

"No More Afghanists-- The Cost of Endless War"



The daughters of Nur Agha Akbari, killed by gunmen in Afghanistan in June, sit at his graveside (Voices for Creative Nonviolence photo).

A Forum Marking 12 Years Since the Invasion & Occupation

Saturday, October 5, 2013 7:00 PM

First Unitarian Church-Fuller Hall (basement) 1011 SW 12th, Portland

In the 12 years since 9/11 and the US invasion of Afghanistan, the US has engaged in perpetual war. Despite the proposed drawdown of troops, it is likely the US will continue to occupy and influence as they have to some extent in Iraq. Drone attacks in Pakistan, Yemen, and Somalia (and threats against Iran and Syria) continue while the US economy suffers and veterans returning home with physical and psychological wounds continue to be ignored. Women and children, who are always at risk of violence, often suffer disproportionately in wartime.

The forum is expected to include a discussion with Afghan peace activists who are in Kabul.

Event coordinated by Peace and Justice Works Iraq Affinity Group.

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