

I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Update & RICAGV Fundraiser
October 2017



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Dear Friends,

The recent events in Las Vegas are a frightening example of the escalation of gun violence we continue to suffer here in the US. It is with a heavy heart that we continue our advocacy work for responsible gun laws that will protect our families from these disasters. Real change can happen now but we must all step up and take action: call and e-mail your legislators and representatives and demand action; donate generously to advocacy groups that will keep the pressure on our elected officials to demand change. In Rhode Island they are listed [here](http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Email/RepEmailListDistrict.asp). (http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Email/RepEmailListDistrict.asp)

This September, after many years of hard work, we were able to celebrate the passage of the [Protect Rhode Island Families Act](https://www.billtrack50.com/BillDetail/826844). (https://www.billtrack50.com/BillDetail/826844) The legislation, sponsored by **Representative Teresa Tanzi** and **Senator Harold Metts**, and co-sponsored by many other members of the General Assembly, will protect victims of domestic violence, and all Rhode Islanders, by disarming dangerous convicted domestic abusers as well as those subject to restraining orders. This is a huge victory for the gun violence prevention movement in Rhode Island, and it would not have been possible without your support.

Thank you!

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This is what has been happening with the I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now exhibition:

-This past July, the [Association for Contemporary Annual Conference](#) was held at Sheffield Hallam University, UK. Artist Dauvit Alexander invited me to present on I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now. The conference was inspiring and the talk was well-received. Mr. Dauvit and colleague Professor Norman Cherry are considering launching a similar exhibition in the UK. <http://www.acj.org.uk/index.php/conference>

- September 21-24, [Haystack School of Crafts](#). Paul Sacaridiz, Director of Haystack School of Crafts invited me to be a presenter at the Haystack Art School Collaborative conference where colleagues PJ Gubatina Policarpio, Wendy Jacob, Nancy Blum and CERF+ (Sylvie Rosenthal, Jenifer Simon) and I engaged with students and faculty from 12 art colleges. For my workshops, we used a cache of disabled weapons to collaborate while discussing the process of turning weapons into art for peace. <http://www.haystack-mtn.org>

- Two new future venues for I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now are confirmed and include the following:
January 19-20, 2018: opening at the [Kentucky Center for African American Heritage](#) (Louisville, KY) and **Art Seed** (New Albany, IN), a new non-profit will co-host the exhibition. All are welcome, stay tuned for more information about programming. The show will be on display until March 17th. <http://www.kcaah.org>

April 5-6, 2018: opening at the [Craft Alliance](#) and **Maryville University**, St.Louis, MO. <https://craftalliance.org>

Rhode Island Coalition Against Gun Violence (RICAGV) Fundraiser:

Help us to support the [RICAGV](#) (<http://www.ricagv.org>) by attending our fundraiser held at the Roger Williams Park Casino, Tuesday, October 17 from 6-8pm. Enjoy cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and conversation. The 'Gun Violence Prevention Impact Award' will be presented. 30 books from the I.M.A.G.I.N.E. Peace Now show were donated and will be available for purchase. Please RSVP to Nan Heroux: RICoalitionAgainstGunViolence@gmail.com

Thanks again for all your friendship, support and advocacy!

Peace!

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Invite you for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres
and conversation

Tuesday, October 17, 2017
6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

The Casino at Roger Williams Park
1000 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island

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Gun Violence Prevention Impact Award

TO BE HONORED POSTHUMOUSLY TO

Bill Malinowski

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