- 19TH INTERNATIONAL - HUMAN RIGHTS SUMMIT

EVENT AGENDA

Theme: Education for Peace • July 24–26, 2025 | New York City

Hosted by United for Human Rights and Youth for Human Rights International In partnership with international NGOs
Co-sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Timor-Leste to the United Nations

Summit Overview

The 19th International Human Rights Summit is a global gathering of youth leaders, diplomats, government officials, educators, human rights advocates, and civil society representatives from around the world. With a non-political focus on Education for Peace, the Summit centers on the power of human rights education to foster peace across generations and borders.

Day 1: Thursday, July 24 – United Nations Headquarters

Location: United Nations, New York City

Registration: Begins at 9:00 AM **Program:** 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM **Lunch Break:** 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Program Highlights:

- Opening Ceremony of the 19th International Human Rights Summit
- **Keynote Addresses** by UN Member State Representatives and Dignitaries
- Youth Delegate Presentations: Voices from around the world
- Panel Discussion: Generation of Change Youth at the Forefront of Human Rights

Youth leaders share how they use education and activism to advance the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Panel: Human Rights Education for Peace
 Educators and scholars present successful models of human rights education in action.

Day 2: Friday, July 25 – United Nations Headquarters

Location: United Nations Headquarters **Registration (for new arrivals):** 9:00 AM

Program: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM **Lunch Break:** 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Program Highlights:

- Acknowledgment of Human Rights Heroes
 Honoring individuals and organizations making extraordinary contributions to peace and justice.
- Special Presentations By Human Rights Leaders
- Panel: Policies into Practice Governments Advancing Human Rights
 Officials discuss institutional implementation of human rights through education, training, and governance.
- Panel: From Commitment to Action Making Human Rights a Reality NGOs share field-based strategies for protecting vulnerable communities and translating rights into real-world change.
- Panel: Creative Voices for Human Rights
 Artists and media professionals explore the role of storytelling, music, and film in promoting awareness and empathy.
- Closing Remarks

Day 3: Saturday, July 26 – Human Rights Forum & Youth Workshop

Location: Church of Scientology of New York

Address: 227 W 46th Street, New York, NY 10036 (Times Square)

Light Breakfast: 9:30 AM **Program:** 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM **Lunch:** 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Morning Session: Forum for Dialogue Between Youth and Human Rights Leaders

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

This interactive forum brings together youth delegates and veteran human rights leaders in a moderated dialogue. Participants will explore the role of education in bridging experience and activism, and reflect on the future of global human rights work.

- Moderated panel discussion between youth and adult panelists
- Cross-generational perspectives on peacebuilding and civic responsibility

Afternoon Session: Human Rights Workshop

Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

An in-depth, hands-on session designed for Youth Delegates and interested guests. The workshop will focus on turning knowledge into action through community organizing, project planning, and education-based outreach. The workshop will end with an engaging performance and celebration.

Evening Session: Youth Delegate Activities

Time: 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

A dynamic close to the Summit, this youth-led segment includes a peace walk to Times Square and a petition drive for human rights education.