

MAURICE J. AND FAY B. KARPf PEACE AWARDS

Statement of Purpose:

The Karpf Peace Awards are given annually to people who wish to work toward coexistence and peaceful ways of addressing and resolving conflicts of many sorts. The awards are meant to enhance peace culture as it evolves in our society and elsewhere in the world.

Eligibility:

Brandeis undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply for the awards. Under usual circumstances, no more than one award per year will be given to a graduate student. Applications are welcome from all undergraduates and graduate students; applicants do not need to be enrolled in the PAX (Peace, Conflict and Coexistence Studies) program.

Amount of the Award:

The awards come from a fund whose value varies from year to year. About \$2,000 total is granted each year, with no single award exceeding \$1,000. Usually, awards range from \$250 - \$700.

Selection criteria:

The selection committee considers the following criteria:

- 1) The significance and feasibility of the work proposed and its relevance to promoting a culture of peace, strengthening coexistence and furthering the purpose of the Karpf Award (see statement of purpose, above).
- 2) The likely benefit of the proposed project to the applicant and especially to others in the Brandeis community and beyond.
- 3) Clarity and coherence of the proposal, including the narrative and the budget.

Note 1: Proposals for collaborative projects are especially welcome.

Note 2: Karpf grantees are asked to present their project to the Brandeis community in the academic year following receipt of the award.

Selection Process:

Faculty and student members of the PAX steering committee evaluate applications. Student members applying for Karpf Awards do not take part in the review process.

Application Process:

1) Applicants are strongly encouraged to discuss their applications with Prof. Gordie Fellman, Chair of the PAX program, (Fellman@Brandeis.edu; ext. 62642) at least two weeks before the application deadline. (Note: in the past, many applicants have made mistakes or submitted weak proposals and missed the opportunity to be granted an award.)

2) Applications must be in one of these three categories (see below for details):

- a) Art works and essays on peace
- b) Travel grants for peace-related work.
- c) Seed money for peace projects.

3) Applicants should submit the following:

- a) An application cover sheet, completely filled out (see below).
- b) **A1** - 2 page narrative indicating how the proposed project addresses the mission of the **Karpf Peace Awards**.
- c) A resume that highlights peace-related study, activism, and **artistic/cultural** work.
- d) The names and contact information for two people who can serve as references about your seriousness, reliability, perseverance, and creativity.
- e) In addition, applicants should submit the following, according to the category of their proposal

I. For artworks and essays on peace: works of art related to peace include those that reveal the costs of violence, the commitment to non-violent struggle, and artistic expressions of any aspect of peace culture. These submissions might take the form of poetry (a substantial poem or group of poems), a play or scene or short story related to peace; slides of visual art; cassettes or **CDs** of music; or other forms of documentation appropriate to the work. This category covers only already completed works of art. Essays of 20-30 pages are included in this category of submission.

II. For travel grants and participation in a peace project or conference in this country or elsewhere: in addition to the narrative, submit brochures and other literature, reasons for your travel request, and an indication of how you intend to use what you learn at the conference or from the project. Submit a budget of travel and other anticipated costs.

III. For seed money for peace-related projects not involving travel (for example, for designing and organizing a project such as a community mediation service at Brandeis or in a nearby community, or a peace education project in local public or religious schools, or a dialogue): in addition to the narrative in this category, answer the following questions -

- i. Who will conduct the project? What experiences do they have relevant to the proposed project?
- ii. Who are the intended beneficiaries of the project?
- iii. What is your work plan? (A chart that includes tasks, **timeline** and persons responsible is very helpful.)
- iv. What is your budget? Indicate all of the sources of income, which are committed and which are possibilities, and, in a separate section, the expenses you anticipate. Note how you will proceed if you receive less money than you request.

4) All applications must be received by Friday, November 11.

5) Applications should be sent to:
Prof. Gordon Fellman,
Professor of Sociology

and Chair, Peace, Conflict, and Coexistence Studies
Pearlman 110, MS 071
Phone: 781-736-2642
E-mail: fellman@brandeis.edu

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APPLICATION COVER SHEET

Name _____

Undergraduate

Class Year _____

Majors and Minors (if known) _____

Graduate

Class Year _____

Degree and field of study _____

Phone _____ **E-mail** _____

Brandeis mailbox _____

Home Address _____

Check the category into which your project most nearly fits:

- Art works and essays on peace
- Travel grants for peace-related work.
- Seed money for peace projects.

One-paragraph description of the project: