

An invitation to bring healing and community change in response to tragedy

Making the Dream a Reality

Thank You Volunteers

Minnesota summers are a wonderful time to take a walk through the Philando Castile Peace Garden thanks to the efforts of our volunteers! We recognize and thank the volunteers that continue the upkeep and beautification of the Peace Garden. Thank you for the generous support, and the gift of your time to preserve the Peace Garden as a beautiful and peaceful place of reflection and remembrance in the community!

Did you know volunteers are appreciated and needed all year round? Can you help with garden clean up, mowing, weeding or even fundraising? We want to hear from you!
Please fill out the volunteer form today and let us know how you can help!
https://philandocastile-peacegarden.org/volunteer/



AARP Community Challenge Funds Impact

Thanks to community support and funds awarded from the 2020 AARP Community Challenge, the Philando Castile Peace Garden was planned and site prepared. From there, continued support and grants allowed the Peace Garden to become what it is today. The purpose and the importance of the Peace Garden has not diminished over the years, and with understanding and sharing its message, Philando's legacy will continue to grow well beyond the Peace Garden itself.

This video from AARP features community leaders highlighting how the garden came to be and the hope for the future.
Watch here: AARPCommunityChallenge

It's Time to Talk: Forums on Race

The YWCA Minneapolis will be hosting the 21st annual It's Time to Talk" Forums on Race. The event will be held virtually and is free and open to the public. The forum will provide an opportunity for all to engage on the topics of race and racism. Keynote speaker Dr. Marc Lamont Hill, breakout speakers Dr. Joi Lewis and Kyle "Guante" Myhre will address participants and lead breakout sessions. For more information, see event details: https://ywcampls.org/event/its-time-to-talk-forums-on-race/



Image: Dr. Marc Lamont Hill, credit: ywcampls.org

The Meaning Behind the Sculptures

Have you walked through the Philando Castile Peace Garden and noticed the large metal sculptures? These sculptures are actually West African Adinkra symbols. Each symbol represents its own guiding

principle, and most commonly signify a tribute to Philando. Here are two examples, and more will be featured in future newsletters.





Each symbol, carefully selected and constructed holds a powerful message of healing and unity, the mission of the garden.

Follow the Peace Garden on Social Media

Are you following us on social media? You can find the Philando Castile Peace Garden on Facebook and Instagram @philandocastilepeacegarden. Please accept your invitation to these platforms to help bring healing, community change and peace. Learn more about the Peace Garden and get information on upcoming events.

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