

## Institute for PeaceBuilding (IPB)

The Institute for PeaceBuilding (IPB) works with schools, communities and organizations locally and globally to bring an experience and understanding of Peacebuilding practices. IPB offers unique ways of resolving conflict that give immediate results and build long-term conflict prevention.

The philosophy behind Institute for PeaceBuilding is that the building of a culture of Peace requires essential life skills that are not provided in the school curriculum. Creating Peacebuilders in our youth will ensure that we have future Peacebuilders as adults. IPB has reached youth in over 70 countries.

The Institute offers an array of programs and initiatives, and can tailor trainings and courses to the needs of the organization or community. Programs include:

### **Peace Education and Training**

- University and Community College Courses
- Assemblies and Residencies in schools, K-12
- Custom designed trainings for corporations
- Community Workshops
- Teacher Training
- Curriculum materials for teachers to integrate into their lesson plans
- National tele-classes and online classes
- Retreats

### **Publishing & Audio/Visual PeaceBuilding Resources**

- Peace Building Workbook called “Essential Tools for Peaceful Living”
- Book of Children’s Poetry
- Peace Book for Children
- CD of Children’s Peace Poetry
- Training videos called “Human Spirit at Work”
- CD of Peace Chants

### **Performances, Concerts and Conferences**

- Cultures of Peace improvisations using Interplay (music, dance & stories)
- Performances by Kamsisi Dance and Rhythm Ensemble
- Original cultural performances
- Co-sponsor and produce conferences on Peacebuilding themes

### **Peacebuilding in Media**

- Provide education about the need for media accountability and reform by speaking at conferences/programs and developing forums
- Develop a syndicated cable TV program on Peacebuilders
- Encourage more prime time programs about Peacebuilding
- Develop a Peace film festival

### **United Nations Initiatives, Programs and Education**

- Engaged in UN Reform Initiatives
- Provide advocacy, education, media outreach on UN issues
- UN correspondent for cable TV program
- Facilitate annual celebration of UN mandated International Day of Peace, September 21
- Training to advance UN principles
- UNICEF speaker/educator

The IPB co-Directors, Masankho Banda and Kimberly Weichel, have done Peacebuilding work in Africa, Europe, former Soviet Union, the US and with the United Nations. They are educators, social pioneers, trainers, authors and storytellers.

For more information, please contact Pathways to Peace.