

August 8, 2018

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

## Rise Arts Tour with the Peace Poets in Ukiah August 19th

A day-long Art and Music Party to prepare for the Global Climate March in San Francisco

Contact: The Mendocino Environmental Center at (707) 234-3236

**The Rise Arts & Peace Poets Tour** is coming to Ukiah on Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> for a day long hands-on art-build workshop, including screen printing, painting and a street mural training. The Peace Poets will teach a chant-leading workshop, and perform a hip-hop/spoken word concert in the evening. The event will take place at the Veteran's Memorial Building at 293 Seminary Avenue in Ukiah, and begins at 2pm. The art build is FREE, and there is a sliding scale donation of \$0-\$15 at the door for the Peace Poets Concert that evening at 7:30pm. The Rise Arts Tour is hosted by the Mendocino Environmental Center, and is an all-ages event.

For more info call the MEC at (707) 234-3236 or email [mecactionlist@gmail.com](mailto:mecactionlist@gmail.com)

### Rise Arts Tour Ukiah Schedule

2pm: Art Build--Sign & Banner Painting, Screen Printing

3:30-5pm: Song & Chant Leading Training with The Peace Poets

5pm: Street Mural Training

7:30pm: Concert--The Peace Poets

### Background:

On Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, thousands will march in San Francisco for Climate, Jobs, & Justice as part of a massive worldwide day of action before Governor Jerry Brown's Global Climate Action Summit.

**The Peace Poets** are a group of song leaders and trainers, songwriters of popular anthems for many social movements, and performance rap crew. The foremost grassroots movement song group in the United States, they will engage the audience, teach songs, and share their mix of singing, hip hop, and spoken word for a better world. <http://thepeacepoets.com>

**Rise Arts** is affiliated with the climate group 350.org, and **aims to center** arts and culture in their organizing, outreach, and mobilization. Art can powerfully tell our stories, reach our communities, and win change.

**The Rise Arts & Peace Poets Tour** will travel to cities in California cities from August 15th to Sept 8th to help local groups and communities build momentum, and mobilize to the historic Rise for Climate Jobs and Justice event.

As extreme hot and dry conditions unleash historic catastrophic fires, Mendocino and Lake County communities are on the front line of the Climate Crisis. The MEC believes that images and songs from our community will be an important part of the Climate Justice message at the March.