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The Spark, September 6, 2024. Special Karen Armstrong Humanitarian Awards Edition, Number 23



Voices of Compassion: The Echoes of Change

The Charter for Compassion, a global movement that seeks to bring to life the principles articulated in the [Charter for Compassion](#) through concrete, practical action, is proud to announce the recipients of the 2024 Karen Armstrong Humanitarian Awards, which will be presented at a [prestigious Gala Banquet in Monterrey, Mexico, during the XIX World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates](#). The awards, recognizing extraordinary contributions to humanity and the promotion of compassion, will be presented to two Nobel Peace Laureates, **Kailash Satyarthi** and **Dr. Rigoberta Menchú Tum**, along with **Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish**, renowned author of *I Shall Not Hate*. Additionally, two organizations dedicated to peace and youth empowerment, **PeaceJam** and **Seeds of Peace**, will also be honored.

Continue Reading about our 2024 Awardees Here!



19th World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates ***Cumbre Mundial de Premios Nobel Por La Paz***

September 18-21, Pabellón M. Monterrey, Mexico.

Nobel Peace Laureates, awarded organizations, prize recipients and Peace Laureates' foundations from around the world will be present in Monterrey Mexico for the **XIX Peace Summit**. The host for the event will be the Charter for Compassion Strategic Partner, **Encuentro Mundial de Valores (EMV)**.

Each year, for fifteen years, EMV has hosted a global conference for human values and this World Gathering is a unique collaboration of EMV and the Nobel Laureates Committee.

Charter for Compassion staff and volunteers will be present at this conference. **Come to our space and say hi!**

Learn More and Register Here



Compassion Banquet and Award Ceremony at the 19th World Summit of Noble Peace Laureates

September 19, 6.45pm, at Pabellón M. Monterrey, Mexico.

In the past, the Charter has gathered worldwide, in person and virtually, to recognize some of the most extraordinary and honorable people whose lives signify compassionate action to the 10th degree.

This year's recipients are: **Kailash Satyarthi, Dr. Rigoberta Menchú Tum**, along with **Dr. Izzeldin Abuelaish**, and two organizations dedicated to peace and youth empowerment, **PeaceJam** and **Seeds of Peace**.

Join us the evening of September 19 to celebrate who they are and to enjoy a memorable evening of inspiration, an opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy a vegan meal, a Charter for Compassion tradition.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Save the date for the virtual Charter for Compassion's

Global Youth Conference: Youth for Compassionate Advocacy & Actions

Join us in empowering young individuals to champion youth advocacy through compassionate actions as we bring together global youth leaders, youth activists and experts to reflect on ideas and ground-breaking insights on a world with more compassionate action.

[Apply to lead a session at the Global Youth Conference: Global Youth Conference Proposal Form](#)

Learn More and Register Here!

Charter for Compassion News, Programs, and Webinars



Harmony Of Humanity: Exploring Common Ground Through Music with Marilyn Turkovich

**Wednesdays, September 11, 25 at 8am PT /
11pm ET / 4pm BST / 8.30pm IST**

Music has been an integral part of every culture throughout history, reflecting the unique characteristics and traditions of different societies. From the rhythmic beats of African drums to the intricate melodies of Indian ragas, music provides insight into the lives, histories, and identities of people around the world. By studying various musical traditions, we gain a deeper appreciation for the diversity and richness of global cultures.

Register for this NEW Webinar Series!



Kitchen Table Chat with the Health Sector

Friday, September 6, (Every First Friday of the month!) at 8.30am PT / 11.30am ET / 4.30pm BST / 9pm IST

The health sector of the Charter for Compassion gather every first Friday of the month where everyone can share what's happening with friends in our work to elevate compassion. Tell us what you've been up to.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



EdNet Forum: "Advocating for Justice-Involved Youth: Disrupting the School to Prison Pipeline" with Kaylah Holland, Ed.D.

Thursday, September 12, at 7.30am PT / 10.30am ET / 3.30pm BST / 8pm IST

Students involved in the juvenile justice system often return to public school classrooms after spending time in a secure school located in a detention centers or incarceration facilities across the US. This session will highlight education inside the juvenile justice system, showcase how educators are creating engaging classrooms, offer examples of student created work, and outline how you can disrupt the school-to-prison pipeline by advocating for justice-involved students.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Social Justice Partner & Sector Meeting

**Friday, September 13, at 8am PT / 11am ET
/ 4pm BST / 8.30pm IST**

Much is happening with the Social Justice Sector of the Charter for Compassion and we want to find out what is happening with you.

We are excited to invite you to an important meeting aimed at convening our partners and sharing current and upcoming initiatives. Your presence and input would be greatly appreciated as we chart the way forward together.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Charter Education Institute:

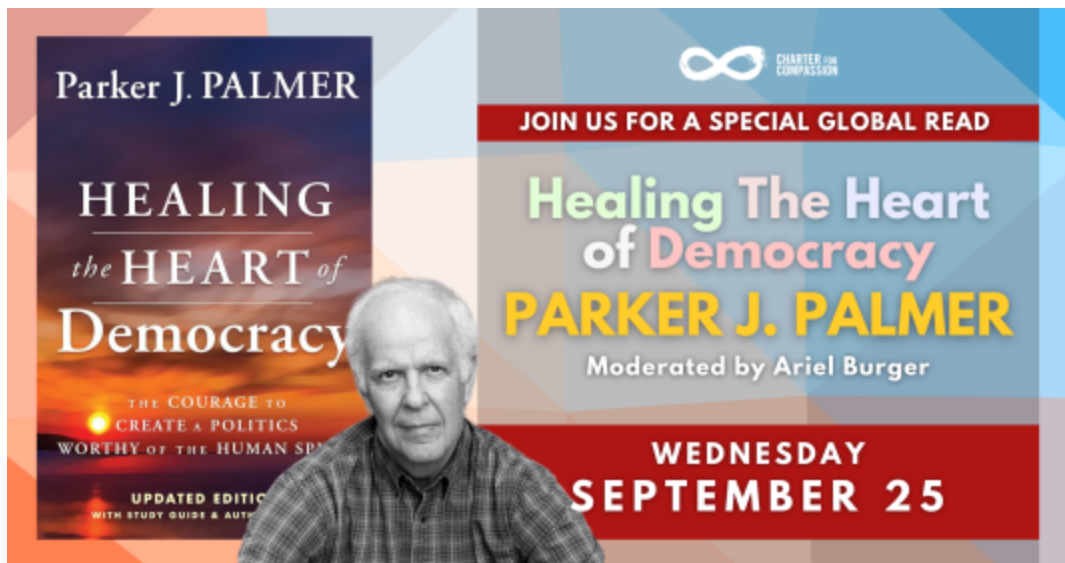
"Compassionate Listening for Our Time" with Kathleen Coyne, EdD

**7-week course from Sept. 15 to Oct. 30
Cost: US\$60**

The course will introduce compassionate listening as a way to be 'alive to' to belonging to all of creation: yourself, your family, your communities and the planet as a whole.

You will be invited to think of community in its most expansive form and offered opportunities to listen deeply to what our ancestors, people in other parts of the globe, the natural world, and future generations are asking of us.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Global Read: Healing The Heart of Democracy with Parker J. Palmer

Wednesday, September 25, at 9am PT / 12pm ET / 5pm GMT / 9.30pm IST.

How "We the People" can reclaim our democracy—updated with a discussion guide, author videos, and a new chapter-length Introduction.

In this updated edition of his prophetic book, renowned author and activist Parker J. Palmer celebrates the power of "We the People" to resist the politics of divide and conquer. With the U.S. now on a global list of "backsliding democracies," Palmer writes about what we can do to restore civil discourse, reach for understanding across lines of difference, focus on our shared values, and hold elected officials accountable. He explores ways we can reweave the communal fabric on which democracy depends in everyday settings such as families, neighborhoods, classrooms,

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Learn More and Register for this special Global Read



Allies in Action: Community and Partner Chat

Canada

Wed. Sept. 25, 4.30pm PT / 7.30pm ET

We are excited to extend an invitation to you, our esteemed members, partners, and compassionate communities, to come together for a special gathering focused on dialogue, idea generation, project sharing, and mutual support.

At this gathering, we aim to foster meaningful conversations, exchange innovative ideas, and address any concerns that you may have. Together, we can harness the power of collaboration to create tangible change at the local, national, and global levels.

Learn More About These Chats Here



Global Interfaith Compassion Challenge

Starts Sep 8, 2024!

Starting September 8th, join us and Service Space for a global 21-day Interfaith Compassion Challenge! Although 9/11 has become associated in recent years with terror and conflict, the date across history has been associated with movements of nonviolence, interfaith cooperation, and discovery. For example, in 1893, the first World's Parliament of Religions convened in Chicago on September 11. On the same date in 1906, Gandhi introduced nonviolent resistance (later called "satyagraha", or "soul force") at a mass meeting in South Africa -- and with that, a way of bringing about large-scale social action through compassion.

In the spirit of amplifying those values, we invite you to join us in exploring different ways to bring the timeless virtue of compassion into our lives -- and to weave together a tapestry of collective wisdom with kindred spirits (To date participants from 85 countries have registered)!

Learn How to Participate Here!

From our Partners



Compassionate Responses to Systemic Violence

Wednesday, September 11, 10am PT / 1pm ET / 6pm BST / 10.30pm IST

Compassionate Cities anyone?

[The Interfaith Center at Miami University](#) is hosting a panel conversation with Felipe Zurita, from Charter for Compassion; Will Rucker with [Compassionate Las Vegas](#), and Ann Helmke with [Compassionate San Antonio](#) and [Compassionate USA](#) (And also member of the Charter for Compassion Board of Trustees) discuss the work of Compassionate Communities, their value, and current projects that will give you a deeper understanding of the power of compassion and the growth communities experience through this program.

Register Here



Heal Democracy

Your Vote Matters: Empower Yourself and Strengthen Our Society

As we approach the November elections, it's crucial to remember the power of your vote. Voting is a powerful way to contribute to the health and well-being of our society. Every vote is a commitment to the values you hold dear and a step toward creating a better future.

Participating in the electoral process enhances your sense of empowerment and connection to the larger community. It's a reminder that we are part of a bigger whole, working together towards common goals. This engagement is non-partisan and benefits everyone.

Visit Heal Democracy for comprehensive tools to help you register, get informed, and participate fully in the electoral process.

[**Learn More Here**](#)



Faith in Elections Playbook by Interfaith America & Protect Democracy

Our freedoms depend on free and fair elections — and communities of faith can play a critical role in defending them.

The Faith in Elections Playbook supports faith-based, civic and campus communities with accessible, actionable resources to support the 2024 election.

This playbook is designed to make it easier for faith and community leaders to join work that is already happening across America to help the 2024 elections run smoothly, so that all eligible voters can access a ballot and every valid vote is counted.

Their purpose in compiling and curating this information, is to enable organizations to focus on taking actions that best align with their interests, their skills, and the needs of their communities.

[Learn More Here](#)



GoldenRuleism Resources

Many school children are returning to schools and education centres across the world this week in the Global South and North! We have two relevant and practical children's and educators/parents resources that have been designed by the GoldenRuleism Team, to be fun, interactive and functional ways to ease children back into their education environments and assist in navigating some of the completely rational nerves and excitement that comes with starting or restarting school again!

[Check Resources Here!](#)



It's Time for a Human Revolution

Save the Date! October 8-9, 2024

The Club of Rome, the Fifth Element and Soka Gakkai (SG) are co-organising an insightful one-day conference titled 'It's Time for a Human Revolution!'. This event will take place on 9 October 2024 at the SGI-UK Grand Culture Centre, Taplow Court, and is supported by SGI-UK and the Centre for Applied Buddhism.

This conference aims to bring together a diverse group of participants, including academics, professionals, youth activists, students, educators, and representatives from NGOs and international organisations. The discussions will focus on the critical theme of inner transformation and mutual learning, addressing the complex and interconnected global challenges humanity faces—what we call “the global problematique.”

The event seeks to foster deeper connections with the self, others, nature, and the environment.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



GLOW 2024

November 20 & 21, 2024

Learn more about the 3rd Annual **G**lobal **L**earning for an **O**pen **W**orld Conference.

GLOW is a premier virtual event dedicated to global education and innovation. This conference aims to enhance global competencies, foster cross-border collaboration, nurture dynamic global citizenship, and ensure equitable access to quality education for all.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Loving Classroom South Africa

Loving Classroom South Africa is an award winning organization that has transformed the lives of over 106,000 Children, in South Africa, by training teachers to cultivate Loving Classrooms through the Loving Classroom, Positive Relationship Education, program. The results were astounding! ***Help them transform the lives of even more Children through this fundraiser!***

Learn more and Support here!

If you are a Partner organization, or belong to a registered Compassionate City/Community with us, and want to promote your events in The Spark, the Charter for Compassion's newsletter, email contact@charterforcompassion.org

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Thursday, September 12 - With special guest Kathleen Coyne, instructor for the upcoming course: "Compassionate Listening for our Time".

If you'd like to be featured in the LIVE show, email felipe@charterforcompassion.org

Featured items on the Store



Infinity Logo Dad Hat

US\$30

Dad hats aren't just for dads. This one's got a low profile with an adjustable strap and curved visor.

[Shop Dad Hats](#)



Infinity Logo Beanie

US\$28

A snug, form-fitting beanie. It's not only a great head-warming piece but a staple accessory in anyone's wardrobe.

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