



Nevada Desert Experience

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"Nonviolent Communities for a Nonviolent World" Justice for our Desert, October 6-8

Nevada Desert Experience invites you to join us for Justice For Our Desert, **October 6-8, 2023**, a weekend event with a cultural happening in Las Vegas, an experience in the desert, and peaceful witnesses at Creech Air Force Base and the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS, formerly the Nevada Test Site). Both Creech and the NNSS are desecrations of the land, its people and other creatures in Nevada and represent a threat to all life on the planet.



NONVIOLENT COMMUNITIES FOR A NONVIOLENT WORLD
OCTOBER 6TH - 8TH, 2023
WEEKEND
JUSTICE FOR OUR DESERT

OPEN MIC FRIDAY 10.6.23 6PM-8PM

-SIGN UP FOR OPEN-MIC 5:30PM
-PERFORMANCES BY:

- AUBREY DIGITAL
- MS. AYEVEE W/ SPECIAL GUEST
- ALICIA SINCERA
- JESUS SOLIS

SUNDAY 10.9.23 10AM-3PM

- SUNRISE AT THE GODDESS TEMPLE
- WITNESS AT NNSS
- COMMUNITY PAINTING & MURAL

SATURDAY 10.7.23 10AM-3PM

- YOGA AT CORN CREEK
- VIGIL AT CREECH AFB
- **CAMPING AT THE GODDESS TEMPLE**

Friday, October 6, Poetry and Music at The Center

Justice For Our Desert begins Friday evening, October 6 at **6:00 p.m.** at **The Center**, 401 S. Maryland Parkway in Las Vegas. Local musicians and poets will perform and there will be an open mic for walk-ons. Food and drink will be served.

In the spirit of this year's theme, "Nonviolent Communities for a Nonviolent World," NDE is inviting activists from local organizations and communities to table and to make short presentations of their work and witness. Admission is by freewill donation. Walk-ins are welcome, but we would appreciate a heads up if you are coming!

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OCTOBER 6TH - 8TH, 2023

JUSTICE FOR OUR DESERT

BAN THE BOMB

LIVE PERFORMANCES FEATURING...

OPEN MIC

FRIDAY 10/6/23 6PM-8PM

SPOKEN WORD ARTISTS

MUSIC AUBREY DIGITAL

MS. AYEVEE W/ SPECIAL GUEST

ALICIA SINCERA

JESUS SOLIS

THE CENTER LV
401 S MARYLAND PKWY, LAS VEGAS, NV 89101

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The poster is blue with various text and graphics. It includes a logo for Nevada Desert Experience, a peace symbol, and a 'BAN THE BOMB' sign. It features photos of three artists: Ms. Ayevee, Alicia Sincera, and Jesus Solis. The event is titled 'JUSTICE FOR OUR DESERT' and 'OPEN MIC'. The date is Friday, October 6, 2023, from 6 PM to 8 PM. The location is The Center LV at 401 S Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89101.

Saturday, October 7, Yoga at Corn Creek, Vigil at Creech AFB, Camping at the Goddess Temple

On Saturday morning at **8:30**, a simple breakfast will be served at NDE's base at 1420 West Bartlett Avenue, Las Vegas, including introductions and a brief discussion of NDE's history, its mission and commitment to nonviolence.

At **10:00 a.m.**, we will meet at the Corn Creek Visitors' Center of **The Desert National Wildlife Refuge**, 16001 Corn Creek Road off Hwy 95, for a session of yoga and meditation. This will be followed by a picnic lunch and time to enjoy being in the desert.

At **3:00 p.m.**, we will meet in the parking lot in front of Terrible's casino and gas station in Indian Springs, just up Hwy 95 from Las Vegas, to briefly witness a perpetual video loop celebrating nuclear testing and killing by drone in a crass commercial context. NDE activists will offer a brief counter narrative.



At **3:30**, we will gather at the old gate of Creech Air Force Base in Indian Springs, north of the main gate along Highway 95 for a vigil of prayer and song at the center of drone warfare and assassination for the U.S. military and the CIA. NDE began protesting there in 2009. The evidence is clear that war from a distance by remote control is an instrument of terror that exacts a horrific toll on civilians abroad and moral injury on troops at home.

In the evening, we will gather at the **Temple of Goddess Spirituality** in Cactus Springs where we will serve a simple supper at **6:00** and camp for the night. Camping conditions on the Temple grounds are simple, but sunset and sunrise in the desert are breathtaking and October nights are usually mild. NDE has some tents, pads and sleeping bags available to lend, please let us know. There may be limited indoor accommodations.

Sunday, October 8, Sunrise at the Temple, Witness at NNSS and painting in the Tunnels

Sunrise, a ritual at the Temple followed by breakfast at **8:00 a.m.**

At **10:00 a.m.**, Justice For Our Desert will gather at the gates of the NNSS for a short time of reflection and prayer and an opportunity to speak to police and representatives of the National Nuclear "Security" Administration who may be present. The NNSS, established on land stolen from the Western Shoshone nation, was the primary testing location of American nuclear devices from 1951 to 1992; 928 announced nuclear tests occurred there, making it the most bombed place on earth. Today it continues as the site of "subcritical" nuclear tests and other research for new nuclear bombs and for the "life extension" of old ones. NDE has witnessed for justice at the test site for more than 40 years.



From the NNSS, we will move to the tunnels under Hwy 95 that lead to the historic **Peace Camp**.



In 2007, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office had determined that Peace Camp is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places and that the graffiti scrawled on tunnels under the highway “possess high artistic values” deserving to be protected by law! NDE will provide paints, brushes and other materials for that Justice for our Desert can make it's contribution to history!

Let us know if you are coming

Even if you are local in Nevada, it will help us plan to know who to expect.

FOR TRAVELERS WHO NEED ACCOMODATIONS FOR FRIDAY NIGHT: There will be limited space indoors on Bartlett Street, and a few beds and couches and tents can be set up in the yard. Please let us know early and we will try to accommodate you.

Please Register at <http://nevadadesertexperience.org/jfod>

NDE Joins Protests of "Nuclear Sharing" at Bases in The Netherlands and Germany



From August 4-10, NDE coordinators Vera Anderson and Brian Terrell joined an international Peace Camp and protests aimed on removing the U.S. nuclear weapons still stationed at the Netherlands' Volkel Air Base, 85 miles south of Amsterdam. Coordinated by the Amsterdam Catholic Worker community, "Peace Camp Volkel" focused on "climate and a future without nuclear weapons."

"Over \$860 billion was given to the Department of Defense last year. I consider how hard it is for me and my friends to afford college tuition. Millions of U.S. citizens work at companies that pay below the living wage. I participated in vigils and demonstrations at Volkel Airbase in the Netherlands. We protested against European defense ministries and the United States Pentagon (Department of Defense) early in August. The U.S. government's focus is on building up military forces around the world with nuclear and modern weapons like the F-35 Fighter jet, hellfire missiles, and ninja bombs, which unleash six blades that fly in quickly, crush, and slice the human being and present all over the world.

"About 100 B61 nuclear bombs are stored in host nations for the United States, including Volkel Airbase in the Netherlands. Since its inception, nuclear weapons have proven an imminent risk. I was asked if the vigils and protests were only symbolic or indicative of substantive change. After considering the matter, I decided to take the symbolic yet realistic changing position. Small groups or a single voice raising awareness is equivalent to a drop in the ocean. The waters are amplified as individuals and organizations continue to use the one drop. Through amplification, more people begin to have more faith in real change when it comes to living in a world without nuclear weapons, where there are no billionaires who dare to invest in the death and destruction of living things and our living planet and a world where there is genuinely nonviolence." Vera Anderson




Sixteen activists with pink shovels arrested at Volkseilooze air base



On August 9, the 78th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, 16 nuclear abolitionists and climate activists were arrested when they started to dig a tunnel under the fence of Volkseilooze Air Base in the Netherlands. The international group of Dutch, German, Italian and


American activists meant to occupy the runway and call to abolish nuclear weapons and CO2 emissions by the armed forces. U.S. nuclear weapons are stockpiled at Volkel as part of NATO's "nuclear sharing" practice that continues in contradiction of the 1970 Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty.



The Opposite of War is Creation
 Death, Pollution, and Machines
 10+ tons of CO2 extinguished upon our blue sky
 Host housing destructive forces
 100 United States Owned Nuclear Weapons
 Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, Italy, and Turkey
 F-16 Fighting Falcon / F-35 Fighter Jet
 Hearing the screeching screams
 Eyes looking up to
 A Dance of Death
 Swirling in the comfort of a blue sky
 Rainbows and rain
 The beauty of life
 A Picnic in fields
 Wildflowers purple, yellow, and orange
 A Community of friends
 A reminder I am not the only one
 Symbolic representations
 Pink shovels, Life-size books, Blown-up Earth,
 Saxophone, Guitar, and music of Anarchist song
 It will never be okay to destroy the spirit of life
 A Dance of Death
 Above the little one's head
 The opposite of war is creation
 Peace Nonviolence
 Vera Love

International activists blockade NATO nuclear base in Germany





From the Netherlands, Brian and other activists traveled on to another "nuclear sharing" base in Germany.

On August 14, 11 activists (two from the Netherlands, three from Germany, one from Italy and five from the U.S.) blocked the gate of Büchel air base in Germany that is used for construction work to prepare the base for new nuclear bombs and new fighter bomber jets. U.S. veteran Dennis Duvall wrote in pink paint on the driveway "Tatort" (crime scene) and "Atombomben" (atom bombs) to indicate that nuclear weapons are a crime under the German Constitution and International Law. The group also pasted Articles 1 and 2 of the Non Proliferation Treaty on the access road.

After blocking the road for more than two hours, the 11 were arrested and released after being banned from the vicinity for 24 hours.



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