



LANESBORO ARTS  
ST. MANE THEATRE

# IN PEACE WITH HONOR

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PROGRAM SERIES UTILIZING ART & CULTURAL EXCHANGES AS A PLATFORM FOR STORYTELLING, UNDERSTANDING & RECONCILIATION SEPTEMBER 21 THROUGH 30, 2017



TH. SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> 6:30PM

## RETURN OF THE SWORD DISCUSSION & PRESENTATION

with Ron Amdahl, Marie Amdahl, Karyl Tammel, Caren Stelson, & JoAnn Blatchley

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206 PARKWAY AVENUE N

In 2013, Lanesboro resident & WWII veteran Capt. Orval Amdahl returned a hand-crafted Japanese WWII sword, taken with U.S. permission as a war trophy, to the son of the Japanese soldier from Nagasaki who originally owned it. Amdahl showed the sword to author Caren Stelson, and told her, "I want to give this back in peace, with honor." With the help of the Saint Paul-Nagasaki Sister City Committee, the Amdahl family & the Motomura family of Nagasaki were brought together for a ceremony at Como Park in St. Paul. Orval's story attracted attention on an international scale as a symbol of peace & reconciliation between two nations and two peoples.



SAT. SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> 7:30PM

## FILM: 'PICTURES FROM A HIROSHIMA SCHOOLYARD'

Q&A + Discussion with Mr. Melvin Hardy and film producer Shizumi Manale

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A collection of surprisingly joyful drawings created by school children living among the ruins of Hiroshima in 1947 becomes the heart and soul of this true, inspiring story about an exchange of gifts between Americans and Japanese after a devastating war. This powerful documentary about reconciliation and the power of gift, introduces the children artists (now in their late 70s) who reflect on their early lives amidst the rubble of their destroyed city and the hope they shared through their art. In 2010, the newly restored drawings, buried for decades deep inside All Souls Church in Washington DC, are taken back to Japan where they are reunited with the artists and exhibited in the very building where they were created.



#### ART EXHIBIT: 'PICTURES FROM A HIROSHIMA SCHOOLYARD'

prints of the drawings from the film on display  
Sept. 21-23 and 28-30  
1PM TO 5PM & BEFORE EVENTS  
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#### HISTORY EXHIBIT: 'FROM WAR TO RECONCILIATION'

Hiroshima Nagasaki Peace Exhibition  
Sept. 21-23 and 28-30  
1PM TO 5PM & BEFORE EVENTS  
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#### BOOK PRESENTATION: 'SACHIKO' WITH AUTHOR CAREN STELSON

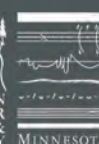
Award Winning Narrative Non-Fiction  
Saturday, Sept. 23 at 2PM  
LANESBORO ARTS GALLERY  
103 Parkway Avenue N



#### PEACE SITE DEDICATION AT EAGLE BLUFF

with Shizumi Manale, Melvin Hardy & World Citizen guests  
Friday, Sept. 29 at 1PM  
SCHROEDER BLDG AT Eagle Bluff  
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