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Signs of Peace Through Action

March 2022

Listening Matters: *Bridging Across Differences through Peaceful Dialogue*

Wed. March 30, 2022, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm EDT, Virtual Event | [Register Here](#)



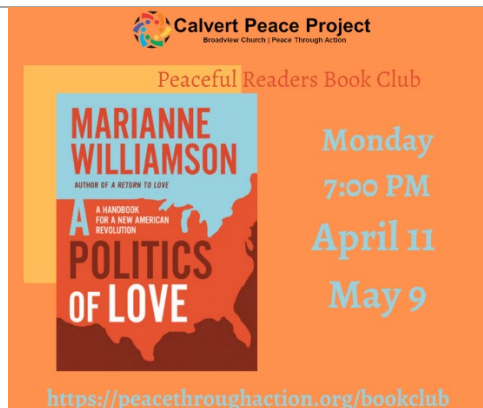
Listen First Project and Peace Through Action USA invite all with interest in doing something about the polarization dividing Americans to a virtual learning event on facilitated dialogue. The session, *Listening Matters: Bridging Across Differences through Peaceful Dialogue*, will take place Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm EDT. Register for this free event [here](#) or text DIALOGUES to 202-410-0372 for a link to the registration form on your smart device.

Listening Matters will establish the science, art, and act of listening as a fundamental element to bridging differences. We will introduce participants to an array of structured dialogue processes. Participants will learn how they can join or lead a civic dialogue in their community. And we will point you to listening opportunities upcoming through America Talks and the National Week of Conversation this upcoming April.

Register [Here](#)

Peaceful Readers Book Club | *A Politics of Love: A Handbook for a New American Revolution*

Mon. April 11, May 9, 2022, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm EDT Virtual Meeting | [Register Here](#)



Peace Through Action’s Peaceful Readers Book Club will read and discuss *A Politics of Love: A Handbook for a New American Revolution* by Marianne Williamson on Monday April 11 and Monday May 9, 7:00 pm EDT. Please join us for either or both sessions of the discussion. We welcome new members to the book club any time!

Register [Here](#).

Do Something for Peace—Join our Board of Directors!



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Position Announcement—Director

Peace Through Action USA wishes to augment and diversify its mission leadership and governing body—the board of directors.

This is an exciting moment in our organization's life to join our leadership body. We have completed our formation, are delivering our mission in earnest ... and planning our future.

We invite people willing to add their energy and talent to our board of directors to apply for a director position. See the full position announcement [here](#) and the director position description [here](#).

We accept applications for director positions on a rolling basis. The position application is [here](#).

Our board of directors is a growing body, not a "waiting board." Directors engage in strategic thinking, oversight and monitoring, and resources connecting. The board of directors elects the organization's director. Directors serve initial two-year terms with the possibility of serving subsequent terms. (The board of directors meets quarterly and convenes remotely).

We welcome applications from anyone with interest in increasing peace, bridging differences, and promoting social harmony in the United States. We especially encourage people with one or more of the following experiences to apply:

- People who identify as Black, Indigenous or a Person of Color
- People with a youth or young adult perspective
- People of all abilities
- People with corporate civic engagement experience
- People with high net social capital
- People with high net financial capital.

We expect to achieve and maintain an organization culture and practice of [equal opportunity and disability inclusion](#). We do not discriminate against any person on the basis of any actual or perceived protected trait of such person. We provide reasonable accommodations to people with disabilities and encourage such people to request accommodation at any point in time. To do so, please complete and return an [Accommodation Request Form](#).

Peace Through Action USA is missioned to increase peace between people and within communities in the United States of America by promoting caring action. We invite and equip Americans to implement practical peaceful solutions to aggression and violence in their communities and our country. We are a national-scope, charitable, civic and social capital-building organization.

Resources

- [Position Announcement](#)
- [Position Description](#)
- [Position Application](#)
- [Accommodation Request Form](#)
- [People Rights and Responsibilities Guide](#)

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Board of Director service not right for you, or not right now? Help us in our recruitment by passing word of our open director positions to people in your network who might be interested. Thank you!

Choose Compassion | Step 3—Compassion for Yourself



Our Peaceful Readers book club completed their discussion of Karen Armstrong's *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life* this past January. Armstrong sets out a twelve-step program that can lead each of us toward a more compassionate life.

We aim to present a very abbreviated step each month through December 2022. We encourage you to take the actions Armstrong suggests. You can rely on our briefest of "Cliff's Notes," or you might want to obtain a copy of *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life* through loan from your public library or through a bookstore.

Step 3—Compassion for Yourself. Armstrong invites us to love ourselves, as doing so is a precondition of our ability to demonstrate compassion for others. Suggestions for doing so include 1) reading chapter 3 of the book; 2) acknowledging our own pain, suffering, and weaknesses; 3) inventorying our good qualities, talents, and achievements; and 4) meditating on the four immeasurable minds of love (friendship, compassion, joy, even-mindedness).

Next Month... Empathy.

Do Something Right Away to Increase Peace

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