

A Brandeis Display of Unity, Support, Love, and Peace December 3, 2010

On December 3 2010, the Westboro Baptist Church (WBC) is coming here to "picket the Hillel at Brandeis University." Their message of hatred against Judaism and American college students, is one which we find fundamentally offensive.

Our community is rooted in social justice, empathy, acceptance, and academic discourse. Brandeisians share a drive to create a vibrant community based not merely on our vital commonalities, but on the combined strengths of our differences.

The soul of Brandeis is found in our common values, including the need to stand strong against hatred and bigotry. An attack on one of us is an attack on all of us. These values compel us to affirm our support for Hillel, and all of the Brandeis family – students, alumni, faculty, and staff.

On December 3, 2010, the WBC wishes to bring its message of hate to Brandeis. We, however, commit to joining with other members of our community to exemplify and celebrate our commitment to diversity, tolerance, and mutual respect.

Celebrate Brandeis Kickoff, 8:30-9:00 AM, Great Lawn

"One Day" by Matisyahu, performed by Manginah

Remarks from Daniel Acheampong, Student Union President, and Andrea Wexler, Hillel President

Performance by Jamele Adams, Associate Dean of Student Life

"Commit to Celebrate Statement"

Prayer from the Interfaith Chaplaincy

"Od Yavo Shalom Aleinu (Salaam)"

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Peace will yet come to us
Peace will yet come to us
Peace will yet come to us
And to everyone

עלינו שלום יבוא עוד עלינו שלום יבוא עוד עלינו שלום יבוא עוד כולם ועל

Od yavo shalom aleinu Od yavo shalom aleinu Od yavo shalom aleinu V'al kulam

סלאאם העולם כל ועל עלינו *סלאאם, סלאאם*

Here are some of the many things that will be happening on the Great Lawn from 9:00-9:30

- o The Hora and other dances with Adagio and B'yachad
- o Painting the "Celebrate Brandeis" mural
- o Improv with False Advertising
- o Face painting with Triskelion
- o Make a plant for your room at the "Green Table"
- o Meditation Circle with Sangha
- o Chalk Art and Trivia with Brandeis Interfaith Group (BIG)
- o Dreidel Tournament

Free Breakfast and Coffee Music provided by WBRS

Join us for activities all day in the SCC including:

- o Art Displays in the Art Gallery
- o Performance Groups in the Atrium from 9:30-11:00 am
- o Open lunch (with Thai food) and discussion from 1:30-3:00 pm
- Corey Hope Leaffer, a Brandeis Alum and union organizer, will conduct a teach-in on leadership development, working in strong teams, and building effective organizations from 3:00- 4:30 pm
 Stay tuned for information other events as well!