



Tomorrow's Women FACT SHEET

TOMORROW'S WOMEN

Courage. Leadership. Change.

OUR STORY: Who We Are

In 2003, united by the belief that the endless cycle of violence and bloodshed that has for too long marred Israelis and Palestinians alike must end, humanitarian Rachel Kaufman, artist and filmmaker Debra Sugerman, and writer Anael Harpaz founded Tomorrow's Women (TW), then Creativity for Peace.

As feminists and activists, our founders felt that adults, mostly men, have had the floor for decades. Young women must take the lead because they hold the most promise and potential---that once those barriers that stem from what we call the double burden of being young and female are removed: all you need is to care deeply and the courage to take the first step.

That's one reason why TW works only with girls and women, creating safe, immersive spaces and training programs bringing together young Palestinian and Israeli women to see one another not as strangers with conflicting goals, but as neighbors with similar hopes and dreams.

20 years into our work, our 400+ alumnae continue to use their new skills, dedication, and compassion daily to forge a path for coexistence, reaching thousands of individuals, and just as our founders envisioned, each young woman in her own way is "leading the way to peace".

OUR IMPACT: Alumnae Accomplishments

Sivan Kedem ('05): Directed the **Cologne Peace Daycare Center** in Jaffa, the first bilingual, multifaith daycare center to bring Arab and Jewish children together.

Aia Khalaily ('10): Organized the first **Arab-Jewish book fair** at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and is now a project manager at the **United Nations** working with refugees.

Dror Sadot ('11): Co-initiated the first women's strike in Israel in protest of femicide and is now the spokesperson for **B'Tselem**, the Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories and recently was quoted speaking out against the wrongful death of Shireen Abu Akleh.

Shoshana Ben-David ('13): Created "**Runners Without Borders**," a running group for young Arab and Jewish women in Israel.

Yara Abu Al Hija ('16): Intern at **HaMoked**, the Center for the Defense of the Individual which provides free legal aid and conducts strategic litigation to promote the human rights of Palestinians.

Jenan ('16): Received her MBA, is a business entrepreneur and University Professor who completed **TW's Intro to Dialogue Facilitation** and will now work at Hands of Peace as Dialogue Facilitator.

Lana Ikelan ('16): is a research assistant at the **Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace** and is a graduate of **TW's Intro to Dialogue Facilitation** program.

Rosol Tuhul ('17): Completed the Connect Program through **Soliya**, an international NPO working at the intersection of peacebuilding, global education, and technology.

Omri Dinur ('19): was a **2022 Young Leader Tour speaker**, sharing with audiences their inspiring story about finding peace while living on the Gaza border.



For more alumnae
accomplishments,
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"Camp made me a peacemaker. The Advanced Leadership Initiative made me an activist." – Abigail Coorsh, '21

HOW WE DO IT: Our Methodology



Compassionate
Listening



Authentic
Speaking



Therapeutic &
Creative Arts



Leadership
Skills

WHAT WE DO: Our Programs



Foundational Programs (15–18 years)

Young Leader: A transformative three-week summer peace intensive in New Mexico followed by 4 weekend seminars in Israel and Palestine.

Gaza Girls: An innovative virtual program offering emotional resiliency, leadership, and virtual and in-person storytelling skills to young women from Gaza culminating in a grassroots community impact project.

New Mexico Peace Ambassador: A local, global citizen leadership program for high school teen girls to connect with their peers from Israel and Palestine, learning about conflict transformation.



Alumnae Opportunities (18–29 years)

Young Leader Speaking Tour: An opportunity for TW alumnae to practice public speaking skills by sharing their stories of coexistence with audiences throughout the US and abroad.


Advanced Leadership Initiative: Project design and implementation for young women peacemakers to apply their leadership skills to grassroots social action projects affecting thousands in their communities.

Intro to Dialogue Facilitation Certificate: a 100-hour new training program in the basics of dialogue facilitation, culminating in a practicum where participants lead group discussions in their communities.

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