





Peacebuilders are needed now more than ever!

How can we prevent violent conflict and sustain peace and rebuild trust and restore relationships that serve the need of the whole population?

How can you as a young person take steps to promote peace and understand the issues that concern you on topics such as the environment, health, inequality and emotional security?

This conference looks at how by being informed young citizens it is possible to take action and have your voice be heard and how it is possible to build more peaceful societies.





Conference Agenda

| 9.15 – 9.30 | Registration |
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| 9.30 – 9.40 | Introduction welcome to Cathedral Overview of morning conference Lord Mayors Peace Committee (LMPC) |
| 9.40 - 9.50 | Introduction to Rising, Results of young people's survey Nomination of Peace Prize Recipient for 2023 Richard Dickson, Rising Development Manager, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University |
| 9.50 – 10.30 | 'Rethinking Security' Joanna Frew, Outreach Coordinator for the Rethinking Security Network |
| 10.30 – 10.50 | Break |
| 10.50 – 11.00 | 'Active Participation' Eniola Adekunle, Youth Commissioner for Coventry |
| 11.00 – 11.50 | Developing a Human Security Manifesto |
| 11.50 – 12.00 | 'Better Days' Adam Hedge, ShadowCV |
| 12.00 – 12.10 | Plenary and close |



This conference would not have been possible without the assistance of the following organisations and people -

Lord Mayors Peace Committee

This Committee of about 20 peace-activists works to promote the city's agenda as a city of peace and reconciliation both within Coventry and more widely. We organise several annual events and projects including the Lord Mayor's Peace Lecture, Hiroshima Commemoration, Coventry and Warwickshire School's Peace Poem and Coventry Peace Award as well as conferences for children and young people. It is a representative committee and includes people from a variety of organisations in the city who support its aims. For further information please see https://coventrycityofpeace.uk/lmpc/

RISING Global Peace Forum, Coventry University https://www.coventry.ac.uk/research/areas-of-research/trust-peace-social-relations/rising/

Coventry Cathedral https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/

Coventry Prevent Team https://www.coventry.gov.uk/prevent-3

Coventry Against Racism http://www.coventryagainstracism.co.uk/

Rethinking SecurityRethinking Security is a network of organisations, academics and activists working together for security based on justice, cooperation, and sustainability

Speakers:

Joanna Frew Is the Outreach Coordinator for the Rethinking Security network. She is an activist & researcher who has been involved in global economic justice, climate justice and anti-militarism work for 20 years. She is also a community gardener, historian of the British empire and lives in community with refugees and asylum seekers in north London.

Eniola Adekunle One of the Youth Commissioners for Coventry and is currently a sixth form student at Bluecoat Church of England School

Richard Dickson Is responsible for the RISING Global Peace Forum, a threeway partnership between Coventry University, Coventry Cathedral and Coventry City Council. Through a series of regular seminars, a daily dialogue online @RISINGforum and the annual RISING Global Peace Forum event RISING shares ideas and inspiration about building and sustaining peaceful and secure communities.

Adam Hedge - Hailing out of Coventry City, ShadowCV is a Recording Artist who uses complex and compelling lyrics & flows in everytrack, to captivate his organically grown audience and capture a growing fanbase. As well as producing, writing and recording his own music, ShadowCV is also a Music Mentor at Cardinal Newman Catholic School in Coventry, where he helps students to develop a range of skills in music & videography. Shadow has performed at festivals and concerts all over the U.K. and has racked up over 1 million views across YouTube since starting music in late 2015.











