

Seminar, 26 September

The legacy of M.K. Gandhi in India and the World

Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Lecture Hall 24
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Mid-August 2007 was the 60th Anniversary of India's independence. End of January 2008 is the 60th Anniversary of the murder of M.K. Gandhi (1869-1948) by a Hindu fanatic.

Gandhi's concepts of nonviolent resistance and anti-colonialism have changed the world after World War II. Numerous interpretations of Gandhi's ideas in India and the World have influenced anti-colonial and post-colonial movements. Gandhi has either been reduced to a state icon or rediscovered as a non-modern radical. **Lou Marin**, longtime activist in nonviolent direct action networks, gives a personal account and an overview of the various currents and controversial discussions on Gandhi's legacy.

The Speaker:

Lou Marin, a militant within nonviolent direct action groups in social movements in Germany from 1979-2001. Associate Editor of the monthly journal on nonviolent anarchism, *Graswurzelrevolution*, Germany, from 1984-2001. Lives in Marseille/France since 2001. Author, editor and translator of books on Albert Camus, Simone Weil, M.K. Gandhi, *Social Movements in India*, and the African-American Movement of the 1960s. Presently a scholar-in-residence of the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation.

