

# Transforming Conflict through Playback Theatre and Media

## At the 2014 Summer Peacebuilding Institute

Explore creative approaches for community building and mobilization, cultural activism, responses to trauma, and conflict transformation, through theatre and media. Hands-on and interactive, these courses will allow participants to bring real-world contexts into the classroom for practice and professional coaching.



*Playback theater in Palestine  
(Photo courtesy of Ben Rivers)*

**Playback Theatre for Conflict Transformation** Explore a form of theater where actors “play back” audience stories. Together, actors and audience build a collective narrative that reflects the community's ability to withstand and transform cycles of violence and oppression. No theater experience required; Taught by **Jo Salas** and **Ben Rivers**. (June 5 - 13, 2014)

**Media for Societal Transformation** Discover the power of digital and social media for promoting peace, building community, and transforming relationships. Learn basics of camera use, storytelling, and social media forums. No previous media experience necessary. Taught by **Paulette Moore** and **Danielle Taylor**. (May 5 - 13, 2014)

**Strategies for Trauma Awareness & Resilience** Discover processes and tools for addressing trauma, building resilience, and breaking cycles of violence. Increase awareness trauma's impact on the body, mind, beliefs and behavior of individuals, communities and societies. Taught by **Elaine Zook Barge** and **David Anderson Hooker**. (May 26-June 3, 2014)

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