ocean Decade U.S. Nexus Group
- OceanHub Africa
- Oceanic Global
- One Ocean Hub
- Peace Boat
- Restore Coral
- The Explorers Club
- The United Nations, including the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), UN Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS), SDG Action Campaign, and other UN agencies
- Sustainable Ocean Alliance
- Women and Climate
- Academic Institutions including Hollins University, University of Michigan Global Scholars Program, University of California San Diego, Rutgers University, UNC-Chapel Hill EcoStudio, Pace University, the SDG Academy at Columbia University and others.



NGOs from across the world
coming together for the
Sustainable Development Goals



2022 Highlights

The following pages highlight two main Conferences or programs in each of our four focus areas: Ocean Conservation, Climate Action, Youth Engagement, and Disarmament.

Ocean Conservation

Our Ocean Conference Palau

April 13-14

The Our Ocean Conference in Palau was a key moment for states, civil society, and industry to commit to concrete and significant actions to protect the ocean. In partnership, Peace Boat US and Japan-based Peace Boat were jointly invited to represent civil society in both mobilizing commitments to concrete action, and bringing the voices of under-represented people around the world who are impacted by changes to ocean health. The conference was held at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center, with hundreds of UN delegates, Ambassadors, NGO leaders and civil society from island nations sharing their work and partnerships.

The Peace Boat team hosted, co-hosted, or participated in a number of events including:

SIDS Global Business Network Forum

April 11

At the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) Global Business Network Forum on April 11, Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone spoke at the Blue Economy session about reaching Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), the Climate and Youth Ambassador Program, and the EcoShip project. The forum was organized by OHRLLS and the government of Palau, and focused on sustainable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic in island nations.



Building A Wave of Community-Led Impact to Support Global Ocean Resilience & Sustainable Tourism

April 13

In partnership with EarthEcho International and support from Oceanic Global, this event highlighted the importance of supporting youth leadership in the ocean conservation movement. The Peace Boat team presented its Ocean and Youth Ambassador Programme, which has been bringing youth from small island states on the front line of the ocean degradation and the climate crisis onboard Peace Boat's ship for capacity building and to share the messages from their communities.

Ecosprint Workshop

April 14

Following the conclusion of the Our Ocean conference, Peace Boat co-hosted an EcoSprint workshop together with [Blue Planet Alliance](#) and [Planet Home](#), bringing together stakeholders from government, policy makers, leaders in sustainability and cultural ambassadors to work towards 100% renewable energy for island nations by 2045. At the EcoSprint, one of Peace Boat's Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassadors, Manzel Ngirmeriil was recognized as a Global Ambassador for the SDGs, with a focus on SDG 13 for Climate Action and SDG 7 for Affordable and Clean Energy.



UN World Oceans Day & Week Events

June 8 & June 6-12

Peace Boat US, in partnership with Peace Boat, International Alliance to Combat Ocean Acidification (OA Alliance), Sea Ahead, Blue-Tech, and others, co-organized many events during the year's most important event for global ocean advocacy under the theme "Revitalization: collective action for the ocean." Events included:

Exploring by the Seat of Your Pants – Meet Peace Boat's Ocean and Youth Climate Leaders

June 1

Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone introduced Peace Boat's Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassadors program and Ecoship. Joined by Youth Ambassadors Khadija Stewart and Sara Van Eerde who shared the impact of their experience traveling onboard Peace Boat. We introduced the Ecoship and its innovations for sustainability, and Peace Boat's commitment to the SDGs.



Climate Connection Event for World Environment Day

June 5

Celebrating World Environment Day, this event was co-hosted by Peace Boat US, Blue Planet Alliance and other organizations, and held at the Selina Chelsea Hotel. Panel discussions, art, music, performances and films from the Ocean Film Festival celebrated sustainability work to combat the climate crisis. The event was designed to showcase new sustainability initiatives and included a panel which highlighted environmental artists Joshua Sam Miller, Jeff Orlowski, Ziggy Livant, and Daniel Cervenka. Together, these four covered a wide variety of artistic forms and how they personally utilized them to demonstrate the importance of the environment and ocean conservation.





Coney Island Bike Ride and Beach Cleanup

June 11

Bike ride to Coney Island for a beach clean-up and yoga session organized by Peace Boat US, Blue Planet Alliance, the NY Aquarium, The Explorers Club, Oceanic Global and Yo Yo Yoga to celebrate World Oceans Week through community-building and action.

World Oceans Festival at Gaia Nomaya

June 11

A celebration to conclude World Oceans Week led by event space Gaia Nomaya featuring music, art, fashion, wellness, and presentations including Peace Boat US and partners for ocean conservation.

JUNE 11TH

WORLD OCEANS FESTIVAL
Music & Wellness programming

4PM-4AM

Prospect Park :
4-5pm: Kundalini Yoga by Amrit (Gaia Nomaya)
5-6pm: Water Honoring Ceremony by Ivan Tapia (Peruvian Tradition)

Gaia Stage:
Live Flamenco Band | Hybrid Jazz by Greg Paulus (No Regular Play) + Friends Jazz/Funk Electronic set by Andy Szanky | Eric Carson Live (Hybrid Electronic) | Catori Live Vocal (Hybrid Set)
Greg Pidcock feat Jeremy Sisselman (Live HybridSet) Mikey lil T(Disco house set)
Nacho Isa (Deep House set) | Lauren Ritter (Bday Closing Set)

Salt cave
Breath and Meditation by Annie Evasick & Samantha | Synth & Singing Bowls by Alexandria Tava | Spoken Word & Ocean Poetry by Amber Herzog & Joshua Miller Guitar and Vocals by Sara Van Eerde & Ryan Carl

Crystal Atrium:
Sounds of the Ocean by Joshua Miller & Amber Herzog Lyman | Sound Healing Journey by Liana De La Rosa & Chaya | Cacao & Medicine Music by Sara Loaiza

Location: Gaia Nomaya, 510 flatbush avenue & Prospect Park: (Flatbush Ave, Entrance Across BK Botanical Garden)

Climate Action

Climate Week NYC

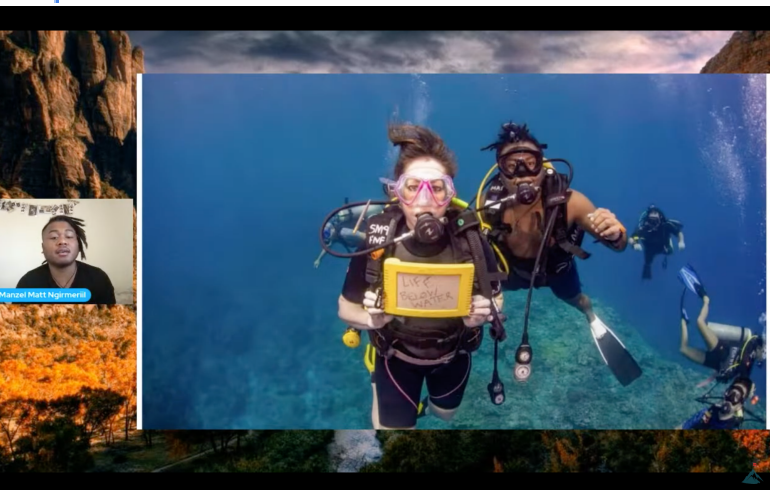
September 18-24

Climate Week NYC takes place every September, and this year marked its 14th year as the biggest global climate event of its kind. The week of events brings together the most influential leaders in climate action from business, government, and the climate community.

Peace Boat US is proud to have been a vocal presence, promoting youth programs, civil-society and governmental partnerships, and advocacy for climate protection by co-organizing or participating in the following Climate Week NYC events:

Ocean Conservation Symposium (online program) September 18

Peace Boat US presented the Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassadors Program which brings together youth leaders from Small Island Developing States (SIDS) which are among the countries most impacted by climate change and is primarily organized by Peace Boat; our Youth for the SDGs Program for young people from around the world to engage in SDGs-related initiatives; and our internship program.



Exploring by the Seat of Your Pants (online program) September 19

Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone and youth program alumni Juan Sebastian Huertas Olea and Sara Van Eerde, Youth for the SDGs scholars; Manzel Matt Ngirmeril, Peace Boat Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador and Blue Planet Alliance Global Ambassador from Palau and Helen Mancini, Blue Planet Alliance Ambassador joined this program organized by the Explorers Club to discuss climate justice, conservation, youth activism, and other themes.



Women and Climate Celebration September 20

Focusing on the role of women in leading the charge on climate action, Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone joined Bonnie Gurry, CEO of GreenPortfolio; Emily Ewell, CEO of Pantys and Sonam Velani, Founder of Street Life.

Climate Impact Talks + Networking Reception September 23

Peace Boat US' highlight event included a panel discussion on the transition to 100% renewable energy, presentations, networking, live music and art. Of special note was a youth panel discussion by alumni from Peace Boat and Peace Boat US young programs.

Our highlight of Climate Week NYC began with a panel discussion on how every island and country can transition to a 100% renewable energy future, followed by partnership presentations, networking, live music, art demonstrations, all to build a unified community in creating a better world. A Youth Panel followed, moderated by Emilie McGlone and featured Helen Mancini, Blue Planet Global Ambassador (NYC); Alan Junior Seid, Blue Planet Global Ambassador (Palau); Qiuhan Lin, Blue Planet Global Ambassador (NYC); Emelia Suljic, SOA Youth; Nicolas Lama and Lela DeVine, EarthEcho International 30 x 30 campaign; Yaily Castillo, Indigenous youth leader from the Kuna community in Panama and Peace Boat US youth leader. Following was an Island Leader panel moderated by Matt Tranchin and presenting Racquel Moses, Caribbean Climate Smart Accelerator. Other speakers included Henk Rogers, Sergio Fernandez de Cordova and Chet Monday. Climate Impact Talks was organized by Blue Planet Alliance, EarthX, GSES, Peace Boat US and Hard Rock NYC, with support from Tamago and Solgaard. (Several musicians played including Joseph Pupe, MOU, Kelia and the DJs Erik, Erick Marky Terena, Eli, Soul Clap, Eric Carson as well as Hanka.)



Peace Boat US Exhibition at the Marketplace for the Future 2022

September 23

Peace Boat US hosted an exhibition at the 6th annual Marketplace of the Future, official Vision Partner of Climate Week NYC. It was a World's Fair of Sustainability featuring dozens of climate-focused companies and 1,000+ attendees. This Marketplace presented individuals and organizations that are embodying the sustainable practices leading to a net-zero future.

Everything from compost, carbon capture, renewable energy, electric vehicles, and more was on display to show what a sustainable future looks like. Sara Van Eerde from Global Kids, Youth for the SDGs scholar and Juan Sebastian Huertas, from Colombia, Youth for the SDGs scholar hosted the Peace Boat US exhibition.



COP27

November 1-12

From November 1-12, in solidarity with those on the front line of the climate crisis, Peace Boat US participated in the UN Climate Change Conference (COP27) in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. Partnering with our Japan-based partner Peace Boat and other civil society organizations, we call for increased ambition on climate action. Events were held in the UNFCCC administered Blue Zone, in public areas of the city of Sharm el-Sheikh, and virtually with a booth at the COP27 Virtual Ocean Pavilion.

US Pavilion - Fostering Youth Leadership for Climate Action and Innovation Exhibit

November 6-18

The exhibit “Voices and Visions” highlighted the important climate action work done by youth in the US to reduce emissions, increase resilience, advance environmental justice, and achieve true energy security. The Art and Science of Climate Action was an interactive exhibit space focusing on climate action by youth. Using a wave and bubble design to invoke the oceans that surround the United States, Voices and Visions using a storytelling approach traced along three waves of actions: Voices of the land; Our Voices; and Voices of the Oceans. Each story contains narrated sections, soundscapes, short videos and augmented reality pieces to give the viewer an immersive experience to reflect on climate actions.



Youth as Key Leaders Transforming Climate Promises into Inclusive Action

November 9

A side-event co-organized with partner organizations Care About Climate and Future Leaders - an intergenerational dialogue showcasing youth-led capacity-building and education initiatives to facilitate the participation of global youth, particularly in Africa and SIDS, in climate decision-making spaces, in ensuring youth and gender inclusive NDCs, and as climate negotiators.



Moana Blue Pacific Pavilion at COP27 - Connecting Large Ocean States for Climate Action and Youth Empowerment November 11

Side event co-organized with partner organizations Alliance for Future Generations - Fiji, the Permanent Mission of Palau to the UN, Sustainable Ocean Alliance, and Blue Planet Alliance showcasing the role of youth in scaling up climate ambition and climate adaptation with focus on the value of capacity building, networks and peer to peer exchange for youth across the Pacific, as well as from other large ocean states.



Ecoship: A Transition Model for Decarbonisation of the Maritime Sector November 11

We presented Ecoship as a transition model for decarbonizing maritime transport through energy efficiency and renewable energies. Ecoship, a 60,000 ton, 2,000 passenger capacity nature-inspired vessel which will sail as a flagship for the SDGs and be the platform for Peace Boat's future educational voyages.



UNFCCC Capacity Building Hub-Connecting Large Ocean States for Capacity Building through Shared Experiences and Storytelling November 14

We hosted a session at the 4th Capacity-building Hub together with The Youth Negotiator's Academy and OceanHub Africa that will explore storytelling and shared experiences for capacity building. It featured youth from African and other small island states.



Sailing for Change Exhibit November 15-17

In partnership with the Global Kids organization, showcasing youth initiatives with Peace Boat's Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador Programme, capacity building for youth from SIDS, Africa and globally.



Virtual Ocean Pavilion

November 16

Hosted by Peace Boat Ecoship and supported by Peace Boat US, the Virtual Ocean Pavilion was an online platform to raise the visibility of the ocean and showcasing why the ocean matters in climate negotiations and to all life on our planet. The aims were to increase knowledge and inspire commitment and action for the ocean-climate nexus during and at key events in the run up to the summit.



Youth Engagement

North American Youth Global Adaptation Forum

July 15

As a part of the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), Peace Boat US co-hosted an official side event titled the North American Youth Adaptation Forum with the Global Center on Adaptation. This forum elevated youth voices from across the continent who spoke on the struggles of being heard by governments and other organizations due to their age. Speakers highlighted the numerous ways youth organizing and policy has been driving change, such as on Canadian First Nation reservations and in the halls of Congress, and yet how they are still sidelined to participant status in high level discussions. This event also focused specifically on the importance of adaptation to climate change, instead of just targeting reducing the future effects of Climate Change. Global Warming has already changed the world in drastic ways and while we continue to reduce emissions and move to clean energy, we also need to mitigate and prevent loss of life and property in regions affected by rising sea levels, extreme temperatures, and more frequent and dangerous natural disasters. The forum proved to be a fruitful opportunity for youth in different sectors to meet and hear new ideas, and we hope to continue hosting this event in future years to continue combining stakeholders and generating innovative concepts.



CONFERENCE

High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development 2022

5 - 15 July 2022
New York, United States of America

HLPF is the core United Nations platform for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals. This week the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development takes place at the UN Headquarters in New York! We invite you to join our side event on July 15 for the GCA North American Youth Adaptation Forum.

Youth Nuclear Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Conference Orientation

July 29

Leading up to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Conference, Peace Boat US co-hosted a Youth Orientation and networking event with Reverse the Trend (RTT) and the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation (NAPF). This event featured youth speakers from the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, RTT, NAPF, Marshallese Education Institute, and Global Zero. Ambassador Teburoro Tito of Kiribati and Kunihiro Sakuma, a Hibakusha survivor, also spoke about their experiences with the effects of nuclear weapons and testing on their countries. The Marshallese youth also gave great insight on the effects of nuclear testing on their country, which they showed through art and music. This event allowed youth attendees to solidify background knowledge and reinvigorate their efforts before the NPT began, and also contributed to forming connections that could be deployed later in the week.



Disarmament

United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) Youth Champions

March 11

Peace Boat US welcomed the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) Youth Champions to our New York Office for a discussion on peacebuilding and disarmament education. Youth Champions included former and current Peace Boat US interns, who gave a presentation on the history of Peace Boat and our various projects. The UNODA Youth Champions are a diverse group of young people from around the world being trained to become future leaders of disarmament with a diverse educational program centered around experiences from civil society organizations and think tanks, and culminating in a study tour of Hiroshima, Nagasaki, Geneva, and Vienna.



Youth Exchange with Setsuko Thurlow

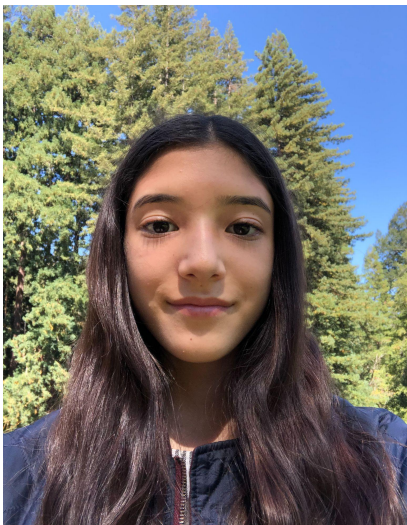
August 4

Representatives of Peace Boat US and Global kids attended Youth4Disarmaments' in person and virtual meeting with Setsuko Thurlow, a survivor of the Hiroshima nuclear bombings in Japan. The program, held during the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference and held at the UN ODA office, was set in place to involve more youth with professionals and educate them about the severity of nuclear weapons and international security. The conference began with a testimony from Ms. Thurlow and her story of her experience both during and after the bombing, and how she became an active advocate for nuclear disarmament. Afterwards, many youth were able to ask Thurlow questions regarding many topics from how she believes youth must stay confident in tackling nuclear issues in modern times, to how art and creative interests can help spread the message and promote the mission on nuclear education.



Voices from Interns

“Peace Boat US reinforced my understanding of the UN SDGs’ interconnectedness. To care about one SDG means you must inevitably care about all of them. For example, climate action (SDG #13) cannot be accomplished without addressing affordable and clean energy (SDG #7) or life below (SDG #14). Thus, collaboration is key. We must come together to contribute our knowledge about each SDG in order to reach all of them.”



Sophia Tabibian, Phillips Academy Andover

“My most memorable experiences were attending live talks and forums and listening to speeches given by experts and activists from across the globe. These opportunities exposed me to the decision-making process at the UN level and also enriched my understanding of climate change as an interdisciplinary global issue.”

Cecilia Fan, University of California San Diego

“Attending the Youth Exchange event during the NPT with Setsuko Thurlow was something I will remember for the rest of my life. Nothing can compare to the live testimony of a Hibakusha, and Setsuko’s lifelong dedication to abolishing nuclear weapons was inspiring. It was such a unique experience.”





Matthew Lohmann, Tufts University

“Attending events and seeing all of the NGOs and workers who are working for a common goal and all share the same values and beliefs as one another, puts into perspective the number of people in the world who are committed to making a change.”

Mackenzie Bay, DePaul University

“My most memorable experience as an intern was watching the recordings of the Lisbon, Portugal Oceans Conference, and seeing youth mobilization around climate efforts. The Youth SDG event was very inspiring and empowering for me, realizing how I have the power to determine my own future career and where I put my time and energy towards.”



**Gloria Wu,
University of
Virginia**

“During this internship period I learned the power of a voice. Every single event I attended, article I wrote, and knowledge I gained from being around my peers, it's clear to me that you do not need to be a powerful political leader to make a difference. All around me I was met with everyday people, people who were just like me and so vastly different from me, but the common trait was this normalcy.”





Vivienne Holmarsdottir, Long Beach City College

"I learned more about different events organized by the United Nations and its partners. The various side events being hosted by NGOs and other organizations during all these events help civil society to air out their views and give room for collaboration among different actors and opinion leaders. This plays a critical role in helping policymakers to make an informed decision that is reflective of today's reality."

Roland Ovbiedo, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California San Diego

"My most memorable experience as an intern with Peace Boat US was hosting the Hibakusha event in conjunction with Tufts University. Learning from the Hibakusha presenter about the tragedies nuclear weapons caused in Japan was eye-opening and exposed me to information I had never learned. The Hibakusha spoke inspiring messages about a nuclear-free world and I hope to host another Hibakusha event with Tufts in the future."



Nathan Reichert, Tufts University

Nathan is a Tufts University student who studied political science with a minor in Japanese. Nathan is excited to learn more about Peace Boat's educational programs and how they impact youth learning and development. He also looks forward to attending UN conferences and

reporting on global climate action. He cannot wait to join the Peace Boat US team and help organize events, especially the Our Ocean Conference. Nathan is most passionate about the Life on Land Sustainable Development Goal. He believes in improving the quality of life for wildlife through mechanisms such as preventing habitat loss.



2022 Additional Activities

Reverse the Trend Anniversary of the TPNW Event

January 21

Reverse the Trend met to celebrate the one year anniversary of the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. The event also highlighted local work being done to continue the fight against nuclearization, especially in Canada and Japan. While the Treaty is a great success, we need to continue to spread awareness of the dangers of nuclear technology and implement anti-nuclear measures on local and national levels.



H.E. AMBASSADOR TEBURORO TITO
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF KIRIBATI
TO THE UN & US

H.E. Teburoro Tito served as the President and foreign minister of Kiribati from 1 October 1994 to 28 March 2003. He was appointed by President Taneti Maamau as Ambassador to the US in 2018 and Kiribati Permanent Representative to the United Nations in 2017. He is also the Kiribati Ambassador Designate to Mexico and Canada.

**RTT JOURNAL
CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS**

What is it?
A journal on the intersectionality between nuclear disarmament, climate activism, racial justice, social justice, and smashing the patriarchy.

Who can submit?
Anyone can submit, but we especially welcome submissions from youth from high school age to age 28.

What types of submissions?
We accept academic essays, think pieces, poetry, and visual art on the above topics.

Please keep written submissions to a maximum of 15 pages, 12 point font, 1.5 spacing.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2022

Please send your submission to reversethetrendnow@gmail.com

UNEA 5.2 Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum 19

February 7-10

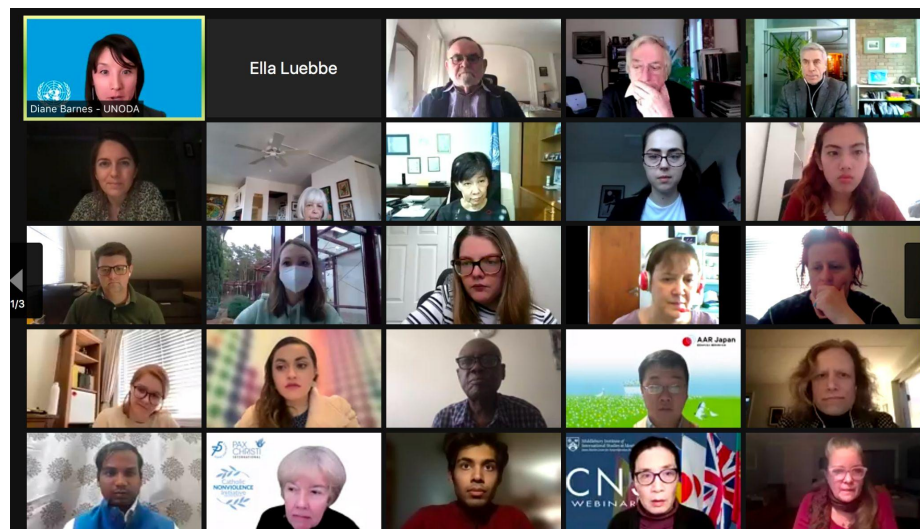
Peace Boat US intern Nathan Reichert attended the Online Global Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum (GMGSF). This four day event was concluded by UNEP Major Groups of intensive consultations ahead of the next UN Environment Assembly, adopting a Joint Global Statement and input toward the UNEP@50 political declaration. GMGSF was organized around seven thematic clusters that are aligned to UNEA-5.2 draft decisions on: marine and plastic pollution; nature-based solutions; chemicals; green recovery; the UNEP We Want/UNEP @50; Stockholm+50; and environmental governance.



Civil Society Meeting with Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu from UNODA

February 15

Peace Boat US joined a civil society meeting headed by Ms. Izumi Nakamitsu, United Nations Under-Secretary-General of Disarmament Affairs. She detailed the challenges faced by the disarmament movement, such as the delay in the Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) conference and politicization of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). While she praised the work done so far, Izumi worried about the inability to translate voluntary norms into enforceable rules with emerging technologies relating to outer space and cyberspace. Disarmament negotiations must continue with the inclusion of youth voices and civil society, as these groups can drive local and regional change when national governments are unable or unwilling to act.



Speaker Series at University of Central Missouri

February 16

Invited by the Crisis and Disaster Management Program at the University of Central Missouri as a part of their Guest Speaker Series, Peace Boat US gave a talk titled “Supporting communities affected by Natural Disasters with outreach, local communication strategies, and social media tools”. We were happy to share some of our experiences with future leaders in disaster prevention and management and make a lasting impact on their future.



Support for Ukraine at 3 Dollar Bill

March 13

Peace Boat US brought together the New York City music community to support Ukraine, aimed to make a positive difference through music and art.

Thinking Beyond the Tides

March 17

Peace Boat US participated in this event organized by Khadija Stewart, one of Peace Boat's Ocean and Climate and Youth Ambassadors, for the Sustainable Ocean Alliance (SOA). This event featured Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone speaking about the Ecoship project and Nathalia Lawen, Peace Boat Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador from the Seychelles, discussing the program and its benefits.



UNC Clean Tech Summit

March 29

Peace Boat US interns Caroline Kelly and Ella Luebke participated in the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's 8th annual Clean Tech Summit, "Transitioning to a Low Carbon Economy". Caroline represented Peace Boat US on a panel of government representatives and environmental activists in the Student Engagement Workshop. Highlighting Peace Boat US's work for the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the hibakusha project, Caroline discussed both the social and environmental consequences of nuclear warfare, and stressed the importance of sharing personal narratives to preserve history while advocating for global nuclear disarmament and climate action. Peace Boat's Ecoship project was placed at the forefront of student-led discussions, as it contributed to the summit's theme by providing a model for low carbon maritime transport and travel.

Monmouth University Hibakusha Event

April 5

As a part of Peace Boat's Hibakusha Project for a nuclear-free world,, Peace Boat US joined this Monmouth University Hibakusha event offering a compelling and moving story of how the greatest tragedies of human history risk repeating themselves if we don't learn from the mistakes of the past. The attendees learned a valuable connection in how the war in Ukraine today could become the next Hiroshima and Nagasaki if we don't educate ourselves on the tragedy of those fateful nuclear attacks on Japan in 1945.



Tufts University Hibakusha Event

April 11

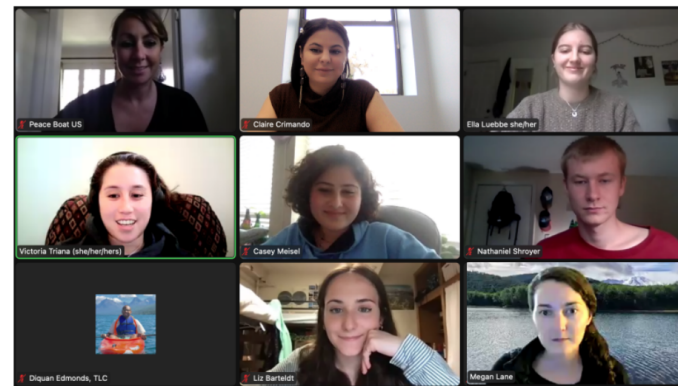
Peace Boat US led a Hibakusha event at Tufts University. The event provided the students with an invaluable learning opportunity to discuss online directly with a second-generation Hibakusha from Hiroshima. Ms. Higashino's testimony taught us the importance of nuclear disarmament and sharing Hibakusha's stories with the younger generation. We may one day see a world without nuclear weapons with these types of international educational efforts.



University of North Carolina Chapel Hill Ecostudio Summit

April 18

UNC Chapel Hill's EcoStudio paired outstanding undergraduate students with faculty and graduate student advisors for environmentally-focused, client-based research, applied learning projects, and internships. Students were matched with organizations and projects ranging from faculty-led initiatives, to local businesses, governments, nonprofits, and even international organizations so they may gain experience working on high-impact, applied learning opportunities to solve sustainability challenges of today.



EarthX2022 – SDG Media Summit

April 20-24

Peace Boat US presented at the UN SDG Media Summit at EarthX 2022, which showcased innovative campaigns and initiatives around climate change and sustainability. We also hosted an Ecoship exhibition space in partnership with Blue Planet Alliance and networked with our climate and ocean community partners during the four day Expo.



University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Hibakusha Event

May 31

Peace Boat US co-sponsored a Hibakusha event with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Ecostudio, where we showed the educational film "Flashes of Hope". "Flashes of Hope" tells the story of survivors of the nuclear bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The film also displayed the efforts of abolitionists and how work must continue to be done to end the threat of nuclear weapons. We helped host the event to educate on the true effects of nuclear weapons and spread awareness of the campaigns for nuclear disarmament.

PEACE BOAT US & UNC'S ECOSTUDIO

Peace Boat
Hibakusha Project
and "Flashes of
Hope" Film Screening

UN Ocean Conference Lisbon: High Level Welcome Reception Onboard the Water X Catamaran

June 27

Peace Boat US hosted a high-level welcome reception for the World Oceans Conference onboard the Water X Catamaran. Featured speakers at this event included Fabien Cousteau, documentary filmmaker, Dr. Sylvia Earle, famed oceanographer and marine biologist, Nicole Franz, developmental economist for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN, Roberto Manrique, renowned Colombian actor and conservationist, Henk Rogers, founder of Blue Planet Alliance, Ambassador Ilana Seid of Palau, and Yoshioka Tatsuya, co-founder of Peace Boat. The reception opened the conference and allowed us to connect different stakeholders around ocean conservation and the Ecoship.



Scaling Up Ocean Action with Empowerment of SIDS Youth, Awareness Raising and Citizenship Engagement

June 27

Peace Boat US hosted an official side event in collaboration with the Republic of Kiribati at the United Nations Ocean Conference in Lisbon titled “Scaling up Ocean Action with Empowerment of SIDS Youth, Awareness Raising and Citizenship Engagement”. The event was designed to highlight the role of youth activists from Small Island Developing States, or SIDS, in scaling up ocean action and increasing engagement among young people. This panel included speakers such as Lea d’Auriol of Oceanic Global, Henk Rogers from Blue Planet Alliance, and Khadija Stewart, an Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassador. Speakers emphasized the importance of connecting SIDS to ocean protection, as they have such a deep connection with the ocean and rely on it both economically and culturally. We were honored to host an event at the World Ocean Conference and showcase the work of youth in protecting the ocean from across the globe.

"Scaling up Ocean Action with Empowerment of SIDS Youth, Awareness Raising and Citizenship Engagement"

**Monday 27 June 2022,
10:00-11:15 AM,
Side Event Room 1**

This event will showcase the important role of youth from Small Island Developing States in scaling up ocean action, taking stock of successes and challenges for engagement with the UN Ocean Decade.

Info: <https://bit.ly/UNOcean-June27-Event>



SDG Media Zone: Sailing Towards a Renewable Energy Future

June 29

Peace Boat US was thrilled to participate in an SDG Media Zone event, “Sailing Towards a Renewable Energy Future”, with panelists Khadija Stewart, head of SOA Caribbean and one of Peace Boat’s Ocean and Climate Youth Ambassadors from Trinidad and Tobago, Henk Rogers, founder of Blue Planet Alliance, and Yoshioka Tatsuya, Founder of Peace Boat Ecoship. The panel was moderated

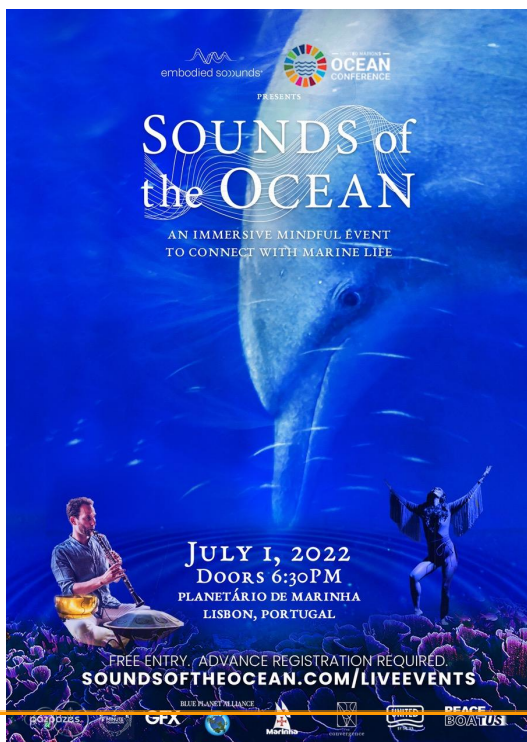
by Emilie McGlone, Director of Peace Boat US. During the event, both Yoshioka and Khadija spoke on the role of the Ecoship as a model for clean maritime technology and as a tool to bring together people from all over the world to discuss climate change and find new solutions. Both speakers noted how the technological and cultural advancements that have come from the Ecoship would not be possible without collaboration and outreach. To overcome the struggles of ocean degradation and climate change as a whole, collaborative efforts like the Ecoship will become even more important; no one group can protect the oceans alone.



Sounds of the Ocean by Joshua Sam Miller at the Planetarium

July 1

Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone joined a panel at the “Sounds of the Ocean” as an official UN Ocean Conference side event in the Planetário de Marinha. Using the Planetarium dome, Joshua Sam Miller, Bruno Teixeira, and Elise Lein presented an immersive soundscape with stunning visuals. The opening discussion served to theme the art piece around continued ocean conservation efforts and the importance of helping our “blue planet go green”.



Student Panel Discussion, National Maritime Educators Association Conference at Hofstra University

July 11

Peace Boat US participated in a student panel discussion held at the National Maritime Educators Association Conference at Hofstra University. Keynote speakers include Emilie McGlone, Director of Peace Boat US; Robina Taliaferrow, Director of Community Engagement, Billion Oyster Project; Logan Brennen, Assistant Professor at Barnard College, department of environmental science. Students engaged with the speakers and learned about the different perspectives of climate action: academia and non-profit organizational work.

The Road from Climate Week to COP27 in Egypt

September 28

The event was organized by Peace Boat US and Phocus Creative Group, highlighting cross-climate issues in the momentum from Climate Week NYC to COP27 in Egypt. Peace Boat US and Phocus Group hosted a short panel discussion and a networking cocktail hour for climate action in which experts, thought leaders and climate solutionists planning to attend the conference in November at Sharm El-Sheik were brought together. Several speakers including Emilie McGlone, Peace Boat US; Brittany Degirolamo, Phocus Creative; Jeremy Raguian, UN Fellow for SIDS/Seychelles; Daniel Cervenka, The Convergence; Amanda Ho, Regenerative Travel and Henk Rogers; Blue Planet Alliance contributed to the event.



Youth Delegation at the UNGA First Committee

October 13

Peace Boat US intern, Molly Rosaaen, read a statement on behalf of Peace Boat and the International Disarmament Institute at Pace University. The statement was supported by 62 civil society organizations and was on Youth Engagement and Peace, Disarmament, and Non-Proliferation Education. She called on delegations to include young people in disarmament education so they can have the knowledge and tools to make change happen in their nations.



#Youth4Disarmament Leaders 4 Tomorrow Workshop Series

October 20

Peace Boat US Director Emilie McGlone and intern Molly Rosaaen presented information about the organization in a civil society talk with UNODA's #Youth4Disarmament Leaders. The 25 leaders participating in the program explored the role of young people in advancing disarmament, non-proliferation, and arms control. The panel was to learn and understand UN-recognized organizations that are also benefiting the disarmament field.



Youth Advocacy in the Nuclear Disarmament Field

October 27

Peace Boat US interns Cecilia Fan and Molly Rosaaen spoke as youth leaders in the disarmament field about past projects and other affiliations working towards a nuclear-free world. Sponsors for the event included: Reverse the Trend: Save Our People, Save Our Planet, a youth initiative by the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, Peace Boat US, and The Prospect Hill Foundation.

**YOUTH
ADVOCACY
IN THE FIELD OF
NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT**

TIME: 11:30AM TO 12:45PM
**LOCATION: 777 UN PLAZA,
2ND FLOOR**
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017

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