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Abstract

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Accession No: H08-1671
Provenance: A. J. Muste Lecture Series
Donor: Donald Cronkite
Photographs: 7 images (Box 2)
Processed by: Madalyn Northuis, September 2012

History

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Scope and Content

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- History, 1985-1997
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- Speaker Address, Cronkite, Donald J., "I Cannot Love at All: Variations on a Theme by A. J. Muste," February 2, 2008
- Speakers
 - 1985: "A. J. Muste: An Historical Preface and Affirmation"
Robinson, Jo Ann, 1985
 - 1986: "Martin Luther King, Jr.: His Legacy for Today"
Deats, Richard B., 1986
 - 1987: "Vietnam and the United States: Twelve Years After"
Taylor, Keith, 1987-2007
 - 1988: "Christian Violence: A Chronic Pathology"
Inkpen, Priscilla G., 1987-1988

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- 1988: "Engagement with Adversaries: A Principle for Peacemakers"

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- Forest, Jim, 1987-1991
- 1989: “There is No Free Press Unless You Have One”
Pontier, Glen
- 1991: “Uphill All the Way: The Fate of Reconciliation in the Land of
Israel”
Padnos, Daniel, 1991
- 1992: “South African Political Prisoners and their Re-Entry into Society”
Mgqamqu, Noluthando Zonke, 1991-1992
- 1993: “Teaching Non-Violence”
Raley, Katherine D., 1991-1993
- 1994: “Toxic Waste and the Sweatshops of America”
O’Brien, Tom, 1994
- 1996: “Invisible Prison”
Perry, Kay D., 1996
- 1997: “Poems in Memory of A. J. Muste”
Berrigan, Daniel, 1996-1997
- 1998-1999: “The Church and Gay People”
White, Mel
- 1999-2000: “Teaching Peace”
McCarthy, Colman
- 2000: “Church and Gospel”
Kansfield, Norman, 1999-2000
- 2000: “Speaking Truth to Power”
Bourgeois, Father Roy
- 2002: “How to be a Peacemaker”
McCarthy, Coleman
- 2003: “The Way of Peace”
Bing, Anthony, 2003
- 2004-2005: “Becoming Unified”
Lindner, Eileen
- 2005-2006: “Polio, Palestine, and Peace”
Jallaa’ Abdelwahab, 2005
- 2006-2007: “The Power of Peace, the Weakness of War”
Arendshorst, Thomas, 2007
- 2007-2008: “I Cannot Love at All: Variations on a Theme by A. J. Muste”
Cronkite, Donald
- 2008-2009: “What the Torture Debate Reveals about American Christianity”
Gushee, David
- 2009-2010: *A Show of Force* (drama)
- 2010-2011: “Islam and the Practice of Non-Violence”
Erickson, Adam
- 2011-2012: “Another World Instead: Some Pacifist Poets and Poetics, from
William Stafford to Occupy Wall Street”
Merchant, Fred
- 2012: “A Thicker Jesus is the Basis for Just Peace Making”
Stassen, Glen, 2012

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- 2013-2014: “The Power of Nonviolence: Why Peaceful Methods Are More Effective than the Use of Force”
Cortright, David
- 2014-2015: “Reconciliation and Emergent Creativity: The Roles of Love and Hope in the Process”
Redekop, Vern Neufeld
- 2015-2016: “Strategies for Peacemaking in Israel/Palestine”
Kleinheksel, John, John D. Paarlberg, Paul H. Verduin
- 2016-2017: “Accept War and Terror or Build Peace and Justice?”
Johansen, Robert C.
- 2017-2018: “Calvinism, Class, and the Making of a Modern Radical: The Life of Hope Alumnus and Revolutionary A. J. Muste,”
Danielson, Leilah
- 2019: “What Would A. J. Muste Do Today?”
Mary E. Neznok
“Charting a New Way to a New Peace in Troubled Times”
George A. Lopez

Audiotape Cassettes of Speakers, 1985, 1989, 1991-1994, 1996-1997

Photographs, 1989-1992 (7 images)

Videos

“Peace is the Way,” Tony Bing, September 9, 2003

“Speaking Truth to Power,” Father Roy Bourgeois, September 7, 2000

Box 3

Muste Lecture Series Posters, 1985-1986, 1988-1989, 1992-1994, 1997, 2000, 2002-2003, 2007-2008, 2016-2018, 2019