

# 2016 PROGRAM REPORT

**Washington DC** 

Philadelphia

New York

**AUGUST 8 - 17** 







# What is IYLA?

The International Young Leaders Assembly is a premier partnership-driven leadership development program that empowers promising young leaders to positively impact communities, nations and the world. Emphasizing the importance of vision, service and entrepreneurship as the foundation of moral and innovative leadership, the IYLA hosts student leaders and young professionals for interactive programs with globally significant leaders and institutions. Delegates acquire first-hand experience in leadership, join a lasting global leadership network and build a platform to tackle current critical issues.

The inaugural IYLA was held in Atlanta in 2012 and has been growing ever since. IYLA has positively impacted over 7,000 young leaders around the world, and has been conducted in multiple countries. In collaboration with distinguished private and public-sector partners throughout the world, the initiating co-conveners Global Peace Foundation and Global Young Leaders Academy anchor the global programs in Washington D.C., Philadelphia and New York.



# Moral and Innovative Leadership: Vision, Service, and Entrepreneurship

**ENGAGE** with globally significant institutions and leaders

BUILD lasting friendships and a powerful leadership network

IMPACT your community, nation, and world as an IYLA Global Ambassador

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# The Experience



"I'm pleased to welcome all participants to the ninth International Young Leaders Assembly. As visionaries, you have created some of the world's most innovative technologies. As budding philanthropists, you have founded socially driven companies and organizations. You have already changed the world as we know it, and I'm sure you can do even more in the future."

Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary General

"The historic large numbers of young people in the world today necessitate that we make a deliberate decision to harness their energetic innovative leadership capacity. Let us work together to empower young men and women around the world."



H.E. Frederick Musiiwa Shava, UN Economic and Social Council President



"I am proud to say my office has supported the International Young Leaders Assembly since its early stages. It is always inspiring to see so many young people gathered at the United Nations. Seize this opportunity and translate it into concerete actions in your communities. The United Nations is with you on this mission."

Ahmad Alhendawi, UN Secretary General's Envoy on Youth

"Congratulations on being selected to participate in this amazing assembly. The fact that you are here means that you share a passion for collaborating with others and are able to visualize innovative approaches to solving the worlds problems."



Diane Melley, Vice President, IBM



"It is inspiring that we get to have access to all these institutions. I love that we get to practice what we've been learning and studying ourselves as young professionals; being able to say, 'Okay, let's test it out on this international stage."

Natalie Gray, USA Delegate

"IYLA has given me a space to grow more and exercise empathy more than ever. Every experience opens up a door for me to move forward, grow more and live life with passionate people. I've made new friends and new connections.



Yussef Paglas, Philippines Delegate



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# Washington D.C. Highlights

## MONDAY, AUGUST 8

- Arrivals
- Welcome Dinner
- Orientation







## TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

- Sustained Dialogue Institute Workshop
- Leadership Adventure Challenge at Potomac Great Falls













## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

- Supreme Court
- Leadership Forum at US Congress
- Banquet at the Embassy of Philippines















"Really powerful feeling today, to be able to go to Capitol Hill and deliver a speech."

Lim Wensi, Singapore

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

- State Department Briefings and Dialogue
- Wilson Center Briefing
- Briefings at the Embassies of Saudi Arabia and Germany
- Monuments Night Excursion



















"The State Department and Wilson Center discussions highlighted deep insights into the vital role of history and culture. We were challenged to seek a mutual interest in a higher purpose"

Gabriel Ashu-Arrey, Cameroon

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

• Global Summit at the World Bank: *Forums on Leadership, Service, and Entrepreneurship* -Commemorating International Youth Day





"IYLA has taught me to re-evaluate my choices and leadership skills. With a team of people of common vision, you will go far."

Peony Kong, Canada

# Philadelphia Highlights

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

- Cultural Expedition
- Seminar on Global Significance of the Declaration of Independence at the National Constitution Center
- Entrepreneurship and Design Thinking Seminars with Wharton students at the University of Pennsylvania



# New York City Highlights

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

• New York Cultural Expedition

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 15

- Special Briefing by UN Chief of Cabinet
- IBM Leadership Training

















"I've met so many amazing people and made friends from all different walks of life and different cultures, races, religions. I've learned a lot about leadership and I've been really inspired to strive for my big dreams and not worry they won't happen, but find a way to make them happen."

Elise Webb, Australia

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

- IYLA Global Ambassador Commission Ceremony at UN Trusteeship Council Chamber
- Global Summit at the UN General Assembly Hall

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

Departures and Farewell







"Being given the chance to speak at the UN General Assembly Hall is a milestone I will forever cherish. I am grateful for that great opportunity to represent my country."

Kaye Revil, Philippines



## Presenters



Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava President, UN ECOSOC



**Edmond Mulet** Chief of Cabinet, **United Nations** 



James Flynn International President, **Global Peace Foundation** 



Rodrigo Rojo Senior Advisor, Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay Peru, and Uruguay



Diane Melley Vice-President Global Citizenship Initiatives, IBM



Anya Babbitt Founder and Chief Executive Officer, SPLT



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Roman Macaya Hayes Ambassador of Costa Rica to the United States



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Jimmy Jam Six-time Grammy Award Winning Producer



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Ahmad Alhendawi Secretary General's Special Envoy on Youth



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