



SEEKING COMMON GROUND
invites you to the 4th Annual Circles of Change
Awards Breakfast, an inspiring morning where we
honor individuals from our local, national, and
international community who, in the face of
adversity, choose to create positive change.

2009 Circles of Change Honorees

WILLIAM L. URY

Over the last 30 years, William L. Ury has served as a negotiation adviser and mediator in conflicts ranging from corporate mergers in the United States to ethnic conflicts in the Middle East, the Balkans, and the former Soviet Union. Ury co-founded Harvard's Program on Negotiation where he currently directs the Global Negotiation Initiative. He is the co-author of *Getting to Yes: Negotiating Agreement Without Giving In*. His most recent project is the Abraham Path Initiative, which seeks to address the growing chasm between the world of Islam and the West by creating a permanent path of tourism in the Middle East that retraces the footsteps of Abraham.



SENATOR MICHAEL JOHNSTON

Senator Mike Johnston is a nationally recognized school principal, author, state senator and education entrepreneur. He has served as one of President Obama's top three education advisors during the presidential campaign and continues to advise the White House and the Department of Education. Co-founder of New Leaders for New Schools, he opened and led Mapleton Expeditionary School of Arts (MESA). In May 2008, MESA became the first district public high school in Colorado to have a perfect graduation rate with 100 percent of its seniors admitted to four-year colleges.



ADVA KAFRI

Adva Kafri is an Israeli living in Tel Aviv. She first became involved with SCG at age 15 as a participant in the Building Bridges for Peace program. After high school she fulfilled her Israeli national service requirement by working with children with mental and physical disabilities instead of serving in the military. She co-founded SCG's Interns for Peace program in which past participants continue their peace building work. Adva is currently completing her degree in Education for Social Justice, Environmental Justice and Peace Education at Kibbutzim College of Education.



RAWAN ZAITOUN

Born and raised in the city of Jerusalem, Rawan Zaitoun recently completed her Master's of Social Work from McGill University through the McGill Middle East program in Civil Society and Peace Building. She now works in the old city of Jerusalem leading programs and activities to empower Palestinian women in the areas of education, cultural heritage, social rights and employment. She co-founded SCG's Interns for Peace program with Ms. Kafri.



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Friday, November 13, 2009 7:30am - 9:00am
Grand Hyatt, Downtown Denver
1750 Welton St. Denver, CO 80202
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Seeking Common Ground (SCG) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization based in Denver, CO. Founded in 1993, SCG's mission is to empower individuals to change the world by creating peaceful communities through integration, socialization, communication and leadership development. SCG has directly impacted a few thousand diverse young women and men through its programs. Participants acquire the skills and confidence to wage peace and become agents of change in their home communities and beyond. SCG has indirectly impacted thousands more through follow-up programming and outreach.

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