

Dear Friends,

Greetings from Pacifica Institute. We hope you had a great and enjoyable labor day weekend with your friends and family.

In this issue, you will read about a recent "Pacifica Connects" Asia-Pacific trip with a legislature delegation from Hawaii and Alaska; you will find a significant article which denounces violent extremism carried out in the name of religion; you will see the announcement for and learn about the International Children's Festival scheduled to take place in San Jose this coming October; and finally you will find the AFSV press release on the recent media crackdown in Turkey.

Please know that we always welcome your feedback in helping us to better serve the community.

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State Legislature delegation from Alaska and Hawaii Joined the Pacifica Asia-Pacific Trip

Pacifica Institute hosted State Legislature delegation from States of Alaska and Hawaii in 'Pacifica Connects' Asia-Pacific Intercultural Dialog Trip in Thailand-Cambodia in Aug 2015.

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Fethullah Gulen's Article on The Wall Street Journal against Violent Extremism: Muslims Must Combat the Extremism Cancer

As the group that calls itself Islamic State, known as ISIS, continues to produce carnage in the Middle East, Muslims must confront the totalitarian ideology that animates it and other terrorist groups. Every terrorist act carried out in the name of Islam profoundly affects all Muslims, alienating them from fellow citizens and deepening the misperceptions about their faith's ethos.

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International Children's Festival

International Children's Festival is organized as a flagship event by Pacifica Institute with the goal of bringing together children from different world cultures and communities in the Bay Area. More than 3000 people attend the festival that



includes traditional dances, performances, arts and crafts, children's activities and food. We are proud to say the International Children's Festival has been celebrated for six years now.

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AFSV Statement on Media and Business Crackdown in Turkey

The Alliance for Shared Values denounces the politically-motivated raids on Koza Ipek holding group, publisher of opposition Bugun daily, as well as the arrest of two British journalists and their translator.

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