

# **Los Angeles film showing: Israelism, May 11**

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# FILM SCREENING



*Israelism:* When two young American Jews raised to unconditionally love Israel witness the brutal way Israel treats Palestinians, their lives take sharp left turns. They join a movement of young American Jews battling the old guard to redefine Judaism's relationship with Israel, revealing a deepening generational divide over modern Jewish identity.

**SATURDAY  
MAY 11 6PM**

**HARRIET TUBMAN CENTER  
FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE**  
5278 W PICO BLVD, LOS ANGELES  
323-306-6240

## **Film Screening - ISRAELISM: "We came to Israel and we left from Palestine"**

When two young Jewish people in the U.S., raised to unconditionally love Israel, witness the brutal way Israel treats Palestinians, their lives take sharp left turns. They join a movement of young U.S. Jews battling the old guard to redefine Judaism's relationship with Israel, revealing a deepening generational divide over modern Jewish identity.

Sherna Berger-Gluck, long-time social justice & Palestine solidarity activist will speak. Berger-Gluck is the author of American Feminist in Palestine: The Intifada Years.

**Saturday, May 11, 6:00pm, Harriet Tubman Center for Social Justice, 5278 W Pico Blvd, LA.** Call 323-306-6240 for information.



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## **Saint Paul, MN: Protest Donald Trump, May 17**

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# PROTEST DONALD TRUMP

AT THE MN GOP  
LINCOLN REAGAN DINNER



FRIDAY, MAY 17  
TIME/PLACE TBA  
ST PAUL

## PROTEST DONALD TRUMP

Donald Trump will be in Saint Paul to headline the MN GOP Lincoln Reagan Dinner.

Join us to say NO to Trump and his whole reactionary agenda!

Save the date! Time and location info to be announced!

Protest call initiated by MIRAC, CAIR-MN & MNAAC



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## **Baltimore: All out for Rafah - Emergency Protest, May 7**

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**Baltimore: All Out for Rafah - Emergency Protest**

Tuesday, May 7 - 6:00 p.m.

Gather at MLK Blvd & Mulberry Street, Baltimore

Hosted by Baltimore Peoples Power Assembly



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# **Webinar: Remember the Odessa Massacre, May 2**

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**"MAY 2, 2024: REMEMBER THE ODESSA MASSACRE!"**

**A webinar sponsored by the Odessa Solidarity Campaign**

Thursday, May 2, noon - 1:15 pm (EST)

Click this URL to join: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84423011498>

If calling in, dial +16469313860 or +19292056099, then 84423011498#

The Odessa Solidarity Campaign invites you to attend an important webinar on May 2 that will explore the true nature of the government of Ukraine and expose the myth that it is a democracy unjustly targeted in an unprovoked war.

The webinar is timely for two reasons:

First, May 2 will mark 10 years since a fascist-led mob murdered at least 42 people when it set fire to the House of Trade Unions in Odessa, Ukraine. What has become known as the Odessa Massacre took place shortly after the U.S.-backed coup that overthrew the elected president of Ukraine and replaced him with a regime anxious to ally with the U.S. and its growing global military, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, NATO.

And second, the U.S. House of Representatives has just approved \$61 billion for the U.S. proxy war with Russia, along with \$26 billion for Israel to support its genocide in Gaza and billions for Taiwan, a provocative move certain to increase tensions with China.

The May 2 webinar will have four presenters, all of whom have visited Ukraine since the Odessa Massacre:

Bruce Gagnon - Coordinator, Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space (Maine)

Joe Lombardo - Coordinator, United National Antiwar Coalition (New York)

John Parker - Leading Member, Socialist Unity Party; Coordinator, Harriet Tubman Center for Social Justice (California)

Phil Wilayto - Coordinator, Odessa Solidarity Campaign; Editor, The Virginia Defender (Virginia)

The Moderator will be:

Alison Bodine - Representative, Fire This Time Movement for Social Justice (Vancouver)

There will also be a special presentation by a member of the Uhuru 3, leaders and supporters of the African People's Socialist Party who have come under severe political repression for speaking out against the U.S. role in Ukraine's war with Russia. The Uhuru 3 are scheduled to go to trial Sept. 3 in Tampa, Florida.

The May 2 webinar is being sponsored by the Odessa Solidarity Campaign and has been endorsed by:

Fire This Time Movement for Social Justice (Vancouver)

Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space

Harriet Tubman Center for Social Justice (Los Angeles)

Mobilization Against War and Occupation (MAWO) - Vancouver

Socialist Unity Party

United National Antiwar Coalition (UNAC)

Virginia Defenders for Freedom, Justice & Equality

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The Odessa Solidarity Campaign, a project of the Virginia Defenders for Freedom, Justice & Equality, was founded in 2016 after three U.S. antiwar activists answered a call from the Council of Mothers of May 2 for International Observers to attend the 2nd annual memorial of the Odessa Massacre, which several fascist paramilitary organizations were publicly threatening to attack. Every year since, the OSC has encouraged local actions to remember the massacre and support the Council of Mothers' demand for a genuine international investigation into the killings, something the Ukrainian government has yet to allow.



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# **SAVE THE DATE: People speak out to stop racism, poverty & World War III**

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# PEOPLE SPEAK OUT to STOP RACISM, POVERTY & WORLD WAR III



**We Need Jobs, Housing,  
Food & Healthcare**  
**FRIDAY, JAN 13**  
**6 pm to 9 pm**

*In honor of Dr. King's legacy*

**NYC - address to  
be announced**

## **SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

- Rev. Annie Chambers, National Welfare Rights Union co-chair & public housing advocate;
- John Parker, Harriet Tubman Center for Social Justice, Socialist Unity Party & CA U.S. Senate candidate who traveled to Donbass;
- Margaret Kimberly, Executive Editor Black Agenda Report;
- David Clemon, actor & activist;
- Melinda Butterfield. Struggle La Lucha, co-editor, author of U.S. Proxy War in Ukraine and Donbass;
- Berta Joubert, Women In Struggle;
- Ellie McCrow, Pratt Workers United organizing committee (partial list)

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**NO WAR & SANCTIONS**  
on the people of Russia,  
Donbass, China, Cuba, Haiti,  
Zimbabwe, Palestine,  
Philippines, Venezuela, Iran,  
Puerto Rico

**STOP FUNDING** white  
supremacy from Ukraine to  
the U.S.

**SHUT DOWN NATO**, the  
Pentagon & the CIA

**STOP** racism, transphobia,  
union busting, and attacks  
on women's rights, LGBTQ  
people and immigrants

# **SAVE THE DATE: People Speak Out to Stop Racism, Poverty & World War III**

**Friday, January 13, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Location TBA, New York City**

**IN HONOR OF DR. KING'S LEGACY:** We need jobs, housing, food and healthcare — not war!

NO WAR & SANCTIONS on the people of Russia, Donbass, China, Cuba, Haiti, Zimbabwe, Palestine, Philippines, Venezuela, Iran, Puerto Rico

STOP FUNDING white supremacy from Ukraine to the U.S.

SHUT DOWN NATO, the Pentagon & the CIA

STOP racism, transphobia, union busting, and attacks on women's rights, LGBTQ+ people and immigrants

SPEAKERS (list in formation):

- Rev. Annie Chambers, National Welfare Rights Union co-chair & public housing advocate;
- John Parker, Harriet Tubman Center for Social Justice & Socialist Unity Party, U.S. Senate candidate from California who traveled to Donbass;
- Margaret Kimberley, Black Agenda Report executive editor;
- David Clennon, actor & activist;
- Melinda Butterfield, Struggle-La Lucha co-editor, author of “U.S. Proxy War in Ukraine & Donbass”;
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## **Watch: End the U.S. blockade of Cuba rally in Washington, July 25**

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On July 25, a welcome rally was held for Cuban American “Miami to D.C.” walkers calling for an end to the U.S. blockade of Cuba.

Carlos Lazo, a Cuban American teacher and Iraq war veteran, has been on a 1,300-mile pilgrimage — with six other Cuban Americans—all the way from Miami. He

arrived in Washington, D.C., to present the Biden administration with a petition signed by over 25,000 people calling for an end to the U.S. blockade of Cuba, and demanding:

- the end of all sanctions
- restoration of remittances
- resumption of flights from the U.S., not only to Havana but to all the regional centers of Cuba
- reopening of the U.S. Embassy in Havana
- a restart to the program of family reunification

More than 400 supporters of Cuba turned out at Lafayette Park in front of the White House to greet Lazo's group and support his project of building bridges of solidarity between people in Cuba and the U.S.

Join the call to end the U.S. blockade now!

*SLL video: Raskia Ruwanpathirana*



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